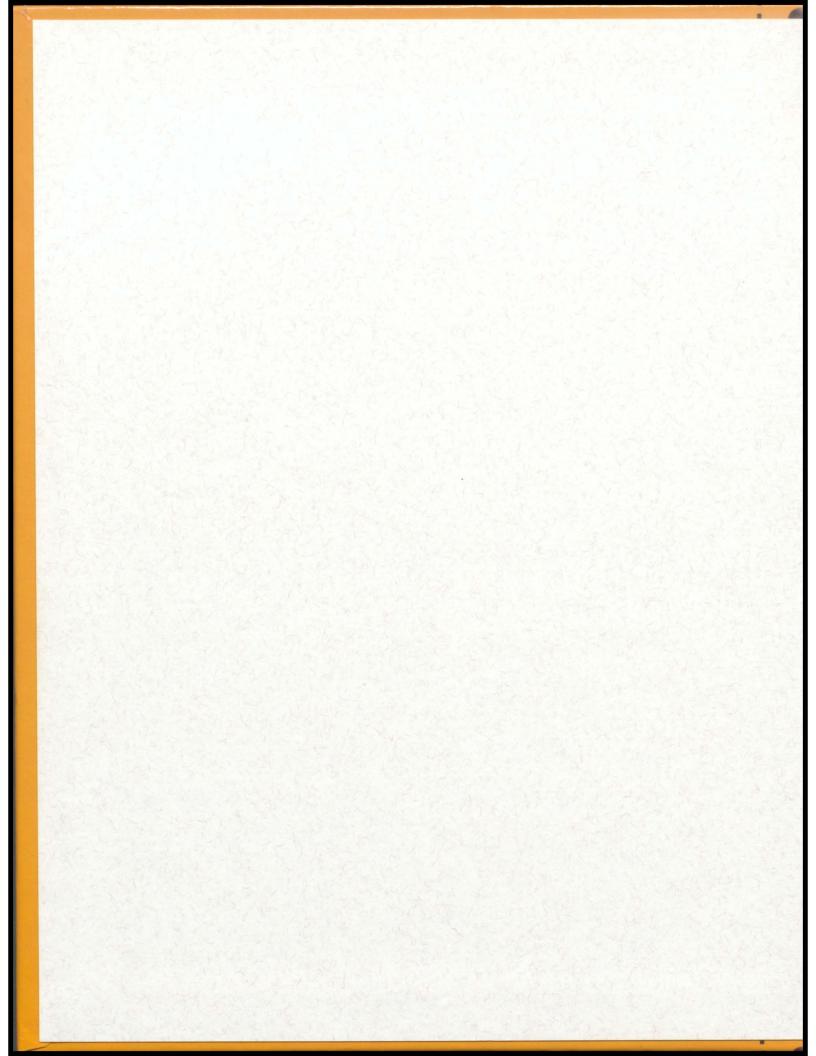
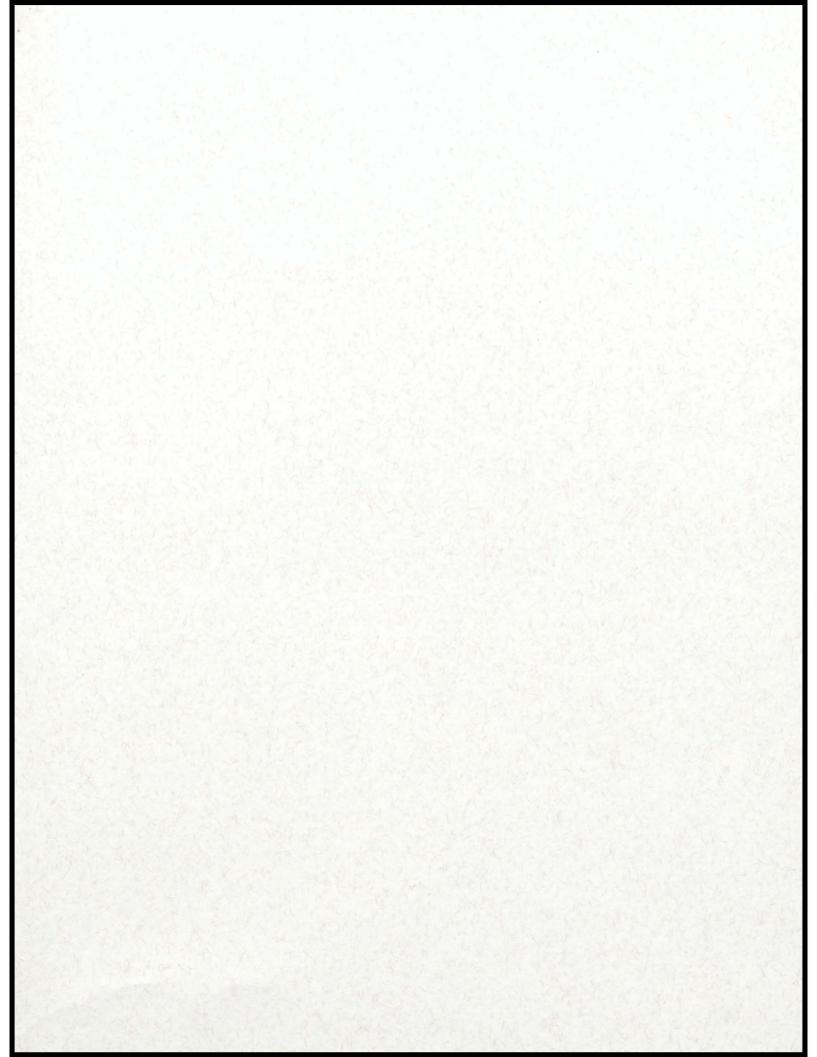
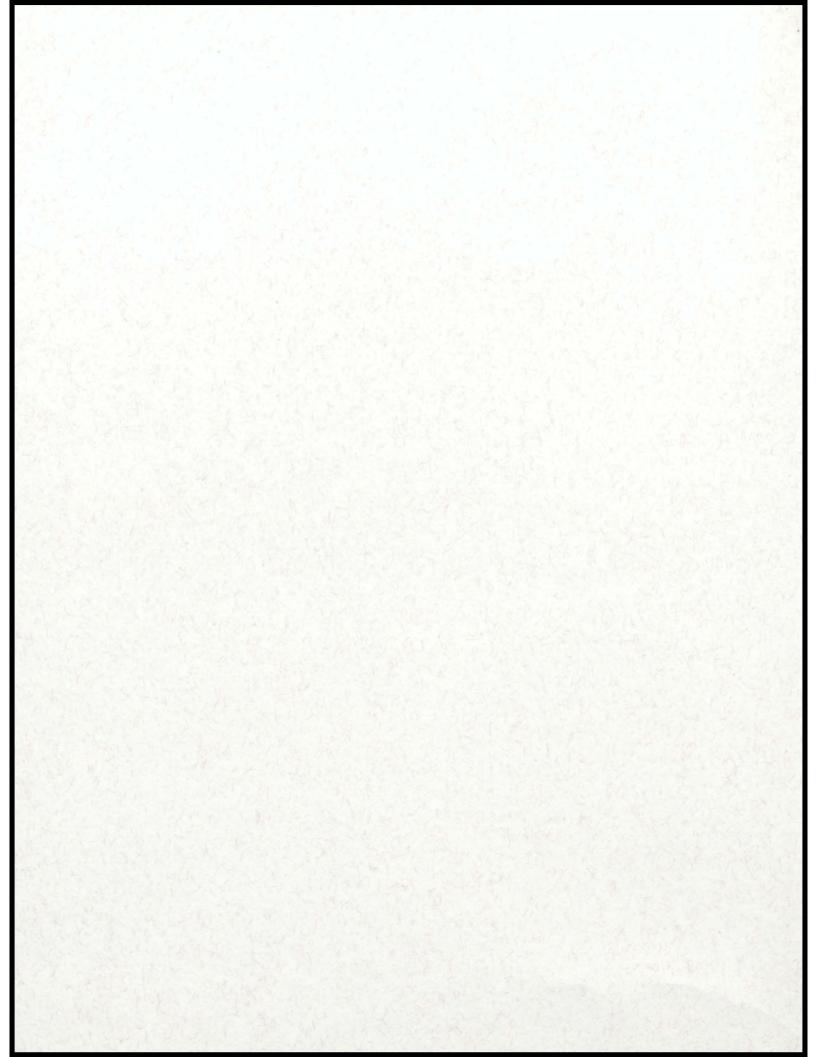
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Communications arts teacher Linda Schafer, office assistant Dillon Meals, Jadria Roberts



#### 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 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.

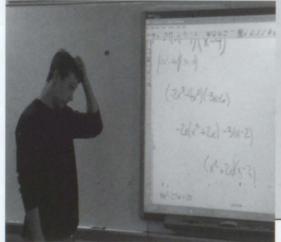
AirLiner wireless slate enables instructors to teach from anywhere and allows students to interact with information from their seats. Multiple slate users can write at the same time as someone at the Smartboard.

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.



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





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

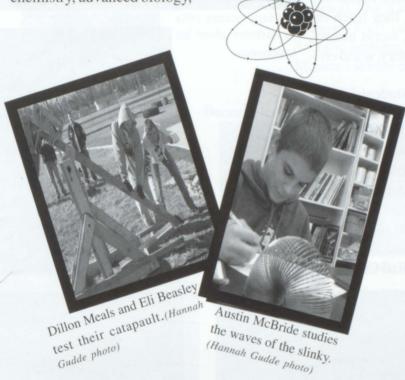
Stuart Cox works out a problem on the Smartboard. (Whitney Orth photo)



### THEORY GUIDES, **EXPERIMENT DECIDES**

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

advanced chemistry, physics, and anatomy and physiology.





Tonya Schmidt demonstrates an experiment in a general chemistry class. (Hannah Gudde photo)







Physics students ride an elevator to watch their weight change as they go up and down. (Jordan Meyers photo)

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)

page designed by Hannah Gudde

"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.

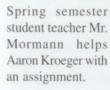
Several guests were added to students' class-room experiences. In addition, Martin's students hosted a mock presidential election to coincide with our national election, and six students in Hann's classes participated in National History Day. Three of those six qualified for state competition in the 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!







Approximate any part of the property of the pr

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

Freshman Chelsea Grif-

fin received honorable

mention for her poem "Dare" in the Missouri

State Poetry Society

contest senior division.

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 partnership.



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.



Ben Jennings





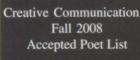
Melana Salisbury



Amanda Reeves

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! By the completion of all Spanish courses, students will be

Spanish teacher Claire Lea helps Spanish II student, Sarah Keith, type a paper in Spanish. (Hannah Gudde photo)

foreign exchange student play a Span-

(Kasron Preston photo)

ish game.

By the completion of all Spanish 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.



### Preparing students for family, career, and work

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Shauna Cox and Kassi McCubbin get help from teacher Kathy Brown.
(Jade Jones photo)

Daniel Jones slices apples for a fruit platter. (Jordan Meyers photo)



Felicia McCann started on her se wing project by threading her needle.

(Jade Jones photo)



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



Ally Clark pins down her pajama pants pattern.
(Jade Jones photo)

# 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

tion systems (1 credit), and foundations of computer operating systems (1 credit).

Software introduced or mastered in these courses include Microsoft Office 2007, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Flash, Audacity and Premier Elements, Microsoft Publisher, Adobe InDesign, and The Stock Market Game.

Students in these classes create collages and scrapbook pages, illustrate and animate logos and comic strips, create personal and documentary videos, code simple web ages, create advanced animations, design flyers, brochures, newsletters athletic programs, movie posters, book or DVD covers, complete a teen entrepreneur simulation, launch and maintain websites and pages, and design computer programs for specific uses.



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## 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 ployment, students 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 emlearn 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 l i p board.





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 photos)





### **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.



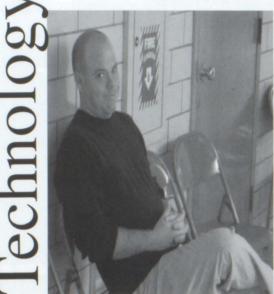
Melissa McBride brought one of her goats to Lori Lewis' class in the fall. Jace Bohlmeyer and Trevor Kinkead pretend to milk her.

(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)

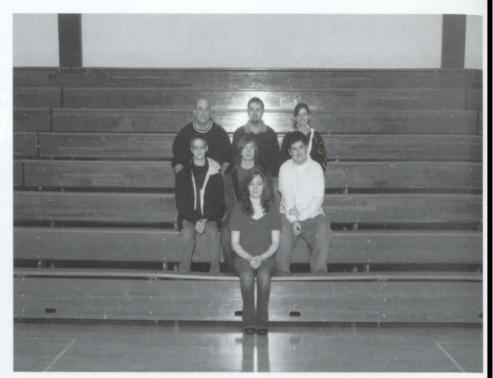
Matt McKenzie takes a break between classes before rushing off to his next technology job.

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



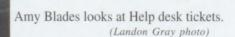


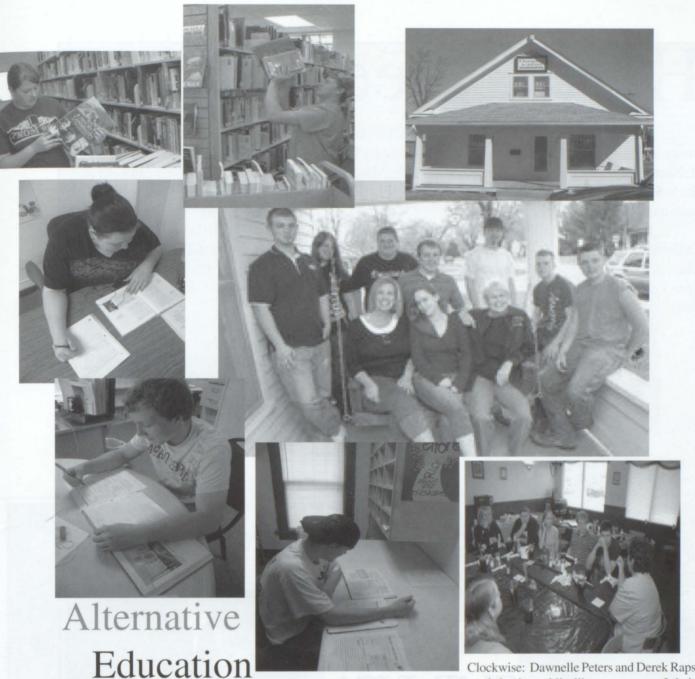
Senior Josh Graf was one of several high school student "techies." (Landon Gray photo)

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.





