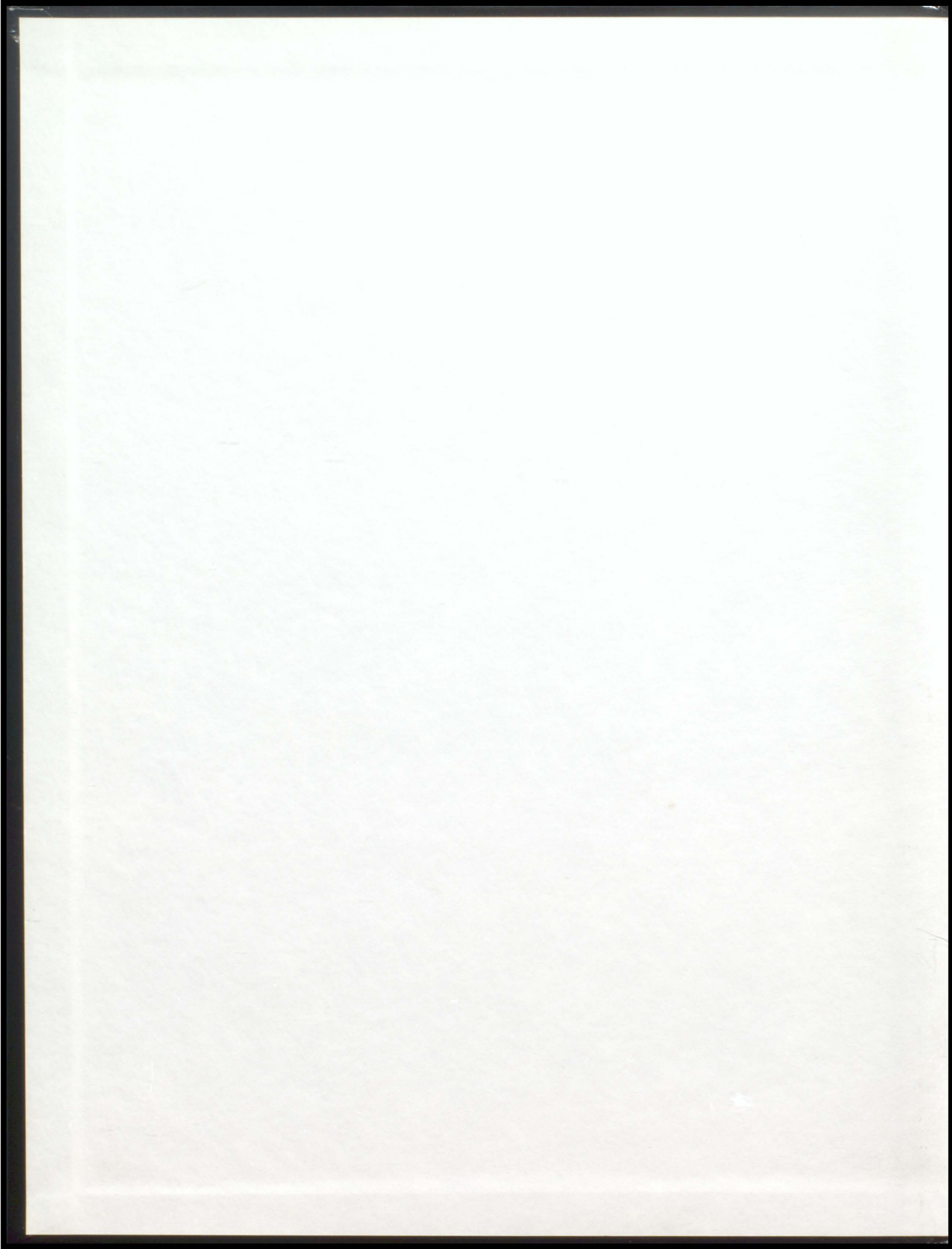


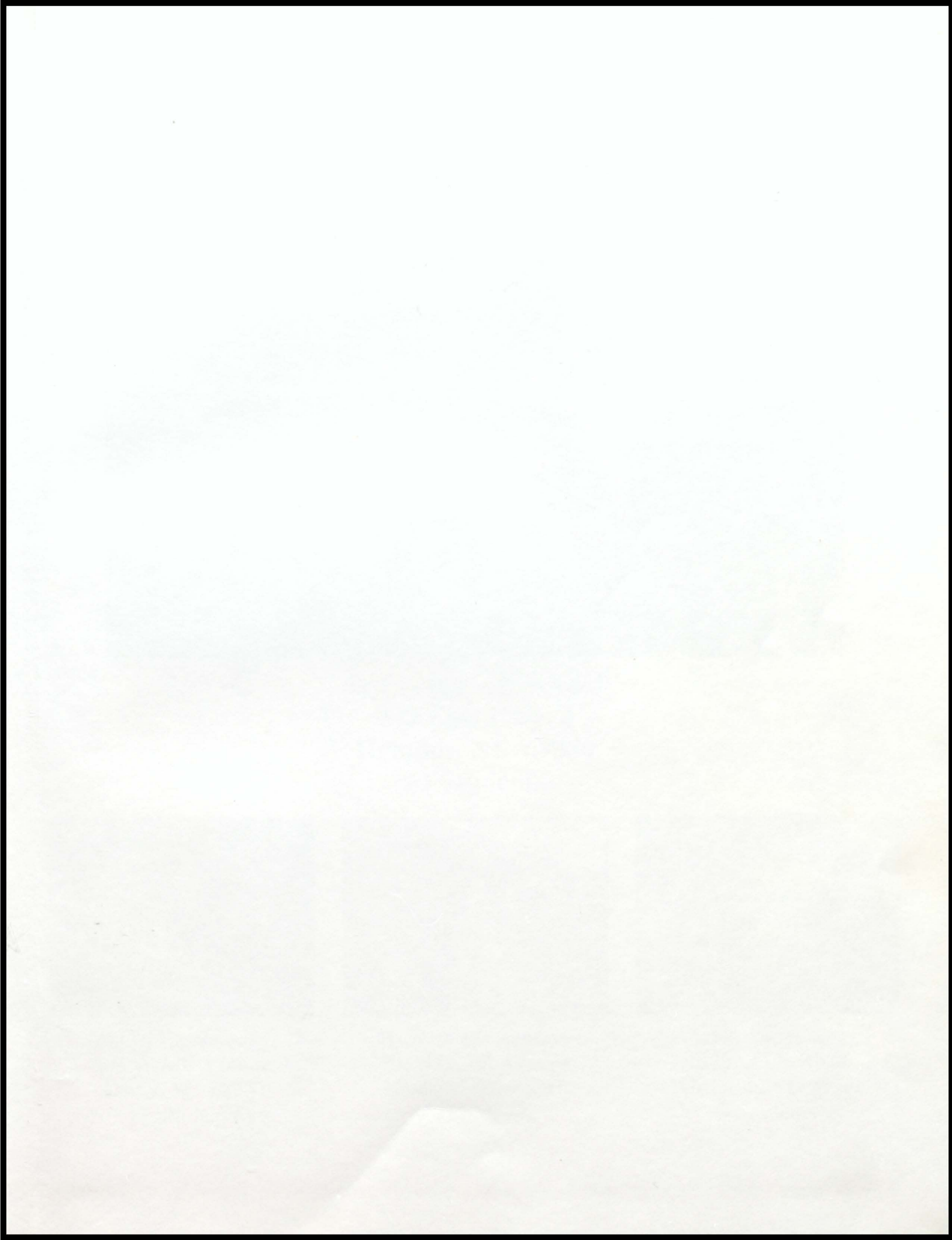
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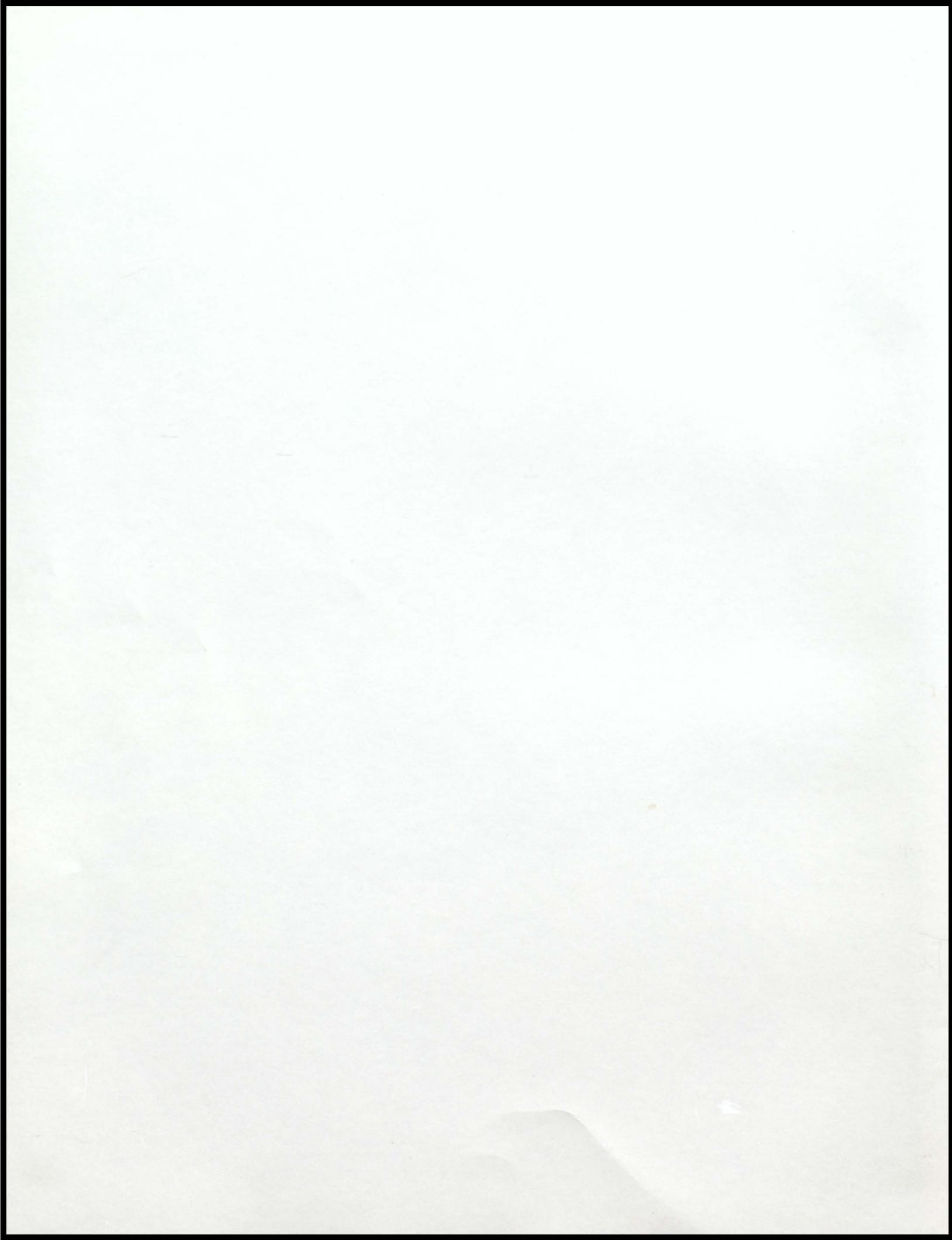


**THE 2008 LONGHORN**











# THE 2008 LONGHORN

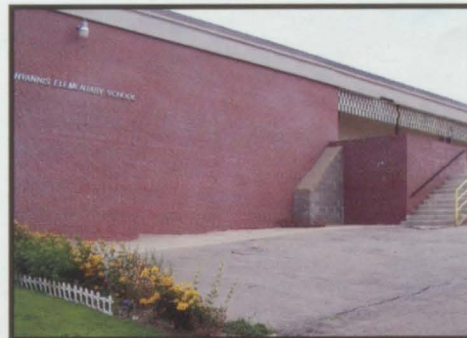
## Hyannis Area Schools



**Hyannis High School**  
323 East Hwy. 2  
Hyannis, NE 69350  
61 Students



**Ashby Elementary**  
203 W Hill Avenue  
Ashby, NE 69333  
17 Students



**Hyannis Elementary**  
203 S Grant Avenue  
Hyannis, NE 69350  
46 Students



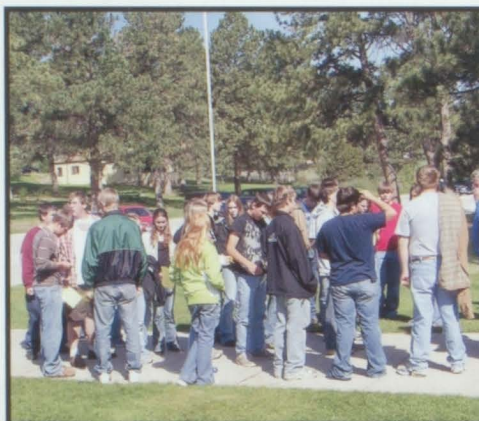
**Vinton Elementary**  
31287 Able Road  
Whitman, NE 69366  
5 Students



# "BLUE PRIDE"

## in Hyannis Area Schools

The idea for the theme of "BLUE PRIDE" for *The 2008 Longhorn* originates with our school superintendent, Mr. Davis. One of his personal goals this year is to promote pride in our school. From the new geo-thermal heating and cooling system that brings comfort to all within the walls of HHS to the simple blue of staff shirts, that all Hyannis Area Schools employees are given to wear, "BLUE PRIDE" is evident all year long. 2007-2008 sees our students qualifying for State in academics, fine arts, and sports. There is school spirit among the students that hasn't always been there in the recent past.



(above)

"BLUE PRIDE" in 32 overall achieving students for perfect and near-perfect attendance, 'Student of the Week', and teacher nomination was celebrated with Mr. Gaffney on "Principal's Day Out."



(above, top)

"BLUE PRIDE" for our hometown heroes on Veterans' Day.

(above, bottom)

The student section shows "BLUE PRIDE" at the Thedford afternoon football game at home.

(below)

The faculty and staff show "BLUE PRIDE" in the Class of 2008, as they say "goodbye" to them at a lunch provided by senior mom, Janelle Smith.



(above, left)

"BLUE PRIDE" is shown by the Hyannis Area Schools Staff Choir as they perform *The Star Spangled Banner* in four-part harmony at two home basketball games and the wrestling tournament.

(above, right)

Jr. high math students carry out the "BLUE PRIDE" spirit, as they raise \$1,147.71 in a St. Jude Math-A-Thon, that benefits the fight against childhood catastrophic diseases.

(right)

The elementary students put on "BLUE PRIDE" drama productions that would rival Broadway.



"BLUE PRIDE" in Kristina Marie Craig as she travels to Nashville to try to make her way in the Country Music field.



"BLUE PRIDE" in the many State contenders as students celebrate with balloons at a State send-off pep rally.



"BLUE PRIDE" in the physical plant, as a crane is engaged to lift one of the huge heating cooling units for the new geo-thermal system, that makes Hyannis High School one of the best facilities around.



"BLUE PRIDE" in the various assemblies that are brought to the K-12 students, such as "Backstage with a Rodeo Clown", which sent the message "Get high on life, not drugs!"



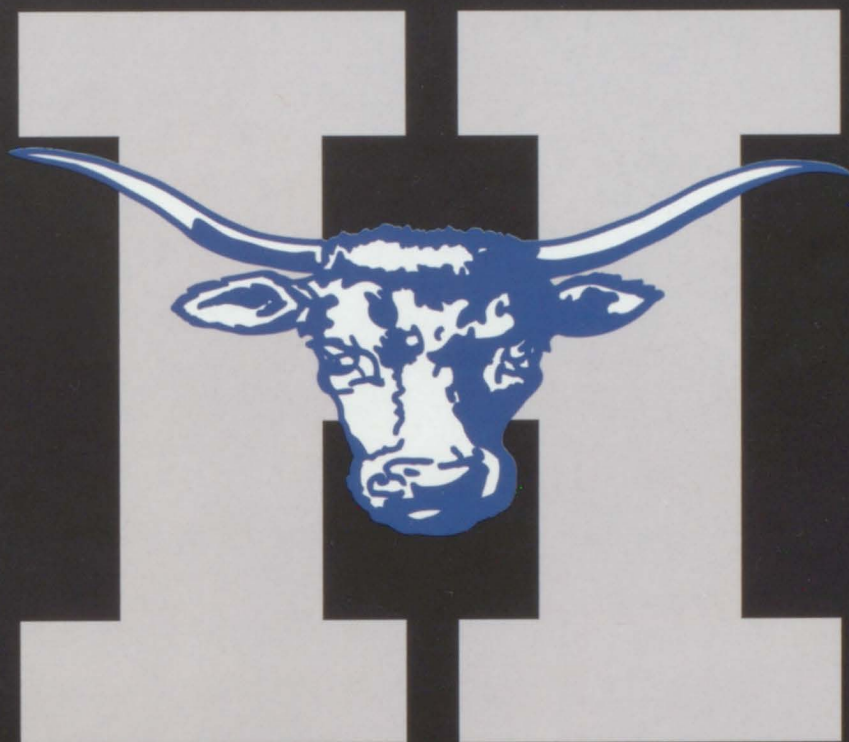
"BLUE PRIDE" to the extreme, shown by board member, Harold Johnson, during Homecoming.



"BLUE PRIDE" in our community as shown by students working alongside community members and employees during "Community Cleanup Day", sponsored by the Student Council.



**"BLUE PRIDE"**



**IN HHS PEOPLE . . .**



# Seniors

## All in Red Homecoming Spirit Week:

The small but mighty Class of 2008  
wears their red proudly.

(floor) Daniel Smith  
(standing) Casey Benner, Megan  
Adams, Mrs. Keller, Mike Wright.



## Just bein' casual

Susan, Daniel, Megan,  
Mike, and Casey.

*Class of 2008*

## Funny Abby

Abby caught with the  
ball and seems to be  
asking, "Now, what do  
I do with it?!"



House of Photography

## Tall Date

Mike's Prom date, B J  
Adams, proves there's  
more than one way to  
dance with a tall date!



## Dedicated

Casey diligently kept  
stats for his team, as he  
couldn't play because  
of an injury.

*Class of 2008*

## Prom 2008

Don't they clean up nice?

(front) Susan, Megan.

(back) Daniel, Mike, Casey.



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**Class of 2008**  
gathered at the historic  
windmill downtown.

**"BLUE PRIDE"**

*Class of 2008*

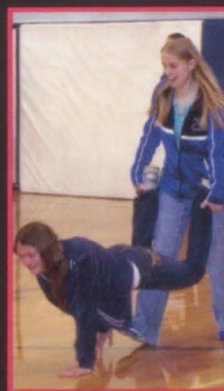
### Graduation

The Class of 2008  
graduate on May 10,  
2008 in the Lecture  
Hall of HHS.



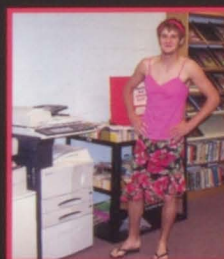
### A Little Bit Goofy

Homecoming Queen  
Megan and King  
Daniel caught in a  
goofy moment.



### FFA Week

Megan and Susan  
compete in the Wheel  
Barrow Race segment  
of the Ag Olympics.



### School Spirit

Dano shows his school  
spirit during "Spirit  
Week". Watch out,  
Sandy, there may be  
competition for your job!



*Class of 2008*

### Burning of the H

Dano attains his highest  
goal of being a  
cheerleader, while just  
hangin' with his  
classmates at the  
traditional Homecoming  
Burning of the "H".



2008



"It's not length of life, but depth of life."  
--Ralph Waldo Emerson



Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4  
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4  
Spring Play 3  
One Act 2, 3  
Choir 1, 2, 3, 4  
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4

Megan Lyne Adams

Abby Altmaier  
1989 - 2007



In Loving Memory

Casey Wayne Benner



One Act 1, 2, 3, 4  
Football 2, 3, 4  
FFA 1, 2  
StuCo 1, 2  
H-Club 2, 3, 4  
Class Officer 3, 4  
Quiz Bowl 4



"Two wrongs don't make a right, but three lefts do!"

where's  
the  
Party?



"Dream lofty dreams, and as you dream,  
so you will become."



FFA 1, 2  
Class Officer 1, 2, 3, 4  
Aca Deca 3, 4  
Choir 2, 4



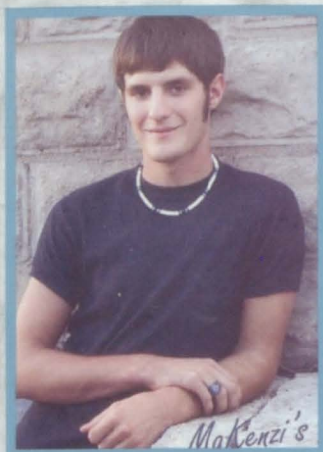
Susan Ann Liptrap



# DANIEL JOSEPH SMITH



"PERFECTION IS POSSIBLE"



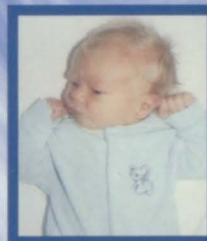
FOOTBALL 1, 2, 3, 4  
WRESTLING 1, 2, 3, 4  
TRACK 1, 2, 3, 4  
ONE-ACT 2, 3, 4  
FFA 1, 2  
H-CLUB 2, 3, 4  
STUCO 4



Basketball 1, 2  
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4  
FFA Treasurer 2, 3  
StuCo 1, 2, 3  
One Act 2, 4  
Spring Play 3, 4  
Aca Deca 1, 2, 4  
Quiz Bowl 2, 3, 4

"I may not have gone where I intended to go,  
but I think I have ended up where I needed to be."

-Douglas Adams



Michael James Wright

## Kyannis High School Class of 2008

Colors:

Red, Black, and Silver

Flower:

Red Rose



Song:

"Then They Do" by Trace Adkins

Motto: "We can't direct the wind, but we can adjust our sails."



# Juniors

CLASS  
of  
2009



Class Sponsor  
Mrs. Lynell Stillwell

Dain Applegarth

Kristen Burgess  
Secretary

Billy Craig

Tyler Evans



Matthew Ferguson

Alicia Hisel

Amanda Johnson  
Treasurer

Jarrett Johnson



Joe Julius  
President

Hazy Nielson  
StuCo

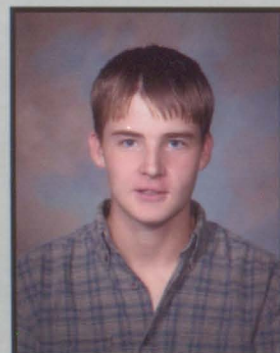
Kolt Osentowski

James Safarik  
News Reporter



Jake Schwanebeck

Trey Sheets  
Vice President



Prom is the main focus of the Class of 2009. They are busy with fund raisers, plans, decorating, and finally the big night.

Individuals in the class are members of many organizations and teams. They are definitely part of HHS's "Blue Pride", as they earn many awards, entertain, perform, and are contenders for State titles. They represent their class well.

They also bring a lot of spirit and fun to the halls of HHS. Their enthusiasm is an inspiration for all.



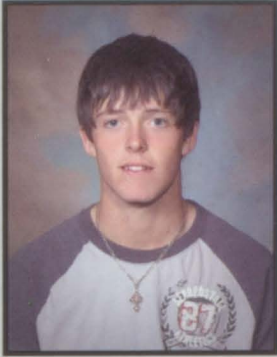


Class Sponsor  
Mr. Kyle Hoyt

# Sophomores



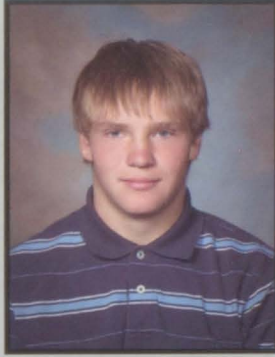
Alexis Anthony  
Treasurer



Jeffrey Cover  
President



Matthew Cover  
News Reporter



Trevor Evans  
StuCo



Chancy Hampton



Tanner Lintt



Malinda Mack



Jamie Menuey  
Secretary



Shantel Monahan



Colby Myers



Seth Ramsay  
Vice President



Jason Smith

The Class of 2010 spread their wings, as their first year of high school is behind them.

They are very active in all that HHS has to offer, bringing about "BLUE PRIDE" in all that they do.

The year progresses with one less classmate, as Jason Smith moves away.

The class looks forward to being upper classmen next year.



William Wright



# Freshmen

## CLASS of 2011



Class Sponsor  
Mr. Phillip Payne

Chelsea Altana  
News Reporter



Vincent Armstrong



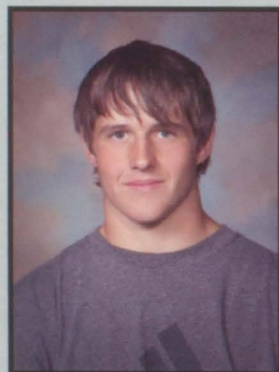
Jonathan Billingsley  
Vice President



Courtney Clarke  
Treasurer



Cole Dubs  
President



Brian Ferguson  
Secretary



Shelby Grimes



Edward Hebbert



Charles Kramer  
StuCo



Daniel Safarik



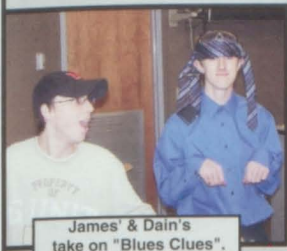
The Class of 2011 starts the year as high school students, as they leave junior high behind them.

The freshmen hit the halls running and never looked back as they join activities, organizations, and teams. They make their own "Blox Page" as they venture through the year.

A new name is added to the roster, as Shelby Grimes joins the class.

The class prepares for next year, which could possibly be the most challenging of their high school career.





James' & Dain's take on "Blues Clues".



Jon caught cross-dressing and forced to go public.



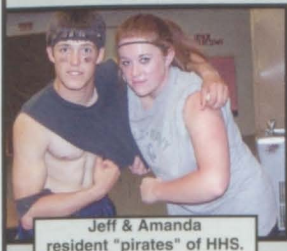
Hazy appears just "too cool" for FFA.



That crazy One Act gang!



"Hi, Joe!"



Jeff & Amanda resident "pirates" of HHS.



Basketball becomes just too much, so Alexis tries ballet.



Mike gets James excited about graduating.



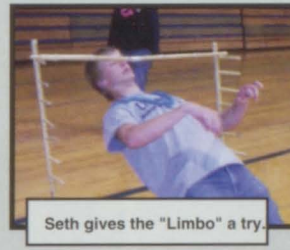
Matt follows in Sheriff Shawn's footsteps.



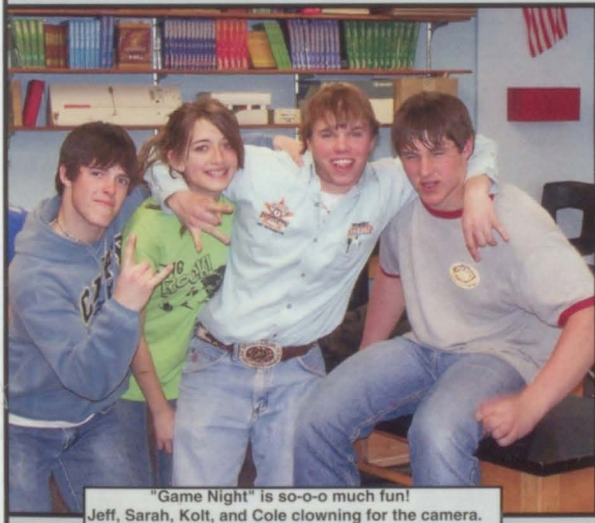
Courtney joins the circus!



Matt brings the Dance Team back to HHS.



Seth gives the "Limbo" a try.



"Game Night" is so-o-o much fun! Jeff, Sarah, Kolt, and Cole clowning for the camera.



When you're "cool", the sun always shines. Right, Ed?



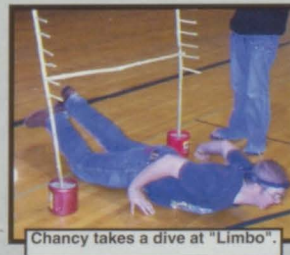
Tanner shows them how it's done!



Jeff's try at "Limbo" leaves him flat on his back.



Jake takes a break.



Chancy takes a dive at "Limbo".

# H I G H S C H O O L C A N D I D S



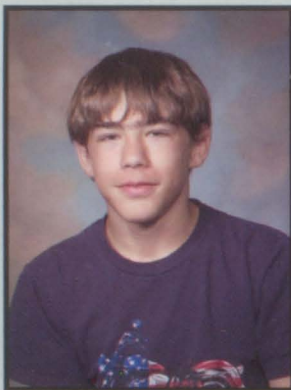
# Eighth Grade

**CLASS**  
of  
**2012**

Class Sponsor  
Mr. Scott Anderson



Jared Bassett  
News Reporter



Josh Conner



Emily Hollopeter  
Treasurer



Colton Hoover



Gunnar Johnson  
StuCo



Kody Kramer



John Monahan  
Vice President



Tyler Nielson



Sarah Ramsay  
Secretary



William Wonacott



Brianna Young  
President



The Class of 2012 finishes their last year of junior high, with their minds set on high school next year.

