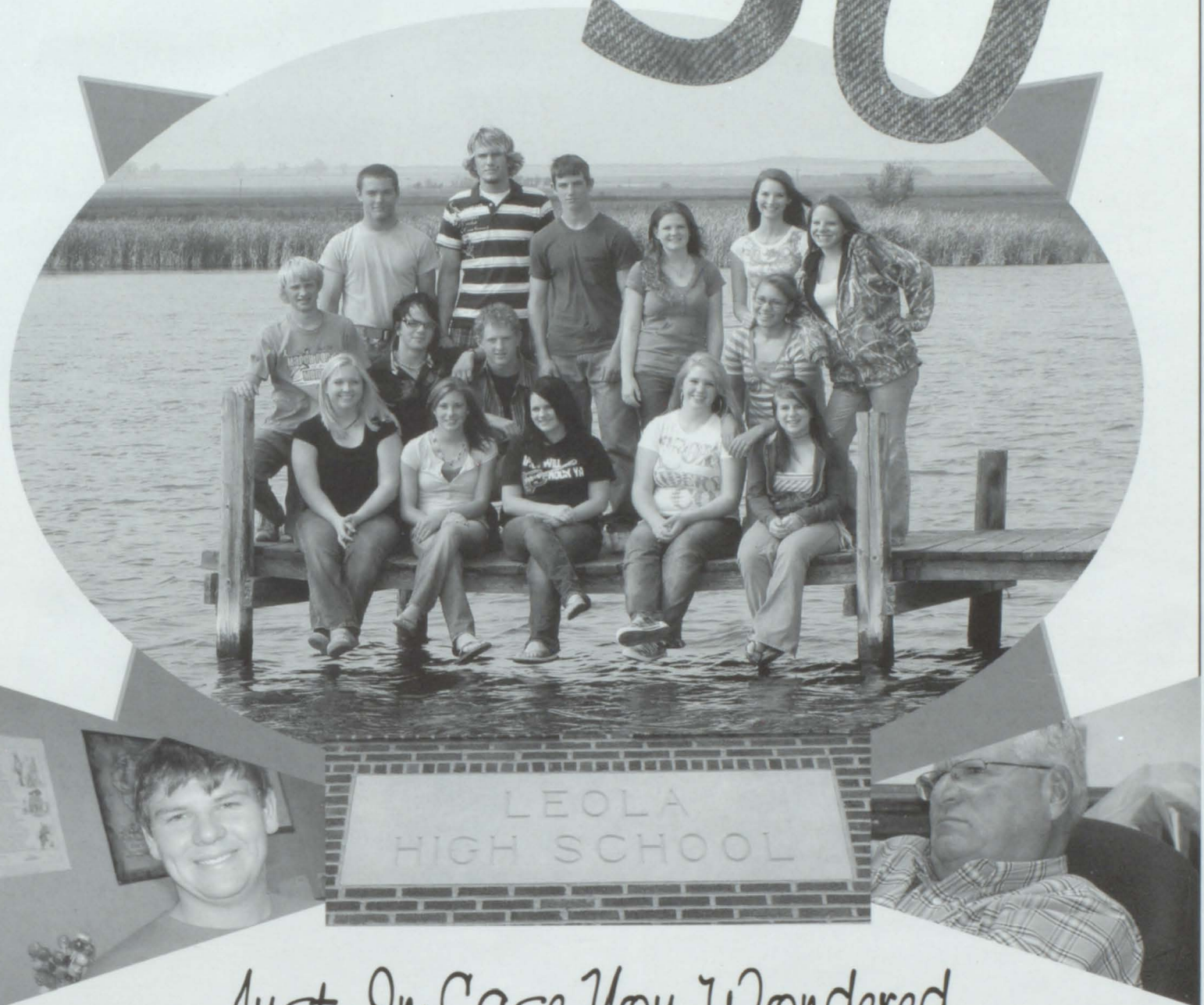


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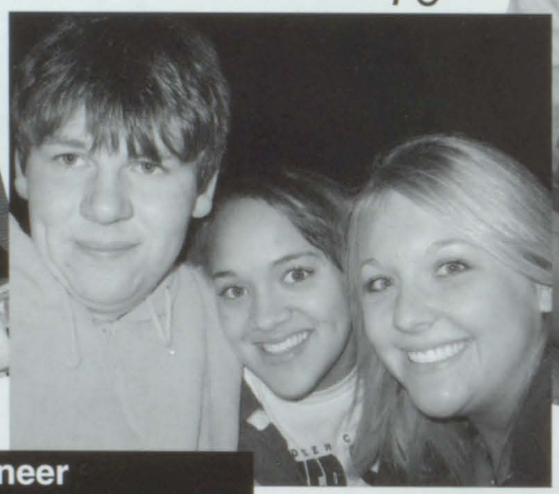
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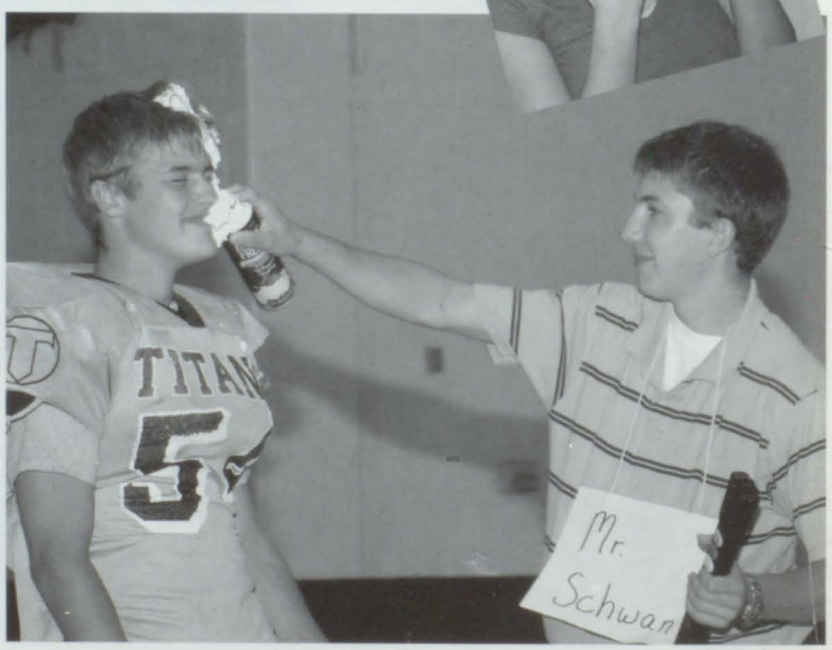




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Like Sands in the Hour Glass...

These Are the Days of Our Lives


Snow Queen


Prom

Even though we are educated through text books, lectures, and computers, it is events in our high school career that really make us who we are. Being organized, learning punctuality, and getting along with others are the key points to these events that are provided by Leola High. Where would we be without them?


Homecoming



Homecoming 2007





Above: Homecoming Queen Kayla Lapka and King Eric Grabowska. Upper right: Emcees Brenda Merkel and Anna Meier. Lower right: Ushers Josh Pudwill and Sydney Gill. Below from left to right: Homecoming candidates Sam Jung, Madison Gill, Kayla Lapka, Jordan Beck, Matthew Waltman, Austin Schaefer, Eric Graboswka and Landon Thayer.





Students actively participated in the homecoming dress up days, coronation skits, and other activities that were held.