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 newcom-

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 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 R-II, 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 Occupa-

tions.



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.





2008-2009 Vo-Tech students row one: Jeff Pilgram, Andrew Graham, Billy Edwards, Jacque King; row two: Shane Henry, Aaron Kroeger, Ethan McCoy, Dakota Moore; row three: Austin Blackwell, John Blake, Royce Ridgway, Anthony Underwood; row four: Dustin Hunt, Brandon Rice. (Wagner photo)

### 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.



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

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





### Physical Education

Amber Orth and Rachel Beck start a hockey game.

(Whitney Orth photo)

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.



Freshman Boys playing a game of Batmitten. (photo by Whitney Orth)



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

Freshman Connor Brooks works out in the weight room.

(Whitney Orth photo)



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# Visual



# Arts



Mrs. Doris Wood's art classes sent their artwork to High-

land High School where two judges critiqued it, along with many other pieces of art work.

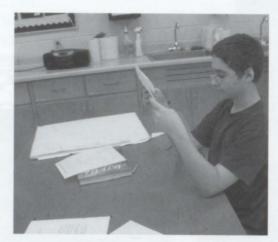
Each judge had his/her

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; Aaron Schwennesen, lst 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, lst 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 Bohlmeyer, 3rd in charcoal, HM





Junior Alli Hopkins won second place Jamie Eaves, in the 11th-12th grade division of the ink; marker; Missouri Art Educators Association. Bohlmeyer, HM ink/ Her 18'x24" work, titled "Close Enmarker. counter," took five months to complete.

sculpture; Mekka Garcia, HM sculpture, HM pottery;

HM



# Fine Arts Night May 13, 2009 Senior Recognition 024 000



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)

### Band

First year band instructor Bryan Koerner brought some new techniques for marching season and taught the marching band from seven o'clock in the morning to the end of first period. Not only did the band perform at football half-time shows, but they also participated in marching and field competitions. At the Carrollton Band Day, they placed sixth out of ten bands in the field competition, and their music placed fourth in the 3A class. Band members also participated in MU Band Day and the Kahoka Parade of Champions.

Band parents met the first Monday of each month. They hosted their fourth annual trivia night in January and a pie auction (pages 22-23) in March.



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

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-reading.



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







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.

Mrs. Rolfson conducts the orchestra at one of their concerts during the year.

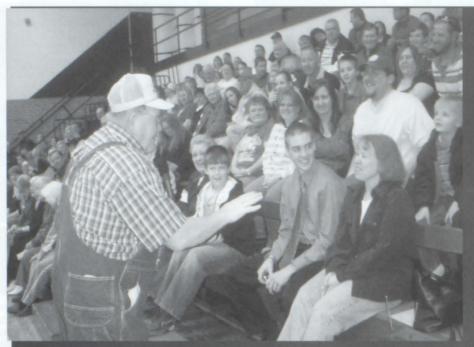
(Ann Seider photo)



The orchestra performs at Fine Arts Night.

(Joyce Roberts photo)





Auctioneer Bob Fair asks Brenda Kehl for a higher bid during the auction.

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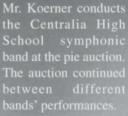


Jana Clark and Eva Coen help out at the band's chili supper before the performances. (Guard photo)



Some of the pies that Bob Fair and his assistants auctioned. (Guard photo)





(Guard photo)



# Chili Supper Supper

On March 14, 2009, the band parents held a chili supper and pie auction for friends and family. The middle school bands and the high school band performed at the concert. Between each band's performance, auctioneer 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 band 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.

(Guard photo)



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### 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 Becca Veazey; 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.
(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)

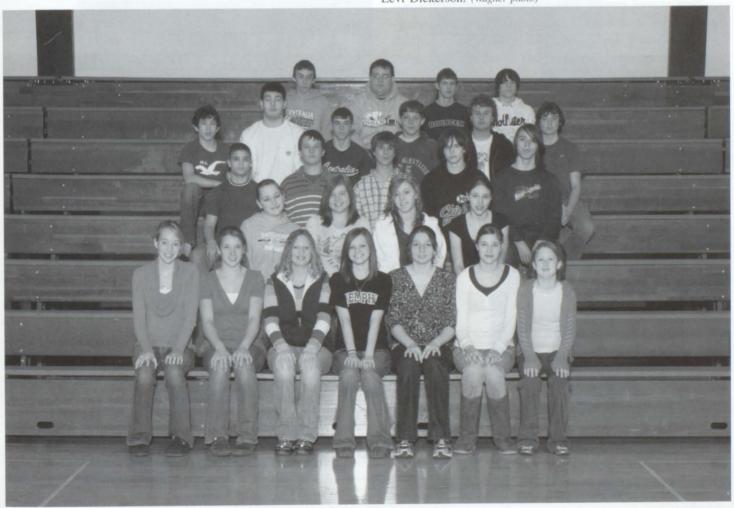


#### **Chamber Choir**

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)

#### **Main Characters**

Mertonsire	Josh Admire
Jester	
Captain Walker d Plank	
Matey	Logan Reeder
Ahoy	
Admiral Anchorbottom	
King	Shane Henry
Queen	
Guard 1	Dakota Noonan
Guard 2	Josh Thorp
Royal Court	
Sean Brix, Kristen Clark,	Emily Drake, Amber
Duncan, Olivia Elam, An	gela Freeman, Shane
Kottwitz, Brandon Kinkead	, Lauren Liegey, Dillan
Mitchell, Dalton Reeves, Ma	tthew Reichert, Melana
Salisbury, Jacob Vangilder, E	Becca Veazey, and Jenna
Wheeler	



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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# Future Business Leaders of A





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)

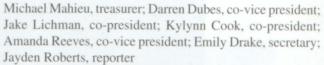


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FBLA Halloween party (Andrew Reynolds photo)





(Andrew Reynolds photo)





Andy Coulter, Kaylea Jacobi, Ally Clark, and Amanda Reeves on the October 4th Six Flags trip. (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.

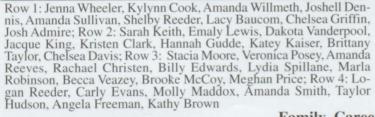
(Hannah Gudde photos)

Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) is a countrywide club, emphasizing the importance of improving family life through skills taught in family and consumer science classes.

Throughout the year, the club has attended both the FCCLA state leadership conference in Columbia and the regional FCCLA meeting in Wentzville. They also adopted three children during the winter season and provided Christmas caroling at Heritage Hall to show holiday spirit.

This year's officers were president Amanda Sullivan, vice president Joshell Dennis, secretary Kylynn cook, and treasurer Amanda Willmeth. Kathy Brown served as the organization's advisor.











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)

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The national FFA organization is dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of students by developing 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 Smith photo)



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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 Teachers



of America



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Missy Preston's kindergarten class won the FTA pizza party.

(Karson Preston photo)

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.

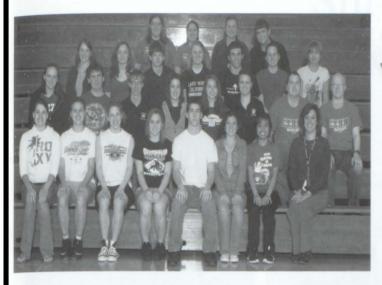
Missy Preston's kindergarten class raised the most money, earning them a pizza party. Sarah Daum's and Mandy Lafferty's classes also received sundae and cookie parties. Overall, the school raised over \$1,100, which went to needy families for Christmas. FTA members took the names off of trees around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

FTA members also babysat for PTA meetings once a month.



#### **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.



Michael Ellis and Elaine Martin talk before the TEAMS competition.

(Tonya Schmidt photo)



Katie Asher and Jordan Roberts



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

#### **TEAMS**

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)









"We delight in the beauty of the butterfly, but rarely admit the changes it has gone through to achieve that beauty."

Maya Angelou

Shelby Reeder, reading off

Bingo numbers!

(Hannah Gudde 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

(Wagner photo)



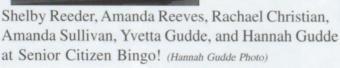
Sponsor Yvetta Gudde with a handmade St. Patrick's Day wall decoration for senior citizens (Hannah Gudde photo)

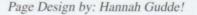


Amanda Reeves, enjoying a good









(Hannah Gudde Photo)

34 Students Taking a Tough United Stand

## Stu-Co



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

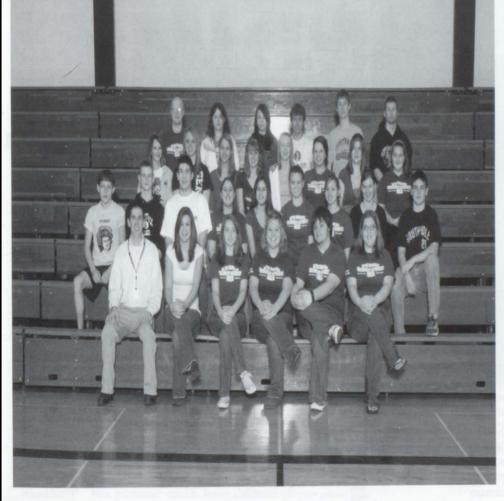


Katie Asher serves breakfast to Ryan Kennedy for the teachers' breakfast. (Linda Schafer photo)

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 Liana 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.

# National Honor Society

On Nov. 6, 2008, in the Centralia High 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

the First Christian Church at which 37 people donated blood.



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



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)

36 National Honor Society



Varsity quiz bowl team starters: (left to right) Lane Martin, Jordan Roberts, Melissa McBride, and Aaron Seider.

(Cody Lynch photo)

The varsity quiz bowl team earned first place at the conference tournament.

(Chelsea Blackwell photo)



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 Ryan Kennedy's room after school Monday-Thursday.

Janie Durham helped by showing the students how to do the math problems that came up in practice matches. Quiz Bowl matches were held on Thursdays usually at 4:30 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)

Vars	ity		
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

	JV			
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1	1-22	CHS	140-80	Louisiana
				Mark Twain
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	2-12	CHS	35-235	Palmyra
y	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

CHS 165-205 Helias (A)

CHS 160-203 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 100-110 Canton CHS 145- 85 Louisiana 3-07 Rock Bridge Tournament 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

## INTERACT 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 phenomenon. It has more than 10,700 clubs in 109 countries and more than 200,000 young people involved. INTERACT 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 Key Club. During the blood drive, students turned up periodically in groups and by themselves to help out the cause.



INTERACT

row one: Erica Cornett, Joshell Dennis, Sherri Brunner, Caitlin Jeffries; row two: Justin Timbrook, Dustin Stanton, Tyler Spears (Wagner photo)







Jayden Roberts assists blood donors in filling out blood donor information sheets.

(Landon Gray photo)



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## Focus on serving children





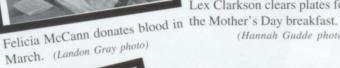
Key Clubbers sponsored a Wii bowling tournament April 25.

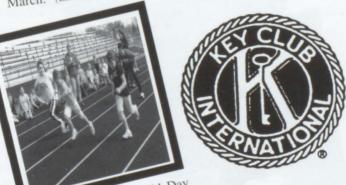
Row one: Kristen Clark, Jadria Roberts, Rachel Etzler, Amanda Smith, Becky Aguayo; Row two: Amanda Reeves, Baylee Hardman, Lex Clarkson, Veronica Lee, Molly Maddox, Kelsay Benoit, Lauren Stuart; Row 3: Angela Freeman, Grant Elsbury, Nathan Hann, Eric Needy, Chelsea Davis, Rachel Beck, Stuart Cox (Wagner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



Lex Clarkson clears plates for (Hannah Gudde photo)

Key Club is a service organization affiliated with Kiwanis International and the local Kiwanis chapter. The goal for Key Club members is to help others and serve our community in as many ways possible. The Key Club has a major emphasis program (MEP). "Children: Their Future, Our Focus".





Key Club Track and Field Day was also held in April. (Hannah Gudde photo)



Mrs Aguayo, Molly Maddox, Amanda Smith, Kelsay Benoit, Gina Olsen, Kristen Clark, Jadria Roberts, and Lex Clarkson pose with food from Key Club's Thanksgiving box drive.

(Hannah Gudde photo)

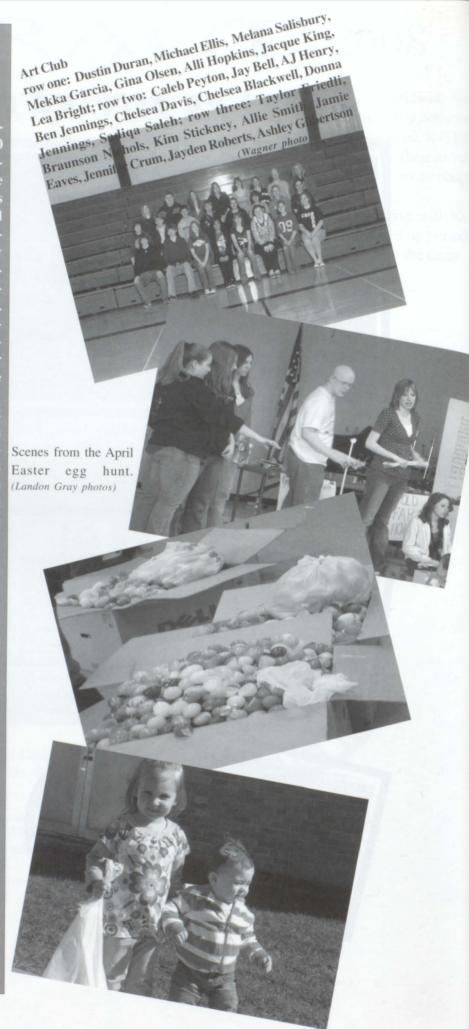
#### CHS ART CLUB 2008

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.