Their "BLUE PRIDE" shows through in everything they do, whether it is schoolwork or sports.

A new class member, William Wonacott, joins them in the fall.

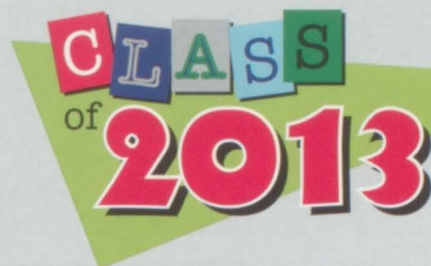
They plan to take HHS by storm as freshmen.



# Seventh Grade



Class Sponsor  
Mrs. Joy Brown



Caitlyn Bassett



Alisha Conner  
Secretary



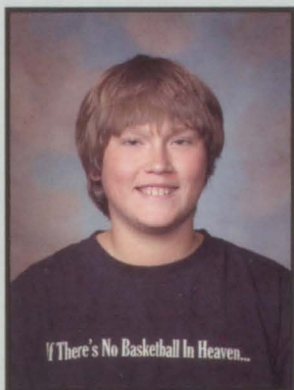
Kylee Dredla  
StuCo



Bree Evans  
Vice President



Marika Hampton  
Treasurer



David Safarik



Bailey Schaack

The Class of 2013 finds junior high a huge challenge after elementary school, but not one they can't rise up to meet.

Their enthusiasm for life is a source of "Blue Pride", as they do well in academics, organizations, and sports.

They are eagerly waiting to take their place at the top of the junior high totem pole next year.



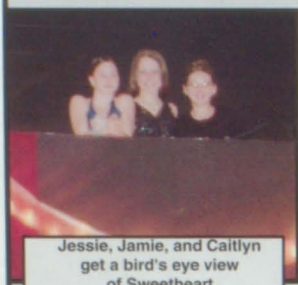
Jessie Schwanebeck  
News Reporter



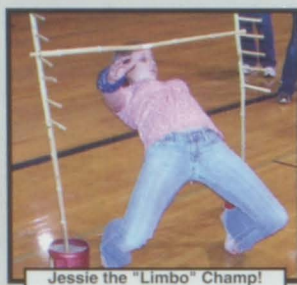
Haleigh White  
President



# Jr. High Candids



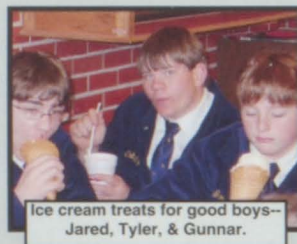
Jessie, Jamie, and Caitlyn  
get a bird's eye view  
of Sweetheart.



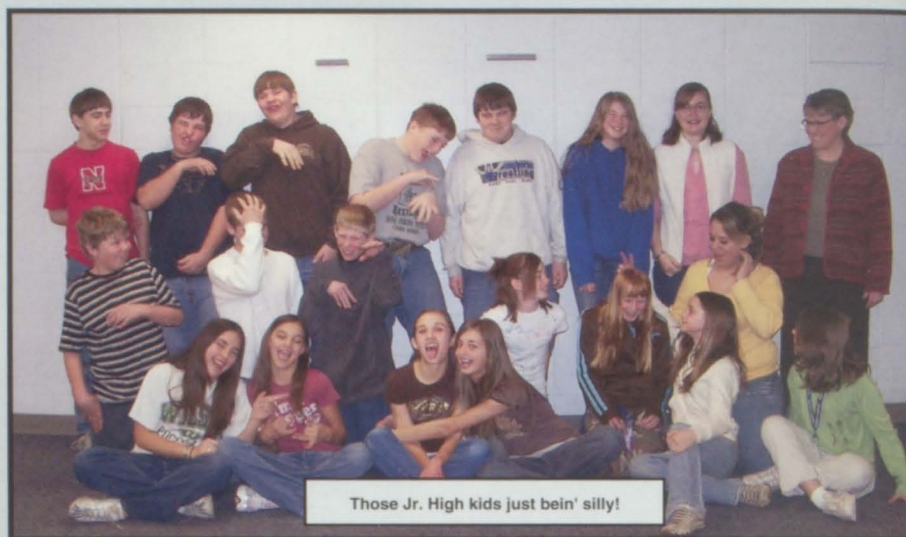
Jessie the "Limbo" Champ!



Emily & Bailey  
with their creative  
Longhorn.



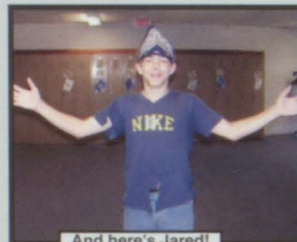
Ice cream treats for good boys--  
Jared, Tyler, & Gunnar.



Those Jr. High kids just bein' silly!



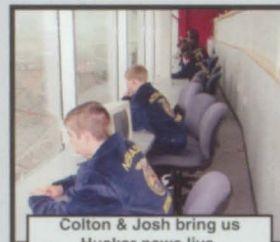
Josh & Tyler filling in  
for Senator Loudon.



And here's Jared!



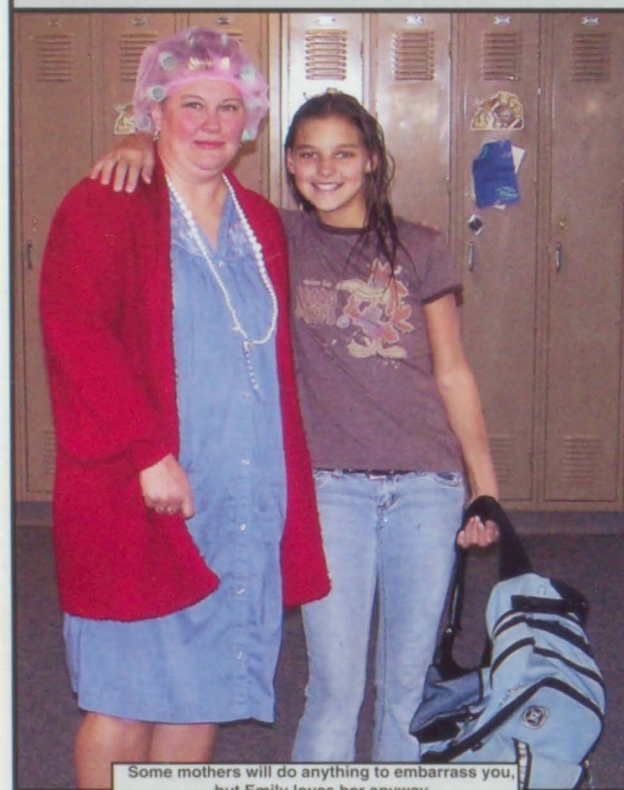
Caitlyn showing her school  
spirit on Halloween.



Colton & Josh bring us  
Husker news live.



Upside down girls--  
Courtney, Emily, & Sarah.



Some mothers will do anything to embarrass you,  
but Emily loves her anyway.



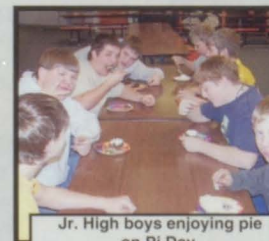
J T's idea of a mobile home.



Sarah and Emily trying out for cheerleaders  
at Memorial Stadium.



Emily uses her new invention  
--the apple spoon.



Jr. High boys enjoying pie  
on Pi Day.



# Elementary Candidids



K-2 Chorus  
Elementary Spring Concert.



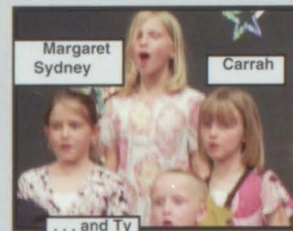
Ty takes Ms. Garrard  
at her word--PRACTICE!



Blake,  
Kaci, & Lindsey



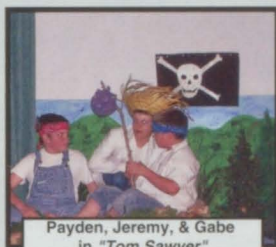
Cody & Joe performing  
in "Tom Sawyer".



Margaret  
Sydney Carrah  
... and Ty



K-2 basketball scrimmage



Payden, Jeremy, & Gabe  
in "Tom Sawyer"



1st Grade Boys  
3-Legged Race



Brett is enrolled Patience 101  
HS Spring Concert



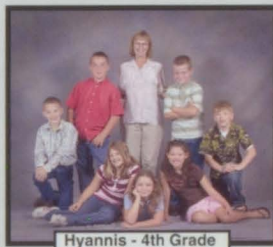
Some of the piggies  
in the "3 Piggy Opera"



Hyannis - K - 1st



Hyannis - 2nd & 3rd Grade



Hyannis - 4th Grade



Hyannis - 5th Grade



Hyannis - 6th Grade



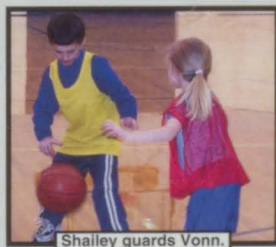
Vinton - J - 4th



Ashby - K-6th



Jackson -- The "Big Bad Wolf"?



Shailey guards Vonn.



3rd - 6th Choir  
Spring Concert



# Elementary K-3

## Kindergarten

Brock Nollette  
Jenna Schwanebeck



## First Grade

Mackenzie Anderson  
Jackson Davis  
Vonn Dubs  
Cameron Jensen  
Shailey McAbee  
Zane Musgrave



Ty Rowe  
Shaianna Sabata  
Taylor Smith  
Jayden Vinton



## Second Grade

Riley Bassett  
Carrah Daugherty  
Alyssa Hampton  
Shelby Haney  
Ryley Johnson  
Sarah Monahan



Sydney Nielson  
Margaret Safarik  
Jacalyn Schwanebeck  
Haylee Wohlford



## Third Grade

Brittany Ash  
Chayton Dilley  
Bo Holthus  
Brook Jamison  
Justin Mogus  
Wyatt Musgrave



Madison Ramsay  
Skylor Rowe





# Elementary 4-6



## Fourth Grade

Austin Anthony  
Zachary Ash  
Shania Bozzetto  
Caitlen Evans  
Aaron Ferguson  
Megan Garrard



Gabe Haney  
Emmett Hoover  
Jada Jensen  
Wyatt Rowe  
Wyatt Sabata



## Fifth Grade

Payden Ayer  
Tyrone Bozzetto  
Cody Clarke  
Kaci Conner  
Jeremy Davis  
Logan Hollopeter



Blake Johnson  
Shayna Kramer  
Brett Menuet  
Triston Nielson  
Ashlee Nollette  
Kaitlyn Ramsay



Isabel Safarik  
Brandy Schaack  
Lindsey Storms  
BreAnna Wonacott



## Sixth Grade

Shakota Dilley  
Kayla Hampton  
Hannah Haney  
Joe Hebbert  
Tanner Holthus  
Travis Hoover



Savanna Jamison  
Cody Mogus  
Chelsea Nollette  
Shontell Roseberry  
Kelsey Wohlford  
Frannie Young



# School Board



## Hyannis Area Schools School Board

(front)

**Harold Johnson** (treasurer),

**Tim Cover** (member).

**Chris Gentry** (secretary).

(back)

**Al Davis** (president),

**Lisa Jamison** (vice president),

**Steve Nielson** (member).

# Administration



*Adamson Studios*

**Mr. Mike Davis**  
Superintendent

A graduate of Merriman Elementary and Gordon High School, Mr. Davis has always called the Sandhills home. He has been at Hyannis High School for 5 years. His goals for this year are to improve school pride and the performance of students, teachers, and classified staff. He also works with the Jr. High FFA. Davis has been instrumental in starting the TeamMates mentoring program for the fifth graders.



*House of Photography*

**Mr. Howard Gaffney**  
High School Principal

Mr. Gaffney comes from Sandhills Public Schools, where he taught, coached, and had some administrative duties. This is his first year at HHS and he also serves as athletic director, girls basketball coach, and taught eighth grade Earth Science first semester. Gaffney's goal for the year is to create as much harmony between staff, students, and the community as humanly possible.



*House of Photography*

**Ms. Elizabeth Wearin**  
Elementary Principal

Ms. Wearin was raised in Iowa and lived for many years in the Omaha area. She has been an elementary teacher, an elementary principal, and a community-school coordinator. Wearin retired from teaching in 2006, returned to education for two years, and retires (again) at the end of this year.



# Faculty



Mr. Scott Anderson  
Hyannis High  
Technology / Math



Mrs. Joy Brown  
Hyannis High  
Science



Mrs. Deb Daly  
Hyannis Elementary  
6th Grade



Mrs. Vicki Dyer  
Hyannis Elementary  
Kdg. - 1st Grades



Mrs. Kristy Evans  
Hyannis Elementary  
5th Grade



Mrs. Sheryl Ferguson  
Hyannis Elementary  
2nd - 3rd Grades



Miss Jody French  
Vinton Elementary  
1st - 2nd, 4th - 5th Grades



Mrs. Marina Garner  
Hyannis High  
English



Ms. Janeice Garrard  
Hyannis Area Schools  
Music



Mrs. Jeanne Gentry  
Hyannis High  
Speech / One Act



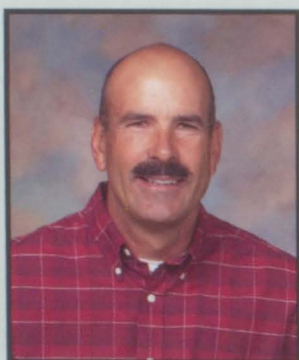
Ms. Sally Haythorn-Mayden  
Educational Service Unit #16  
Speech / Language



Mrs. Suzan Hisel  
Hyannis Elementary  
4th Grade



# Faculty



Mr. Ken Hoegerl  
Ashby Elementary  
5th - 6th Grades



Mr. Kyle Hoyt  
Hyannis Area Schools  
Art



Mrs. Cindy Keller  
Hyannis High  
Business / Math



Mr. Chris Kraus  
Hyannis Area Schools  
Physical Education



Mrs. Stacy McAbee  
Vinton Elementary  
Music



Mr. Phillip Payne  
Hyannis High  
Social Studies



Ms. Kari Saitta  
Hyannis Area Schools  
Special Education



Mrs. Jan Simpson  
Ashby Elementary  
Kdg. - 2nd Grades



Miss Jody Soester  
Hyannis High  
Agriculture



Mrs. Lynell Stillwell  
Hyannis High  
Guidance / English



Mrs. Robyn Werth  
Ashby Elementary  
3rd - 4th Grades



Mrs. Floydene Wilder  
Hyannis High  
Library / Journalism



# Support Staff



Casandra Anthony  
Hyannis Area Schools  
Cook



Corina Bozetto  
Hyannis Elementary  
Para-Educator



Carol Crouse  
Ashby Elementary  
Para-Educator



Jo Davis  
Hyannis Area Schools  
Food Service Manager



Marian Downing  
Hyannis High  
Custodian



Peg Finegan  
Hyannis Elementary  
Para-Educator



Cindy Kime  
Hyannis Elementary  
Custodian



Janice Kraus  
Hyannis High  
Para-Educator



Amy Nielson  
Vinton Elementary  
Custodian



Jill Payne  
Hyannis Elementary  
Para-Educator



Nancy Shaffer  
Vinton Elementary  
Para-Educator



McKenzie Vivion  
Hyannis High  
Para-Educator



Dennis Wilder  
Hyannis Area Schools  
Director of  
Maintenance / Transportation



Sandy Yorges  
Hyannis Area Schools  
Bookkeeper / Secretary



Jack Zickafoose  
Hyannis Area Schools  
Transportation

Leonard Davis  
Cindy McKimmey  
Patsy Evans

Ashby Elementary  
Custodians



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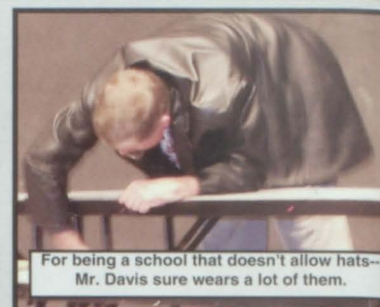
Now we know why Mr. Gaffney keeps that candy jar in his office-- it's a hit with the ladies! (at least with Emily Gentry)



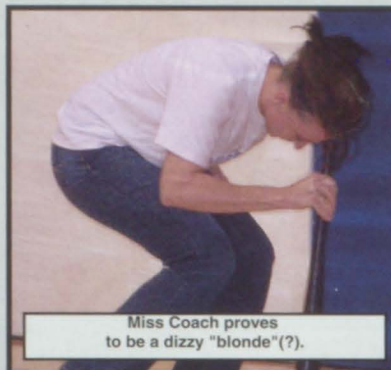
Ms. Garrard is waiting for her Santa.



Mrs. Brown gets into the spirit of Halloween.



For being a school that doesn't allow hats-- Mr. Davis sure wears a lot of them.



Miss Coach proves to be a dizzy "blonde"(?).



According to Mrs. Gentry, "They went that-a-way!"



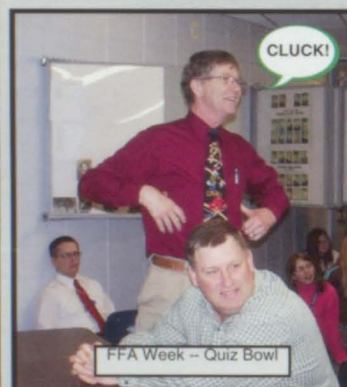
Mrs. Keller, Mrs. Garner, & Mrs. Stillwell once again fail to call Ms. Saitta about what color they are wearing for the day.



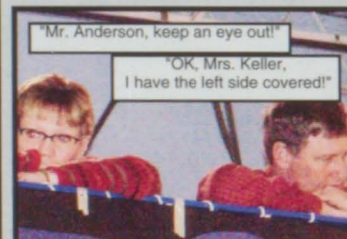
Ms. Wearin looking festive, yet professional.



Coach Hoyt, you maybe should stick to wrestling!



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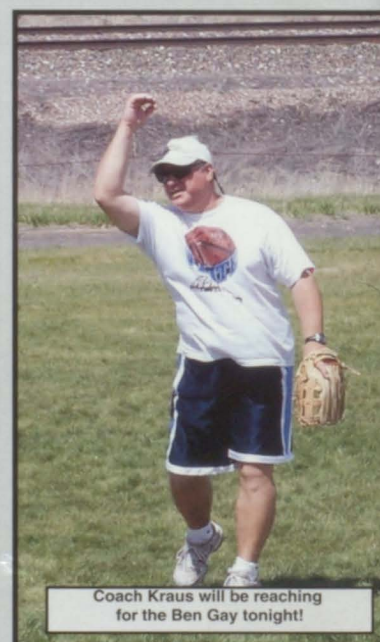


"Mr. Anderson, keep an eye out!"

"OK, Mrs. Keller, I have the left side covered!"



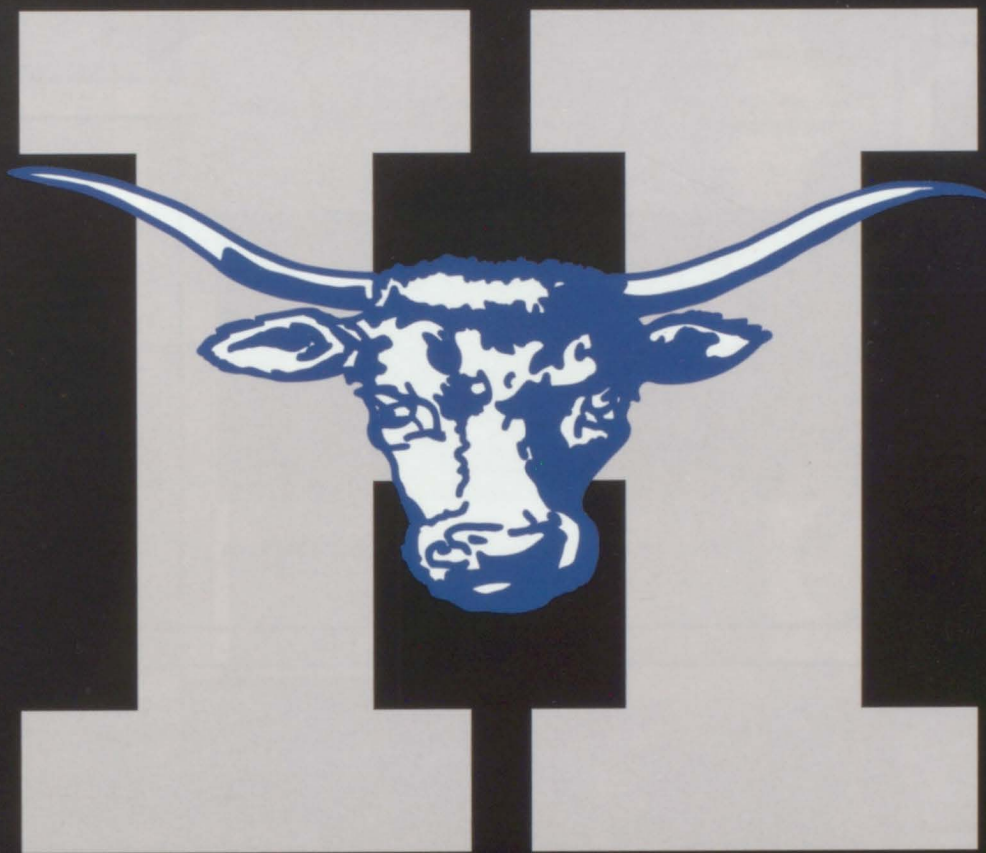
Mr. Payne and Mr. Anderson provide halftime entertainment!



Coach Kraus will be reaching for the Ben Gay tonight!



**"BLUE PRIDE"**



**IN HHS SPORTS . . .**





"This was a building year for the Longhorn football team. There was a lot of talent and determination revealed. All members lettered and the JV team went undefeated."

--Coach Hoyt



Photo courtesy of Georgeann Wearin

#12 Daniel Smith prepares to throw a pass in the game against the Cody-Kilgore Cowboys.

# Longhorn Football



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## Seniors:

(above, left) Daniel Smith leads the Longhorns as quarterback and also played safety.



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(above, right) Casey Benner didn't see any action as he had knee surgery during the summer, but he consistently keeps stats for every game.

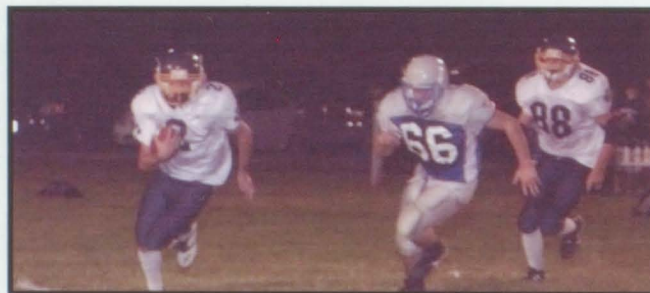


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#66 Matt Ferguson comes thundering down the field on the heels of a Paxton Tiger.

## Varsity Scoreboard

Opponent	Us	Them
Thedford	16	24
Cody-Kilgore	24	48
Mullen	20	51
Potter-Dix	24	42
Sioux County	64	8
Paxton	6	8
Hay Springs	50	26
Banner County	28	42

## Jr. Varsity Scoreboard

Opponent	Us	Them
Mullen	40	28
Arthur County	38	8
Sandhills	40	0
Mullen	32	30
Cody-Kilgore	cancelled	due to injuries

## Team

(front row) Kody Kramer (st. mgr.), David Safarik (st. mgr.), #31 Bryan Ferguson, #27 Jon Billingsley, #11 Jeff Cover, #29 Dain Applegarth, #44 Trevor Evans, John Monahan (st. mgr.).  
 (middle row) #65 Cole Dubs, #50 Joe Julius, #34 Matt Cover, #67 Colby Myers, #24 Kolt Osentowski, #10 Seth Ramsay, #21 Trey Sheets.  
 (back row) Coach Hoyt, Billy Craig (st. mgr.), #40 Casey Benner, #59 Charlie Kramer, #66 Matt Ferguson, #20 Tyler Evans, #12 Daniel Smith, #45 Vinny Armstrong, Coach Payne.



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Photo courtesy of Georgeann Wearin

## "BLUE PRIDE" Action

(above) #11 Jeff Cover runs the ball.

(above, right) #24 Kolt Osentowski makes a super attempt to sack the quarterback.

(left) #12 Daniel Smith steams down the field unhindered by any Paxton Tigers.

(below) #29 Dain Applegarth preparing to throw a pass while #21 Trey Sheets and #67 Colby Myers block for him.

(below, right) #20 Tyler Evans runs the ball and makes some impressive yardage against the Thedford Trojans.

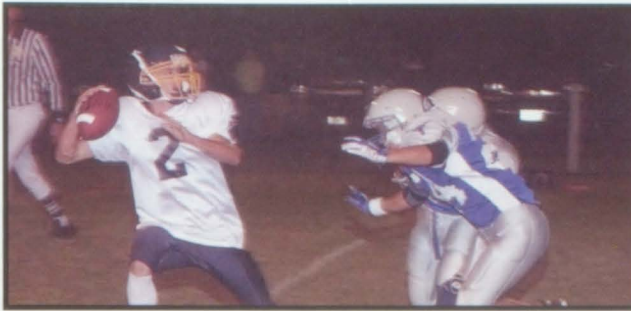


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Photo courtesy of Georgeann Wearin



Defensive line against the Thedford Trojans in a beautiful sunny afternoon game.



Photo courtesy of Kim Foreman

Offensive line against the Paxton Tigers on a fall evening.



Daniel Smith, Senior, is named to D-2 10 All-District Team (tying for 1st Safety) and All-State Honorable Mention Class D-2 Eight Man Team. Smith finishes with 289 yds. passing, 245 yds. rushing, 66 tackles, and 151 yds. punting.



Matt Ferguson, Junior, is named to D-2 10 All-District Team (1st Defense) and All-State Honorable Mention Class D-2 Eight Man Team. Ferguson ends with 97 yds. rushing and 98 tackles.



Tyler Evans, Junior, is named to Honorable Mention D-2 10 All-District Team and All-State Honorable Mention Class D-2 Eight Man Team. Evans finishes with 132 yds. receiving, 587 yds. rushing, 61 tackles, and 810 yds. punting.



Trey Sheets, Junior, is named to Honorable Mention D-2 10 All-District Team. Sheets ends with 88 yds. passing, 133 yds. receiving, 258 yds. rushing, 64 tackles, and 189 yds. kick returns.



Kolt Osentowski, Junior, is named to Honorable Mention D-2 10 All-District Team. Osentowski finishes with 21 yds. receiving, 69 tackles, and 15 yds. punt returns.



Colby Myers, Sophomore, is named to Honorable Mention D-2 10 All-District Team. Myers ends with 28 tackles.



Vincent Armstrong, Freshman, is named to Honorable Mention D-2 10 All-District Team. Armstrong finishes with 47 tackles.

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# Lady Volleyball

## Longhorns

### SCORECARD

Score	Opponent
12-25, 7-25, 15-25	McPherson County
11-25, 7-25, 11-25	Thedford
9-25, 13-25	<b>Thedford Triangular:</b> Thedford
12-25, 16-25	Mullen
21-25, 25-23, 24-26, 21-25	Cody-Kilgore
15-25, 14-25	<b>Hemingford Invite:</b> Hay Springs
18-25, 13-25	Hemingford
20-25, 19-25, 19-25	Cody-Kilgore
17-25, 13-25	<b>Crawford Triangular:</b> Crawford
19-25,	Sioux County
15-25, 11-25, 12-25	Hay Springs
23-25, 21-25, 17-25	Sioux County
17-25, 17-25	Banner County
25-20, 25-12	<b>Arthur Triangular:</b> Arthur
10-25, 14-25	Stapleton
25-20, 25-17	Mullen JV
17-25, 17-25	Ainsworth
13-25, 11-25, 12-25	<b>Sandhills Conference Tournament:</b> McPherson County
19-25, 25-18, 7-25, 25-19, 15-9	<b>Sub-Districts Tournament:</b> Arthur County
12-25, 11-25, 7-25	Potter-Dix

### All-State Honorable Mention



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**Shantel Monahan**

Monahan, a sophomore, ends with 10 aces out of 122 good serves, 7 kills out of 42 good spikes, and 50 assists out of 374 good sets.



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**Amanda Johnson**

Johnson, a junior, finishes with 14 aces out of 96 good serves, 49 kills out of 239 good spikes, and 34 blocks.



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**Megan Adams**

Adams, a senior, ends with 15 aces out of 101 good serves, 7 kills out of 51 good spikes, and 64 assists.

### Freshman Starter

(left)  
Courtney (#4), a freshman, sends the ball over the net and around the two blockers from the opposing team.



### Dig to the front

(below)  
Minda sends a dig to the front row in fine style.