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.



# Warsity Football

2008 CCC, District, and Regional Champs

11-1



The defensive team lines up for a field goal.

(Karson Preston photo)



Coaches Erle Bennett and Jim Newsted watch the game from the sidelines.

(Karson Preston photo)



Above: The offensive team begins a play. (Karson Preston photo)

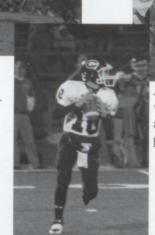
Left: Tyler Wright kicks a PAT after we make a touchdown.

(Karson Preston photo)

Right: Scott Rodgers holds the ball until a player becomes open. (*Karson Preston photo*)

Below: Nic Ford, Will Evans, and Matt Rusch run with the ball for a touchdown.

(Karson Preston photo)



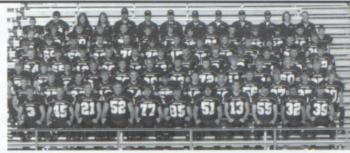
Justin Boothe is ready while facing off against a South Callaway player.

(Karson Preston photo)



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	SCORES	11-1	1-6.8
8-29	Louisiana	W	65-0
9-5	South Shelby	W	35-32
9-12	Monroe City	W	39-0
9-19	Highland	W	41-0
9-26	Macon	W	54-14
10-3	Mark Twain	W	67-27
10-10	Palmyra	W	49-10
10-17	Wright City	W	57-14
10-24	Mont. Co.	W	36-7
10-29	Hermann	W	41-7
11-5	S. Callaway	W	57-14
11-10	Blair Oaks	L	7-13



2008 Centralia High School Football Team (Wagner photo)

2008 Coaching Staff Nathan Gordon, Mike Adkisson, Troy Motley, Erle Bennett, Mike Hann, Ty Harrison, Jim Newsted (Wagner photo)

#### We Stick Together!

#### All-Conference and All-District Players

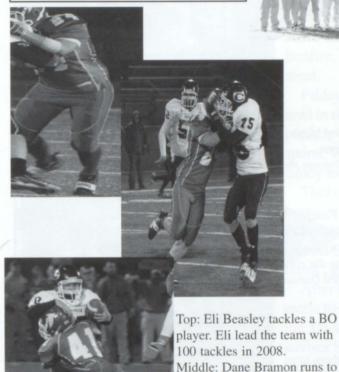
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Nic Ford**	receiver	1st CCC and district
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Matt Rusch	receiver	2nd CCC and district
gaing. The	return specialist	2nd CCC
Daniel Jones		
Justin Boothe	center	lst CCC
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Tyler Wright**	offensive guard	1st CCC
THE DESIGNATION	offensive linema	
Co. Woods and	kicker	1st CCC 2nd district
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Brandon Kinkea	d offensive guard	2nd CCC
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	defensive end	1st CCC
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Dylan Dick	defensive tackle	1st CCC
Anthony Under	wood defensiv	ve tackle 1st CCC
		ve line 1st district
Eli Beasley	linebacker	1st CCC and district
Mike Schmidt	honorable menti	on CCC
men out	secondary	2nd district

\*\* CHS record breakers: Evans-most rushing touchdowns in a game (6), touchdowns in a season (34), touchdowns in a career (50); most rushing yards in a season (1717); most total points in season (218), in a career (322); most touchdown totals in a season (35) Wright- most points after touchdown in a season (56) Ford- most reception yards in a game (215)

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Erle Bennett



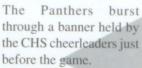
The varsity football team had another great season in 2008! The team played a perfect regular season, winning conference and district. This season put them at winning 34 regular season game winning streak. The team moved onto regionals winning against South Callaway. Then they played their rival Blair Oaks in the sectional game. Both teams played well, but the Falcons ended up on top, sending us packing with only one loss in the season. For the season, the Panthers scored 548 points, and their opponents scored 139 points against them. The All-State players were 2nd team offense, Will Evans and Tyler Wright, 2nd team defense, Eli Beasley and Nic Ford.

block his opponent.

Bottom: A BO player tackles quarterback Scott Rodgers. (Karson Preston photos)







(Ed Dunstan photo)

The football players smile and wave while throwing candy from their float during the Homecoming parade.

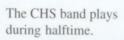
(Linda Schafer photo)

A large crowd of Panther fans and supporters cheer\_ on the Panthers during the Homecoming game against the Tigers.

(Ed Dunstan photo)







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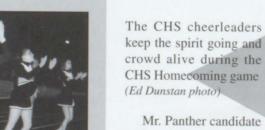
Mr. Panther candidate Brandon Kinkead rides next to Lucy McGowan during the parade.

(Ed Dunstan photo)





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

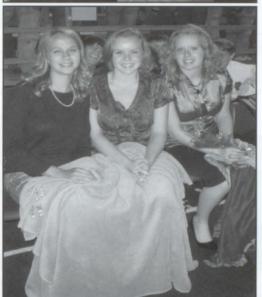


Mr. Panther candidate Eli Beasley rides with Sierra Angell during the parade.(right)











**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 half-time, 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 cd 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 45** 

### JV Football Final Stats

Brumley     15     258     1       Hann     11     89     4       Massey     5     75     0       Stidham     7     72     1       Colston     4     59     0       Angell     3     41     1       Kottwitz     2     18     0	Receiving	Rec	Yds	TDs
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	Colston	4	59	0
Kottwitz 2 18 0	Angell	3	41	1
	Cottwitz	2	18	0
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Passing	Comp	Att	Yds	TDs	INTS
Schmersahl	45	79	569	7	3
Stidham	1	2	46	0	0
Gesling	4	14	15	0	1

Rushing	ATT	YDS	TDs	
Schmersahl	53	388	7	Ī
White	75	296	2	
Mundy	35	168	2	
Bohlmeyer	15	67	2	
Stidham	10	65	1	
Hann	4	38	1	
Papen	3	22	0	
Meyers	1	20	0	
Gesling	12	13	0	
Angell	3	7	0	
Swanson	8	2	0	
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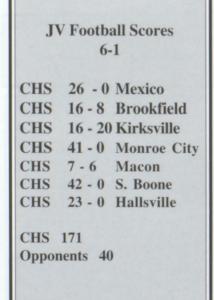


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Player	TDs	FGs	XP	2pt	Tot.
Schmersahl	7	0	0	0	42
Hann	5	0	0	3	36
Miles	1	1	12	0	21
Mundy	2	0	0	0	12
White	2	0	0	0	12
Stidham	2	0	0	0	12
Bohlmeyer	2	0	0	0	12
Angell	1	0	0	0	6
Brumley	1	0	0	0	6
Meyers	1	0	0	0	6
Colston	0	0	0	2	4
Massey	0	0	0	1	2

(Jordan Meyers photos)



Tackles	TI	Solo	Assists
Mundy	32	11	21
White	32	11	21
Angell	26	11	15
Thompson	26	9	17
Miles	25	3	22
Schmersahl	24	5	19
Thorp	24	4	20
Colston	22	9	13
Coulter	22	3	19
Carlson	18	7	. 11
Caples	14	4	10
Bohlmeyer	13	6	7
Hann	13	3	10
Massey	12	7	5
Beard	11	3	8
Brumley	11	5	6
Stidham	11	4	7
Gesling	10	1	9
Kottwitz	10	5	5
Mahieu	7	1	6
Meyers	6	4	2
Richardson	3	1	2
Papen	2	0	2
Power	1	0	1
Swanson	1	1	0
Veazey	1	0	1
McCoy	1	0	1





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



Tackles	Solo	Assists	Tackl	es Solo Assists Tackles
Schmidt	44	19	63	Leighton 1
McCoy	54	5	59	Pemberton 1 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 Yds, 1 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	

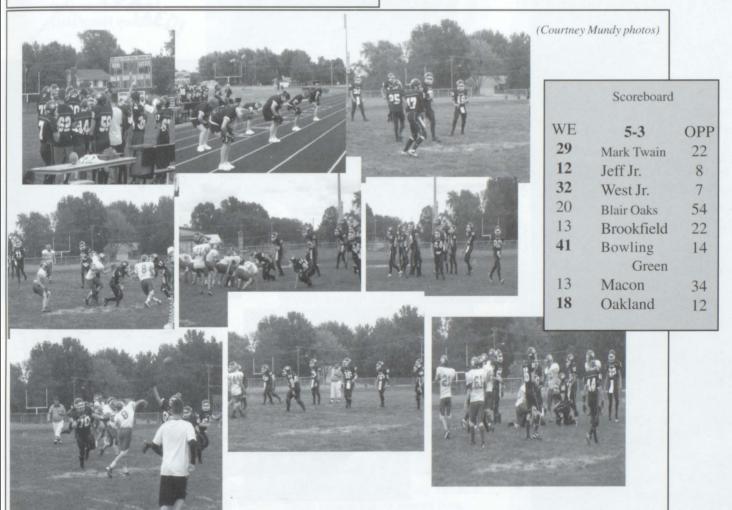
Sticking it to 'em



Linda Schafer photo

Scoring
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 8 Rushes, 95 Yds, 1 TD Cox 12 Rushes, 59 Yds Schmidt 9 Rushes, 43 Yds Moore 12 Rushes, 42 Yds Cole Schmidt 5 Rushes, 26 Yds McBride 2 Rushes, 15 Yds



#### Panther Softball



Jordyn Tolliver throws the ball to 1st base.

(Ed Dunstan photo)



Amber Duncan pitches the ball. (Ed Dunstan photo)



Felicia McCann throws the ball home.

(Ed Dunstan photo)

Jennifer Mills flips the ball to 1st (Ed Dunstan photo)



All-Region Jordyn Tolliver (1st) Mallory Henry (1st) Felicia McCann (2nd) Jenna Lauer (2nd)

All-State Jordyn Tolliver (1st) Mallory Henry (1st)

## **Varsity** scoreboard

22-4

CHS 7-0 **MACON** 

CHS 4-1 **SALISBURY** 

Monroe City Tourney 1st Place **CHS** 11-0 HIGHLAND

CHS 12-2 HARRISBURG

CHS 1-0 MARK TWAIN

CHS 15-0 MEXICO

William Woods Tourney 3rd Place

CHS 10-0 SOUTH SHELBY

CHS 3-1 WESTRAN

CHS 10-0 MONROE CITY

Centralia Invitational 3rd Place

CHS 9-6 **HALLSVILLE** 

CHS 9-2 LOUISIANA

CHS 0-10 **PALMYRA** 

CHS 8-6 **BOONVILLE** 

Districts:

CHS 11-0 NEW BLOOMFIELD

CHS 2-1 HALLSVILLE

Sectionals:

CHS 4-3 BLAIR OAKS

**Quarter Finals:** 

CHS 1-5 PALMYRA

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-District** 

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

Amber Duncan (HM)

Outfielders Jordan Meyers, Mallory Henry and Emily Koster

(Robin Meyers photo)

All-Conference

Jordyn Tolliver (1st) Mallory Henry (1st) Jenna Lauer (2nd)







Junior Emily Koster at bat (James Smith photo)

# Junior Varsity scoreboard 14-0

CHS 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

The JV team after winning the Hickman JV Tournament by beating Blair Oaks 5-2, Hickman 8-6 and Helias 5-2. (Brad Creel photo)

Sophomores Chloe Armontrout and Emily Crow (Jordan Meyers photo)



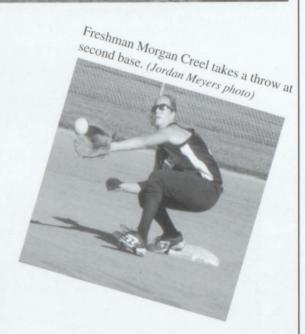


Sophomore Rachel Etzler at the plate. She finished the season with a plate. She finished the season with a development of the season with a plate of the sea





Junior Melana Salisbury fields a clean ground ball at second base (Jed Angell photo)



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



Softball 49

Sticking Together!

"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 Blackwell Competes at State

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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## 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.



## VOLLEYBALL

#### Varsity Volleyball

CHS	25-10 15	5-25 15-	7 Hallsville
CHS	12-25	11-25	Fulton
CHS	11-25	13-25	S. Boone
CHS	28-26	25-15	Russelluille
CHS	25-18	26-24	tallsuille*
CHS	25-17	22-25	Tipton*
CHS	18-25	21-25 F	asselluille*
CHS	22-25 25	-18 15-12	z tallsuille*
CHS	22-25	26-28	Mexico
CHS	18-25	5-25	Tipton
CHS	10-25	15-25	California
CHS	20-25	17-25	Russelluille
CHS	25-22	25-18	Hallsuille
CHS	25-16	25-10	kirksuille
CHS1	1-25 25-2	125-19	Mont Co.
CHS	27-25	25-20	Mexico
CHS	10-25 21	-25 Bow	iling Green
CHS	19-25	23-25	Eugene
CHS	26-28	25-15	26-24 Linn
CHS	20-25	25-23 2	5-20 Linn^
CHS	9-25	5-25	teryann^

Record: 9-11-1

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

#### Freshmen Volleyball

CHS	15-25	12-2	5	leff Ir.
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CHS	9-25	15-25	Bla	air Oaks
CHS	21-25 25	5-14 15-	18 k	rirksville
CHS	20-25	5 9-2	5	Jeff Jr.
CHS	25-20	20-25 2	25-1	2 Linn

Record: 2-3



Coach Aguayo talks to the varsity team during a timeout. (Ed Dunstan photo)



Alex Blackwell and Kylynn Cook warmup.