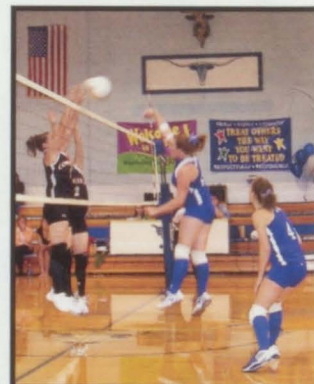
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### Senior Players

(above)  
Abby Altmaier and Megan Adams lead the team as seniors.

### Hit

(left)  
Amanda gets a hit for the Lady Longhorns against the Hay Springs Lady Hawks during the Homecoming game.







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## Team:

(right)

(front) #11 Chelsea Altena,  
#4 Courtney Clarke, #7 Jamie Menuey,  
#9 Alexis Anthony, #1 Shantel Monahan  
#5 Shelby Grimes.

(middle) (st. mgr.) Hazy Nielson,  
#3 Kristen Burgess, #12 Amanda Johnson,  
# Alicia Hisel, (st. mgr.) Sarah Ramsay.

(back) Miss Coach, #8 Megan Adams,  
#10 Abby Altmaier, Coach Brown.



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"I was very impressed with the girls' improvement this year. We appreciated the support everyone gave us. I look forward to next season and am confident that our season will be filled with success."

--Miss Coach

## Serving...

(below)

Megan gearing up for a powerful serve.



## Dig...

(above)

Abby sends a dig to the front row. Alicia (#2), Kristen (#3) and Chelsea (#11) are on alert.



## Hit...

(above)

Alexus (#9) executes a hit against the Longhorns' opponents. Courtney (#4) is ready to backup her up



# Longhorn Boys Basketball

## VARSITY SCOREBOARD

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Us</u>	<u>Them</u>
Stapleton	43	53
Hemingford	39	45
Mullen	26	47
Crawford	49	45
Garden County	37	48
Arthur County	31	43
South Platte	41	32
Sioux County	34	19
Cody-Kilgore	34	52
McPherson County	47	63
Thedford	56	42
Arthur County	56	45
McPherson County	41	32
Mullen	46	43
Minatare	46	30
Hay Springs	46	71



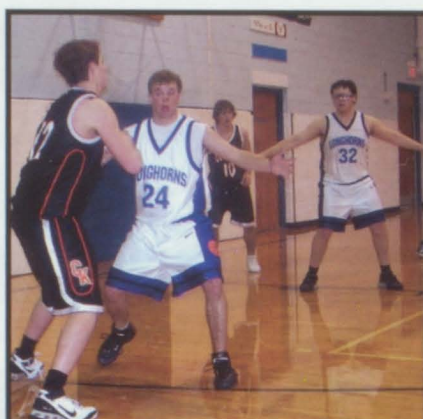
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### **Team:**

(front) #30 Bryan Ferguson, #20 Ed Hebbert, #12 Jeff Cover, #14 Dain Applegarth.  
 (middle) John Monahan (st. mgr.), #24 Kolt Osentowski, #34 Jon Billingsley, #22 Trey Sheets, Gunnar Johnson (st. mgr.).  
 (back) Coach Chris Kraus, #10 Seth Ramsay, #40 Matt Ferguson, #42 Dan Safarik, #32 Billy Craig, #44 Chancy Hampton, Asst. Coach Kevin Kostman.



(above) #40 Matt Ferguson, #32 Billy Craig, and #24 Kolt Osentowski working under the basket against South Platte.



(above, right) #24 Kolt Osentowski and #32 Billy Craig putting up a good defense against Cody-Kilgore.

(right) Trey brings the ball down the court under heavy defense from the C-K Cowboys.

(far right) Dan goes up above the action for a rebound against the Cody-Kilgore Cowboys.







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"I felt our boys did a fine job this season. They continued to get better and in a solid victory over a very talented Mullen team showed they could play with anyone at the end of the season. Our boys could be good next year if they put in the time and effort to improve on their individual skills during the off season."

--Coach Kraus

(below)  
Freshman starter, Bryan Ferguson keeps his cool against a very exuberant Stapleton opponent.



## Sandhills All-Conference Team



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Matt Ferguson

Named to All-Conference, Ferguson, a junior, ends the season with 207 points, 116 rebounds, 36 assists, averaging 11.5 points per game.



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Billy Craig

Named to All-Conference Honorable Mention, Craig, a junior, finishes the season with 138 points, 115 rebounds, 27 blocks, and averaged 7.7 points per game.



(above)  
Jr. Varsity rebound action against Mullen JV.



## Longhorn Power

### SCOREBOARD

#### Tournaments

Opponent	Us	Them
Sandhills Conference		
Sandhills	29	47
Sub-Districts		
Arthur County	53	56

#### Jr. Varsity

Opponent	Us	Them
Stapleton	29	9
Hemingford	22	21
Mullen	19	13
Garden County	9	14
South Platte	20	6
Cody-Kilgore	26	22
Arthur County	20	19
McPherson County	25	0
Mullen	25	20
Hay Springs	22	28



#40 Matt Ferguson goes up for two.



### Longhorn Defense

#42 Dan Safarik, #24 Kolt Osentowski, #30 Bryan Ferguson, #32 Billy Craig, and #22 Trey Sheets play some heavy defense against the South Platte Blue Knights.



### Longhorn Offense

#24 Kolt Osentowski, #22 Trey Sheets, and #32 Billy Craig work hard offensively, trying to get a bucket in Sub-District play against the Arthur Wolves.



## Lady Longhorns

# Basketball



### Offensive Play

(left)  
Shantel keeps her cool under heavy defense.

(below, right)  
Jamie down on her knees, but not giving up the ball.

(below)  
Megan drives hard around a very aggressive opponent.



*"You might look at their record of 0-18 and think they didn't accomplish much, but you would be wrong.*

*--Mike Wright/"Spotlight" reporter*

### Team:

(front)  
#12 Alexis Anthony,  
#10 Megan Adams,  
#34 Courtney Clarke  
(middle)  
Kylee Dredla (st. mgr.),  
#30 Chelsea Altena,  
#14 Shantel Monahan,  
#24 Shelby Grimes,  
Sarah Ramsay (st. mgr.),  
(back)  
Asst. Coach Saitta,  
#54 Hazy Nielson,  
#20 Jamie Menuey,  
#22 Amanda Johnson,  
Coach Gaffney (not pictured)





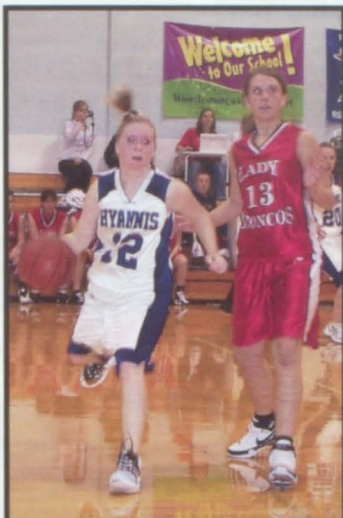


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"We knew we had a hard climb. We motivated the players we had, rather than moaning about the players we didn't have. We planted our feet, stood firm, and made a point about who we are and what we believed in! We were in certain aspects true winners.

--Coach Gaffney

(below)  
Alexus brings the ball around the Stapleton defense.



### Honorable Mention All-State and Sandhills Conference Teams



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Megan Adams

Adams is named to the All-State Honorable Mention Team and the Sandhills All-Conference Honorable Mention Team.



#30 Chelsea Altena jumps into the action, without fouling.



Longhorn  
Spirit

## Scoreboard

### Regular Play

Opponent	Us	Them
Stapleton	18	57
Hemingford	29	69
Mullen	4	56
Crawford	18	47
Garden County	27	44
Arthur County	21	41
South Platte	20	34
Sioux County	9	50
Cody-Kilgore	10	56
Thedford	16	47
Arthur County	31	48
McPherson Co.	11	46
Hay Springs	25	73
Mullen	10	70
Minatare	29	47

### Tournament Play

Opponent	Us	Them
Sandhills Conference		
Thedford	25	58
Sub-Districts		
South Platte	18	22
Jr. Varsity		
Arthur County	12	2
McPherson County	2	9
Mullen	2	4



Courtney dribbles the ball out of the group, backed up by her entire team, (left, going clockwise) Jamie, Amanda, Alexus, and Shantel.

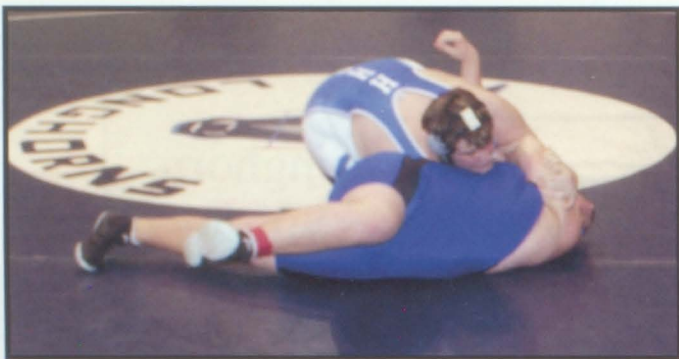


Megan brings the ball down the court past her opponents.

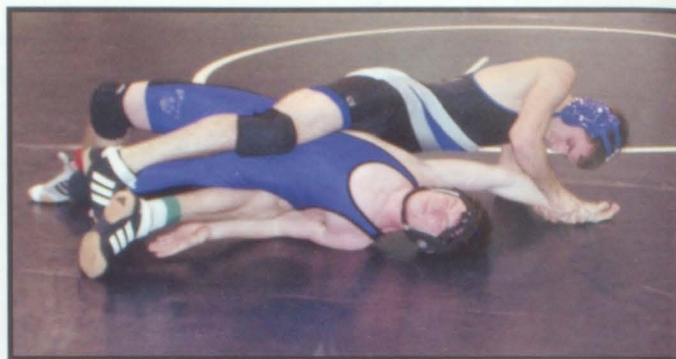


Amanda controls the ball as she comes down the floor against the Hay Springs Lady Hawks.





Charlie Kramer takes his opponent down easily and pins him quickly at the Hyannis Invite.



Dano putting some real pressure on his opponent. The pin comes shortly after.

# Longhorn Wrestling

*"BLUE PRIDE" in the HHS Grapplers  
Smith and Kramer go to State*



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## Team:

(front) Charlie Kramer, Daniel Smith, Trevor Evans, Colby Myers, Joe Julius  
(back) Kody Kramer (st. mgr.), Tyler Nielson (st. mgr.), Assistant Coach Payne, Coach Hoyt, Tyler Evans, Vincent Armstrong.



"This was great year for Hyannis, including two State qualifiers and a new (school) pin record (broken). This was the hardest working group we've had in recent years."

--Coach Hoyt

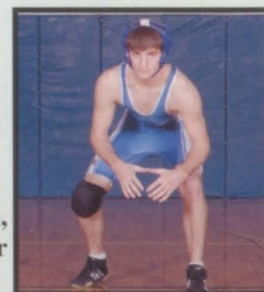


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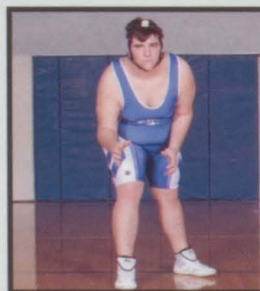
## State Qualifiers

"Going to State proved to me that all my hard work these past 4 years really paid off. Thanks to family, teammates, coaches, and supporters."

--Daniel Smith,  
Senior



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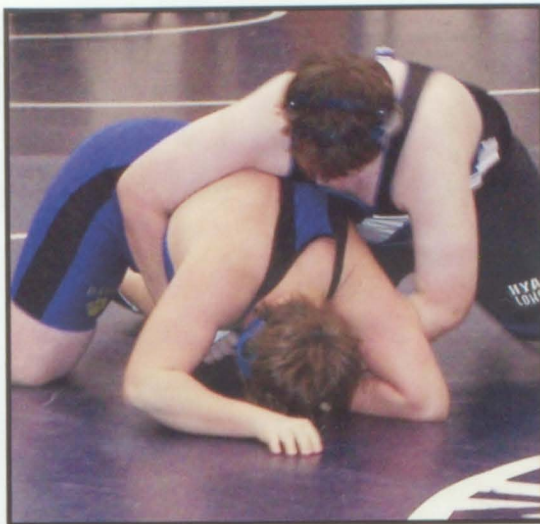
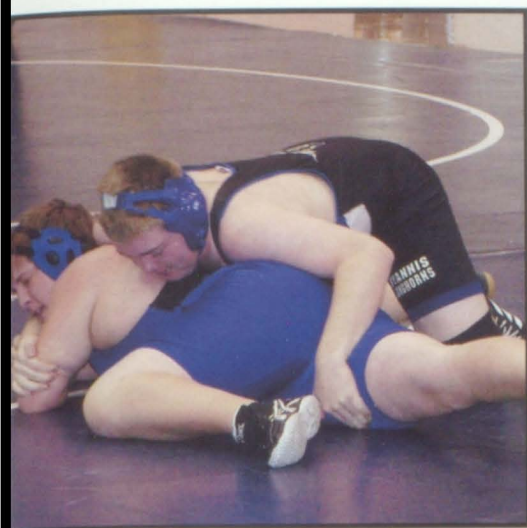


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"It was a very interesting and fun experience. I also wish to be back there (State) next year in competition."

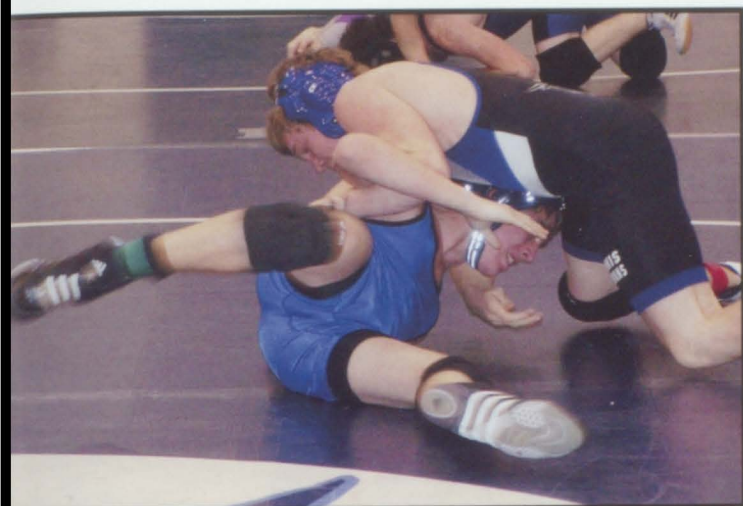
--Charles Kramer,  
Freshman



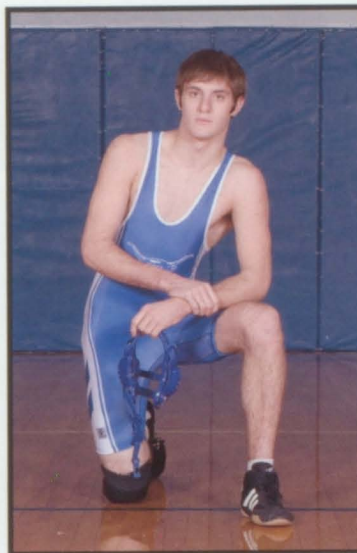
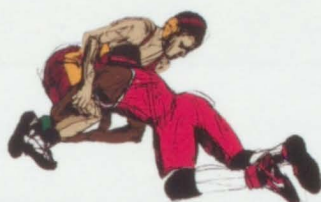


(far left)  
Joe putting some pressure on.

(left)  
Colby seems to have the upper-hand in this match.



Trevor shows some excellent hustle.



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### Senior Grappler

Daniel Smith leads the team as the only senior.

**Bronco Invite**  
Smith-1st, Kramer-3rd, Myers-4th

**Bridgeport Invite**  
Smith-2nd

**Banner County Invite**  
Kramer-1st, Smith-2nd, Myers-3rd

**Garden County Invite**  
Kramer-2nd, Myers-4th

**Panther Invite**  
Smith-2nd

**Mullen Invite**  
Smith-4th

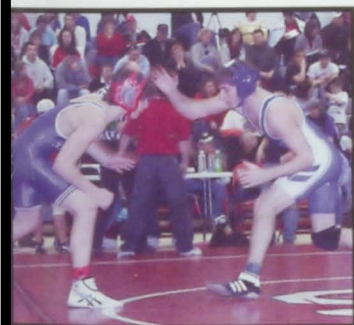
**Medicine Valley Invite**  
Kramer-4th

**St. Patrick Invite**  
Evans-2nd, Smith-3rd, Kramer-5th

**Hyannis Invite**  
Evans-1st, Smith-1st, Kramer-1st,  
Myers-2nd, Julius-3rd

**Districts**  
Smith-2nd, Kramer-3rd

**State**  
Smith (1-2), Kramer (1-2)



Dano shows aggression at District competition in Sutherland.

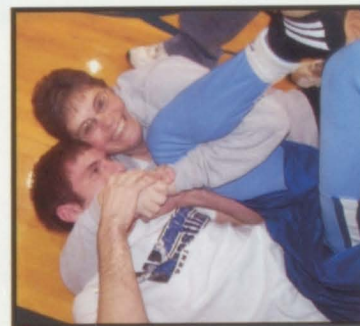


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It's a proven fact at HHS that "Good daddies make good coaches".



Uncle Joe shows his young nephew the proper stance.



Mom shows Dano just who's the boss at the Hyannis Invite. Just because he won 1st place, doesn't mean she can't take him down.



# Track & Field

## Applegarth goes to State

(right)  
Jeff showing good form  
in the Long Jump.



Photo courtesy of Stephanie Ramsay



"I was very pleased with our 2008 track season. An increase in numbers out for track shows a willingness of our athletes to become better. Both the boys and girls worked hard, and consistently improved time and distances each meet. The boys team had a very strong showing at our conference meet, placing 3rd but being only one point out of 2nd."

--Coach Kraus



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### Team:

(front) Jamie Menuet, Shantel Monahan, Alexis Anthony, Amanda Johnson, Hazy Nielson.  
(middle) Ed Hebbert, Jessie Schwanebeck (st. mgr.), Sarah Ramsay (st. mgr.), Courtney Clarke (st. mgr.), Dain Applegarth, Jeff Cover.  
(back) Coach Kraus, Jake Schwanebeck, Daniel Smith, Seth Ramsay, Matt Ferguson, Chancy Hampton, Cole Dubs, Bryan Ferguson, Mrs. Coach Kraus.



Photo courtesy of Kathy Cover

Jamie finishing strong in the mile run.



Photo courtesy of Kathy Cover

Seth doing his thing in the mile run.



Photo courtesy of Kathy Cover

Jake running a leg of the boys relay.



Photo courtesy of Kathy Cover

Ed holding his own in the 400.





Photo courtesy of Kathy Cover



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(far left)  
Shantel hands off to Hazy in the girls relay.

(left)  
Dan clearing one more mark in the high jump.



Amanda giving it her all for her team in the girls relay.

## "BLUE PRIDE" at State



Dain making a good showing at Districts.



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"State Track . . . it seems to get better every year . . . after I run . . ."

--Dain Applegarth, Junior

"A big congratulations goes to Dain Applegarth for placing 1st at Districts in the 400 meter dash and qualifying for the State meet for the second year in a row."

--Coach Kraus



Billy makes a good throw in his favorite field event, the discus.



Photo courtesy of Kathy Cover



Photo courtesy of Kathy Cover



Photo courtesy of Kathy Cover



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The Ferguson bros competing not only against competitors from other schools but each other.

Chancy does his part in the discus for his team.

Alexus off to a good start in the hurdles.

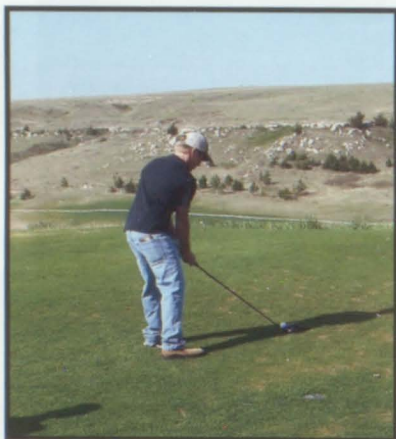
Cole competing in the discus.



# Golf



(below)  
Charlie poised and ready during District competition.



(above)  
Trevor preparing to swing at District competition.



**Team:**

Charlie Kramer, Jon Billingsley, Joe Julius, Trevor Evans, Vinny Armstrong.

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(above)  
Vinny competing at Districts in Sidney.

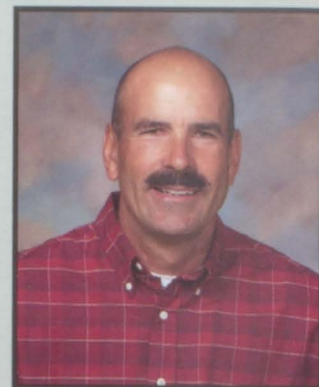


(left)  
Jon takes a swing during practice.

(above)  
Vinny, Jon, Charlie, and Trevor head off through the sandhills to the next hole, during practice at Hyannis Pelican Beach Course.

*"The 2008 Golf Team lacked experience and their scores reflected it, but I personally enjoyed working with all of the golfers. Next year's team should do very well."*

**--Coach Hoegerl**



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# Cheerleading



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by James Safarik

Hyannis has always been known for its community spirit when it comes to crowd participation at a sporting event. But amid the shouts of encouragement from the friends and relatives of the players, one lone voice is heard directing the otherwise anarchist cheers into one spirited chorus. This person is Amanda Johnson, HHS's cheerleader. She says that the main reason she decided to become a cheerleader in the first place was because Abby Altmaier encouraged her to join the cheerleading squad her freshman year. "I will stick with the program even if it means being alone", says Amanda.

"Amanda spent what spare time she had cheering on sports teams. As the only cheerleader, she was spread pretty thin. Cheerleading is a group activity and is too much for one already busy student. Our fans were very supportive. I hope more girls will tryout for next year's squad."

--Coach Garner



(below)  
A professional photo of Amanda.



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(left)  
Amanda showing her "Blue Pride" at a sunny afternoon home game against the Thedford Trojans.

(below)  
Cheers are led at the Homecoming bonfire.



(below)  
At Homecoming, Amanda frolics with the Longhorn.



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(above)  
Bailey Schaack, a 7th grader, helps Amanda out at Boys Basketball Sub Districts at Sidney.



(above, left)  
Daniel Smith receives his 1st place medal from Amanda at the Hyannis Invite.



(above, middle)  
Amanda represents HHS in the Grant County Parade.



(above, right)  
After the Hyannis Wrestling Invite, Amanda pitches in and helps cleanup.



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(left)  
Another professional pose of our favorite cheerleader.



# Jr. High Boys Sports

## SCOREBOARD

	Us	Them
Cody-Kilgore	28	6
Arthur-McPherson Co.	18	24
Mullen	28	0

"This was an exciting year for our Jr. High team. They had a record of 3-1 for the season. We only had 8 boys on the team and played 8-man football most of the time, so they gave all they had every game."

--Coach Hoyt

## Football Team

(front)  
 #40 John Monahan,  
 #31 Josh Conner,  
 #30 Colton Hoover,  
 #66 Dave Safarik,  
 #82 Kody Kramer  
 (middle)  
 #23 Jared Bassett,  
 #61 Tyler Nielson,  
 #55 Gunnar Johnson,  
 Dain Applegarth (student coach)  
 (back)  
 Coach Hoyt



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## Basketball Team

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(front)  
 #50 Kody Kramer, #30 Colton Hoover, #12 Josh Conner, #22 William Wonacott,  
 #24 John Monahan  
 (back)  
 Dain Applegarth (student coach), #32 Dave Safarik, #52 Tyler Nielson,  
 #40 Gunnar Johnson, Coach Kraus, Jared Bassett (not pictured)

"The boys did a good job of competing in all their games. They were usually not as big or quick as the opposing team, but always found the desire and effort to stay close in their games. If they work on their individual skills, they will gain confidence and continue to be successful."

--Coach Kraus

## Basketball SCOREBOARD

	Us	Them
Mullen	20	23
Theadford	32	19
Cody-Kilgore	13	26
Arthur County	23	37
Sandhills Conference Tourney:		
Sandhills	15	26

"The Jr. High boys came a long way this year. The young Longhorns worked very hard and were awarded with a 3rd place conference finish."

--Coach Kraus

## Track Team

(front) Dave Safarik, Kody Kramer,  
 William Wonacott.  
 (middle) Gunnar Johnson,  
 Tyler Nielson, Jared Bassett,  
 Josh Conner, Colton Hoover,  
 John Monahan.  
 (back) Dain Applegarth (student coach),  
 Coach Kraus.



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## Wrestling Team

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(front) Dave Safarik, Josh Conner, John Monahan,  
 William Wonacott, Jared Bassett.  
 (back) Dain Applegarth (student coach), Kody Kramer,  
 Gunnar Johnson, Tyler Nielson, Colton Hoover,  
 Coach Hoyt.

"This was a great year for our jr. high team. The boys worked hard and picked up techniques quickly. Look for these wrestlers to generate a lot of success in their future wrestling careers."

Unbeaten Season: Colton Hoover

--Coach Hoyt



# Jr. High Girls Sports

## Volleyball Team

(front)  
 #12 Caitlyn Bassett,  
 #3 Alisha Conner,  
 #1 Haleigh White  
 (middle)  
 Coach Brown,  
 #26 Bree Evans,  
 #27 Marika Hampton,  
 #13 Bailey Schaack,  
 #21 Kylee Dredla,  
 #10 Jessie Schwanebeck,  
 Assistant Coach Vivion  
 (back)  
 #8 Brianna Young,  
 #5 Sarah Ramsay,  
 #2 Emily Hollopetter

### SCOREBOARD

Cody-Kilgore	9-25, 25-19, 18-25, 16-25
Arthur-McPherson Co.	14-25, 13-25
Mullen	23-25, 10-25, 19-25,
<b>Sandhills Conference Tourney:</b>	
Mullen	15-25, 19-25

"Sometimes we were not sure where the ball was going, but one thing I could always be sure about was the amount of effort, desire and sportsmanship all the girls displayed during practice and the games. I am sure with that dedication they will continue to improve."

--Coach Brown

## Basketball Team

### SCOREBOARD

	Us	Them
Mullen	8	40
Thedford	12	28
Cody-Kilgore	5	39
Arthur	9	17
<b>Sandhills Conference Tourney:</b>		
Thedford	9	36

(front)  
 #20 Brianna Young,  
 #42 Sarah Ramsay,  
 #14 Emily Hollopetter  
 (middle)  
 #12 Haleigh White,  
 #30 Jessie Schwanebeck,  
 #10 Alisha Conner,  
 #34 Caitlyn Bassett  
 (back)  
 #44 Kylee Dredla,  
 #50 Marika Hampton,  
 #24 Bailey Schaack,  
 #54 Bree Evans

Coach Gaffney (not pictured)

"In every contest, there comes a moment that defines winning from losing and I think these girls understand that moment and by working hard and giving an effort they will be winners."

--Coach Gaffney

## Track Team

(front) Bree Evans, Marika Hampton, Kylee Dredla.

(middle) Caitlyn Bassett, Jessie Schwanebeck, Bailey Schaack, Alisha Conner, Haleigh White.

(back) Brianna Young, Sarah Ramsay, Emily Hollopetter, Coach Brown.

### Sandhills Conference Champions

"The hard work conditioning paid off big time because it took everyone placing and running tough races to win the Sandhills Conference trophy this year. We are so proud of you and all the hard work you did to earn the team trophy."