(Ed Dunstan photo)





JV Volleyball

CHS 22-25 25-19 9-15 Hallsville CHS 13-25 10-25 Fulton CHS 25-15 23-25 20-25 S. Boone CHS25-23 23-25 22-25Russellville 15-25 25-22 Hallsville CHS 25-21 20-25 Tipton CHS 14-25 25-23 Russellville\* CHS 19-25 18-25 Tipton\* CHS 15-25 25-10 23-25 Mexico CHS 21-25 16-25 Tipton CHS12-25 25-11 25-19 California CHS10-25 26-24 22-25Russellville 15-25 22-25 Hallsville CHS Marshall/ CHS 6-19 7-19 CHS 9-19 6-19 Bowling Green^ CHS 6-19 7-19 Hannibal^ 7-19 Fulton/ CHS 14-19 CHS 25-6 Kirksville 25-15 CHS 11-25 18-25 Mont. Co. CHS 25-23 25-21 Mexico CHS 14-25 17-25 Bowling Green

Record: 3-15-3

\*Tipton JV Tournament scores, the JV team got 2nd place in this tournament

^Hannibal Tournament scores

Kaylena Albright spikes the ball. (Ed Dunstan photo)

#### 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



# Girls' Golf 2008

Centralia
Lady
Panthers
Send 2 to
State

Alli Hopkins
Katie Martin
Hannah Gudde
Jenna Wheeler
Gina Olsen

Average-57.7

Average-58.3

Average-65.3

Average-67.6

Average-68.2



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)



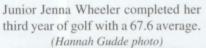
Competing at state, freshman Katie Martin shot a 123, tieing for 104th. (Hannah Gudde photo)



Alli Hopkins had the top local score, finishing 99th

(Ed Dunstan photo)

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





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



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



Jenna Wheeler sets up her putt. (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 hold-ing 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)











SERTY BOW





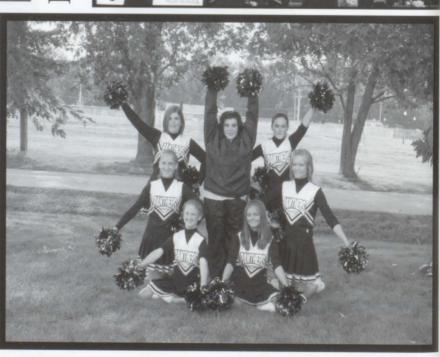
56 Cheerleaders

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 McCubbin, Andrea King and Taylor Hudson

(Wagner photo)













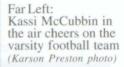
The football cheerleaders pose before a game (Jordan Meyers photo)

Above Left: Emma Timbrook on the endline during a basketball game (Ed Dunstan photo)

Above middle: Shauna Cox and Kassi McCubbin proudly award the Courtwarming royalty (Karson Preston photo)

Above Right: Kaylee Creel helps cheer on the football team (Ed Dunstan photo)

The JV girls cheer on the football boys (Ed Dunstan photo)



2008-2009 Members of the Varsity Team Row 1: Cammie Burton, Shauna Cox, Kelsay Reichert, Mekka Garcia, Lauren Burkhardt, Kassi McCubbin, Angela Freeman and Ann Marie Klues; Row 2: Amanda Reeves, Becca Veazey, Amanda Willmeth and Kaylee Creel (Wagner photo)

Below: The team during Courtwarming halftime (Karson Preston photo)



## **CHEERLEADING**

Cheerleaders 57

## Dribblin' and Drivin'



Coach Brown draws up the plan while the team tries to understand

(Karson Preston photo)

North Callaway Centralia Tournament Blair Oaks Cameron Mexico Brookfield South Shelby Tournament Hallsville Macon Tournament

South Shelby Palmyra Monroe City Mark Twain Louisiana Boonville Macon Highland Montgomery County Fayette Districts

Boys

page designed by Jordan Meyers

Varsity

The 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 con-Callaway, winning only by two game was when points. The boys had quite a few they beat Mark close games, winning some and los- Twain in an uning some. One of the most memo- ending battle by rable 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-Rusch got the shot off right before rific senior cap-

sisted of many juniors and few sophomores. The team had many key players and each player had his own role includin the locker room as a pre-game ritual.

Hunter Brumley tries to defend the inbounds play

Nic Ford goes up strong for a right-handed layup Matthew Rusch works to get a shot off









Ed Dunstan photos

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 Wright



Harrison Washington looks at the basket to shoot



Scott Rodgers drives for a shot in the lane



Tim Mundy shoots over a Paris defender

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## 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)



Junior Nic Ford goes up for a layup against two opponents

Jordan Meyers photo



Karson Preston photo



Junior Hunter Brumley catches a pass

Ed Dunstan photo

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

Tammy Chitwood photo



Tyler Wright works for an easier shot

Ed Dunstan 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* 

Varsity Boys' Basketball 59

# Darsity girls'

## Finish season 22-6

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#### Honors

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

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



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



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



Jordan Meyers dribbles the ball around an opposing teammate.

(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)

# *GribbLe*Shoot

score



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)

#### W 60-46 North Callaway Dec 12 Dec 6 W 63-33 Van-Far Dec 8 W 59-34 Sturgeon Dec 10 W 62-41 North Callaway Macon Dec 12 L 55-41 New Bloomfield Dec 19 W 60-25 Jan 2 W 49-35 Brookfield W 54-30 Brookfield Jan 6 L 45-42 Macon Jan7 W 69-35 Monroe City Jan 9 Comm R-6 Jan 15 W 57-45 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 W 50-40 Feb 3 Palmyra Feb 6 W 61-48 Monroe City Feb 10 W 50-33 Mark Twain W 57-34 Louisiana Feb 13 Feb 14 W 57-48 Boonville Macon Feb 17 L 58-54 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 W 38-36 North Callaway March 4 L 43-35 **Bowling Green** March 6

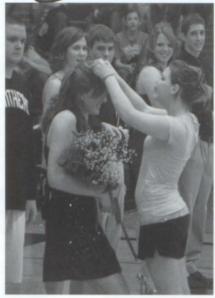
score board 22-6

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 2A. 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.

Court Warming 2009
February 13, 2009



The senior king and queen candidates stand at the end of the gym awaiting the the announcement of the winners. (Karson Preston photo)



Kerry Hockman receives the crown from varsity cheerleader Kassi McCubbin. (Karson Preston photo)



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.



Kelsay Reichert and Amanda Willmeth begin to raise Kassi McCubbin. (Karson Preston photo)



Cheerleaders perform their dance during halftime.



(Karson Preston photo)



Group of seniors who dressed in "formal wear" during Courtwarming dress-up days.

(Karson Preston photo)

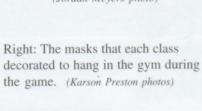


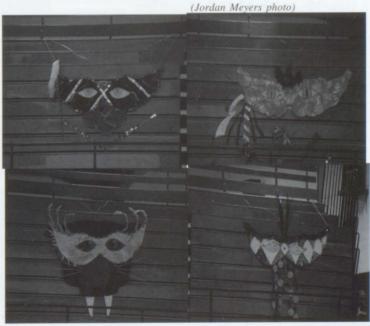
Trevor Kinkead, Jace Bohlmeyer, Dillon Meals, Brandon Kinkead, and Will Evans get together for a group picture at the dance.



Olivia Elam, Mekka Garcia, Lauren Burkhart, and Kerry Hockman dance together at the Courtwarming dance.

(Jordan Meyers photo)





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!

#### **Junior 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)





Cameron Beard searches for an open teammate.

(Ed Dunstan photo)



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





Through The Hoop

"The its caused had 13 team memtop left: Jennifer Mills jumps and retrieves "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



the ball; lower left: Ashley Carlson maneuvers around two Van-Far players; middle: Chloe Armontrout just released the ball to a teammate; below: Ashley Brooks looks for an open spot. (Ed Dunstan photos)







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.

(Wagner photo)

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 Boone	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' Basketball







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

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





Dax Dollens maneuvers around his opponent to get the ball.

(Ed Dunstan photo)

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# Freshmen Girls' 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)



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Sydnae Hatton dribbles her way around her opponent.

(Ed Dunstan photo)



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



Kelsey Benoit is open for the ball.

(Ed Dunstan photo)

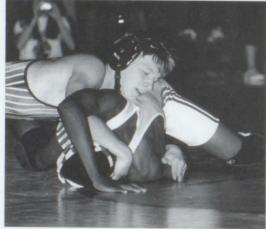
# Wrestling Fever

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.

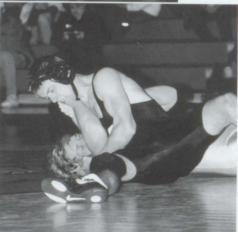
Dakota Gilbert- 2nd Mike Schmidt -3rd Marc Schmidt-4th Alex Schmersahl-5th Alonzo Pinerio-6th

#### State Finalists!

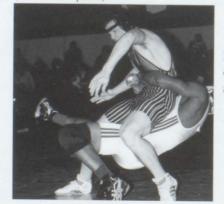




125 pound Jared Fricke prepares to pin his Mexico opponent. (Ed Dunstan photo)



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

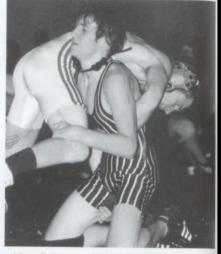


Eli Beasley and his Mexico opponent did a stand up and are going to the mat.

(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.

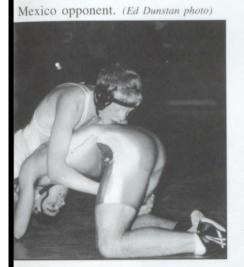
(Ed Dunstan photo)



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



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



Dillion Adkisson sprawing his



Michael Collins prepares to take down a Brookfield opponent.

(Ed Dunstan photo)



Dakota Gilbert prepares to pin his Mexico oppo-(Ed Dunstan photo) nent.

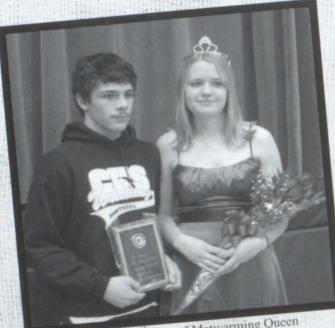
CHS 40-33 Moberly Knob Noster Invitational 1st place Mexico Invitational CHS 55-24 Mexico CHS 39-31 Brookfield Butler Invitational Blair Oaks CHS CHS 42-27 Fulton Plattsburg Invitational 1st place CHS 54-13 Fatima Brookfield Invitational CHS 40-31 Marceline

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

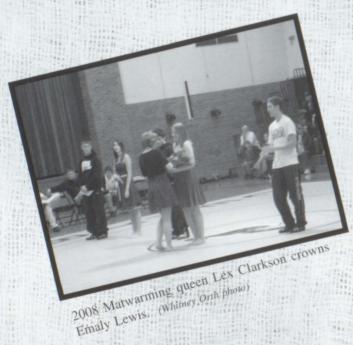


## MATIWARIMING

Centralia 45 - Marceline 41



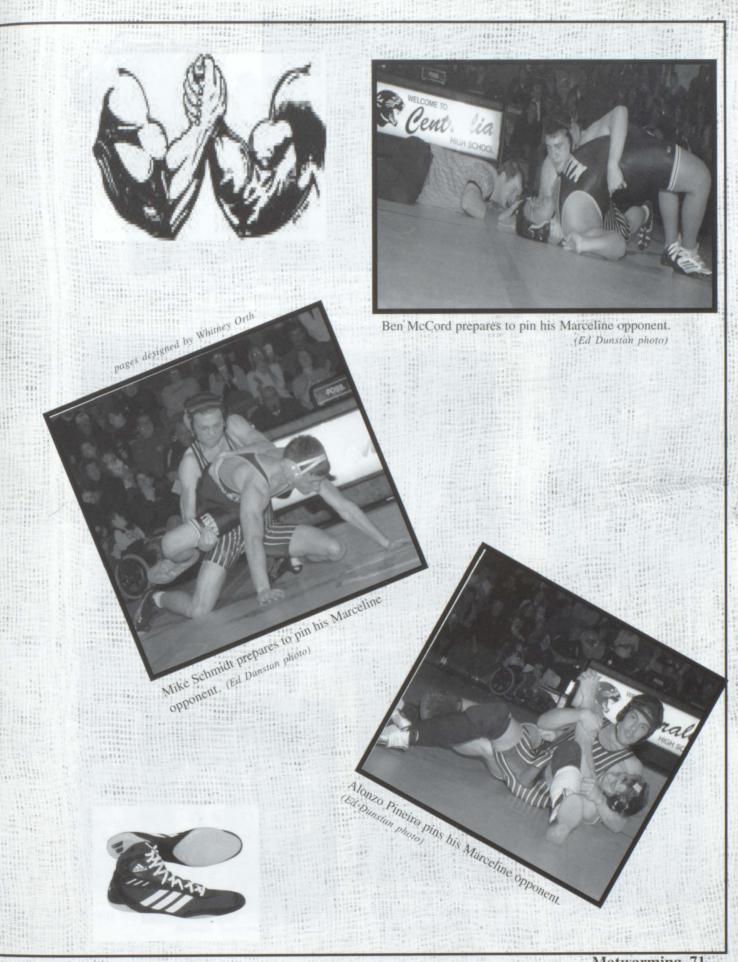
Mr. Grappler and Matwarming Queen Alonzo Pineiro and Emaly Lewis (Whitney Orth photo)



The Referee makes the call



Mike Schmidt picks up his Marceline opponent before working him to the mat. (Ed Dunstan photo)







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)

## varsity scoreboard

CHS 3-8 Salisbury

CHS 1-5 Harrisburg

CHS 11-1 Mark Twain

CHS 2-13 Macon

CHS 11-12 Highland

CHS 12-11 S. Shelby

CHS 0-15 Macon

CHS 0-4 Mexico

CHS 1-15 Westran

CHS 2-12 Palmyra

CHS 3-9 Boonville

CHS 1-12 Grain Valley

CHS 3-9 Moberly

CHS 5-4 Monroe City

CHS 8-6 Paris

CHS 14-4 Louisiana



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)

# King of Diamonds Will Evans

## ... stepped up to the plate

Final record: 6-15 CCC record: 3-4 All Conference Players: Will Evans 1st 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

(Jordan Meyers photo)

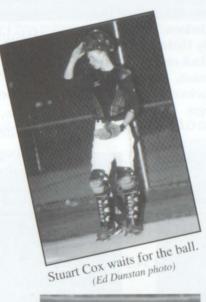


Varsity boys get ready for a big game. (Hannah Gudde photo)



Varsity boys get a pep talk before a game. (Hannah Gudde 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 4x400 team of McGowan, Angell, Jordyn Tolliver, and Jennifer Mills; the 4x200 team of Mills, Emily Crow, McGowan, and Tolliver; the 4x100 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

time.