--Coach Brown

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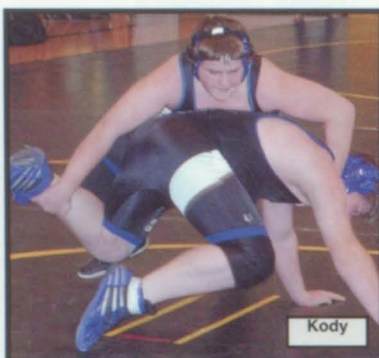
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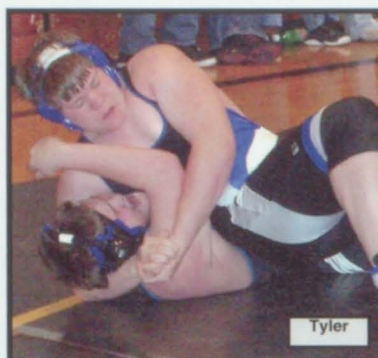
# Jr. High Sports Action



Josh



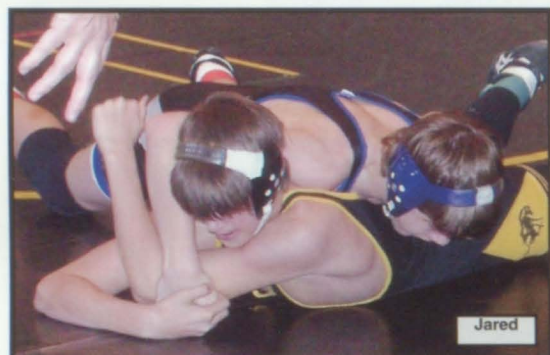
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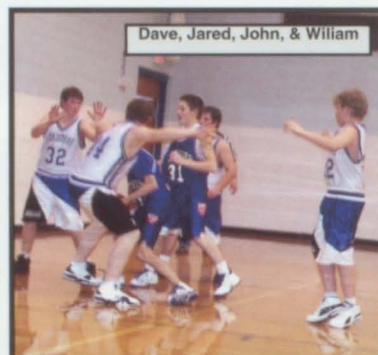
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Jared



Colton



Dave, Jared, John, & William



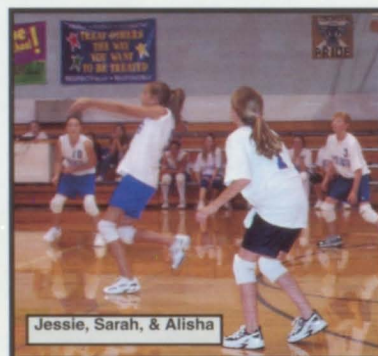
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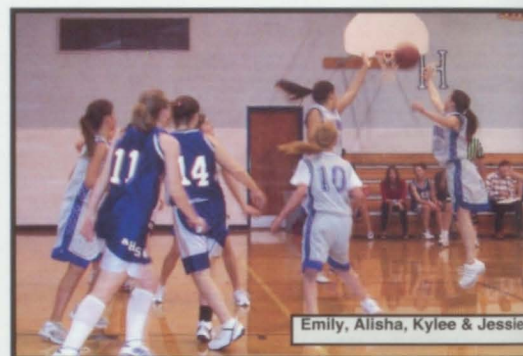
William



Jessie & Emily



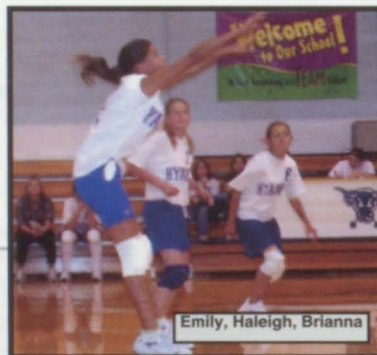
Jessie, Sarah, & Alisha



Emily, Alisha, Kylee & Jessie



Emily, Marika, Bree



Emily, Haleigh, Brianna



Kylee & Marika



Alisha



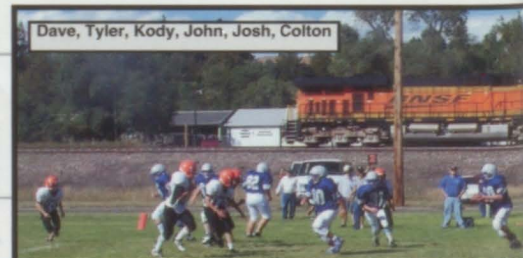
Caitlyn



Gunnar, John, Dave, Colton



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Dave, Tyler, Kody, John, Josh, Colton



# Rodeo Club

"BLUE PRIDE" takes cowboys to Nationals

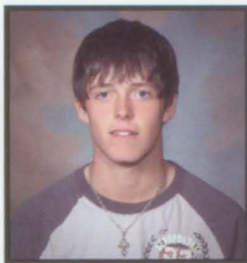
5 Qualify for State Finals  
2 are National Contenders



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**Kristen Burgess**  
Junior

State:  
Barrel Racing  
Pole Bending



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**Jeff Cover**  
Sophomore

State:  
Team Roping  
Steer Wrestling  
Tie Down Calf Roping



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**Matt Cover**  
Sophomore

State:  
Team Roping



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**Kolt Osentowski**  
Junior

State:  
Team Roping (3rd)  
Steer Wrestling  
Tie Down Calf Roping  
Nationals:  
Team Roping (12th)



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**Trey Sheets**  
Junior

State:  
Boys Cutting (3rd)  
Team Roping  
Nationals:  
Boys Cutting



Photo courtesy of Georgann Wearin

## Team:

(front) Kristen Burgess (secretary), Minda Mack  
(back) Matt Cover (treasurer & news reporter),  
Kolt Osentowski (vice president), Trey Sheets (president),  
Jeff Cover, Chelsea Altena (not pictured)



MT Photography

(left)  
Trey performs in the Boys  
Cutting at State Finals in  
Hastings, Nebraska.



Photo courtesy of Georgann Wearin

(left)  
Kolt reaches to make a head catch  
in the Team Roping event.

(right)  
Jeff gets down to take his steer to  
ground.

(right, middle)

Matt moves in for the heel catch, while  
brother, Jeff gets the steer in position.

(far right)

Chelsea doesn't compete this year, but  
she does her part selling tickets at the  
Hyannis Rodeo.

(right)

Kristen rounds a barrel in fine shape.  
(right, middle)  
Club becomes founding member of the  
Hyannis Area Community Foundation  
to honor past, present, and future  
members.

(far right)

Tanner enjoys himself at the "Pardner  
Up" event sponsored by the Nebraska  
High School Rodeo Association. Trey  
and Jeff help special needs cowboys at  
the event.



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Photo courtesy of Terri Lint



# Athletic Clubs

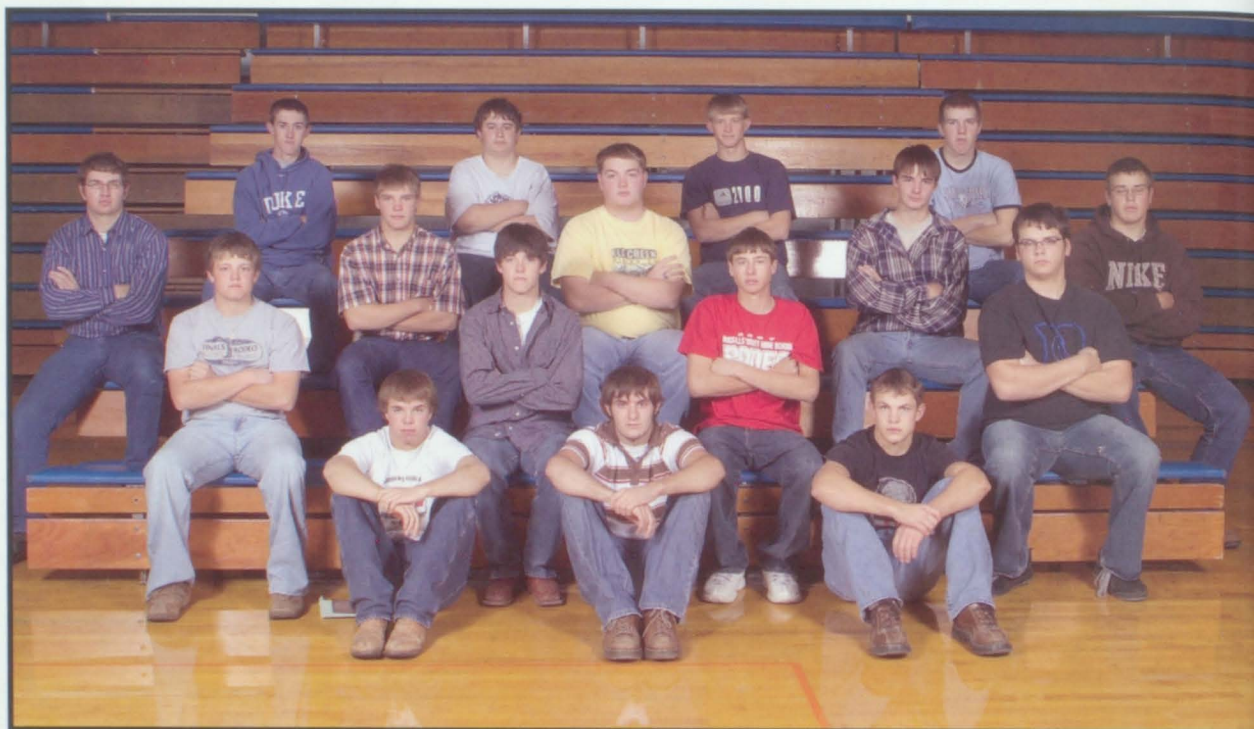
## H-Club

(floor) Kolt Osentowski (secretary),  
Daniel Smith (president),  
Casey Benner (vice president).

(first row) Matt Cover,  
Jeff Cover, Trey Sheets,  
Billy Craig

(middle) Chancy Hampton,  
Trevor Evans, Joe Julius,  
Jake Schwanebeck,  
Vincent Armstrong.

(back) Dain Applegarth,  
Colby Myers,  
Seth Ramsay (treasurer),  
Matt Ferguson.  
Not Pictured:  
Tyler Evans (StuCo)  
Mr. Hoyt (sponsor)



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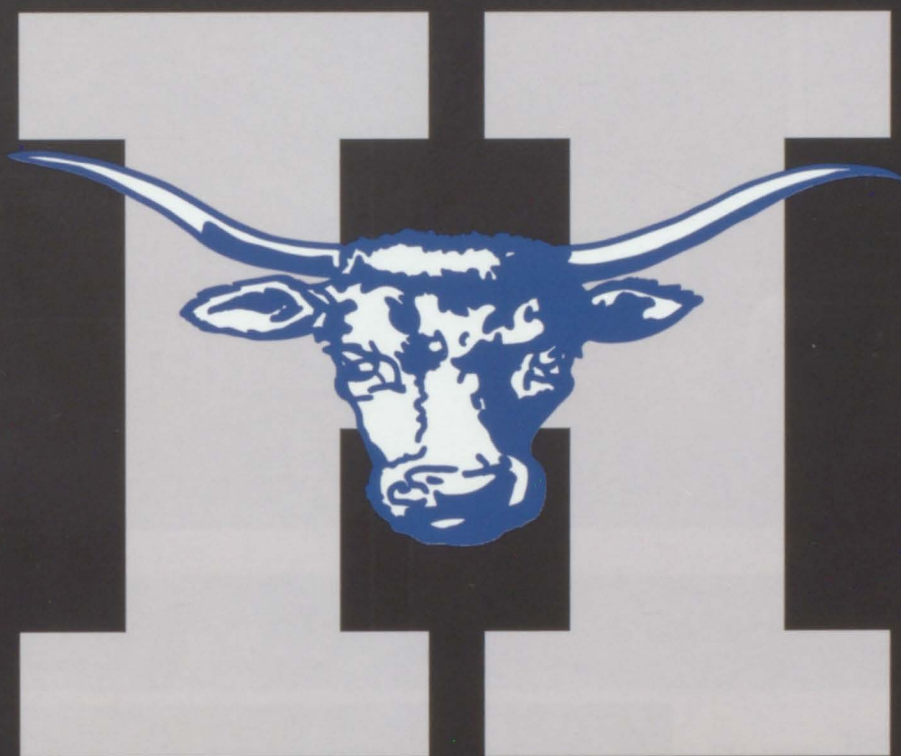
## HAFA

(front)  
Amanda Johnson (vice president),  
Jamie Menuey,  
Megan Adams (president),  
Shantel Monahan.

(back)  
Hazy Nielson,  
Mrs. Brown (sponsor),  
Alexus Anthony.



**"BLUE PRIDE"**



**IN HHS GROUPS . . .**



# Notes of "BLUE PRIDE"

## Music



Music department grows in technique and knowledge



"The band has made many musical accomplishments this year. Each member was a valuable part of our ensemble. Without their dedication to the band, the sounds experienced would not have existed!"

--Director Garrard

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### Band:

(front) Brianna Young, Kylee Dredla, Jessie Schwanebeck, Emily Hollopeter, Hazy Nielson, Director Garrard.  
(middle) Marika Hampton, Bree Evans, Dave Safarik, Matt Ferguson, John Monahan, Jamie Menuey, Jared Bassett, Sarah Ramsay.  
(back) Caitlyn Bassett, Amanda Johnson Chancy Hampton, James Safarik, Ed Hebbert, Seth Ramsay, Jeff Cover, Cole Dubs, Tanner Lintt.

## Band

### District Music Contest



Photo Courtesy of Kathy Cover

The HHS Concert Band performing at District Music Contest, hosted by Chadron High School. The band received an Excellent rating of II. The Jazz Ensemble receives a rating of III.

#### Director's comment about District Contest:

"I think we played very well. The bar was set very high, but I think we did our best to rise to the occasion."



James receives a Superior rating of I on his trumpet solo, *Ballade* by V. Shelukov



Performing a trumpet solo, *Vega* by Vandercook, Ed receives a Superior rating of I.



An Excellent rating of II is awarded to Hazy for her rendition of *Rondo - Finale* by Franz Joseph Haydn.



Jamie and Brianna receive an Excellent rating of II on their clarinet duet entitled *Miniature No. 5* by Bela Bartok.



Photo Courtesy of Kathy Cover

The flute quartet, Emily, Kylee, Jessie, and Hazy) receives an Excellent rating of II on *Andante* and *Caprice* by C.W. von Gluck.

Jamie receives an Excellent rating of II on her bass clarinet solo performing *La Bourffonne* by Francois Couperin.



The brass quintet (James, Ed, Seth, Cole, and Jeff) receive an Excellent rating of II.





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### Choir:

(front) Shelby Grimes, Alexis Anthony, Courtney Clarke, Director Garrard.

(back) James Safarik (contest), Dan Safarik, Alicia Hisel.



(right)  
Courtney and Brianna's duet, *Give Me Wings*, is awarded an Excellent rating of II at District Music Contest



"The choir performed well above our expectations. It was remarkable at the progress we have made vocally in the last two school years."

--Director Garrard



## Choir



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### Jr. High Contest Choir

Jr. High Choir members volunteer to sing with the High School Choir for District Contest.

(front) Sarah Ramsay, Emily Hollopeter, Jessie Schwanebeck, Brianna Young, Haleigh White, Josh Conner, Director Garrard.

(back) Bailey Schaack, Bree Evans, Tyler Nielson, Colton Hoover, John Monahan, Marika Hampton, Kylee Dredla.



(right)  
Dan sings the solo, *Passing By*, attributed to Edward Purcell, and receives an Excellent rating of II.

(below)  
The Mixed Choir performs at the Spring Concert. At District Contest they receive an Excellent rating of II.

The Women's Choir also is awarded an Excellent rating of II.



The very talented Sandy Yorges accompanies the band and choir and all solos and duets.





# One Act

State Runner Up  
"And a Child Will Lead"



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## Team

(front) Hazy Nielson, Kristen Burgess.  
(middle) Trevor Evans, Alexis Anthony, Chelsea Altena, Amanda Johnson, Shantel Monahan, James Safarik.  
(back) Matt Cover, Casey Benner, Daniel Smith, Coach Gentry, Colby Myers, Joe Julius, Tyler Nielson, Mike Wright (not shown), Willy Wright (not shown).



## State Runner Up

(front) Joe Julius, Hazy Nielson, James Safarik, Kristen Burgess, Amanda Johnson, Alexis Anthony, Chelsea Altena.  
(middle) Casey Benner, Tyler Nielson, Matt Cover, Colby Myers, Shantel Monahan.  
(back) Daniel Smith, Mike Wright, Director Gentry.

## Director



Photo courtesy of Glenda Davis

"Our goal was to do well competitively but also to tell a story. We were able to tell this generation what the children of Terezain were unable to tell. It gave all of us a new respect and understanding of what the children of the prison camps were and are forced to go through. We are very happy with our trophies and medals but we have gained so much more through performing this play. I am so proud of how the cast and crew spoke for those who couldn't."

--Mrs. Jeanne Gentry

## Sandhills Conference & District Champions!

### "BLUE PRIDE" Award-Winning Actors and Actresses



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Best Actress:  
Districts  
Outstanding Performance:  
State

**Kristen Burgess**  
Junior



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Best Actress:  
Sandhills Conference  
Outstanding Performance:  
State

**Amanda Johnson**  
Junior



Alena (Hazy), suffers from an epidemic that has already killed many in the camp.



Miroslav (Joe), Eva (Amanda), and Martin (Casey) discuss plans for the evening's entertainment.



Gabriella (Kristen) and Jana (Chelsea) comfort Eva (Amanda), after they find out they will be taken to the dreaded Auschwitz.



Pavel (James) laments the loss of his friends.

Pavel (James) and Gabriella (Kristen) play music together in their "Hidden Place".



Eva (Amanda), Jana (Chelsea), and Alena (Hazy) warn Gabriella (Kristen) about the dangers.



Miroslav (Joe) and Eric (Colby) explain the horrors of Terezin to Martin (Casey), a new arrival.



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Best Actor:  
Sandhills Conference  
Outstanding Performance:  
State

**Joe Julius**  
*Junior*



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Outstanding Performance:  
State

**Hazy Nielson**  
*Junior*



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Runner Up Best Actor:  
Districts  
Outstanding Performance:  
State

**James Safarik**  
*Junior*



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Outstanding Performance:  
Districts

**Shantel Monahan**  
*Sophomore*



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Outstanding Performance:  
State

**Colby Myers**  
*Sophomore*



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Outstanding Performance:  
State

**Chelsea Altena**  
*Freshman*





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"We had a slow start to the speech season but seemed to overcome the delay. The team members worked hard with the time we had and all of them did well. Qualifying four events out of a very competitive District was very exciting! I am always proud of those who qualify for State but this year was a tough fight to get there."

--Coach Gentry

## Team

(front)  
Amanda Johnson,  
Kristen Burgess,  
Hazy Nielson,  
Alicia Hisel.

(back)  
Joe Julius,  
James Safarik,  
Coach Gentry,  
Dain Applegarth,  
Jarrett Johnson.

## Sandhills Conference

Team - 4th

Hazy Nielson -  
Extemp - 1st  
Humorous - 3rd  
Kristen Burgess -  
Extemp - 2nd  
Serious - 4th  
Joe Julius -  
Humorous - 4th



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(above)  
**OJD Team** - Jarrett, Dain, Joe, and Hazy Rinse the  
*Blood Off My Toga*  
Sandhills Conference - 3rd  
Districts - 3rd

(right)  
**Entertainment** - Joe  
*Multiple Personalities*  
*of a High School Student*  
Sandhills Conference - 1st  
Districts - 1st

(far right)  
**Poetry** - James  
Sandhills Conference - 1st  
Districts - 3rd



# Speech

## "BLUE PRIDE" takes 4 to State Medal in 2 events



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## State Champion

Kristen is the 2008 State  
Extemporaneous Speaking  
Champion.

(below, top)  
**Poetry** - Alicia  
*Different of Phases Life*

(below, bottom)  
**Persuasive** - Dain  
Sandhills Conference - 4th  
*Do Not Raise*  
*the USS Arizona*

(below, top)  
**Serious Prose** - Amanda  
*The Woman*  
*Who Walked Into Day*

(below, bottom)  
**Entertainment** - Jarrett  
Sandhills Conference - 2nd  
*If I Wrote Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs*  
Infomercial



(above)  
**Duet Acting** - James and Kristen  
*I Bring You Flowers* by William Lang  
Sandhills Conference - 1st  
Districts - 1st  
State - 4th



# State Speech at University of Nebraska--Kearney



## Gold Medal in Extemporaneous Speaking

Kristen Burgess brought home the State Championship medal in Extemporaneous speaking. Coach Gentry brags, "When we heard Kristen named as the State champion, it was overwhelming! Extemporaneous speaking is the one event that can't be rehearsed and polished before the meet. As a coach, I can only teach the basic tools, give some hints, and help an extemper with skills to speak within the time limit. It is much like a mother bird . . . OK, here's the basics, now fly. Kristen soared and we are all very proud of her!"



## 2008 State Speech Team

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(front) Amanda Johnson, Kristen Burgess.  
(back) James Safarik, Joe Julius, Coach Gentry.

## State Speech Qualifiers tell of their experience at State . . .



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"Simply amazing! It was my first year to make finals, and I made it in 2 events. Words can't describe how it felt to get my medals."

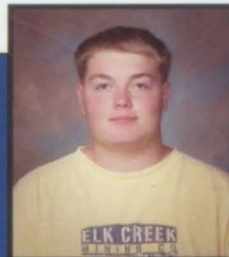
**Kristen Burgess**  
Junior



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"State Speech was really fun! I felt my duet partner and I really worked well together and it was great to compete in Finals."

**James Safarik**  
Junior



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"I thought that it was a blast as usual. I enjoyed the trip and hope to go next year."

**Joe Julius**  
Junior



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"It was a great experience! My first year of speech, with Districts being my first competition ever and I made it to State! It was awesome!!! I look forward to next year."

**Amanda Johnson**  
Junior

## "The competition at State is the best of the best" --Coach Gentry



## Duet Acting Takes 4th Place

James and Kristen in the winning line for Duet Acting at State. They place 4th with their performance of *I Bring You Flowers* by William Lang.



## Pep Rally for State

Mrs. Garner gives the greatest pep rallies! Each member of the Speech Team is presented with a "cowboy" hat with "Longhorns" on it. The team wear their hats and ride a stick horse around human obstacles. "Ride 'em cowboy!"



# FFA

(below)  
**Top Fruit Sales**

Charlie (3rd), Alicia (1st), Amanda (2nd)

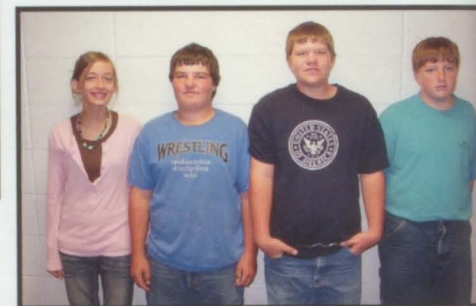


**"BLUE PRIDE" in Ag**  
Chapter wins numerous District awards

(below)  
**State Champion**  
Kristen Burgess wins 1st at  
State in Floriculture.



(below)  
**State Range Judging**  
Jr. Division Team  
(Sarah, John, Tyler,  
Gunnar) place 3rd.



**Chapter Members**

(front) Miss Soester (advisor), Jamie Menuey (secretary), Colby Myers, Dain Applegarth (sentinel), Amanda Johnson (vice president), Ed Hebbert, Chancy Hampton, Megan Adams (president), Shantel Monahan, Chelsea Altena. (middle) Willy Wright, Matt Cover, Dan Safarik, Trevor Evans (parliamentarian), Jeff Cover, Hazy Nielson (historian), Charlie Kramer, Mike Wright. (back) Trey Sheets, Seth Ramsay, Matt Ferguson, Joe Julius, Kolt Osentowski, Kristen Burgess (Treasurer), Alicia Hisel (student council).

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(above)  
**District Champion Meats Team**

Trevor (2nd), Colby (4th), Jamie (8th),  
Seth (1st), Willy (9th)  
State - 8th Place

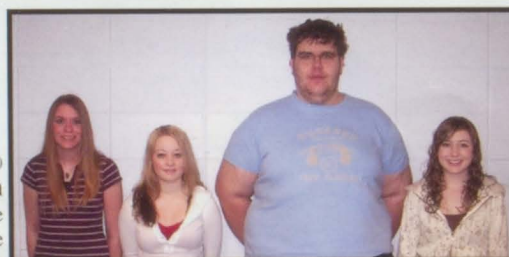


(above, right)  
**Ag Sales Team**

State Qualifiers  
Dain, Colby, Jeff, Amanda

(right)  
**Floriculture Team**

Districts - 3rd Place  
State - 8th Place  
Alicia, Shantel, Mike (Willy at State), Kristen



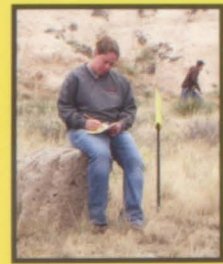
**Star Chapter Award**

(above)  
Jamie Menuey  
Menuey also receives  
a Washington Leadership Conference Scholarship  
as a result of the Hyannis Chapter  
collecting the 2nd greatest amount of food  
in the "Million Can Challenge".



# Chapter

## Many awards are also won at State Burgess brings home Floriculture Championship



"It has been great working with the students of Hyannis and teaching them new things. I have gained a lot of knowledge and valuable friendships during my time at Hyannis and I will always cherish those things. If I were to provide a few words of encouragement for the returning students of Hyannis, I would say . . . Always do your best and don't be afraid to try new things to better yourself. You never know where the road might take you and if you set your mind to it you will be successful."

--Advisor Soester

(below)

### State FFA Choir

Dan is chosen to sing second bass in the 103-member choir, which performs at the awards ceremony at State Convention.



(below)

State Ranging  
Judging Team  
Trevor, Brianna,  
Dan, Ed) place 5th.



### Star Greenhand Award

(above)  
Ed Hebbert



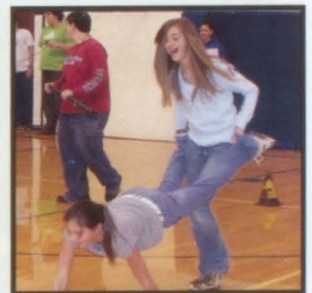
### County Fair Parade

Jamie, Ms. Soester, Megan, Cole, Jon.

(below)

### FFA Week

Sarah Ramsay and Emily Hollopeter compete in the wheelbarrow race portion of the Ag Olympics.



(above)

### Fair Parade

"Traditions with a Twist" theme.  
Chancy, Mike, Willy, Hazy, Amanda, Colby, Alicia, Joe.

(left)

### Greenhand Ceremony

Ed, Charlie, Shantel, and Dan are the new members inducted into the Hyannis Chapter.





# Student

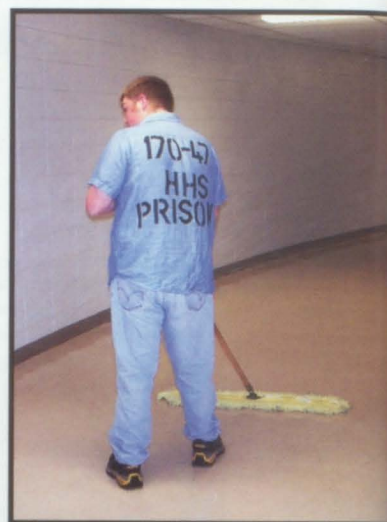
**"BLUE PRIDE"** leads StuCo in many activities for school and community

## Community Cleanup

(right)  
Mrs. Stillwell and Trevor Evans sweeping  
at the top of Main Street.  
(middle, right)  
Shantel Monahan and Alexus Anthony  
rake in Centennial Park.  
(far right)  
Joe Julius has some fun with the day.



(above)  
Jeff Cover plays softball "cowboy style" after community cleanup.



## StuCo Members

(front) Hazy Nielson, Alexus Anthony, Alicia Hisel, Kylee Dredla, Bree Evans.  
(middle) James Safarik (vice president), Kristen Burgess (president),  
Amanda Johnson (secretary), Shantel Monahan (treasurer), Colby Myers (news reporter).  
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Trevor Evans.

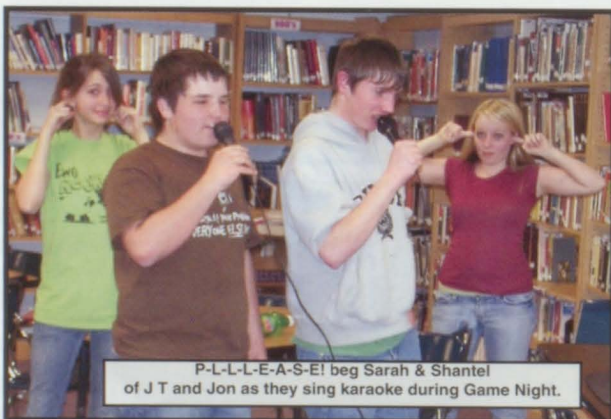
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"Student Council had a busy year planning "Homecoming Week". They also sponsored the second annual "Game Night" in the spring. This is the fourth year they have sponsored a December Caring Tree Project for the children's home at Fremont.

--Mrs. Garner,  
Sponsor



P-L-L-E-A-S-E! beg Sarah & Shantel  
of J T and Jon as they sing karaoke during Game Night.



Kristen wrapping gifts for the Childrens Home.

## "BLUE PRIDE"

The HHS Student Council has a busy year planning and sponsoring activities.

Christmas always brings the "Caring Tree" in the commons area. Anyone may choose a name of a child from the Christmas tree. They purchase a gift for the child and the StuCo makes sure that they get back to the childrens' home by Christmas.

A game night is held for 7-12 grades. Board games, cards, as well as "Guitar Hero", and karaoke are all fun things to get involved with.



# Council

StuCo activities make HHS just a little more fun and meaningful!

Chancy & Amanda playing softball.



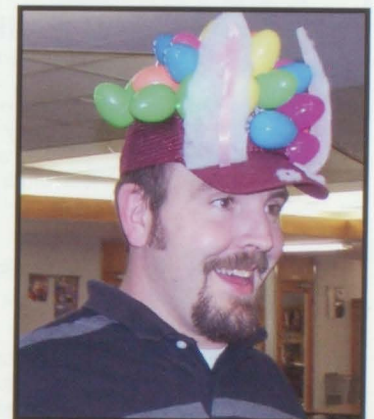
Colton and Gunnar playing an intense game of "Battleship" at Game Night.



## Easter Bonnet Day

(above)

Alisha Conner - Craziest  
Mr. Hoyt - Most Colorful  
Mrs. Keller - Most Creative

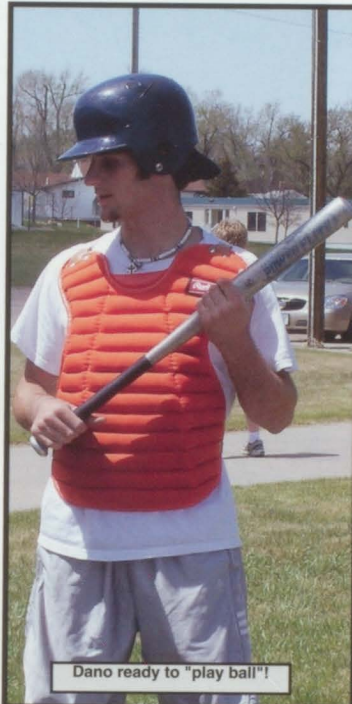


## in StuCo Activities

Easter Bonnet Day is sponsored with the proceeds being donated to the Make a Wish Foundation. Everyone pays \$1.00 to wear a hat in school for the day and StuCo matches that amount.

Community Cleanup is another service that is sponsored by the StuCo. The members and their fellow schoolmates work hard to show their "Blue Pride" in their community. After the morning of hard labor, the group holds a softball game on the football field. It was an enjoyable afternoon.

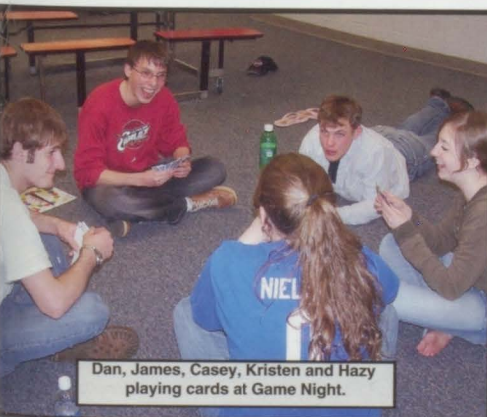
Dano ready to "play ball"!



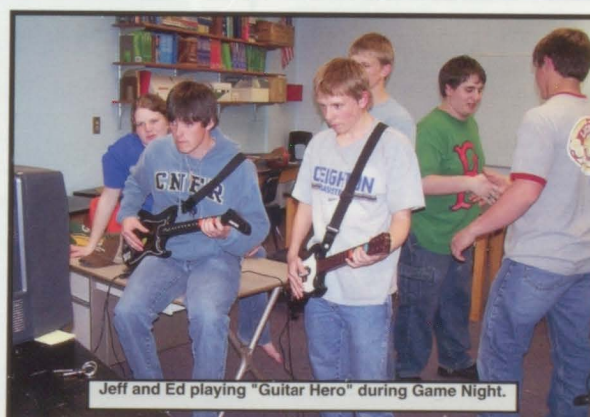
"Caring Tree"



Dan, James, Casey, Kristen and Hazy playing cards at Game Night.



Jeff and Ed playing "Guitar Hero" during Game Night.





Earn Trip to State

# Academic Decathlon

Bring Medals Home!

## State Medal Winners!

*What they won.  
What they had to say about it.*

### Jarrett Johnson, Junior

Gold Medal in Math  
Silver Medal in Music

*"It was an exciting and adventurous experience that was full of surprises!"*



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### James Safarik, Junior

Gold Medal in Speech

*"It was really crazy seeing how much the larger schools get into it. They went all out with posters and cheering during awards. But as for me . . . I just had a good time!"*



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### Kristen Burgess, Junior

Gold Medal in Highest Team Points

*"It was definitely a very educational trip. And a lot of fun. Also, highly multicultural, and the rest of the team knows what I mean."*



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### Mrs. Lynell Stillwell, Coach

Gold Medal in Coaching

The board of directors vote unanimously to honor her for her many years of keeping the program going in spite of declining enrollment and the great distances traveled, but always putting a quality team together. This is the only medal given among the 27 coaches present.

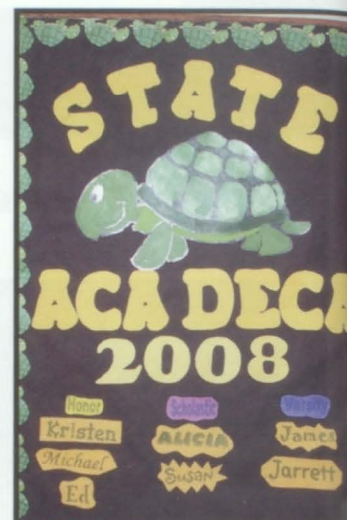


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Academic "BLUE PRIDE"

## Pep Rally for State

A pep rally is held for the Aca Deca Team before they go off to State. The pep band plays, as the entire student body wishes them luck in their endeavors. Shown is the team participating in a relay which challenges their ability to balance a book on top of their heads. Mrs. Stillwell proves to be a shining example for her team. Note her exceptional form and determined look.



Bulletin board in the commons area to support the State Aca Deca Team



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## Team

(above)  
(front) Alicia Hisel, Kristen Burgess, Silver (mascot), Susan Liptrap.  
(back) Jarret Johnson, James Safarik, Ed Hebbert, Mrs. Stillwell (Coach)  
Michael Wright (not pictured).

*"We learn so much of ourselves and of the world in Academic Decathlon. We take ourselves seriously--and humorously. Best of all, we take ourselves to State!"*

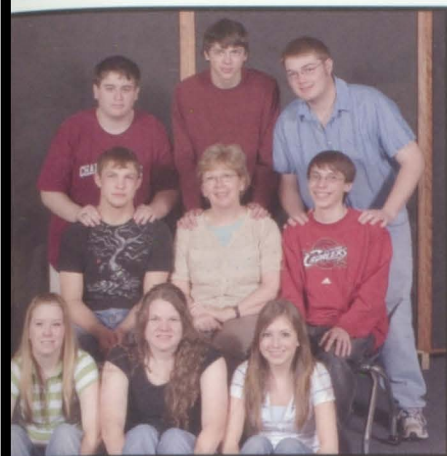
--Coach Stillwell



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# Quiz Bowl



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## Team

(front)  
Alexus Anthony,  
Hazy Nielson, Kristen Burgess.

(middle)  
Casey Benner,  
Mrs. Stillwell (coach),  
James Safarik.

(back)  
Colby Myers, Dan Safarik,  
Joe Julius,  
Michael Wright (not pictured).



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"Quiz Bowl is a great challenge relying on teamwork, trust, and timing. It's a chance for team members to tap into all that random information they've been keeping in storage. It's also great fun!"

--Coach Stillwell

# Poetry Out Loud

## Scholastics Teams



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### Chadron State College Scholastics Team

(front) Courtney Clarke, Megan Adams, Hazy Nielson.

(middle) Casey Benner, Bryan Ferguson, Matt Cover.

(back) James Safarik, Trey Sheets, Joe Julius,  
Michael Wright (not pictured).

## Scholarship Winner



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Casey Benner wins first place in Business Math, earning a Tuition Wavier for two semesters at CSC.



Photo courtesy of Roger Bruhn

### James Safarik

This year HHS has the opportunity to be a part of the nationwide contest, "Poetry Out Loud", sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts. James Safarik is chosen as the school's representative in the statewide competition that is held in Lincoln, Nebraska on March 8. James recites "Do Not Go Gentle Into That Good Night" by Dylan Thomas and "The Gift" by Li-Young Le.

"Although sometimes, it feels as if our feelings are often stifled by the hardships of life, poetry has been there to give the human soul a voice, whether you are the poet or the reader," states Safarik.



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## Top 20%

### Chadron State College

Hazy Nielson 5th in Accounting  
James Safarik 13th in Vocabulary

### Mid-Plains

Daniel Smith 4th in Welding  
Tyler Evans 4th in Welding

### Mid-Plains Scholastic Team

(front) Daniel Smith, Matt Cover, Seth Ramsay.

(back) Casey Benner, Tyler Evans,  
Michael Wright (not pictured).



# Art Show



"Our Art Show was a huge success this year, with the elementary and high school art students displaying work at the same time. Thanks to all of the kids and teachers who helped both set up and tear down on Tuesday. The show just let everyone see what a talented bunch of kids this community has.

--Mr. Hoyt  
K-12 Art Teacher



## Mr. Kyle Hoyt

(two on left)

The magnificent pottery created by the students' teacher as an example of what can be done with experience and talent.

## Daniel Smith

(right)

Senior Exhibition



## Casey Benner

(right)

Senior Exhibition

## Joseph Julius

(left, top)

Junior Exhibition

## Trey Sheets

(left, bottom)

Junior Exhibition



## Amanda Johnson

(right & below)

Junior Exhibition

## Alicia Hisel

(far left & left)

Junior Exhibition



## Matthew Ferguson

(right)

Junior Exhibition



(all right)  
Underclassmen,  
Jr. High, Elementary  
Exhibitions





# TeamMates

## Coordinator

Ms. Elizabeth Wearin serves as the coordinator for the mentors and mentees in the TeamMates program.

## Trip to CSC Game

(L to R) Cody Clarke, Blake Johnson, Brett Menuey, Payden Ayer, Miss Nebraska, Isa Safarik, Lindsey Storms, Ty Bozzetto

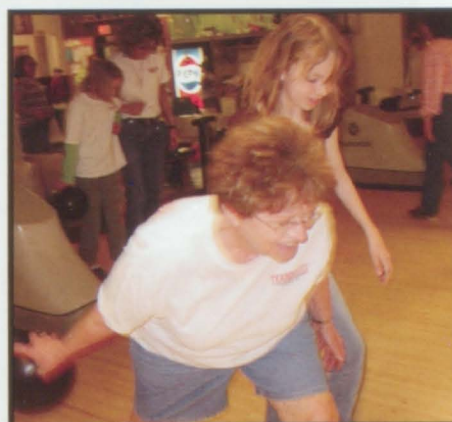


## Isa & Peg

Isa Safarik and Peg Fosdick enjoyed being Mentee and Mentor.

## BreAnna & Marian

BreAnna Wonacott and Marian Downing are paired up as Mentee and Mentor. They have a super great time bowling on a team trip.



## Ty & Linda

Mentor Linda Brown and Mentee Ty Bozzetto serve up a hamburger in the TeamMates concession stand.

## Blake & Joy

Mentee Blake Johnson and Mentor Joy Boyer help in the concession stand to make money for TeamMates scholarships.



## Cody & Chris

Mentee Cody Clarke and Mentor Chris Gentry doing their part in the concession stand.

## Ashlee & Linda

Mentor Linda Gaffney and Mentee Ashlee Nollette pose for the photographer during the Hyannis Wrestling Invite.

## Brett & Dennis

Mentor Dennis Wilder and Mentee Brett Menuey ask "Do you want mustard with the hamburger?"







# Journalism

## Helpers



(above)  
Tanner Lintt helps out with the folding of the papers. This is the least popular part of the newspaper, but as you can see, Tanner did it with a smile.



(above)  
Mrs. Ferguson's 3rd grade class wrote stories and sent pictures for the "Spotlight". Their para, Mrs. Payne, brought the class to the high school to help fold the papers that their work appeared in. Their comment, "This is a lot more fun than English!"



### Staff:

(front) James Safarik, Billy Craig. (back) Mrs. Wilder, Mike Wright.

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## "BLUE PRIDE" going down in history

The 2008 Longhorn Journalism staff is small but extremely talented and creative. They are kept busy writing articles for the "Spotlight" newspaper almost 24/7. Once in while they are able to assist Mrs. Wilder with the yearbook. A patron compliments the young journalists, *"Just finished reading the "Spotlight". Thanks for a great read. The articles were very well written! Your few students are doing a wonderful job."*

## Journalism staff consists of only three students . . .

Mrs. Floydene Wilder, advisor

Billy Craig

James Safarik

Mike Wright





**"BLUE PRIDE"**



**IN HHS ACTIVITIES . . .**



## 2007 Homecoming Royalty:

(below)  
King Daniel Smith,  
Queen Megan Adams,  
Attendant Casey Benner



# HOMEcoming

**"BLUE PRIDE"** Homecoming 2007  
Smith & Adams crowned king & queen  
Football Team victorious

## 2007 Royalty

(right)  
Queen Megan Adams  
and  
King Daniel Smith



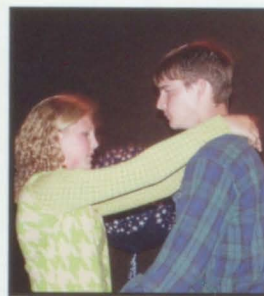
## Just for Fun

(below)  
The Royal Grandmother



## Dance

(below)  
Jake Schwanebeck and  
Shelby Grimes share a  
dance Homecoming  
evening.



## Parade 1st Place High School Division

(below)  
"Roast the Hawks"  
says the Senior  
Class. That's just  
what they have  
smoking on the  
spit.



## Volleyball Game

(above)  
Jamie Menuey gets a hit  
against the "Hawks".



## Pep Rally

(above, right)  
The Pep Rally is well-attended  
by the community.



## 1st Place Junior High Division

(above)  
The 7th Grade reveal  
the "Longhorn Playbook".

## 1st Place Elementary Division

(left)  
K-1 classes from Hyannis Elementary  
are rockin' & a rollin' to a "Longhorn Victory".



## Pep Rally

(below)

The Chubby Bunny standoff. Chancy Hampton finally does stuff more marshmallows in his mouth than Coach Payne and still utters, "Beat the Hawks!".



## Football Game

(below)  
The victorious  
Longhorn Huddle!



(above)

Coach gets drenched at the final seconds of the game.

(above, right)

HHS Pep Band brings life to the gridiron.



## Burning of the "H"

(left)

On Thursday evening, a "Victory March" made its way downtown and back to the football field, where the "H" burst into flames and a short pep rally was held.

## Game

(below)

Amanda and Kristen break through the tunnel.



## Car Bash

(above)

Chancy Hampton gives the "Hawk Mobile" a mighty swing.



## Dance

(left)

The "Macarena" is always a fun group dance for everyone.



Give Jeff Cover permission to wear a hat and he really goes all out!



What a babe! Tanner Lintt dresses to the nines.



Kristen Burgess shows off "his" biceps..



Trey Sheets, very convincingly, portrays "Flava' Flav".



Colby Myers flies to the rescue as "Superman"!

## Spirit Week

Monday "Movie Character Day" Tuesday "Opposite Gender Day" Wednesday "Class Color Day"

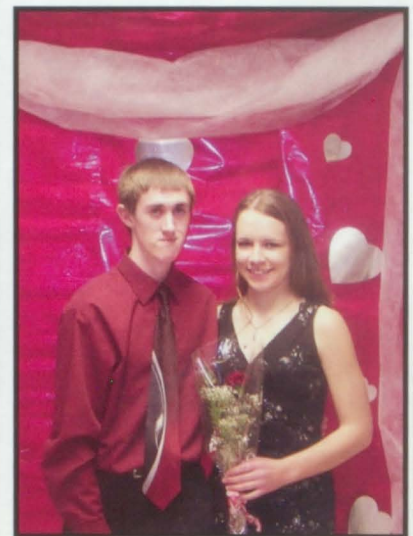
Thursday "Gangsta Day"

Friday "Blue & White Day"



# SWEETHEART

## Queen Hazy & King Seth



Attendants  
Dain Applegarth & Jamie Menuey

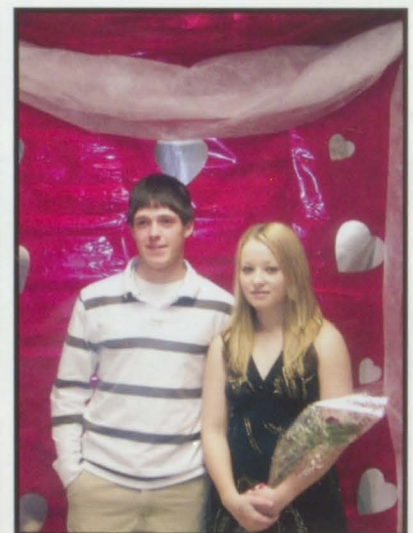


(above)

### 2008 Sweetheart Royalty

Attendants: Jamie Menuey, Shantel Monahan,  
Queen Hazy Nielson, King Seth Ramsay  
Attendants: Dain Applegarth, Jeff Cover

(right)  
Royalty Dudes  
(far right)  
Silly Royalty Beauties



Attendants  
Jeff Cover & Shantel Monahan



# DANCE

Seth Ramsay and Hazy Nielson are crowned King and Queen of the 2008 Sweetheart Dance. With **"BLUE PRIDE"** everyone dances the night away to the tunes provided by Complete Music.

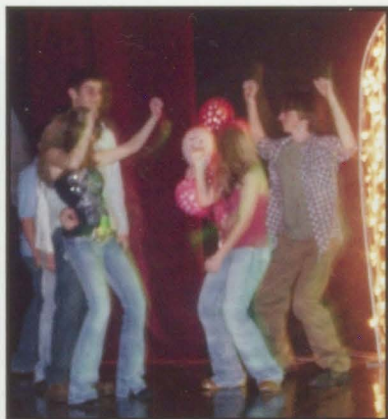
Several couples enjoy a slow dance.



**Junior High Fun**  
(below)  
Emily Hollopeter and Jared Bassett get out on the dance floor.



**Chicken Dance**  
(below)  
Everyone joins in the "Chicken Dance" for some crazy fun.



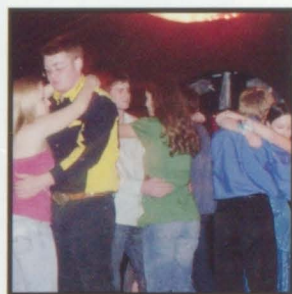
(above)  
Friends group together to have some fun dancing.



## Royalty Dance

(left)  
King Seth and Queen Hazy lead the Royalty Dance.

(below)  
More dancing enjoyment.



## DJ Enthusiasm

(above)  
B-B-B-Bob, the DJ from Complete Music leads a group in a fun dance.

(left)  
Everyone do the Macarena!





by James Safarik

On April 12, the juniors and seniors arrived in style to the 2008 "High Rollers", Vegas-themed Prom. The Prom Banquet opened with the welcome followed by the invocation, both conducted by junior, Joe Julius. Following the invocation was the "thank you's" to the junior parents for preparing the meal and the senior parents for serving. After dinner, Hazy Nielson read the dedication to the seniors, followed by the humorous senior prophecies given by Kristen Burgess, Amanda Johnson, and Tyler Evans. Toward the end of dinner, the last wills and testaments from the seniors were presented by Casey Benner and Daniel Smith. Following the dinner, they adjourned to the lecture hall to participate in the Grand March, during which Mrs. Garner introduced the juniors and seniors. Shortly following the Grand March, Casey Benner and Susan Liptrap were crowned Prom King and Queen by Homecoming Royalty, Daniel Smith and Megan Adams. The "high rollers" then rolled onto the dance floor with the tunes provided by *Complete Music*. Closing out the evening, students and dates attended the Mardi-gras-themed After-Prom Party at the Winter Building. Throughout the evening, participants could win any number of prizes in a combination of door prizes, and a live auction at the end.



### Menu

Tossed Salad  
Bacon-Wrapped Filet Mignon  
Shrimp Scampi (almost)  
(because of weather, the shrimp boat  
couldn't dock)  
Cheesy Potatoes  
Dinner Rolls  
Rich Chocolate Cake



## "High Rollers"

(top, right)  
Just a little bit country.

(top, far right)  
Joe, the junior class president,  
welcomes everyone to the  
2008 "High Rollers" Prom Banquet.

(right, bottom.)  
King Casey and Queen Susan reign over the  
Prom festivities.

(right, middle)  
Trevor gives his date a whirl  
and shows them how to do the country thing.

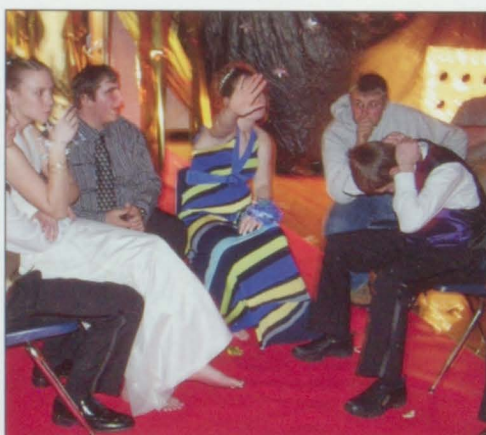
(right, middle, far right.)  
Hazy dedicates the 2008 Prom  
to the Senior Class of 2008.

(far right, bottom)  
The girls have it!

# Prom



Prince James can't seem to find the slipper that fits!

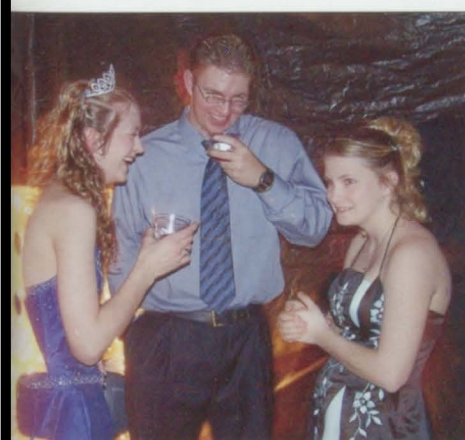
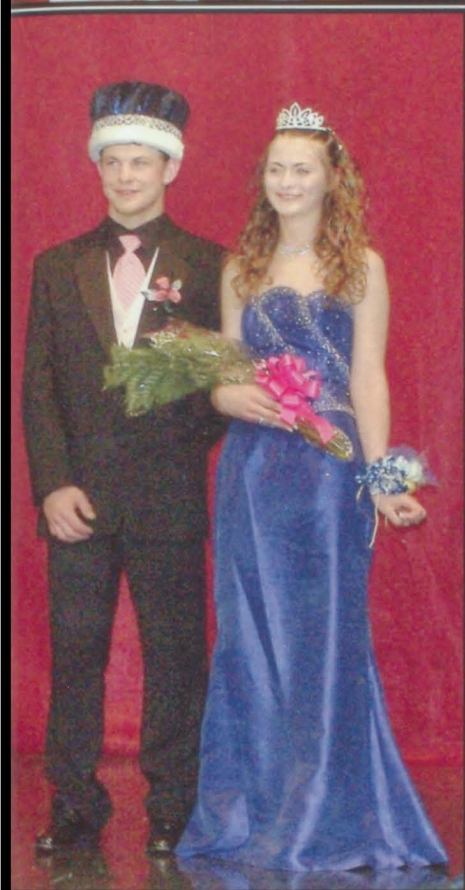


Private conversation!



Informal formal!





Queen Susan socializing with her date, Chancy & B J.

Mrs. Garner hamming it up!  
(really she's just getting even with Trey & Kolt)

Mrs. Stillwell on duty at all hours.

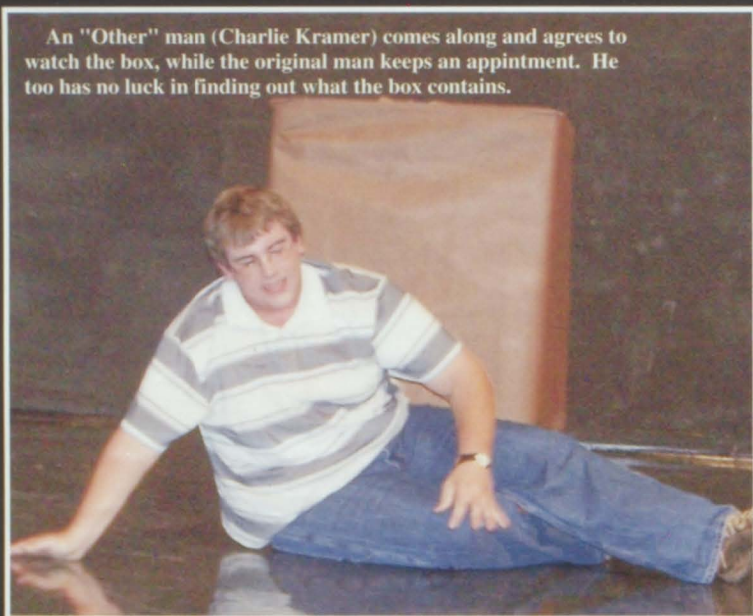


# SPRING PLAY

"BLUE PRIDE" presents . . .

## Das Box

An "Other" man (Charlie Kramer) comes along and agrees to watch the box, while the original man keeps an appointment. He too has no luck in finding out what the box contains.



A box is delivered to a "Man" (Daniel Smith). He hasn't ordered anything and has no idea what is in it.



The box is then passed on to a "Professional" (Joe Julius), who using some very unexpected tools(?) from his briefcase, tries his best to find out what is in it to no avail.



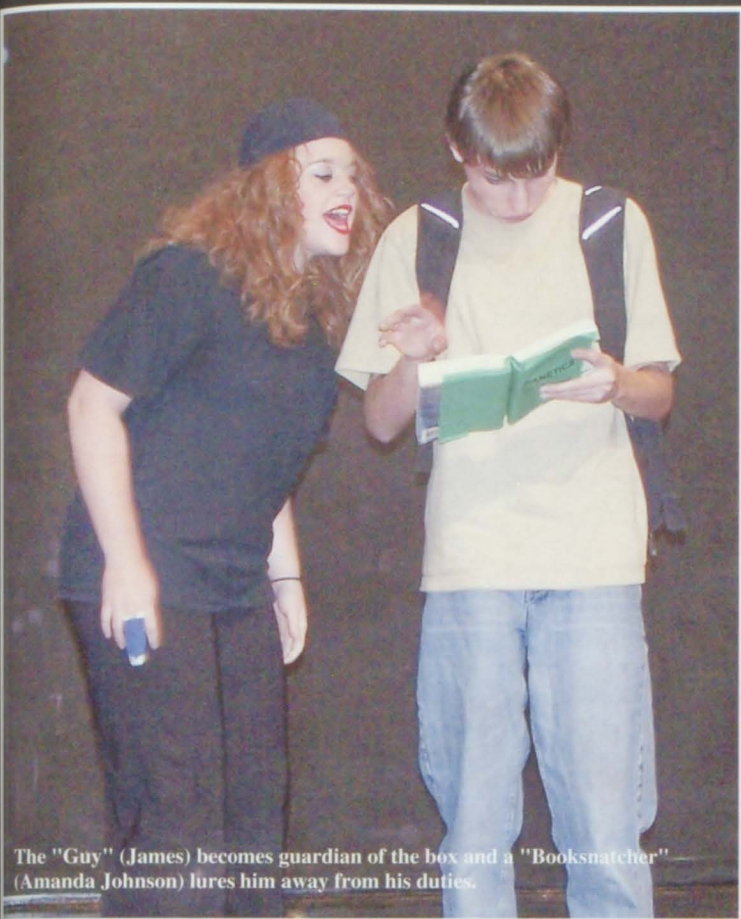
### Das Box

When a man, late for an appointment with his psychiatrist, asks a stranger to watch his unopened box, The fun begins. Can the contents of a simple box live up to the dreams and expectations of those who rest their hopes on its imagined treasures? Winner of several awards, this wild and delicious comedy centers on curiosity, hope, and responsibility.

Absolutely no one will take responsibility for a box that is a total mystery to everyone who becomes its guardian.







The "Guy" (James) becomes guardian of the box and a "Booksnatcher" (Amanda Johnson) lures him away from his duties.

*"What is drama,  
but life  
with the dull bits  
cut out?"*  
*—Alfred Hitchcock*



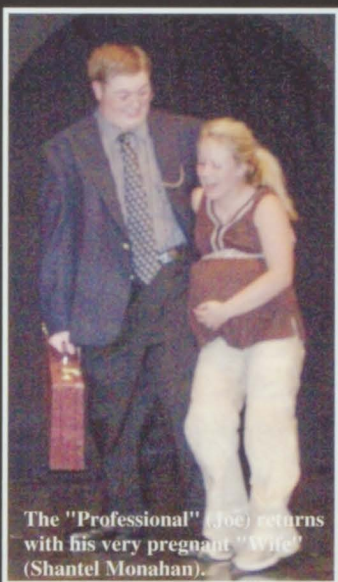
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"Das Box" had an important message even though it was a comedy. The students enjoyed the script and had a lot of fun with it. It was a joy to work with fun-loving dedicated kids."

--Director Wilder



The "Other" man tries to find out the time from a "Lady" (Alexus Anthony), but because of the headlines she goes screaming down the street.



The "Professional" (Joe) returns with his very pregnant "Wife" (Shantel Monahan).

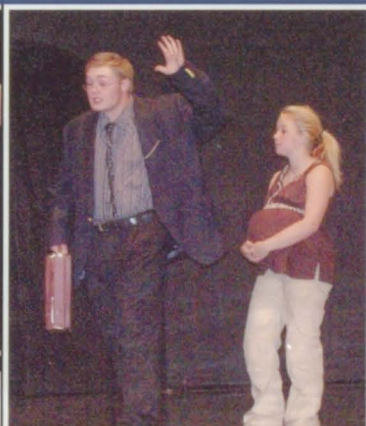


An "Old Man" (Mike Wright) finally takes responsibility for the box and finds out what is in it.