Meet Te	am place	Score	Individuals	
Four Corners	1st place	186	1st places-8 2nd places-7	
Centralia Invitational	1st place	134.5	1st places-5	
Tomahawk Relays	1st place	180	2nd places-2 1st places-6	
Marceline Relays	1st place	142	2nd places-9 1st places-5	
Conference	1st place	152	2nd places-6 1st places-4	
Districts	1st place		2nd places-5	
RECORD BREAKE	*			

Kelsay Benoit-shot put 38-8 3/4

Felica McCann-discus 108-6

Emily Crow, Lucy McGowan, Jennifer Mills and Jordyn Tolliver-4X200 M Relay 1:49 .45



Lucy McGowan makes a hand off to Andi Blackwell in a 4x800 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 a champion never uses them



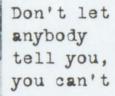
Above: Jennifer Mills runs a tight race against two conpetitors.

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)







#### 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

Holden Meyers runs in the 4 x 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 photo)



#### DISTRICTS

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





Far Left: Michael Ellis finishes strong in the 4 x 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)



Above: Cameron Beard runs against other relay teams at a home meet.

(Jordan Meyers photo)

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





Holden Meyers, Nic Ford, Hunter Brumley and Dane Bramon prepare for the 4 x 100 M Relay for Districts. (Jordan 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

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

Results were unknown at yearbook deadline



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

#### CENTRALIA INVITATIONAL

Third Place - Team Score Four First Places Two Second Places

#### FOUR CORNERS

First Place - Team Score Six First Places Three Second Places Nic Ford broke the school record for long jump

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### 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 his leg of the 4 x 800 meter hurdles record

Far Right: Dane Bramon throws the discus at the CCC track meet. (Robin Meyers photo)

Right: Alonzo Pineiro runs

(Jordan Meyers photo)





Boys' Track 77

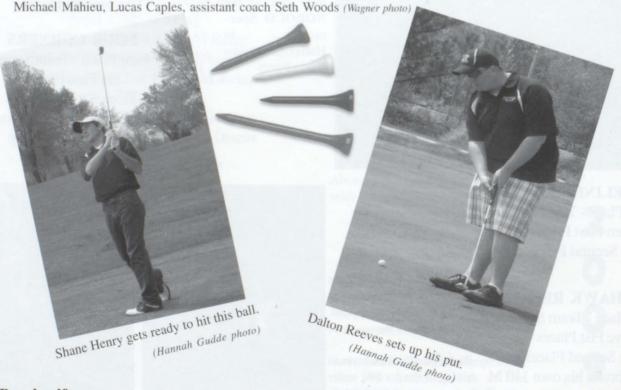
## Golfers make all Conference





#### 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,



Justin Benson sets up his stance. (Hannah Gudde photo)



Head coach Bob Reeves gives the team some pointers at practice. (Guard photo)





M i c h a e l Mahieu hits his ball during an invitational. (Hannah Gudde photo)



Dayken
Dollens took
JV medalist
honors at a
triangle
match with
Macon and
Moberly.
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### Centralia Golf 2009

Varsity 3-14

JV 5-4

Conference: 5th Districts: 9th

Palmyra Invit. 7th Centralia Invit. 6th

Moberly Invit. 4th S. Shelby Invit. 4th Palmyra JV Invit. 2nd Monroe City JV Quad 1st

Honors:

Dalton Reeves lst team all-conference Tyler Martin Honorable Mention all-conference



Tyler Martin takes time out for lunch during

Moberly. (Guard photo)

### FUNKY WINKERBEAN'S HOMECOMING



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



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



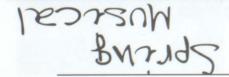
Baylee Hardman as Holly, the lead majorette. (Hannah Gudde photo)



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

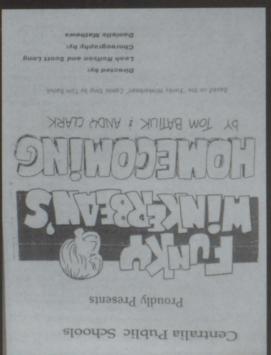


The cast gathers to sing the "Homecoming Theme." (Hannah Gudde photo)



### A Homecoming to Remember

Every April, Centralia High School students perform an annual spring musical. This year, the musical is based off of a 1970's comic strip titled "Funky Winkerbean." It's Homecoming night for a typical high school, and everyone



the musical score.

son as Harry Dinkle, a student obsessed with band directing; and Sean Brix as Funky Winkerbean. The 40-member cast all face essential high school problems, such as the Homecoming game, the rope climbing in gym, and a very witty intercom system. The musical was directed by Scott witty intercom system. The musical was directed by Scott witty intercom system. The musical was directed by Scott witty intercom system.

### Last Waltz Prom 2009

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 King and Queen, Trevor Kinkead and Haley England. (Linda Schafer photo



A large group of students dance together to the Macarena. (Karson Preston photo)



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



Nic Ford and Meghan Kroegor pose for a picture by Wagner. (Hannah Gudde photo)



Haley England recieves the Queen crown from former Prom Queen Paige Gibler. (Karson Preston photo)



The balloon archway over the enterence doors to the ballroom. (*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*)



The view of the dance floor from the balcony. (Hannah Gudde photo)



Mistress of Ceremonies Lucy McGowan (Linda Schafer photo)

May 10, 2009

## Baccalaureate

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."

(Linda Schafer photo)



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

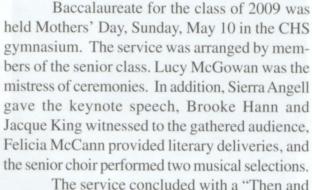


Felicia McCann recited three poems found in one of her mother's yearbooks. (Linda Schafer photo)







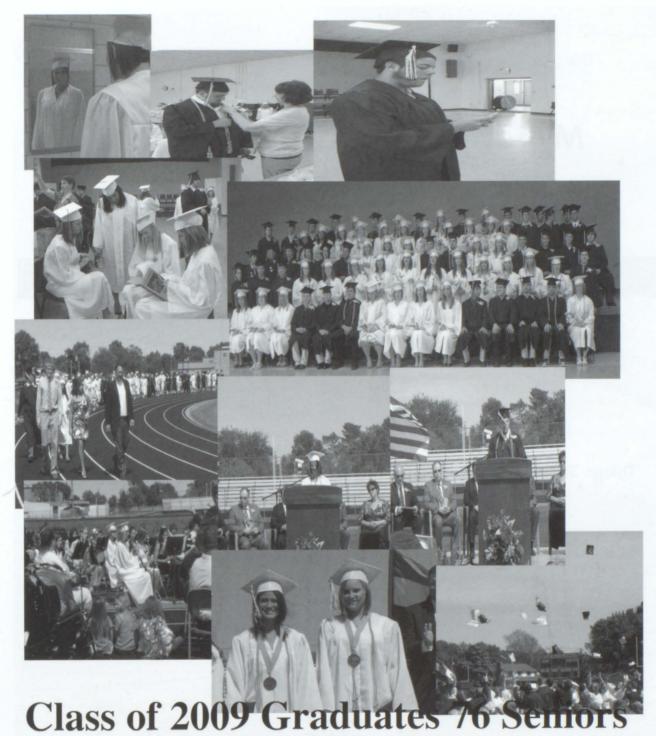


The service concluded with a "Then and Now" imovie presentation prepared by Karson Preston.



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



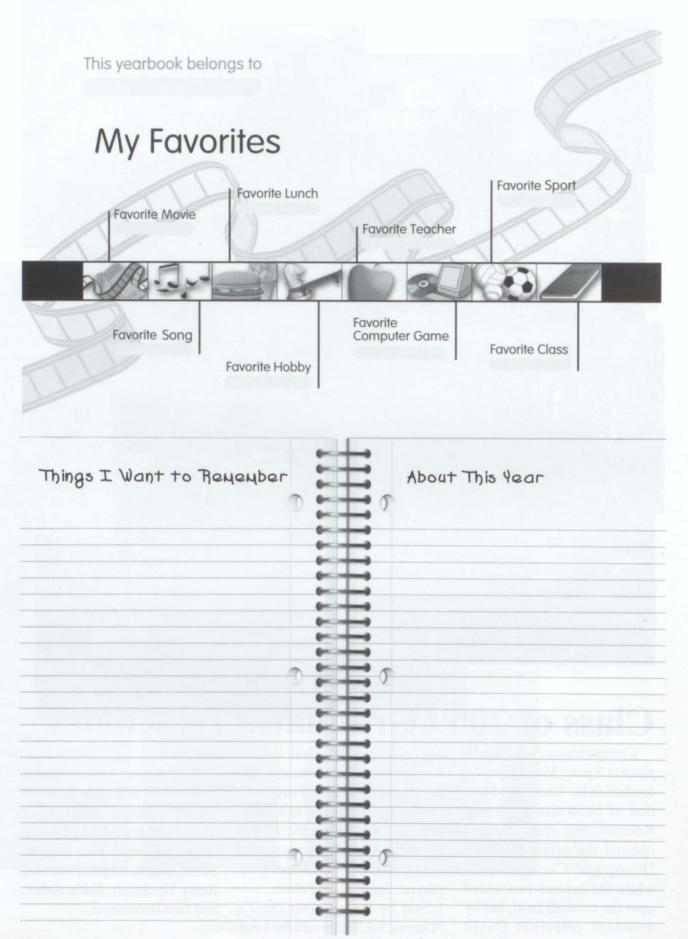


Commencement 2009 took place at 3 p.m., May 17, on the football field. Under the direction of band director Bryan Koerner, the concert band opened the ceremony with "Pomp and Circumstance" while the seniors proceeded onto the football field, led by assistant principal David

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.



## Autographs

### CADET TEACHERS

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)

Casey Crow (cadet teacher for Lora Buckert) sits at a table, ready for another morning in the first grade. (Jordan Meyers photo)



"My favorite part of cadet teaching is making jokes with Anthony Shaver about the Oklahoma Sooners." Casey Crow



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

(Jordan Meyers photo)

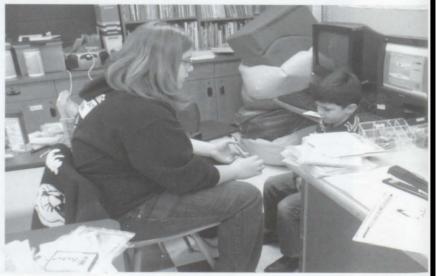
"My favorite memory is one from Valentine's Day. I told one of my students that I only made cards for the people I liked. I said, 'Too bad there isn't one for you.' She replied, 'Miss Lianna, you do like me.' Later, I handed her a card with her name on it. She said, 'See, you do like me.'" Lianna Spurling

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





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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 (Jade Jones photo)

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)



Job Shadowing Student Responsive Services Interview Day Panther Pathways Financial Aid night Scholarship night College & Career Planning Scheduling



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Sophomores Emily Crow and Chloe Armontrout during Panther Pathways. (James Smith photo)



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























Sara Bunker Cathy Colston Charla Dickerson Tonya Dimmitt Tom Fair John Finlay











Darin Ford Donna Ford Elizabeth Gilman Phil Gooding Nathan Gordon Yvetta Gudde

















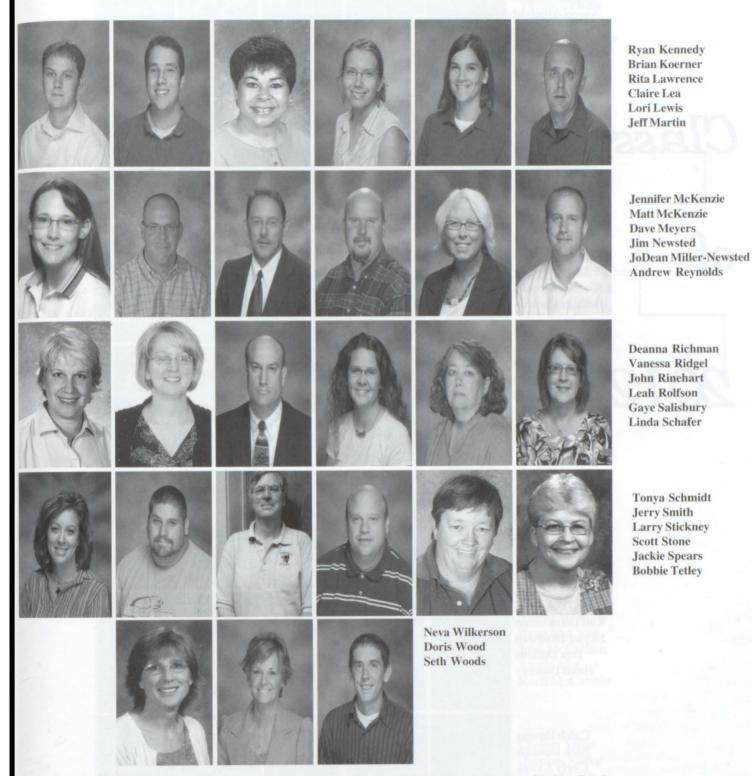












Not pictured: Don Bagley, Ronnie Beamer, Mary Blake, Valerie Brightwell, Marcia Brooks, Christy Curtis, Larry Findlay, Mike Hall, Tonya Hann, Rhoni Hatton, Christy Heaney, Debbie Henry, Mike Holder, Jim Hollis, Bob Jerman, Laura Koppinger, Sarah Liptak, Debbie McIntire, Michael Shaffer, Palmer Stelzer,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

Tonya Schmidt Jerry Smith Larry Stickney

**Jackie Spears Bobbie Tetley** 

Dylan Aitkens Aaron Albright Nels Anderson Erin Andrews Savannah Angell

## Class

Desi Baucom Rachel Beck Jessica Bell Kelsey Benoit Justin Benson













Charlie Besalke Andi Blackwell Jack Boening Connor Brooks Ashley Carlson













Cameron Cloven
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Levi Dickerson Kati Dieckmann Skyler Dingwell Dax Dollens Heidi Downey

























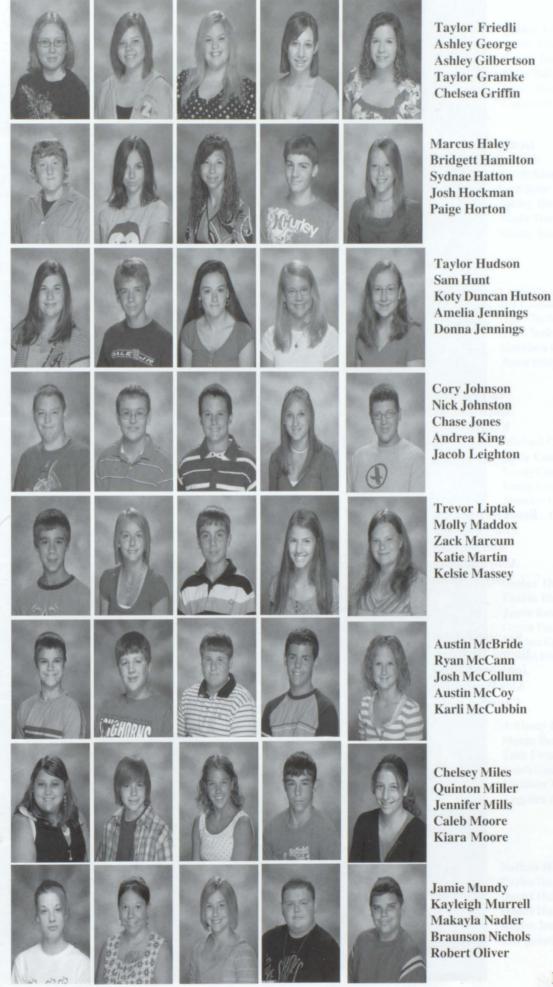






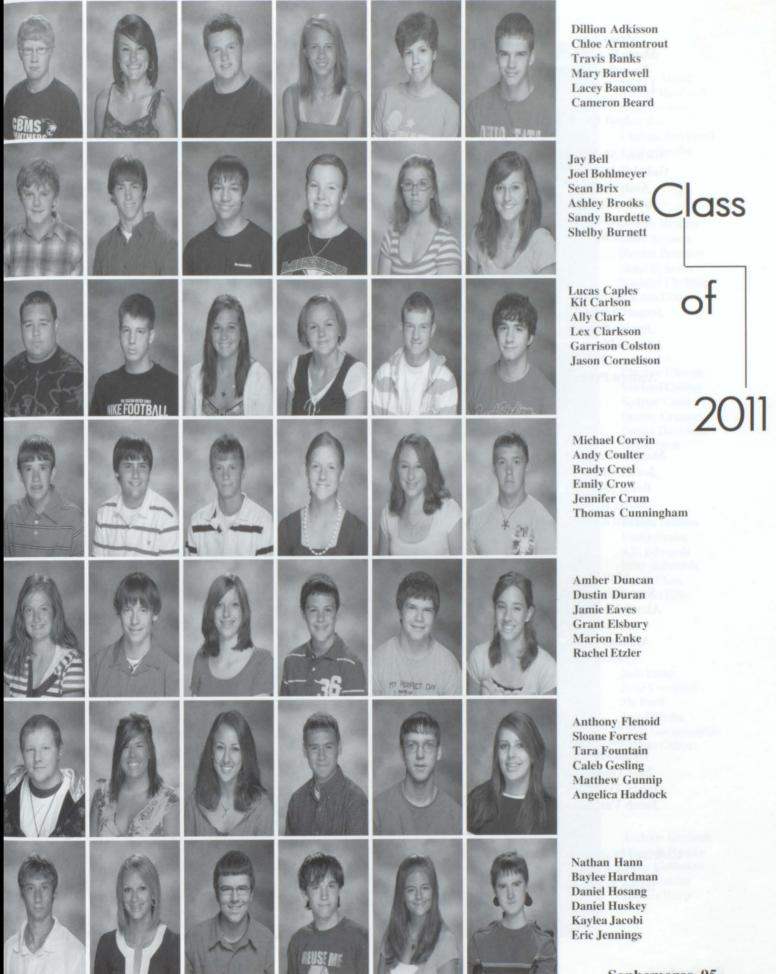




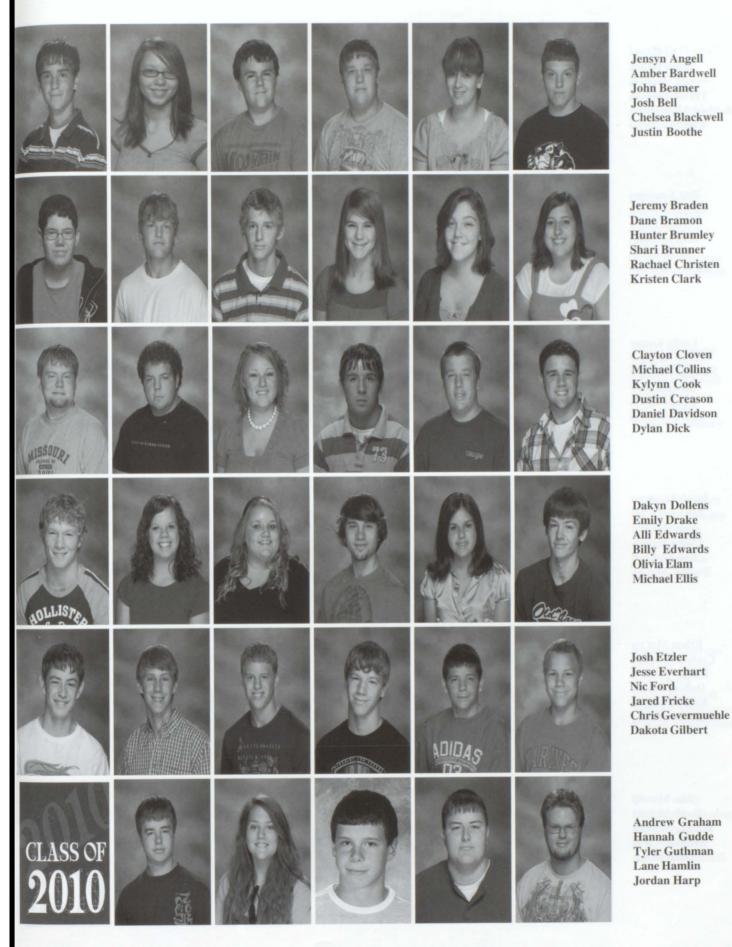




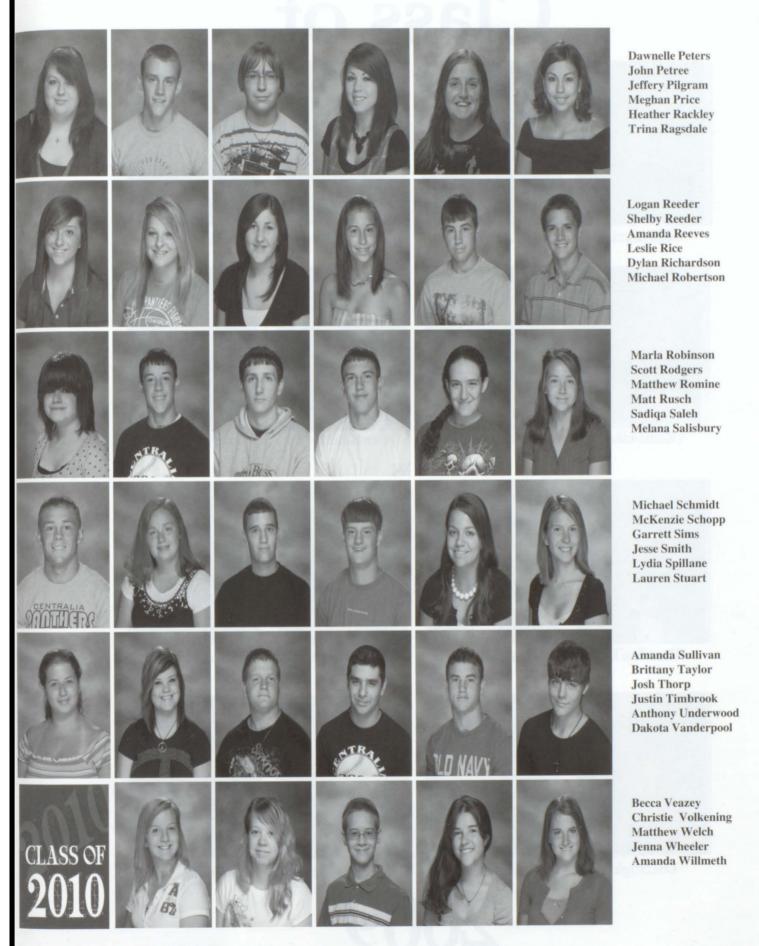
Not pictured Melanie Griffith Alli Smith Hannah Welch



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## Class of



Josh Admire



Kaylena Albright



Sterling Albright



Sierra Angell



Katie Asher



Eli Beasley



Alex Blackwell



Austin Blackwell



Johnathan Blake



Jace Bohlmeyer



Sam Bowne



Jeremy Breedlove



Lea Bright



Kelsay Brown



Cheyenne Burdette



Lauren Burkhardt

2009



Cameron Burton



Erica Cornett



Shauna Cox



Trevor Creel



Casey Crow



Samantha Davis



Joshell Dennis



Lakin Dickey



Darren Dubes



Haley England



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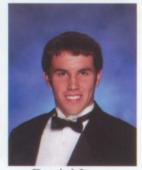
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Cadie Lane