A "Dancer" (Jamie Menucy) glides out of the box and announces that responsibility is what is in the box.

Only an elderly gentleman will finally solve the mystery and take responsibility for *Das Box*!





# Awards

## "BLUE PRIDE" in Academic Excellence!



Daniel Safarik & Brianna Young are recognized for having the Highest Grade Point Average.

### Mr. Anderson:

Algebra II - Alicia Hise  
Applied Math - Kolt Osentowski  
Geometry - Seth Ramsay  
Advanced Math - Megan Adams,  
Michael Wright  
Advanced Computer - Michael Wright  
Teacher Aide - Michael Wright

### Mrs. Brown:

Biology - Seth Ramsay, Jamie Menuey  
Physical Science - Ed Hebbert,  
Courtney Clarke  
Earth Science - Brianna Young,  
Sarah Ramsay  
7th Grade Life Science - Haleigh White,  
Jessie Schwanebeck  
7th Grade Health - Jessie Schwanebeck,  
Bailey Schaaack  
8th Grade Health - Brianna Young,  
Emily Hollopeter  
Chemistry - Hazy Nielson  
Teacher Aide - James Safarik

### Mr. Davis:

7th Grade Ag - Jessie Schwanebeck  
8th Grade Ag - Brianna Young  
Careers / Work Study - Megan Adams

### Mrs. Garner:

English 7 - Jessie Schwanebeck  
English 8 - Brianna Young  
English 9 - Daniel Safarik  
English 10 - Jamie Menuey  
Reading - Alisha Conner, Caitlyn Bassett  
Teacher Aide - Kristen Burgess  
Accelerated Reading:  
Top High School and Overall Reader -  
Jake Schwanebeck (364 pts.)  
Top Junior High Reader -  
Jessie Schwanebeck (293 pts.)  
7th Grade - Jessie Schwanebeck (293 pts.)  
8th Grade - Brianna Young (286 pts.)  
9th Grade - Ed Hebbert (316 pts.)  
10th Grade - Jamie Menuey (197 pts.)  
11th Grade - Jake Schwanebeck (364 pts.)  
12th Grade - Susan Liptrap (214 pts.)

### Ms. Garrard:

Band Most Improved - John Monahan  
Chorus Most Improved - Shelby Grimes  
Band Most Valuable - James Safarik  
Chorus Most Valuable - Amanda Johnson,  
Daniel Safarik

### Mrs. Gentry:

Outstanding Fine Arts - Kristen Burgess  
Speech - James Safarik, Jarrett Johnson,  
Joe Julius, Dain Applegarth,  
Amanda Johnson, Hazy Nielson,  
Alicia Hise, Kristen Burgess  
Drama - Trevor Evans, Matt Cover,  
Casey Benner, Daniel Smith,  
Colby Myers, Joe Julius, Tyler Nielson,  
Alexus Anthony, Chelsea Altena,  
Amanda Johnson, Kristen Burgess,  
Shantel Monahan, Hazy Nielson,  
James Safarik

### Mr. Hoyt:

Jr. High Art - Brianna Young, Sarah Ramsay,  
Jessie Schwanebeck, Alisha Conner  
Art I - Tanner Lintt, Matt Cover, Tyler Evans,  
Charles Kramer, Chelsea Altena,  
Colby Myers, Courtney Clarke  
Art 2 - Amanda Johnson  
Art 3 - Alicia Hise  
3-D Art - Daniel Smith, Casey Benner, Joe Julius,  
Trey Sheets  
Interactive Media - Casey Benner  
Strength Training - Kolt Osentowski, Tyler Evans,  
Jeff Cover, Seth Ramsay



Kristen Burgess earns the Outstanding Fine Arts Award



Seth Ramsay named to National Honor Society. HHS's only member.

### Mrs. Keller:

Consumer Math - Casey Benner  
Pre-Algebra - Brianna Young, Sarah Ramsay  
Algebra I - Ed Hebbert, Daniel Safarik  
7th Grade Math - Alisha Conner  
7th Grade Keyboarding - David Safarik  
Accounting I - Ed Hebbert  
Accounting II - Hazy Nielson  
Accounting III - Megan Adams  
Scholastic Contest - Casey Benner (1st),  
Hazy Nielson (5th)  
National Honor Society - Seth Ramsay

### Mr. Payne:

8th Grade American History - Brianna Young  
9th Grade American History - Daniel Safarik  
7th Grade Geography - Jessie Schwanebeck  
10th Grade World History - Seth Ramsay  
11th Grade American Government - Hazy Nielson  
Psychology - Susan Liptrap  
Good Citizenship Award - Hazy Nielson

### Ms. Saitta:

Outstanding Service - Colby Myers

### Ms. Soester:

Ag 1 - Shelby Grimes  
Ag 2 - Joe Julius  
Ag 4 - Susan Liptrap  
Ag Biology - Alicia Hise  
Speech - Colby Myers, Jamie Menuey  
Computer - Ed Hebbert  
Leadership - Shantel Monahan, Matt Cover

### Mr. Kraus:

9th Grade Physical Education - Jamie Menuey, Seth Ramsay  
Health - Jamie Menuey, Matt Cover  
Lifetime Sports - Rochelle Armstrong

### Mrs. Stillwell:

English 3 - Hazy Nielson, Joe Julius  
English 4 - Susan Liptrap, Casey Benner  
FACS - Megan Adams  
Academic Decathlon - Michael Wright, Kristen Burgess, Ed Hebbert,  
Susan Liptrap, Alicia Hise, Jarrett Johnson, James Safarik  
Quiz Bowl - Joe Julius, Michael Wright, Alexus Anthony,  
Hazy Nielson, Kristen Burgess, Daniel Safarik, James Safarik,  
Casey Benner, Willy Wright, Colby Myers  
Teacher Aide - Alicia Hise  
Scholastic Contest -  
Chadron State College - Casey Benner (1st), Hazy Nielson (5th),  
James Safarik (14th), Bryan Ferguson, Courtney Clarke,  
Joe Julius, Matt Cover, Megan Adams, Michael Wright,  
Trey Sheets  
Mid-Plains - Daniel Smith (4th), Tyler Evans (4th), Michael Wright,  
Matt Cover, Seth Ramsay, Casey Benner  
Poetry Out Loud - James Safarik (State), Amanda Johnson,  
Joe Julius, Jake Schwanebeck, Kristen Burgess,  
Hazy Nielson, Alicia Hise

### Mrs. Wilder:

Journalism - James Safarik  
Newspaper - Billy Craig, James Safarik, Michael Wright

### Mr. Gaffney:

Highest Grade Point Average - Daniel Safarik, Brianna Young  
Perfect Attendance -  
All Year - Alisha Conner, Josh Conner, Kylee Dredia,  
John Monahan, Caitlyn Bassett,  
1st Semester - Jessie Schwanebeck, Jamie Menuey, Joe Julius,  
Ed Hebbert, Shelby Grimes, Dain Applegarth, David Safarik,  
Tyler Nielson  
2nd Semester - Jake Schwanebeck  
Near Perfect Attendance -  
1st Semester - Jake Schwanebeck, Hazy Nielson,  
Emily Hollopeter, Cole Dubs, Alexus Anthony,  
William Wonacott, James Safarik, Colby Myers,  
Shantel Monahan, Kody Kramer, Amanda Johnson,  
Matt Ferguson  
2nd Semester - Jamie Menuey, Tyler Nielson, Alexus Anthony,  
James Safarik  
Student of the Week - Matt Cover, Megan Adams, Jamie Menuey,  
Casey Benner, Brianna Young, Charlie Kramer, Hazy Nielson,  
Kristen Burgess, Jake Schwanebeck, Jarrett Johnson,  
Shantel Monahan, Amanda Johnson, Seth Ramsay



Georgeann Wearin is presented with the Parental Involvement Award.



# Night

## "BLUE PRIDE" in Athletic Achievements!

### Coach Vivion:

#### Volleyball

Most Kills - Amanda Johnson  
Most Ace Serves - Shantel Monahan  
Most Set Assists - Megan Adams  
Most Digs - Alexis Anthony  
Most Improved - Minda Mack

### Coach Hoyt:

#### Football

Co-Defensive MVP's -  
Dan Smith, Matt Ferguson  
Offensive MVP - Trey Sheets  
Special Team MVP - Kolt Osentowski  
Lineman - Colby Myers  
Outstanding Performance -  
Freshman - Bryan Ferguson  
Sophomore - Jeff Cover  
Junior - Tyler Evans  
Senior - Dan Smith

### Wrestling

Outstanding Wrestler -  
Dan Smith, Charles Kramer  
Mr. Hustle - Trevor Evans  
Practice Wrestler - Colby Myers  
Most Improved - Joe Julius

### Coach Gaffney:

#### Girls Basketball

Most Improved - Shelby Grimes  
Most Hustle - Alexis Anthony  
Most Valuable Player - Megan Adams

### Coach Kraus:

#### Boys Basketball

Assists - Trey Sheets  
Steals - Kolt Osentowski  
Free Throw % - Bryan Ferguson  
Rebounds - Billy Craig  
Charges - Matt Ferguson  
Points - Matt Ferguson

### Track

Boys MVP - Dain Applegarth  
Girls MVP - Amanda Johnson

### Coach Hoegerl:

#### Golf

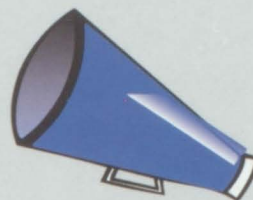
MVP - Trevor Evans  
Most Improved - Vinny Armstrong



Dan Smith and Shantel Monahan are announced as Outstanding Athletes of 2008.



Booster Club representative, Gergeann Wearin, presents Della Hayward with the "Fan of the Year" Award.



### Athletic Director - Mr. Gaffney:

#### 3-Sport Awards -

Daniel Smith, Dain Applegarth,  
Trevor Evans, Matt Ferguson,  
Amanda Johnson, Charles Kramer,  
Alexus Anthony, Jamie Menuey,  
Shantel Monahan, Seth Ramsay,  
Bryan Ferguson, Jeff Cover,  
Jon Billingsley

#### 3 Sports for 4 Years:

Dan Smith

#### Sandhills Academic All Conference:

Kristen Burgess, Hazy Nielson

#### Outstanding Female Athlete:

Shantel Monahan

#### Outstanding Male Athlete:

Dan Smith

# GO BIG BLUE!



# Graduation



Megan Lyne Adams Daniel Joseph Smith Michael James Wright Casey Wayne Benner Susan Ann Liptrap



Megan Lyne Adams  
Valedictorian.

## "BLUE PRIDE" in the Class of 2008!



**The Administration**  
Principal-Mr. Howard Gaffney, School Board President-Mr. Al Davis,  
Superintendent-Mr. Mike Davis, Guidance Counselor-Mrs. Lynell Stillwell



Grandma waits to congratulate Megan,  
while Mom gets her turn.



Casey's mom gets a hug and a rose.



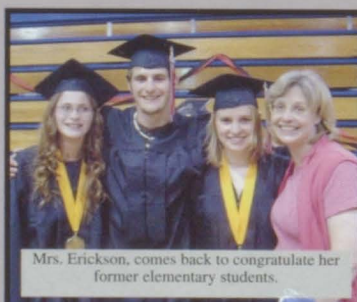
Mrs. Stillwell gives Mike  
some final advice.



Megan finds it hard to say "Goodbye" to Sandy.



Mrs. Gentry congratulates Daniel.



Mrs. Erickson, comes back to congratulate her  
former elementary students.



Mike concludes with the closing.





Susan Ann Liptrap  
Salutatorian.

The 2008 HHS Commencement is held in the High School Lecture Hall. The welcome is given by Casey Benner, followed by the invocation, lead by Daniel Smith. Susan Liptrap gives the Salutatory Address, expressing her gratitude to her teachers, as well as reminiscing about her past experiences in high school. Following the Salutatory, the choir performs the piece *Stand As One*, in tribute to the graduates. Megan Adams gives the Valedictory Address, speaking of the past, as well as looking forward to the future. This is followed by the program of student profiles, and the scholarships and awards, given by Mrs. Lynell Stillwell. The Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Mike Davis presents the Class of 2008 and School Board President, Mr. Al Davis confers the diplomas. Michael Wright gives the closing in which he jokes about the "rules" of graduation, saying "If you do not follow these rules, you will be sent directly to the office." The processional and recessional music is played by Mrs. Sandy Yorges. Junior escorts include Hazy Nielson and Joe Julius, and the ushers are Amanda Johnson and James Safarik. A reception is held for the graduating class in the gymnasium after the ceremony.



With a turn of the tassels,  
they are officially graduates.

**"We can't direct the wind, but we can adjust the sails."**



Mike gives his mom a rose and a hug.



Daniel receives his diploma.



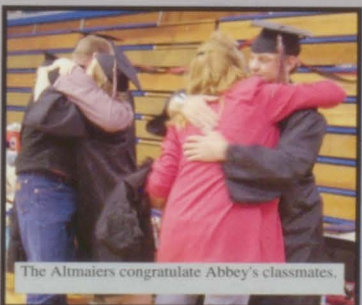
Susan, Daniel, and Megan  
with their Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Dyer.



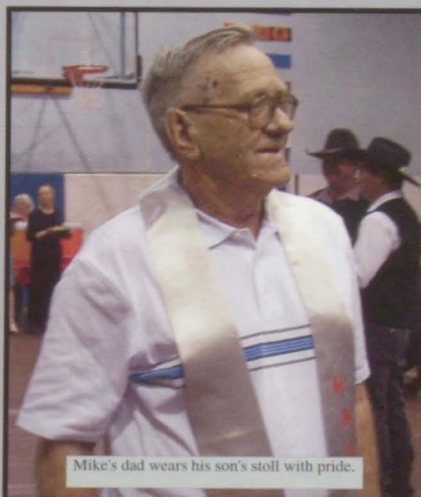
A quilt displayed in Abbey's memory.



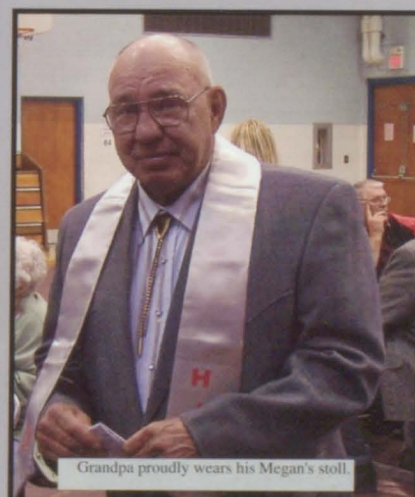
Casey welcomes the guests.



The Altmaiers congratulate Abbey's classmates.



Mike's dad wears his son's stole with pride.



Grandpa proudly wears his Megan's stole.



# Students of the Week



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**Megan Adams**



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**Jamie Menuey**



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**Casey Benner**



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**Brianna Young**



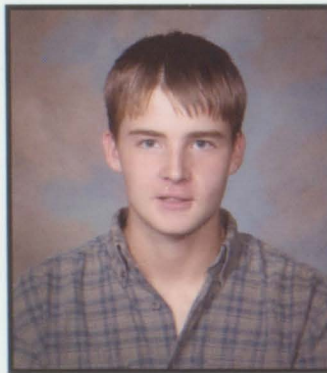
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**Amanda Johnson**



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**Hazy Nielson**



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**Shantel Monahan**



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**Jarrett Johnson**



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**Kristen Burgess**



House of Photography  
**Seth Ramsay**

## The mind behind "Student of the Week" . . .

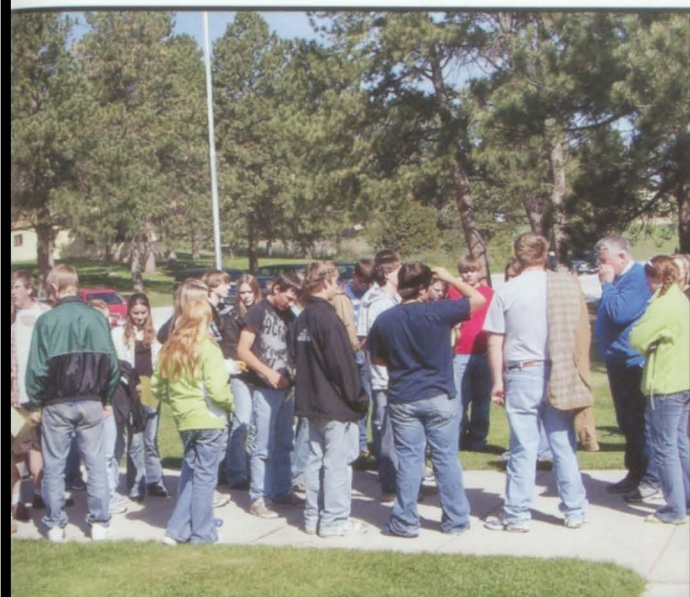
by James Safarik

This year our new school principal, Mr. Howard Gaffney has implemented a new program to encourage students to always do their best. Mr. Gaffney calls it the "Student of the Week". Every two weeks a student is chosen by Mr. Gaffney, due to faculty and support staff recommendation because of his or her performance academically or in extra curricular activities, and their attitude. The "Student of the Week" is given certain privileges for the next two weeks such as being able to be first in the lunch line and having a reserved parking place at school. Mr. Gaffney says that he got the idea from seeing it done in previous schools he's worked in. Hopefully, this will give us the boost we need to excel not just for the initial reward, but to be able to be an example to our peers and represent our school in the best way possible.



# Principal's Day Out

Mr. Gaffney's "Blue Pride" in Achieving Students



## Principal's Choice

The criteria for earning the trip is: having perfect attendance one or both semesters, having near-perfect attendance for one or both semesters, being named "Student of the Week", not having a written office referral, and being recommended by the faculty. The students earning this trip are:

Emily Holloper  
Cole Dubs  
Alexus Anthony  
William Wonacott  
James Safarik  
Colby Myers  
Kody Kramer  
Bryan Ferguson  
John Monahan  
Alisha Conner  
Jessie Schwanebeck  
Joe Julius  
Shelby Grimes  
Dain Applegarth  
Kylee Dredla  
Josh Conner

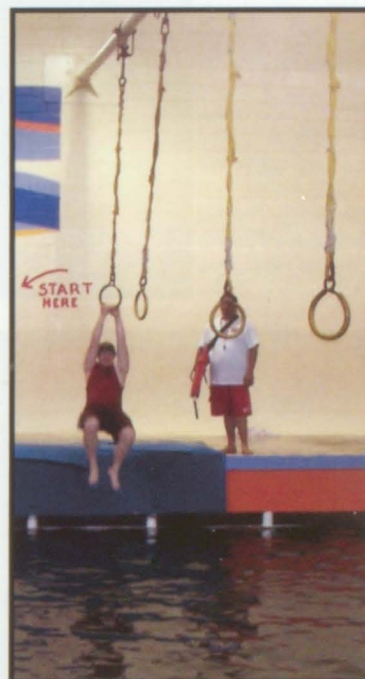
Tyler Nielson  
Caitlyn Bassett  
Jamie Menucy  
Matt Cover  
Brianna Young  
Charlie Kramer  
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Kristen Burgess  
Jake Schwanebeck  
Jarret Johnson  
Cole Dubs  
Amanda Johnson  
Seth Ramsay  
Courtney Clarke  
Alicia Hisel  
Minda Mack

## The Educational Part . . .

(far left)  
Mr. Gaffney gets his ducks in a row to visit Wind Cave in South Dakota.

(left)  
A ranger speaks to the group at Wind Cave.

(far left, middle)  
The group gathered outside the Wind Cave Visitor's Center.



## The Fun Part . . .

(left)  
The well-deserving students enjoy swimming at Evans Plunge in Hot Springs, South Dakota.

(above)  
(top)  
Trying to cross the pool by way of the rings became a challenge to some of the students.

(above)  
More water fun at Evans Plunge.



## Faculty Honored

Mrs. Marina Garner  
30 years  
Mrs. Suzan Hisel  
30 years  
Ms. Janeice Garrard  
20 years  
Mrs. Jan Simpson  
20 years



(right)  
Minda gives Tanner  
some help in cleaning  
his locker.

(far right)  
Tyler gives his locker  
an extra good cleaning  
and look at the  
treasures he finds.

(below)  
The sophomores and  
juniors give their  
lockers some elbow  
grease, while Mr. Hoyt  
oversees.



## "BLUE PRIDE"



(right)  
Mrs. Stillwel, Ms.  
Saitta, Mrs. Keller,  
and Mrs. Wilder  
(she's taking the  
picture of course)  
take a few minutes at  
the end of the last  
day and get well  
deserved  
refreshments.

(far right)  
The ladies  
"King-Size" it and  
"Special Deliver" a  
couple of Dew's for  
Mr. Hoyt!







Mrs. Deb Daly  
10 years  
Mr. Kyle Hoyt  
5 years  
Ms. Jody French  
5 years  
Mr. Ken Hoegerl  
5 years

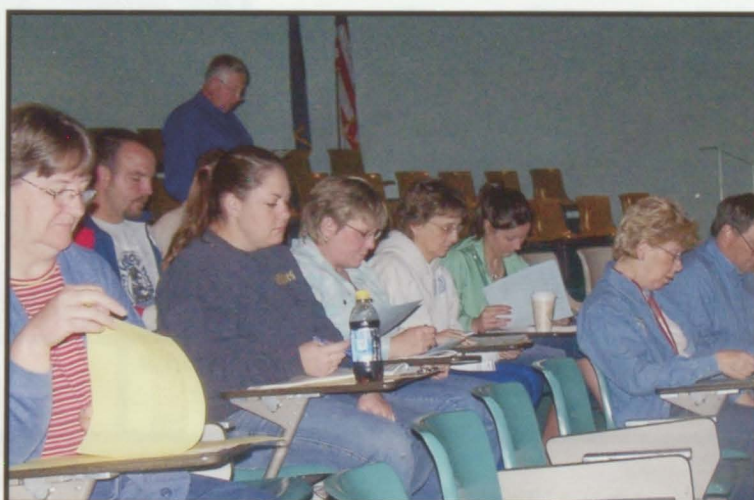
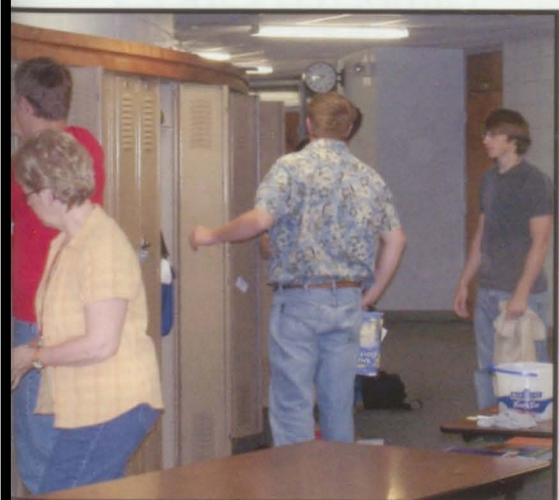
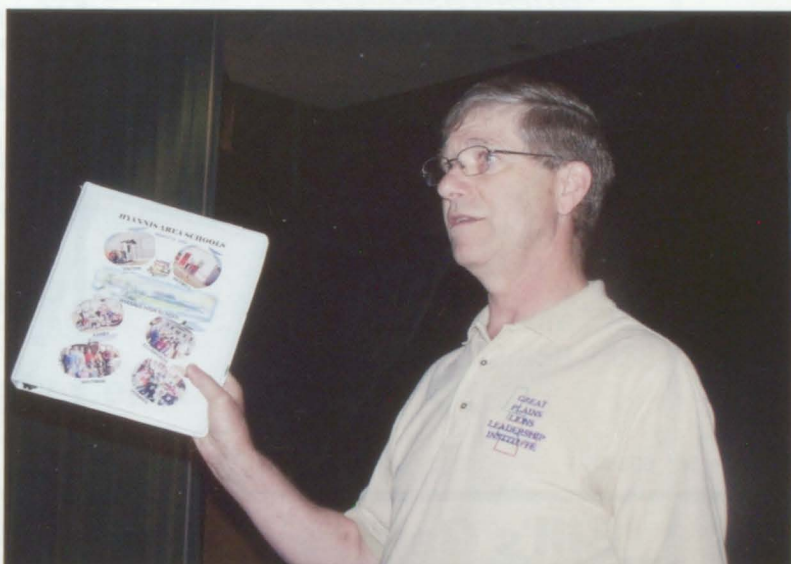
# to the end!



(far left)  
Dain saves a red table cloth from Prom, just to put it to good use and have some fun on the last day of school.

(left)  
"Mr. Sentimental" Jeff gives Mr. Gaffney a HUGE hug on the last day.

(below)  
Mr. Davis talks with the faculty about school improvement during teacher work days at the end of school.



(far left)  
Mrs. Stillwell guides the juniors in Locker Cleaning 101

(left)  
The faculty works diligently during their work days after the students are gone..



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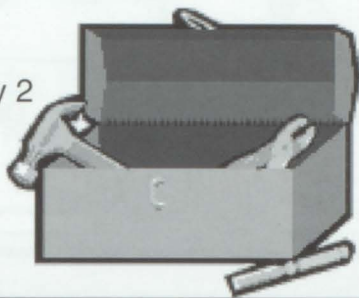
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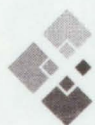
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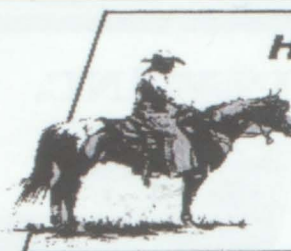
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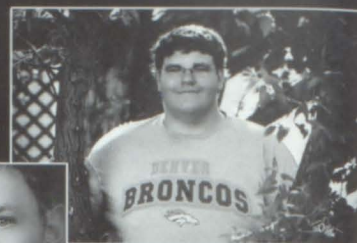
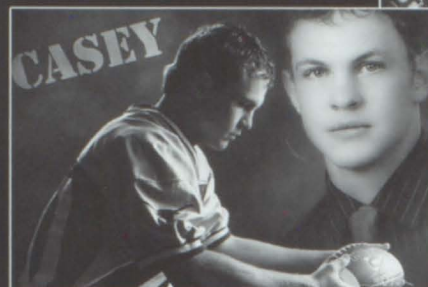
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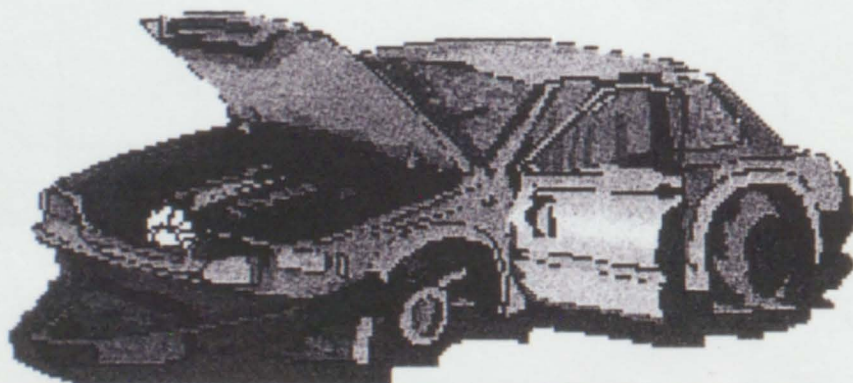
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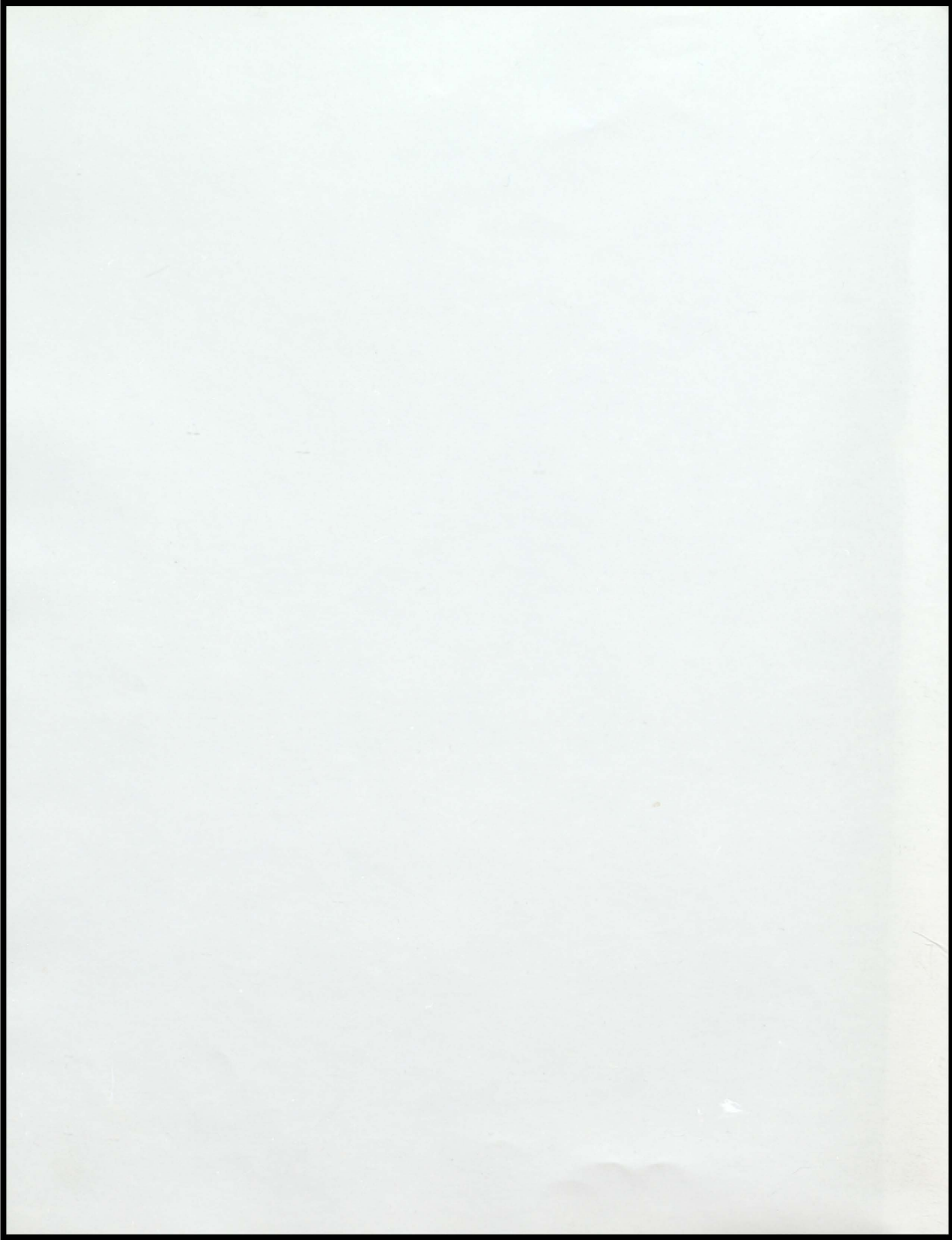
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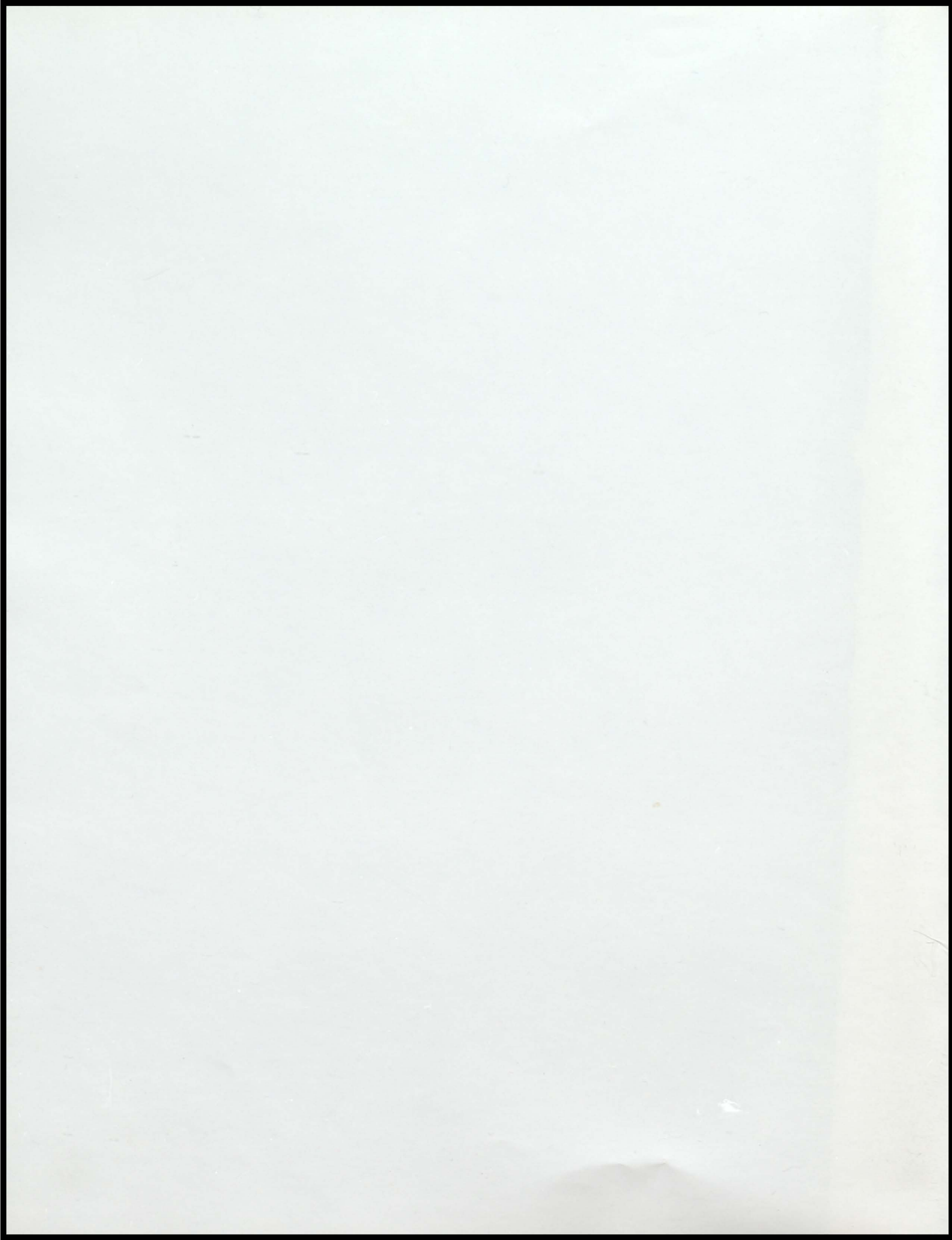










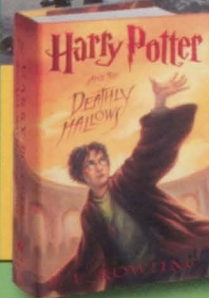
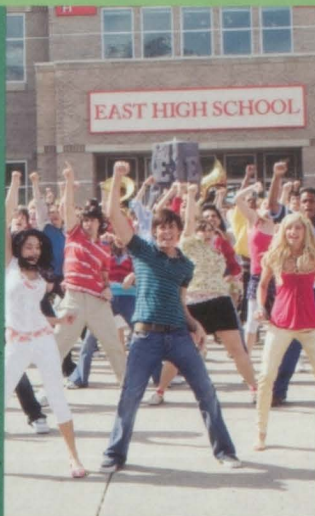




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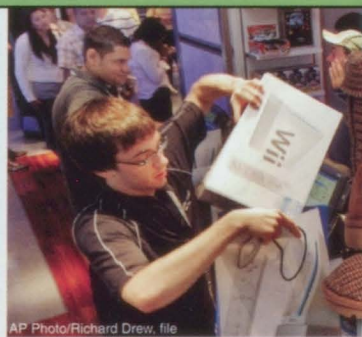


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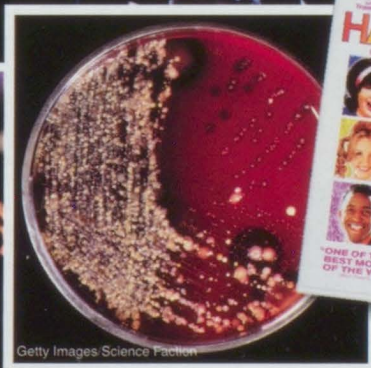
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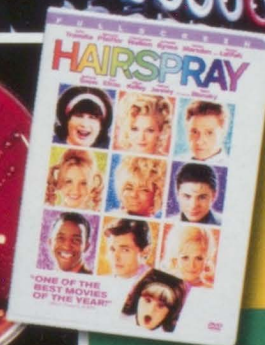
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# Front Page Headlines

- As the war in Iraq passes the four-year mark, tours of duty are lengthened and recruitment standards are relaxed.

- ▼ To ease the mortgage crisis, the U.S. Senate passes legislation allowing homeowners with delinquent sub-prime mortgages to refinance into federally insured loans.

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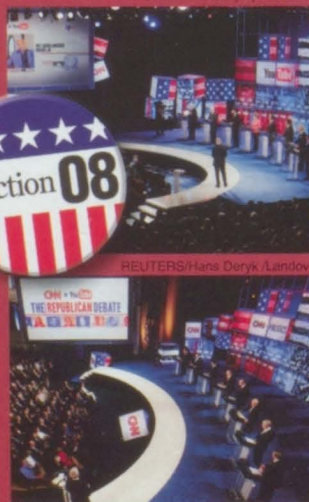
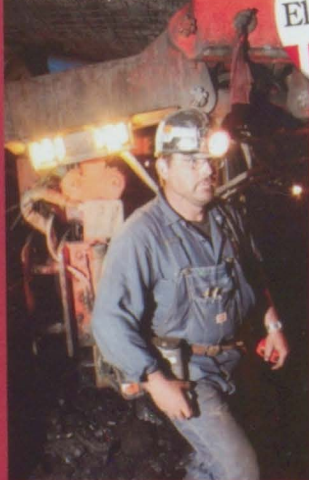


- ◀ Several cities in the southeastern U.S. are mere months away from running out of water as drought conditions persist in the region.

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- ▼ Six men are trapped when a Utah coal mine collapses on August 6. Ten days later, the mine collapses again, killing three rescue workers. After four weeks the search ends.

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- ▲ During televised debates, Democratic and Republican presidential candidates answer tough questions submitted by voters via YouTube.

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- The U.S. Postal Service issues a forever stamp featuring an image of the Liberty Bell. It will always be valid for first class postage on envelopes weighing one ounce or less.

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- ▲ The Nobel Peace Prize is awarded to former Vice President Al Gore and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, represented by Dr. Rajendra Pachauri, for their efforts to call attention to global warming.



▼ Schools across the nation are thoroughly disinfected—and some are even shut down—to quell outbreaks of staph infections, including antibiotic-resistant strains.



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▲ In late October, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger declares a state of emergency due to wildfires that burn more than half a million acres in southern California.

▼ Dozens of tornadoes tear across Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi, Kentucky and Alabama on February 5, 2008, killing nearly 60 people.



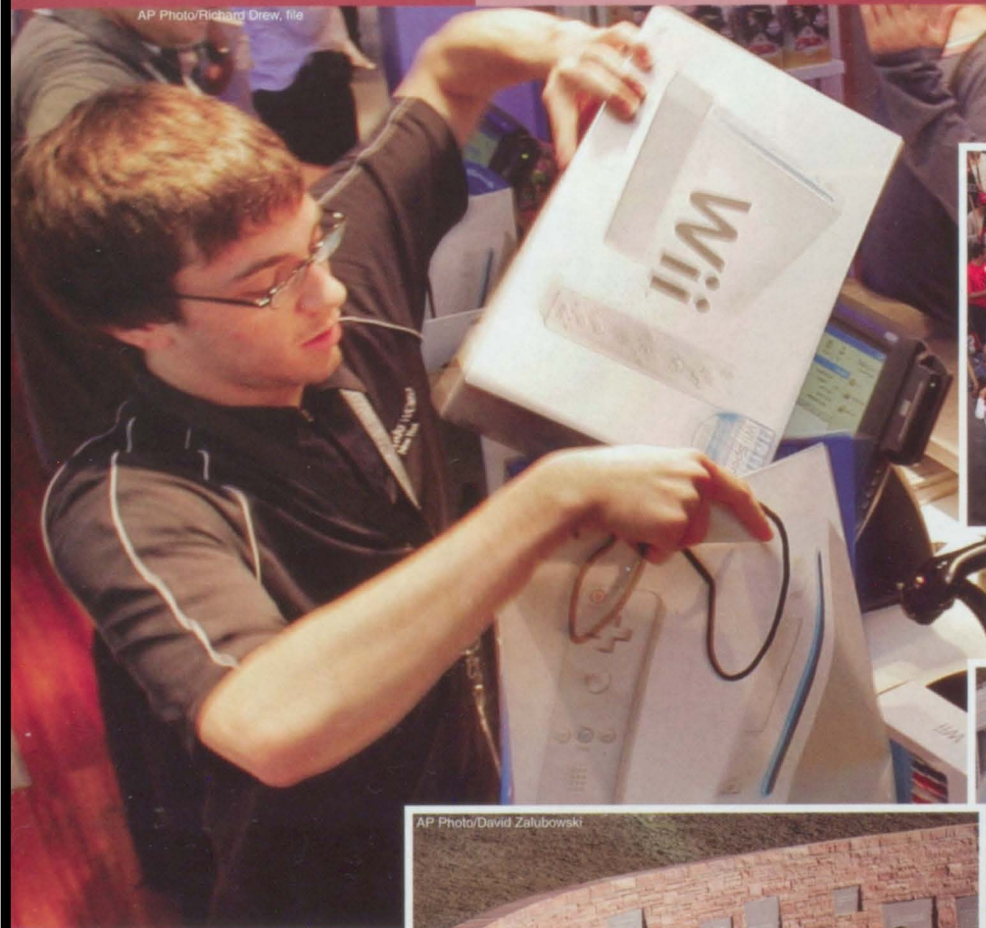
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▲ American consumers lose their confidence in China's manufacturers when children's toys tainted with lead trigger widespread recalls.

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◀ The Nintendo "Wii-nomenon" sweeps the nation as the game console outplays the competition with sales of more than 13 million units.

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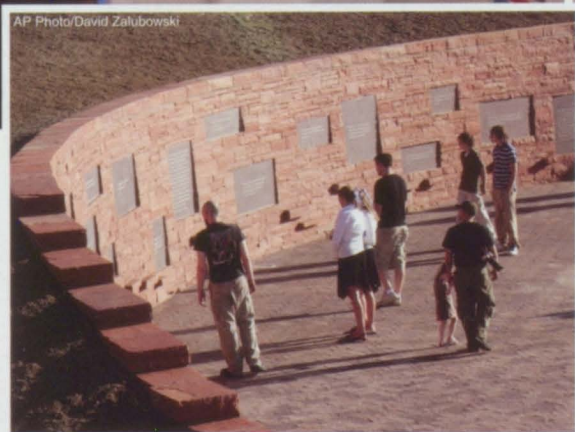
▲ Writers hit the picket lines and television production is halted for months when the Writers Guild of America goes on strike to protest compensation policies for new media such as iTunes downloads.



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▲ On August 1, a six-lane I-35W bridge stretching across the Mississippi River in Minneapolis collapses into the river during the height of the afternoon rush hour.

► In Littleton, Colorado, construction is completed on the \$1.5 million Columbine Memorial to the 13 victims of the 1999 shooting at Columbine High School.



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# Global

## The New Seven Wonders of the World

► People around the world cast more than 100 million online votes to determine the New Seven Wonders of the World. The winning wonders are announced at a gala in Lisbon.

▼ More than 150 of the world's leading music acts perform in concerts staged around the world for Live Earth, a star-studded event to draw attention to the global climate crisis.

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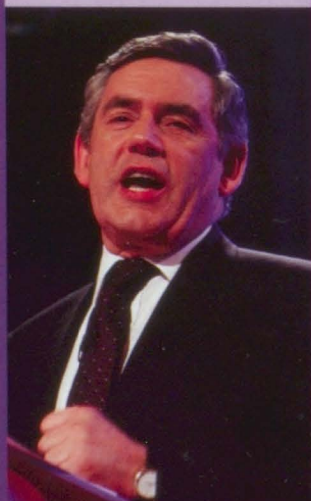


◀ The One Laptop Per Child Foundation launches a limited-time "Give One, Get One" program to spur donations of XO \$100 laptops to children in developing nations.

One Laptop Per Child



▼ Labour Party leader Gordon Brown succeeds Tony Blair as the new Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain.



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▲ The melting of the Arctic Sea ice spurs an international network of climate scientists to conclude that global warming is indisputable, and that human activity has been causing temperatures to rise since 1950.

▼ In December, Pakistani opposition leader Benazir Bhutto is assassinated following a political rally in Rawalpindi, Pakistan.



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▲ Tropical cyclone Sidr is the deadliest storm to hit Bangladesh in a decade. It destroys thousands of homes, ruins crops and forces more than a million villagers to evacuate.



# Sci-Tech

▼ U.S. astronaut Peggy Whitson is the first female commander at the International Space Station.



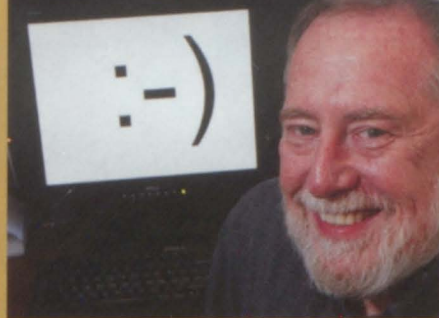
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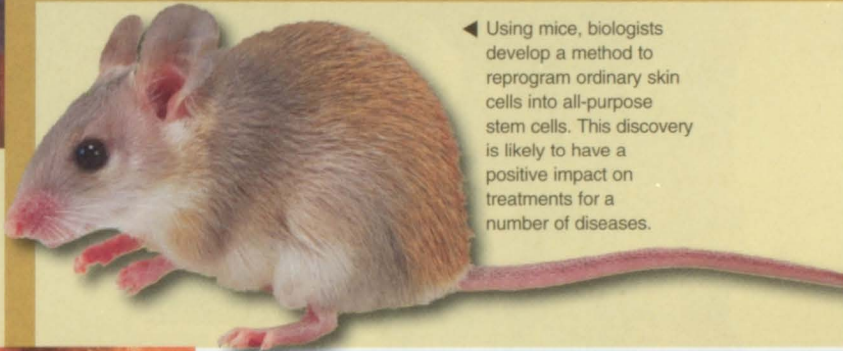
▲ Black bears make headlines in Utah, Wyoming and New Mexico as park rangers and wilderness homeowners report raids on backpacks, tents, trash cans and even kitchens.

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◀ The digital smiley face celebrates its 25th birthday. Its inventor, Carnegie Mellon professor Scott E. Fahlman, first used the icon on an electronic bulletin board in 1982.

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◀ Using mice, biologists develop a method to reprogram ordinary skin cells into all-purpose stem cells. This discovery is likely to have a positive impact on treatments for a number of diseases.

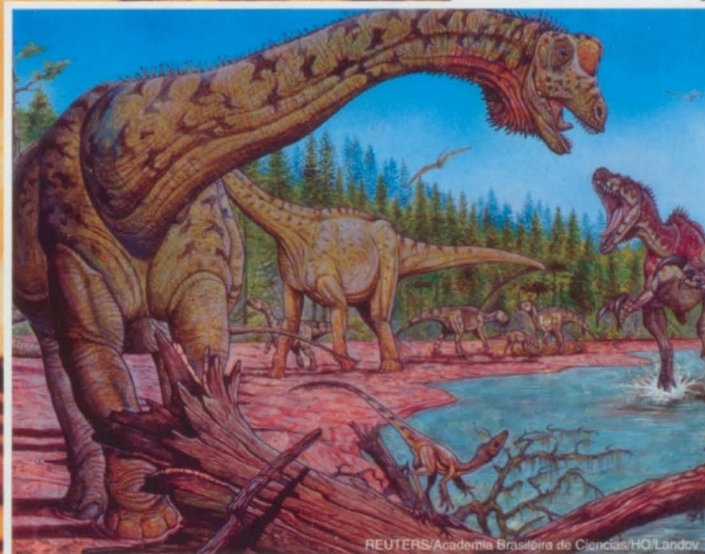


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◀ Crops are threatened when honeybee colonies in the U.S. and Europe suffer from Colony Collapse Disorder, losing up to 70 percent of their bees due to unknown causes.

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▶ In a medical experiment, salmonella germs take a ride on the space shuttle. When they return to Earth, the germs are far more lethal than their earthbound counterparts.



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◀ An excavation site in Argentina yields the fossilized remains of a previously unknown species of dinosaur, the Fuflognkosaurus dukei, measuring more than 105 feet.



# Lifestyle

► Social networking websites continue to surge in popularity. MySpace and Facebook remain dominant as the sites of choice for young people and inspire a host of innovative imitators.

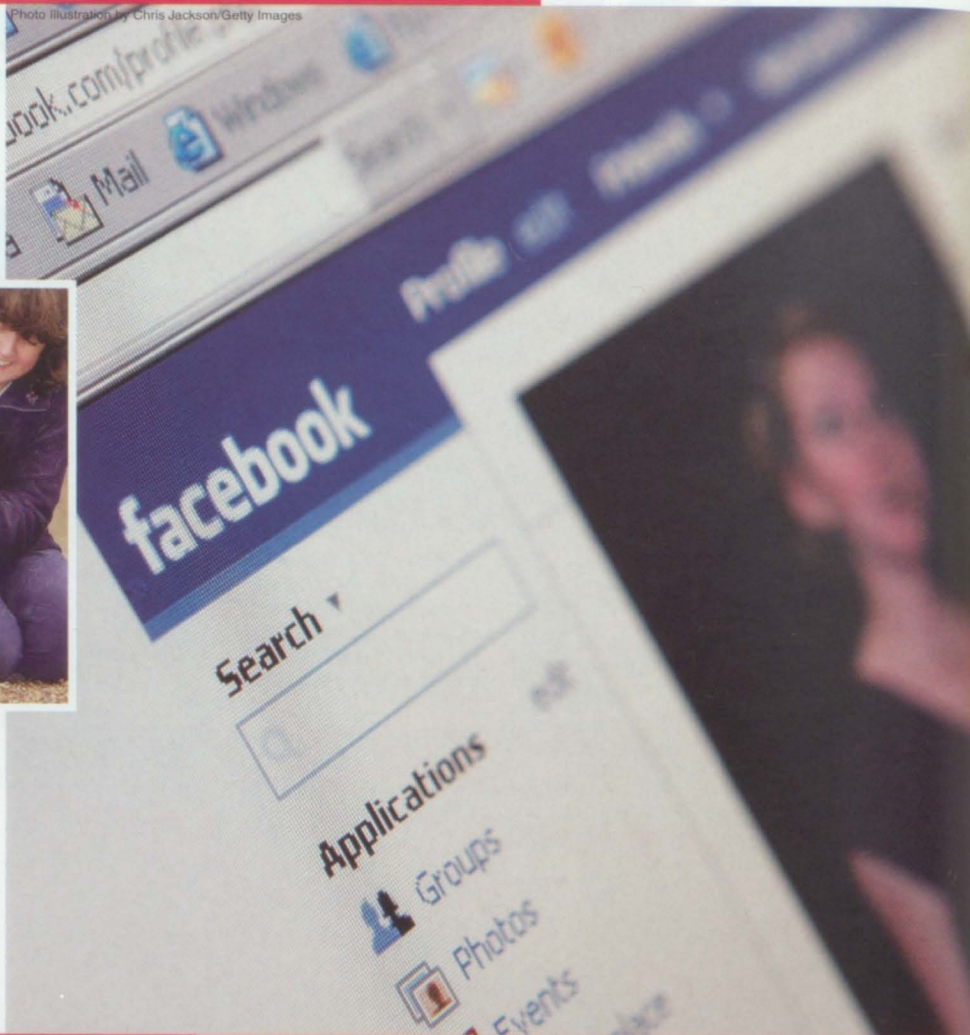
▼ Concerns about overweight dogs and cats hit the headlines. Veterinarians prescribe a regimen of fewer treats, more walks around the neighborhood and no people food.

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◀ The healthy growth trend for vitamin waters and other nutrient-boosted consumables continues with the introduction of specialized formulas for immunity, focus and more.

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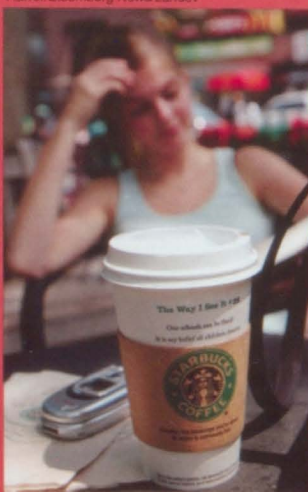


▼ User-generated content grows more popular as network television shows, mainstream musical acts and wannabe media stars join amateur home moviemakers on YouTube. One of the most-watched videos of 2007 features a feline pianist.



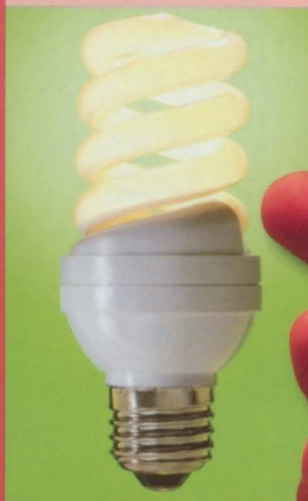
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▲ Higher prices for coffee beans do not lessen the nation's craving for coffeehouses. Independents and chains alike continue to be popular with younger consumers.

▼ Concerns over the environment and increasing energy costs create a growing consumer demand for energy-saving, long-lasting compact fluorescent light bulbs.



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▼ The Apple iPhone, with its revolutionary touch screen, packs mobile phone, camera, iPod, Web browser, email and IM capabilities into a sleek, portable package.

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# Trends

▼ Cute and comfy baby doll jumper tops and dresses with button straps start as a summer trend and morph into fall fashion layered over close-fitting sweaters and matching tights.



◀ The A-line silhouette comes to outerwear, as swingy trapeze coats become one of the year's most surprising fashion must-haves.



◀ Under Armor athletic apparel is a popular fashion choice for athletes both on and off the field.

▶ Fashion takes a look back to the 1980s with the return of leg warmers, worn as an accessory with short skirts or skinny jeans and fashionable ballet flats or moccasins.



◀ Quilted Vera Bradley handbags and totes sweep college campuses, sororities and high school hallways from coast to coast.



▶ The ubiquitous, slouchy suede Ugg boot is reinvented with cozy knitted uppers that keep toes toasty and add a soft, tweedy, textured look to fall and winter ensembles.



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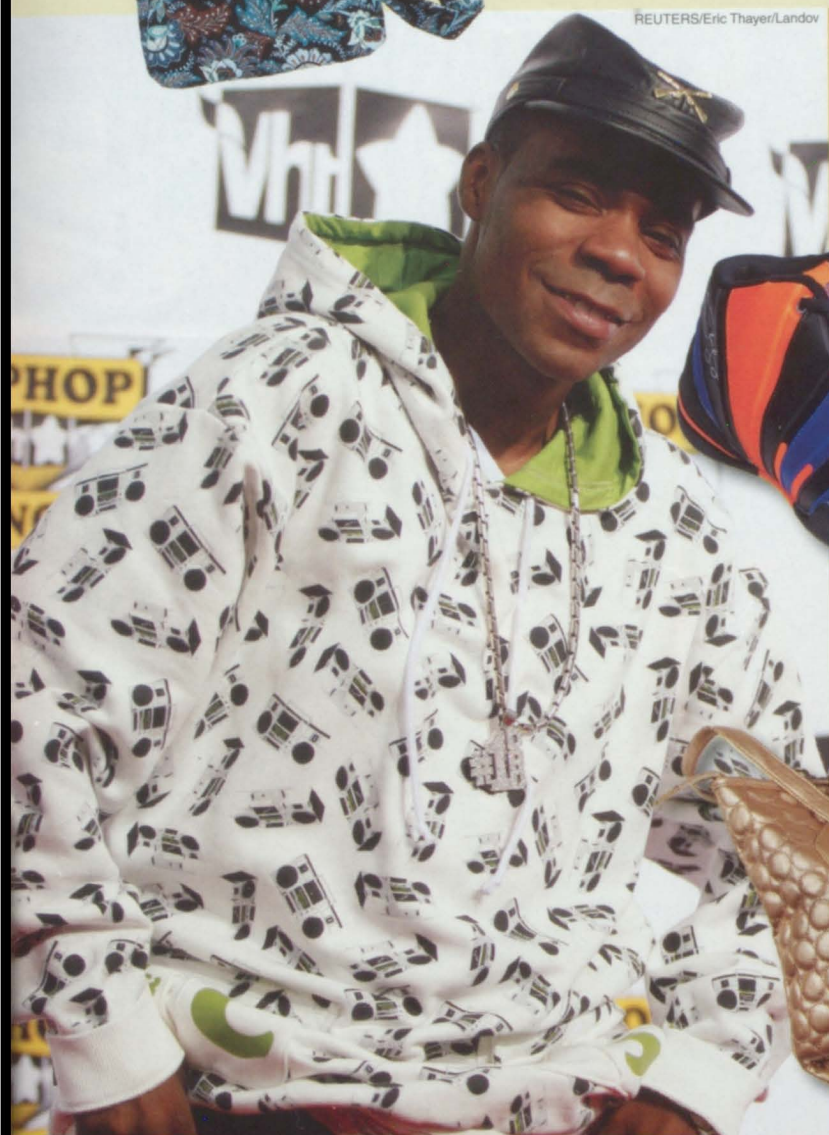
◀ Guys sport patterned hoodies that are worn alone or layered under jackets and blazers for an edgy, urban look.