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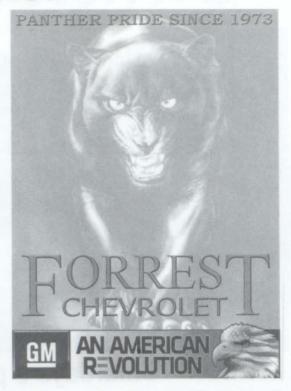
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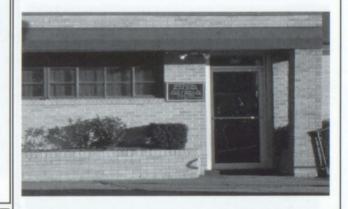
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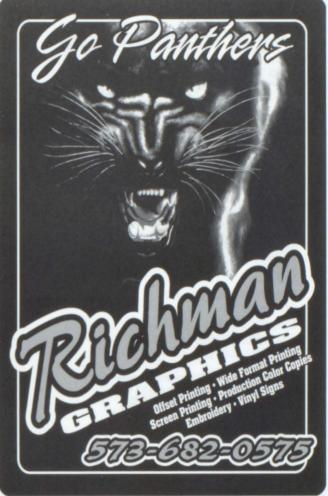
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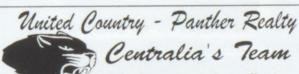
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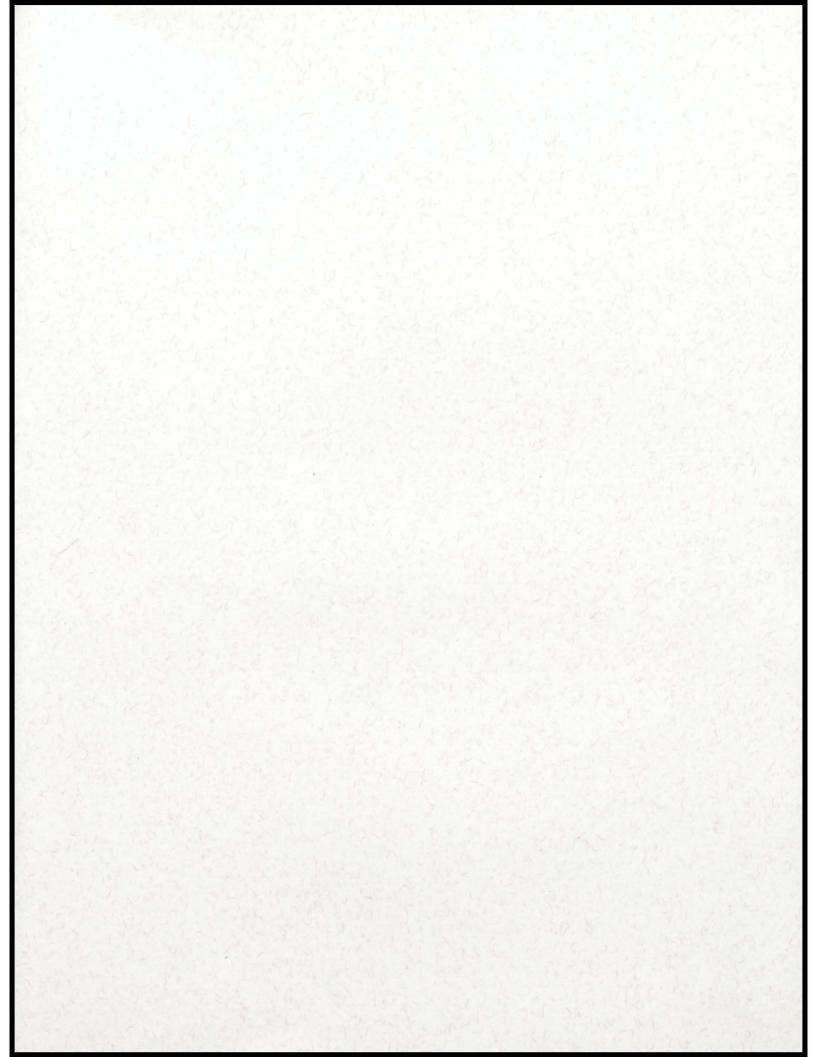
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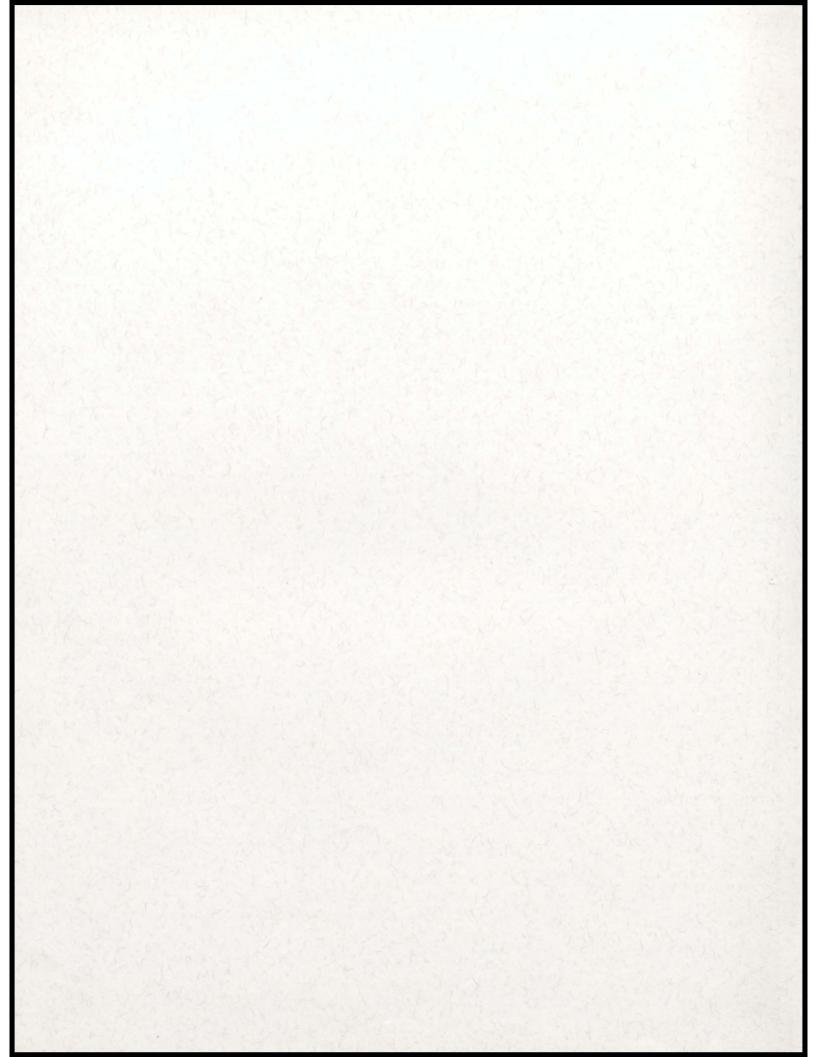
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# year in review

# **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.

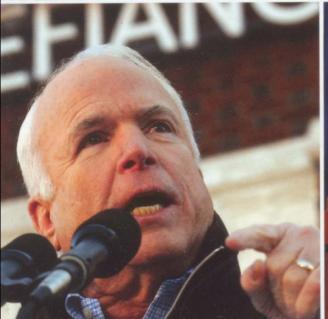






# THE TECHNOLOGY STUMP ◀

Campaigning style changed with Obama's use of the internet. Obama had about four million "friends" on Facebook and had collected about 10 million email addresses. He used texting to announce his vice presidential pick – Sen. Joe Biden of Delaware. His campaign website morphed into a transition website within 24 hours of his election.





# MAVERICK RIDES OFF ◀

To win the election, Obama, a Democrat, beat Sen. John McCain, a Republican from Arizona. McCain's running mate was Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, the first woman to run as a Republican vice presidential candidate.

# LIVE FROM NEW YORK... ◀

Nobody took advantage of the election season more than the sketch comedy show Saturday Night Live, which brought back former cast member Tina Fey due to her resemblance to VP nominee Sarah Palin and rode Fey's impersonation to its highest ratings in years.

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## HISTORIC ELECTION ➤

To win the Democratic nomination, Obama defeated New York Sen. Hillary Clinton, the former first lady and the person considered the front-runner of her party. The highly charged campaign included five other serious 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 Y

People came to hear Obama speak during the campaign. His Democrat Party nomination acceptance speech was held at Invesco Stadium, about 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.





# **BEEN THERE, DONE THAT**

Jenna and Barbara Bush, the daughters and granddaughters of President George H.W. Bush and President George H. Bush, wrote a letter to Malia and Sasha Obama that included this advice:

- Get hugs from Ramsey, smiles from "Smiley" and talk football with Buddy, three of the White House ushers.
- · Slide down the solarium banister.
- Have swimming parties.
- · Get comfort from your pets.



# PARTY HARDY ◀ ▼

Washington, D.C., was packed with more than two million people on Jan. 20 for the historic inauguration of the nation's first African-American president. Despite the cold weather and the need to huddle together, the crowds remained enthusiastic. Obama took the oath of office with his hand on the Bible used by President Abraham Lincoln during his first swearing-in ceremony.





## VOTERS TURNED OUT

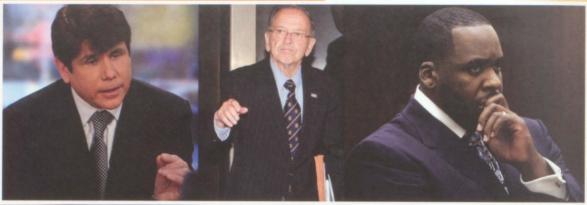
In the general election, a record 127 million votes were cast, with about 31.7 million voting early for the first time in 30 states. However, as a percentage of voters, turnout was about 61%, versus the record of 67% in 1960. Long lines to vote, either early or on Nov. 4, were orderly. Lines were also orderly the next day as many people snatched up newspapers carrying the results.

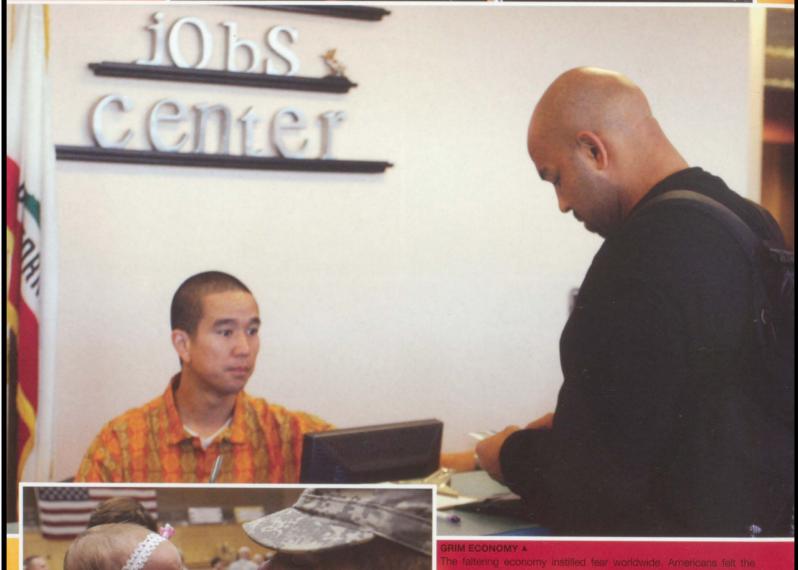
# SEEKING VOTES A

Candidates would do a lot of things on the campaign trail in pursuit of votes. Obama got winded playing basketball with the University of North Carolina's team. Mike Huckabee, a Republican candidate, played bass in his rock band Capitol Offense and even took a turn trying to rope a fake steer at the Fort Worth Stockyards.

## 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.





The faltering economy instilled fear worldwide, Americans felt the recession as home foreclosures, job layoffs and food prices increased. The stock market drop of 44% in the past year stripped college and retirement investments for many people. The federal government in October approved a \$700-billion bailout plan for the nation's financial system to try to get the economy moving. In February, President Obama signed a \$787-billion economic stimulus bill to pump more money into the economy.

# WHO ARE YOU? A

The fight against insurgents continued in Iraq and Afghanistan. While violence decreased in Iraq, Defense Secretary Robert Gates revealed plans to send more U.S. troops to Afghanistan to battle the Taliban. Deployment of American troops meant tearful farewells and joyful homecomings. Sometimes, servicemen returned to meet new family members.



## GREENING OF AMERICA ◀

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.



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 teams – including Utah, Texas and USC – continued to question why there was no playoff system and staked their own claim to the grown.

## GAS UP. GAS DOWN 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.











# 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 ▼ ➤

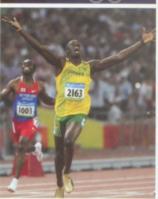
American swimmer Michael Phelps made history at the Summer Olympics in Beijing, China, by becoming the first athlete ever to win eight gold medals at one Olympics. During his breathtaking week in the pool, seven of Phelps' eight victories were new world records.

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 shatter the previous world record.



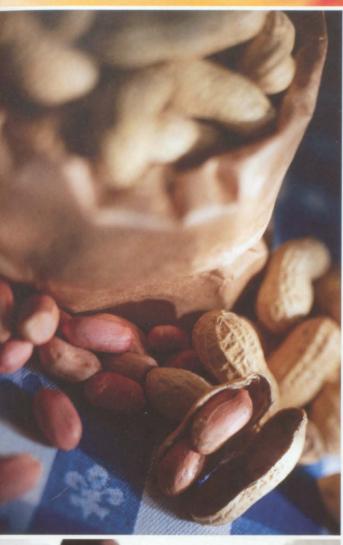








2008 OLYMPICS MEDAL COUNT				
	TOTAL	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
1 - United States	110	36	38	36
2 - China	100	51	21	28
3 - Russia	72	23	21	28
4 - Great Britain	47	19	13	15
5 - Australia	46	14	15	17



# PEANUT WITHDRAWAL <

Peanut butter products were recalled in 43 states after salmonella was found in peanut paste made in a Georgia plant. At least six people died and more than 485 people got sick. Peanut paste is a product used widely in snack foods, leading to goodies such as crackers, cookies, nutrition bars and ice cream leaving store shelves. Most peanut butter brands were not affected.

# TIME FOR A SWITCH Y

Governments around the world, including the United States, continued the mandated switchover from analog television broadcasting to digital. In the U.S., an original February 2009 deadline was pushed back to June when Congress deemed that millions of people weren't ready. The switch to digital was being done to allow for more advanced services, like high-definition TV, and to free up radio spectrum bandwidth.







## NEW NUMBER ONE A

Rafael Nadal finally completed his quest to replace Roger Federer as the number one tennis player in the world. The rivalry reached a new level at Wimbledon, where Nadal defeated Federer in a five-set, five-hour classic that some sportswriters called one of the greatest matches of all time. Six months later, Nadal did it again when he beat Federer in another five-set marathon to win the Australian Open.

# CONTAMINATED FORMULA KILLS ≺

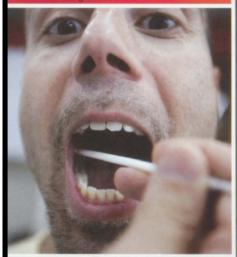
In China, several babies died and more than 12,000 were hospitalized after drinking baby formula contaminated with melamine. Melamine also was found in chocolate and other products exported from China to other countries, including the United States. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration began limiting imports of Chinese dairy products until they were free of melamine.

# DNA SELF TEST Y

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 their first 30 games.





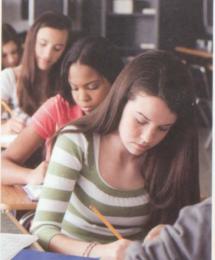


Anchored by the haunting, tragic final performance of the late Heath Ledger as the Joker, Batman sequel *The Dark Knight* drew rave reviews and shattered box office records. Earning more than \$500 million, *The Dark Knight* became one of the most commercially successful American movies ever made.

# ROCKETS AND RETALIATION ◀

Israel declared war with Hamas, the Islamic militant group that rules Gaza, in an effort to stop continued rocket attacks from Gaza into southern Israel. 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.