▲ Stephon Marbury inspires a host of celebrities, including Sarah Jessica Parker and Venus Williams, to battle the high-priced fashion industry by creating their own affordable apparel.



◀ The craze for oversized leather bags—in metallic shades of copper, silver and gold—inspires a trend for matching footwear in daytime and nighttime looks.

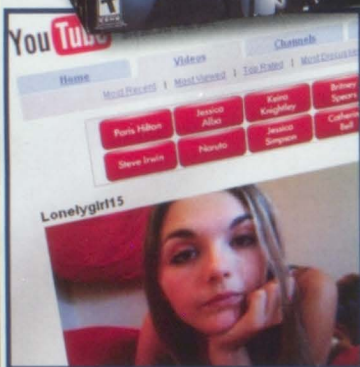




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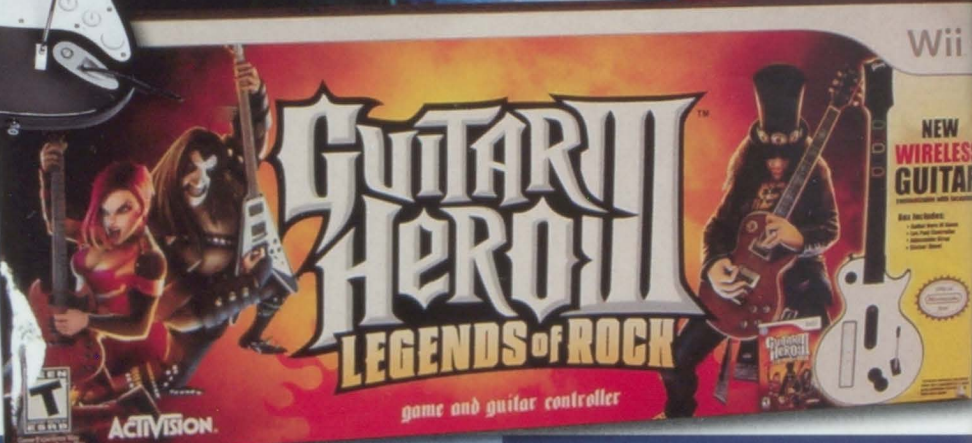
▼ The music video game Guitar Hero III: Legends of Rock is released with a soundtrack of 71 playable songs. Slash and other real-life guitarists appear as in-game characters.

▼ The music video game Rock Band is released for Xbox 360 and PlayStation 3. Players perform together in virtual bands, using peripherals to hit notes as they scroll onscreen.

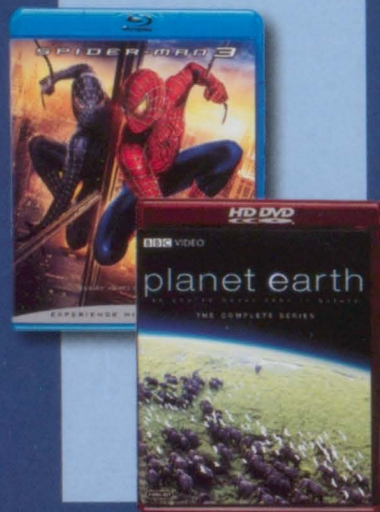


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▼ Even after lonelygirl15 is revealed as a fictitious character, her popular storyline continues for a full season as an Internet dramedy series on YouTube and MySpace.

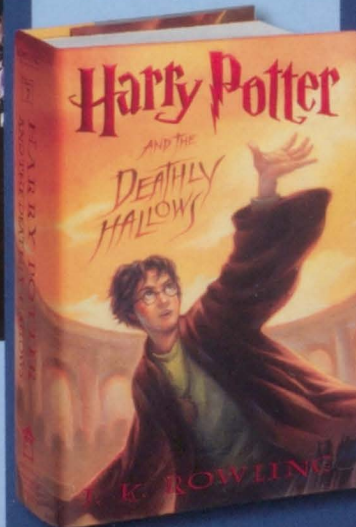


▼ After a two-year format war, Toshiba pulls its HD DVD product out of contention, leaving Sony Blu-ray as the sole next-generation successor to DVD.



▲ Large-scale multiplayer online gaming gives rise to virtual worlds where players interact via avatars and the computer-generated environment is similar to the real world.

▼ Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, the seventh and final book in the enormously popular series, is released. Its first U.S. print run is a record-breaking 12 million copies.



▲ Beading makes a comeback as a way to relax and creatively spend time with friends.



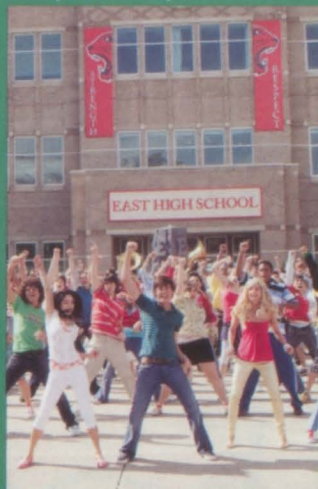
# Television

▼ The second season of NBC's *Heroes* continues the adventures of ordinary people with extraordinary powers and reveals more about the shadowy dealings of "The Company."



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▲ *High School Musical 2* becomes the highest-rated cable broadcast in the nation's history when 17.2 million U.S. viewers tune in to the Disney Channel for its debut.

▼ In the 36th season of CBS's *The Price Is Right*, host Bob Barker retires and comedian Drew Carey takes over the helm at the world's second-longest-running game show.



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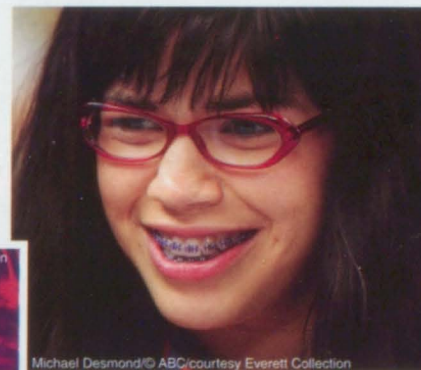


▲ The NBC drama series *Friday Night Lights*, about a fictional high school football team, is taped documentary-style, without rehearsals, to give it a more authentic feeling.

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◀ On The CW, Blake Lively portrays socialite teen Serena van der Woodsen in *Gossip Girl*, a drama series that follows the lives of prep school students from New York's Upper East Side.

▶ America Ferrera, who plays Betty Suarez on the popular ABC comedy-drama *Ugly Betty*, is the first Latina to win the Emmy for Outstanding Lead Actress in a Comedy Series.



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◀ ABC's *Dancing with the Stars* rules the ratings thanks to popular celebrity participants such as Sabrina Bryan of *The Cheetah Girls*.

Favorite TV Shows:

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# Movies

- ▼ Shia LaBeouf portrays a teenager who is plunged into a high-tech battle between good and evil alien robots in *Transformers*, a live action adaptation of the 1980s cartoon series.



- ▼ A 90-minute episode of *The Simpsons* takes six years to make. *The Simpsons Movie* finally makes its big-screen debut and is a major hit.

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- ▶ *Atonement* receives seven Golden Globe nominations, including lead acting nods for Keira Knightley and James McAvoy.

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- ▶ Disney's *National Treasure: Book of Secrets* nets the third-highest box-office total ever for a Christmas weekend release.

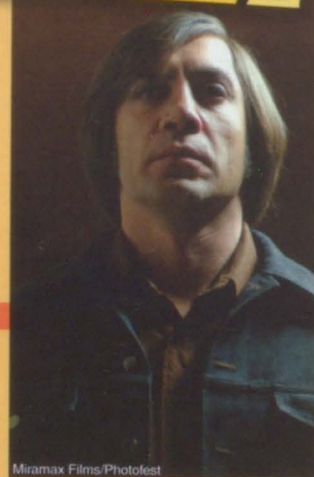


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- ▼ *The Great Debaters*, based on the real-life victories of a black debate team in the 1930s, receives eight NAACP Image Award nominations.

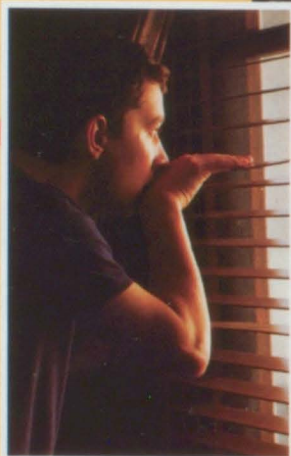


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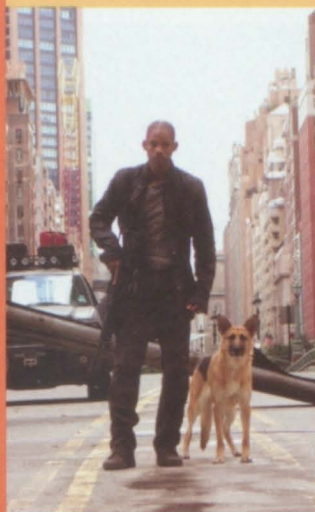
- ▲ Joel and Ethan Coen write and direct *No Country for Old Men*, a film adaptation of Cormac McCarthy's bleak, moody modern western novel. The film receives eight Oscar nominations.



- ▶ *Disturbia*, a surprise hit thriller about a bored teenager under house arrest who thinks his next-door neighbor may be a notorious serial killer, spends three weeks at the top of the box office.

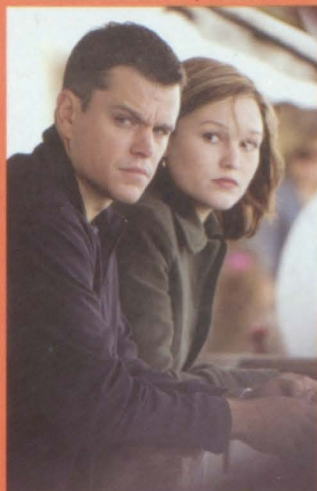


▼ In *I Am Legend*, Will Smith is the last man alive in New York, after a man-made virus wipes out most of the world's population and turns the survivors into dangerous mutants.



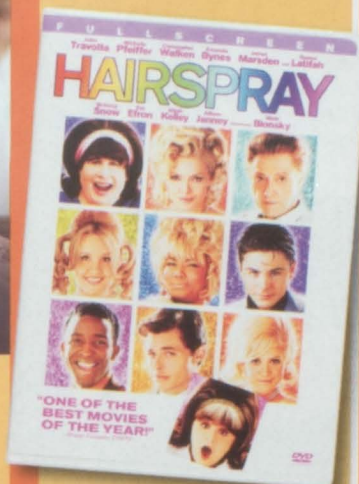
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▲ Matt Damon reprises his role as amnesiac CIA assassin Jason Bourne for *The Bourne Ultimatum*, the third film in the Bourne trilogy based on Robert Ludlum's novels.

▼ Starring Zac Efron, Amanda Bynes and newcomer Nikki Blonsky, *Hairspray* is a zany musical based on the Broadway smash hit.



## Best Picture Oscar Nominations

*Atonement*

*Juno*

*Michael Clayton*

*No Country for Old Men*

*There Will Be Blood*

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◀ After a 19-year hiatus, Harrison Ford returns as Steven Spielberg's adventurous archaeologist in *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull*.

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▲ Tim Burton directs and Johnny Depp stars as the title character in *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street*, an adaptation of the hit Broadway musical.



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▲ Using a combination of live action and animation, *Enchanted* tells the story of Giselle, a fairy-tale character seeking a "happily ever after" ending in modern-day Manhattan.





# Music

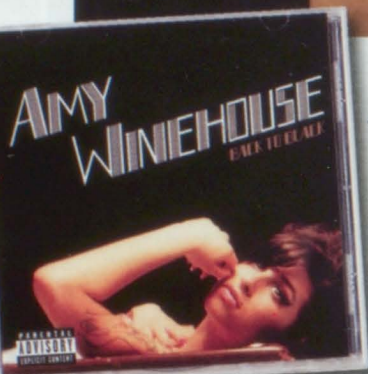
▼ Fergie continues to place singles from her triple-platinum solo album, *The Dutchess*, on the *Billboard* charts.

▼ Fall Out Boy headlines the Honda Civic tour, performs at Live Earth concerts and reaches the top of the charts with the release of their album *Infinity on High*.

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▶ British singer Amy Winehouse brings back the beehive and wins five Grammy awards for her work on *Back To Black*.

▼ Canadian pop singer Feist enjoys soaring sales for her third solo album, *The Reminder*, after the single "1234" is featured in a commercial for the iPod nano.

Dustin Rabin Photography



Robert Pitts/Landov



▲ Rihanna records her third album, *Good Girl Gone Bad*, featuring Jay-Z and Ne-Yo. She receives six Grammy nominations.

▼ Newcomer Sean Kingston tops the U.S. *Billboard* Hot 100 and Pop 100 with "Beautiful Girls," his first single from his self-titled debut album.



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▲ Malibu singer-songwriter Colbie Caillat rises to stardom from MySpace. Her song "Bubbly" garners more than 31 million plays and her CD goes platinum.

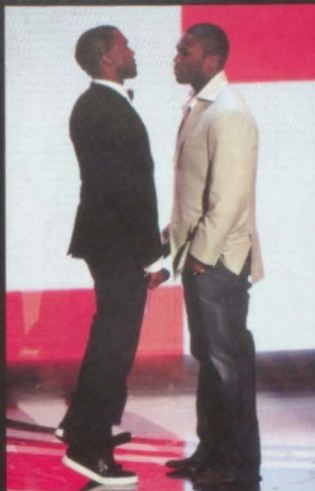


▼ Carrie Underwood releases her double-platinum second album, *Carnival Ride*, and contributes the Oscar-nominated song "Ever Ever After" to the soundtrack for the movie *Enchanted*.



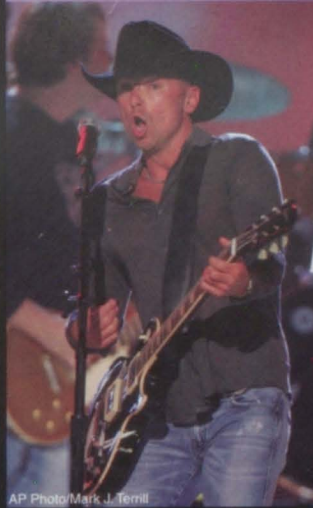
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▲ After facing off at the MTV Music Awards, rapper rivals Kanye West and 50 Cent release albums on September 11 and vie for top sales. Kanye's *Graduation* is the victor.

▼ Country star Kenny Chesney releases his 13th album, *Just Who I Am: Poets & Pirates*. His Flip Flop summer tour is the highest-grossing country tour of 2007.

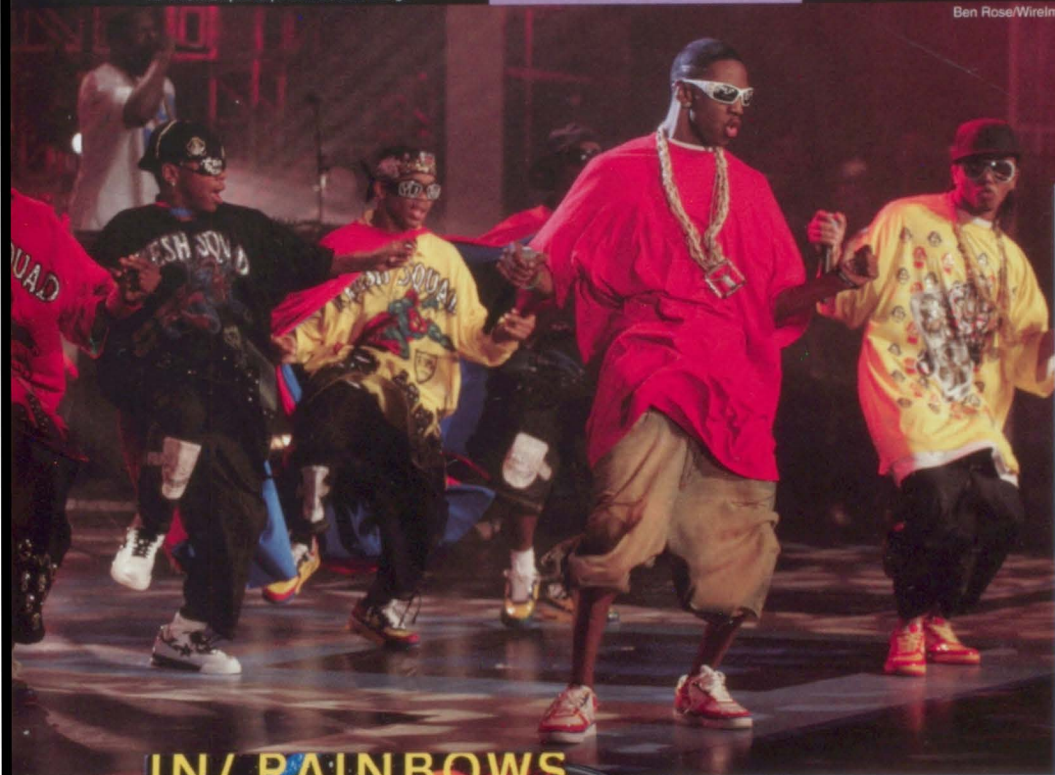


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▲ Hip-hop artist T-Pain releases his second album, *Epiphany*. The album receives four 2008 Grammy nominations and the Vibe 2007 Song of the Year Award.

◀ Soulja Boy reaches the top of the *Billboard* Hot 100 with the single "Crank That (Soulja Boy)" and his distinctive, loose-limbed dance style becomes a nationwide craze.



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▲ Punk-pop princess Avril Lavigne releases her third album, *The Best Damn Thing*, featuring "Girlfriend," her first No.1 single on the *Billboard* Top 100.

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◀ Radiohead invites listeners and fans to pay whatever they want for a digital download of their highly acclaimed seventh album, *In Rainbows*. A "discbox" edition, with standard CD and vinyl LP, is released in January 2008.





# Sports

▼ The American League Champion Boston Red Sox defeat the National League Champion Colorado Rockies in a decisive four-game sweep to capture their second World Series title in four years.

▼ Tiger Woods achieves his record 14th World Golf Championships win at the WGC-Bridgestone Invitational and claims his 60th PGA Tour win at the BMW Championship.

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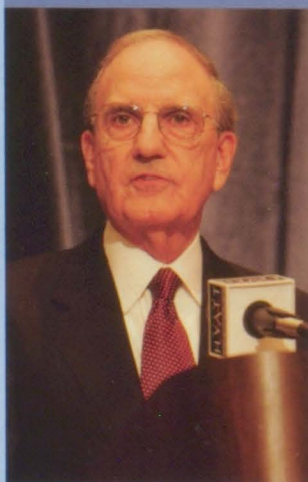
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▲ Norwegian golfer Suzann Pettersen wins five LPGA events including her first major championship in a break out season.

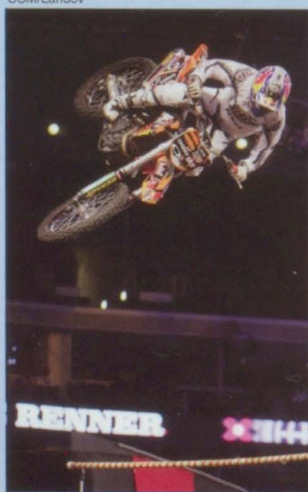


▼ Former Senator George Mitchell releases a list of Major League Baseball players, including seven MVPs and 31 All-Stars, under investigation for illegal use of steroids and other performance-enhancing drugs.



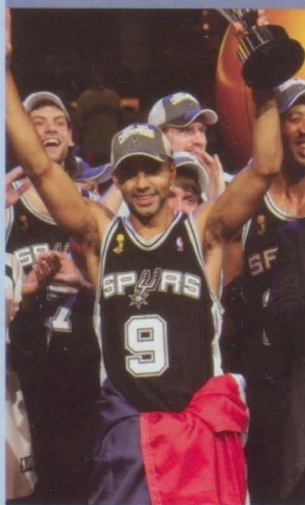
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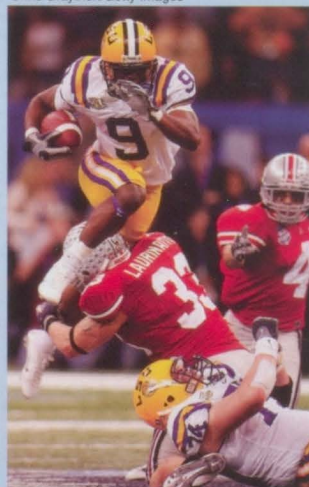
▲ At X-Games 13, Ricky Carmichael wins the first MotoX Racing Circuit, Simon Tabron does back-to-back 900s in BMX Vert and Jake Brown survives a 40-foot fall.

▼ The veteran San Antonio Spurs, led by Tim Duncan, beat the Cleveland Cavaliers and their young phenom, LeBron James, in a 4-0 sweep to win the 2007 NBA finals.



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▲ The LSU Tigers pounce on Ohio State early on their way to a 38-24 victory. LSU is the first two-loss team to compete for and win the BCS National Championship.



▼ California native Jimmie Johnson speeds to victory as the 2007 NASCAR Nextel Cup Champion, defeating his Hendrick Motorsports teammate Jeff Gordon by 77 points.



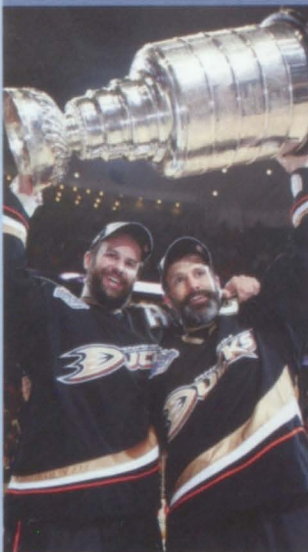
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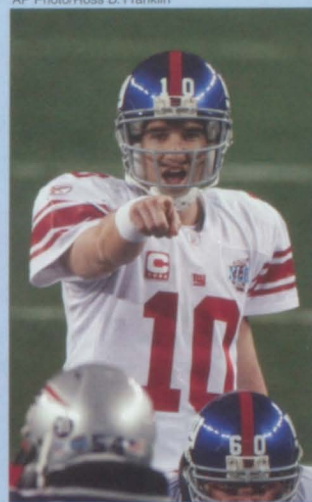
▲ Athletes from around the world train for the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing as the city prepares for the arrival of hundreds of competitors and millions of spectators.

▼ The Anaheim Ducks claim their first Stanley Cup, beating the Ottawa Senators in five games for the 2007 NHL championship.



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▲ Super Bowl XLII MVP Eli Manning leads the New York Giants on a last-minute scoring drive to upset the heavily favored New England Patriots 17-14, shattering the Patriots' bid for a perfect 19-0 season.

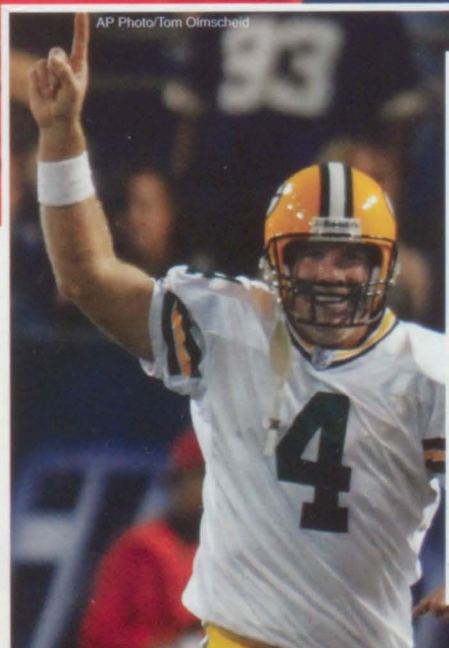
◀ Belgian Justine Henin defeats Russian Svetlana Kuznetsova 6-1, 6-3 to win her second U.S. Open title in New York.

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▲ Power hitters Barry Bonds, Frank Thomas, Alex "A-Rod" Rodriguez, Craig Biggio and Jim Thome all achieve home run milestones in their Major League Baseball careers.

AP Photo/Tom Olmscheid



► Brett Favre of the Green Bay Packers surpasses Dan Marino's touchdown pass record with number 422. 2007 NFL MVP Tom Brady of the New England Patriots sets the single regular-season mark for touchdown passes with 50.

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# Faces

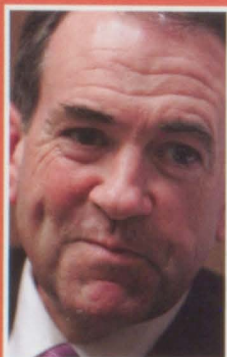
## Election '08 Candidates

After Super Tuesday primaries on February 5, 2008, the presidential race heats up among frontrunners Hillary Clinton, Mike Huckabee, John McCain and Barack Obama.



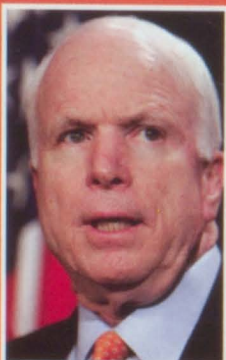
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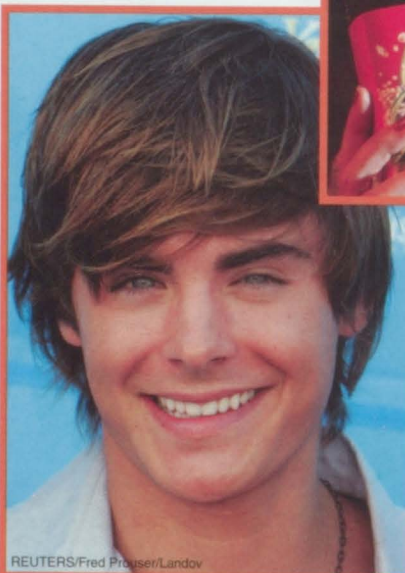
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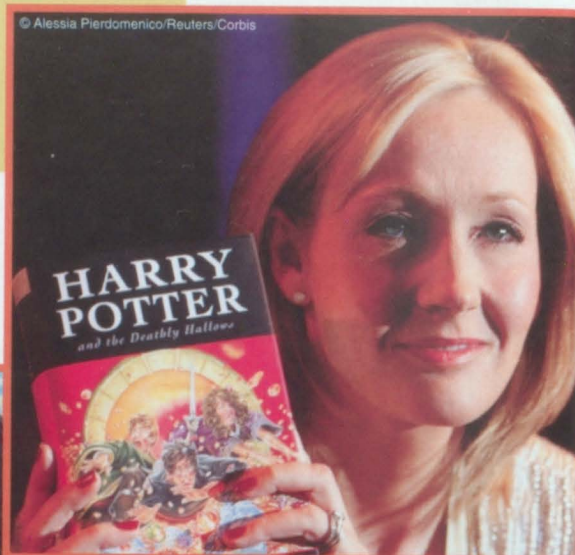
► Entertainment Weekly names J.K. Rowling—author of the seven-volume, 4,100-page Harry Potter series of best-selling children's books—as its Entertainer of the Year.



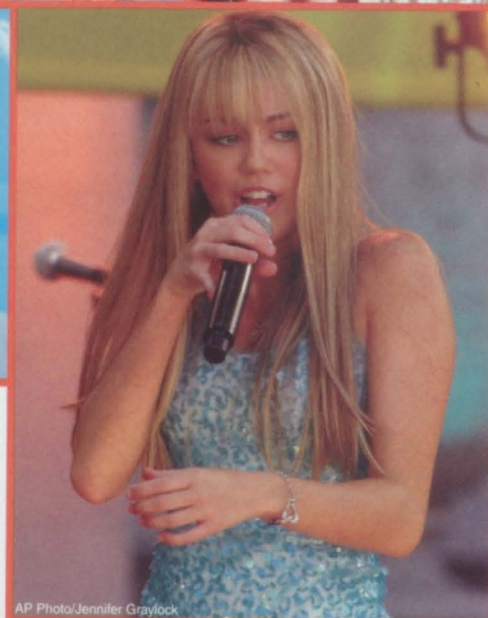
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▲ Heartthrob Zac Efron, who came to fame with his performance in the first *High School Musical*, becomes an even bigger teen star with the release of *High School Musical 2*.

► The Best of Both Worlds tour, starring Miley Cyrus as Hannah Montana, sells out in every city, prompting ticket lotteries, heartbroken fans and scalping scandals.



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▼ In January 2008, Academy Award-nominated actor Heath Ledger, 28, is found dead in his Lower Manhattan apartment from an accidental overdose of prescription medication.



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▲ Multi-talented star Queen Latifah becomes the latest spokeswoman for Jenny Craig. Her message isn't about getting skinny, but about losing weight to reduce the risk of Type 2 diabetes.

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▼ At London's Wembley Stadium, Princes William and Harry host the Concert for Diana to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the death of their mother, the Princess of Wales.

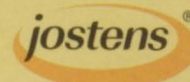


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▲ As Izzie Stevens on ABC's *Grey's Anatomy*, Katherine Heigl is a small-screen star. As Anne Fletcher in the comedy *27 Dresses*, she conquers the big screen as well.

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