# EPIC WIN ◀

Despite playing on what was later found to be a torn knee ligament and a stress fracture in his left leg, Tiger Woods played through the pain and won his third U.S. Open title, defeating Rocco Mediate in a playoff. Afterwards, surgery on the leg forced Woods to miss the remainder of the season, the first extended absence of his pro career.

# CREATIVE CLASSROOM FUNDRAISING ≺

Needing money to print tests, a California calculus teacher began selling ads on his quizzes, tests and exams. Tom Farber of Rancho Bernardo High School sold ad space on the bottom of the first page to parents and businesses. Parents and students enjoyed the ads, but Farber said he did not plan on using the fund-raising method permanently.





# American

# SULLY SAVES THE DAY A

An experienced pilot, Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger, was hailed a hero when he crash-landed his US Airways plane into the Hudson River in New York after the engines failed during the takeoff ascent. All 155 passengers and crew on board survived by escaping onto the wings, where ferries and U.S. Coast Guard boats rescued them. Birds were initially blamed for blowing the engines.

# PHOENIX LANDING A

NASA's Phoenix spacecraft became the sixth vehicle to make a successful landing on Mars. Phoenix conducted more than five months of experiments before losing contact, more than expected, and discovered the presence of ice on the red planet.

# STILL ON TOP ◀

Despite ratings being down slightly, American Idol was still the most watched show on TV, averaging more than 27 million viewers a week. David Cook was chosen the winner of the 7th season, and changes were made for the show's 8th season when producer Kara DioGuardi was added as a fourth judge.



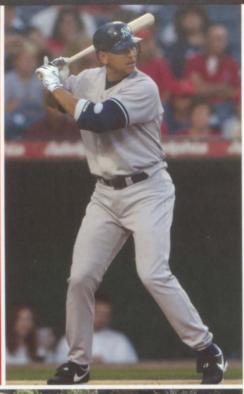
The Dark Knight	\$530 million
Iron Man	\$318 million
Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull	\$317 million
Hancock	\$227 million
WALL-E	\$223 million

# 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 in Norway, where it holds and preserves thousands of seed types from around the globe should a major catastrophe strike the planet.







# DRIVER DISTRACTION A

Investigators said a Los Angeles Metrolink train engineer appeared to have been texting on the job prior to a crash that killed 25 people and injured 130 in September. It was not immediately known whether the engineer was texting at the time of the crash, however, investigators said the brakes 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. The rest of the nominees included Milk, The Reader, Frost/Nixon and The Curious Case of Benjamin Button.



# HARD TO STOP 48 ➤

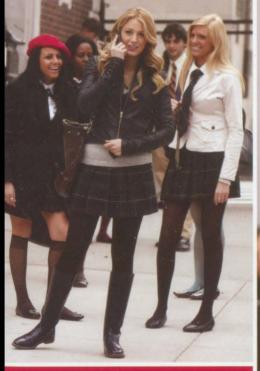
Jimmie Johnson became just the second driver in NASCAR history to win three consecutive season championships, when he put together a 2008 that included seven race wins and five runner-up finishes.



# SIX-BURGH Y

The Pittsburgh Steelers ended a memorable Super Bowl XLIII when wide receiver Santonio Holmes grabbed the gamewinning touchdown in the corner of the end zone with less than a minute left in the game to defeat the Arizona Cardinals, 27-23. It was the sixth Super Bowl victory for the Steelers, the most for any NFL team.







# 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 ◀

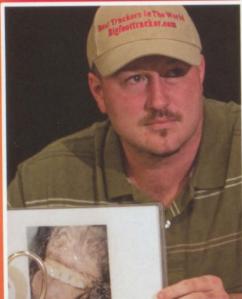
Former Heisman trophy winner O.J. Simpson began serving at least nine years in prison for his conviction in the robbery of sports memorabilia from dealers in a Las Vegas hotel room in 2007. The trial garnered fewer headlines than his 1995 trial, in which he was acquitted of the murders of his ex-wife,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

# FAR-REACHING STORM ►

Hurricane lke devastated Galveston, Texas, when it hit Sept. 13, and caused damage and power outages in at least 10 states from Texas to Ohio. At least 34 people were still missing at the end of Janaury. Also in the wake of the storm, the southeast U.S. experienced grave gasoline shortages.

# NOT QUITE SASQUATCH Y

Two Georgia men, Rick Dyer and Matthew Whitton, fooled much of the country when they claimed to have found the infamous Bigfoot in the northern Georgia hills. The two even went as far as producing a deceased body, fooling several news outlets and collecting reward money. Very quickly, the body was found to be a costume and the entire story to be a had hoax.







# PARENTS ABANDON CHILDREN A

Nebraska's legislature revised its Safe Haven Law after parents abandoned 35 children, some of them teens. All states have Safe Haven laws regarding infants, but Nebraska's original law allowed parents to drop children as old as 18 without fear of prosecution. Some parents came from other states, including Teri Martin of Michigan, who faced parental termination rights in Michigan.

# NOBODY BETTER THAN ANNIKA ►

Annika Sorenstam announced her retirement from competitive golf. She ended her career as the winningest female golfer of all time with 90 career tournament wins, including 10 LPGA major titles.





# FINDING AN AUDIENCE 4

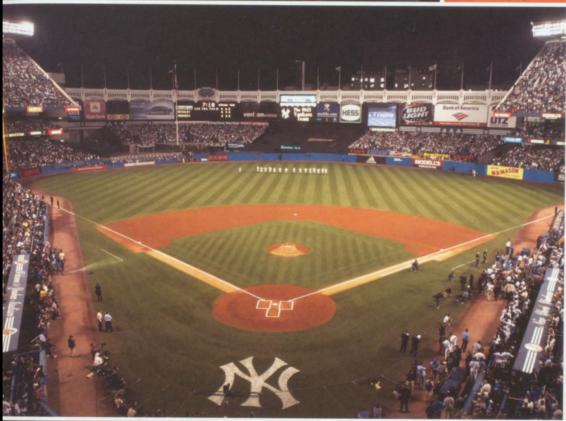
For the second straight year, critically acclaimed sitcom 30 Rock won Outstanding Comedy Series at the Emmy Awards and began to slowly gain in the ratings, possibly getting a boost from the fame star Tina Fey gained during the presidential election.

# ONE LAST PITCH Y

After 85 years, the original Yankee Stadium closed its doors to make way for the new stadium being built for the New York Yankees. The final game was played in the "House That Ruth Built" on Sept. 21, 2008, against the Baltimore Orioles, with the Yankees winning 7-3.

# SETBACK FOR THE LHC Y

European scientists build the Large Hadron Collider in Switzerland, a giant particle accelerator designed to study advanced physics and unlock many of science's mysteries. Before the LHC's launch, conspiracy theorists speculated that the machine's power would create a disaster such as a black hole. While that did not happen, the LHC did suffer a malfunction shortly after becoming operational, which delayed the project's work.





# Fomalhaut b Planet



# THEY'RE OUT THERE ◀

Astronomers have known for several years that exoplanets, or planets outside of our solar system, existed. But it was not until this year that a group of astronomers from the U.S. and Canada were able to produce photographs of two of these planets in actual visible light.

# A BOLD EXPERIMENT <

Kanye West, the most commercially successful rap star of the moment, released an experimental pop album titled 808s and Heartbreak. West surprised his fans and critics alike by choosing to sing, rather than rap, on most of the songs. The heavy use of drum machines and an audio processor to alter West's voice brought mixed reviews, but earned the star praise for innovation.

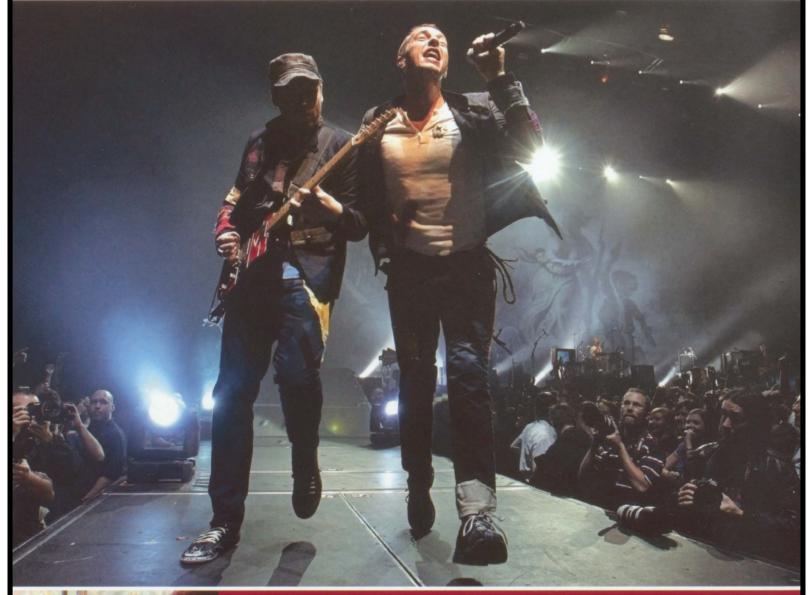
# PIRATING FLOURISHES >

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 behalf 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 received an estimated \$150 million in ransoms.

# LIVING THE GOOD LIFE Y

British alternative rock band Coldplay released the album they spent the previous two years working on, *Viva la Vida or Death and All His Friends*, and it became one of the best selling records of the year. The quartet also landed seven Grammy nominations and launched a successful tour.





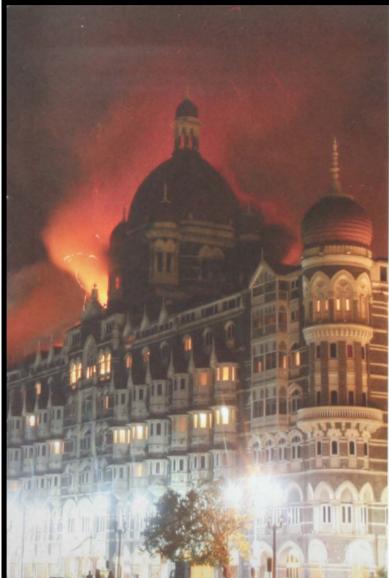


BY THE NUMBERS • According to various surveys:

Half of primary care doctors said they would change careers because of paperwork in their practice. A shortage of family doctors was predicted by 2025.

**About 2.5 million grandparents act as parents to their grandchildren.** Parents who moved in with their adult children increased 67% between 2000 and 2007, mostly for financial reasons, not age.

**About 25% of American adults are obese.** Obesity rates for children remained the same after a 25-year increase. About 32% of children were overweight, 16% obese and 11% very obese.



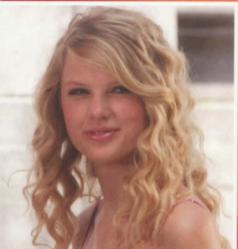


## QB SHUFFLE A

It was an NFL regular season where big name, veteran quarterbacks made big headlines. Green Bay's Brett Favre decided to end his retirement and coaxed the team into trading him to the New York Jets. At 37, Anzona's Kurt Warner had his finest season in years and led the Cardinals to the Super Bowl. Meanwhile, New England's Tom Brady missed virtually the entire season when he was knocked out in week one with a knee injury.

## RAMPAGE IN INDIA \*

More than luxury hotels and a hospital were damaged in the bombings in Mumbai, India, which killed almost 200 people, mostly Westerners. The fragile relationship between India and Pakistan was strained. Indian officials oemanded that Pakistan turn over the suspects. While Pakistan officials said no evidence linked the terrorists to Pakistan, they promised to help with the investigation.







# THE FUTURE OF COUNTRY <

At only 19, young country star Taylor Swift became Billboard's highest-selling country artist of the year when her second album, Fearless, joined with her self-titled debut record to pass five million in sales. Swift later won Favorite Country Artist at the American Music Awards.

# CARRY IT ALL ◀

Big purses were one of the big fashion statements of the year. Neutral or multicolored, girls and women could carry almost anything they needed with them. Scarves and boots remained must-have accessories. For boys, the slightly spiky look was being worn in short to medium hair. In college, showing up to class in sweats was cool.

# IS IT SAFE? ◀

Governments struggled to get a handle on the potential dangers of Bisphenol A, or BPA, an organic compound present in some plastics used to make products such as baby bottles. When new studies showed that exposure to BPA had links to many diseases, Canada and several U.S. states moved for legislation to ban the use of BPA in bottles.

# A LONG TIME COMING >

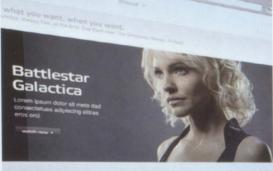
The Philadelphia Phillies won just the second world title in their 125-year history by defeating the Tampa Bay Rays in the World Series. By winning a rain-soaked Game 5 that was delayed for two days by storms, the Phillies ended Tampa's hopes of going from the worst record in baseball to the championship.

# THIRD TIME'S A CHARM Y

Rapper Lil Wayne's latest album, *Tha Carter III*, was one of the best selling records of the year, going platinum five times. It also earned him eight Grammy nominations, more than any other musical artist.













## IT'S ON HULU ◀

When NBC and News Corp. launched their streaming video website Hulu.com with almost no content, there were skeptics everywhere. By the end of the year, once full episodes of TV shows from a variety of channels was up on the site for free, Hulu.com had become one of the most popular destinations on the internet and a rival to YouTube.

# NO MORE BRATZ A

The makers of Bratz dolls were ordered to stop making them after Mattel Inc., makers of Barbie dolls, won a four-year legal dispute. MGA Entertainment, which manufactures Bratz, planned to appeal the decision. The federal court order cited jury findings that designer Carter Bryant developed the Bratz doll concept while working for Mattel.

# VAMPIRE TALES ◀

Twilight, the first novel in the popular "Twilight" series about a teenage girl who falls in love with a fellow high school student who is a vampire, was made into a movie that drew huge box office numbers.

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