Songs Of the Decades



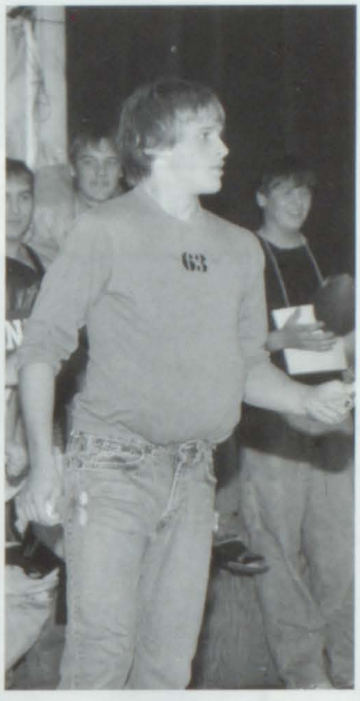


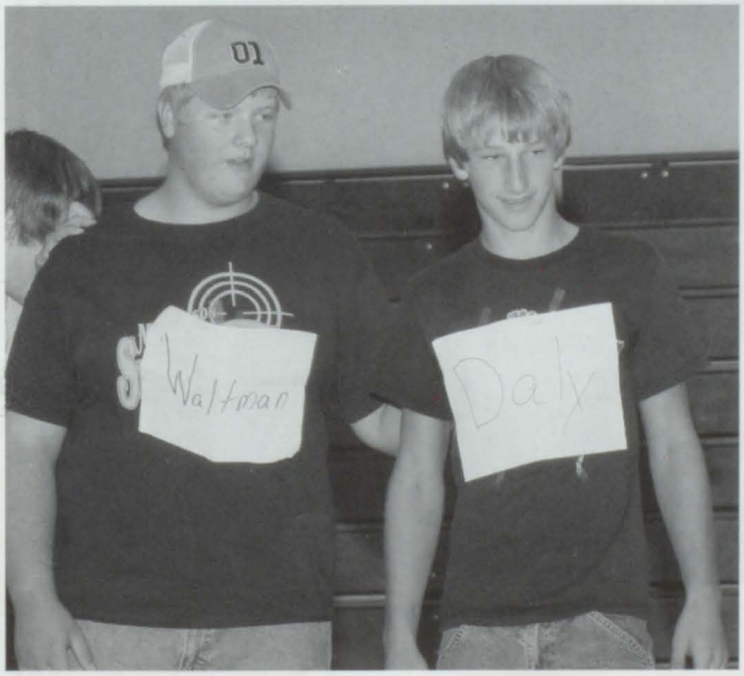
Far left: Seniors Austin Schaefer, Matt Waltman, Eric Yost, Eric Grabowska, Kayla Lapka, Landon Thayer, Madison Gill, Jordan Beck, and Alyssa Podhradsky proudly display their last LHS float! Left: The burning of the "L". Bottom: Sophomore Dominic Wollman affectionately portrays Mr. Schwan in his class skit.





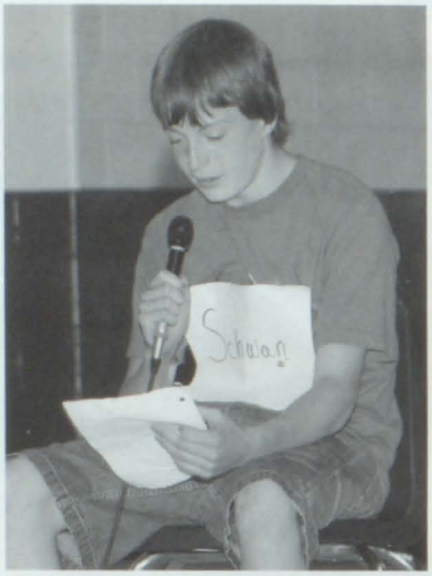
Far left: Senior Matt Waltman, and junior Jack Daly sip on hot cocoa. Left: Junior Kristin Payne and senior Kayla Lapka. Bottom Left: Freshmen Dylan Lapka and Austin Weig imitate Coach Waltman and football player Jack Daly during their skit. Bottom right: Junior Sydney Gill cheers on her team!







One Crazy Day!

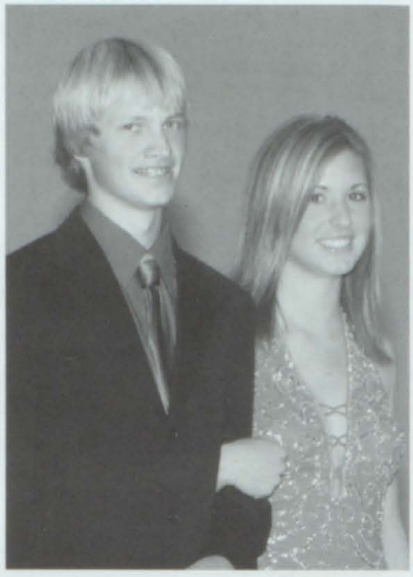


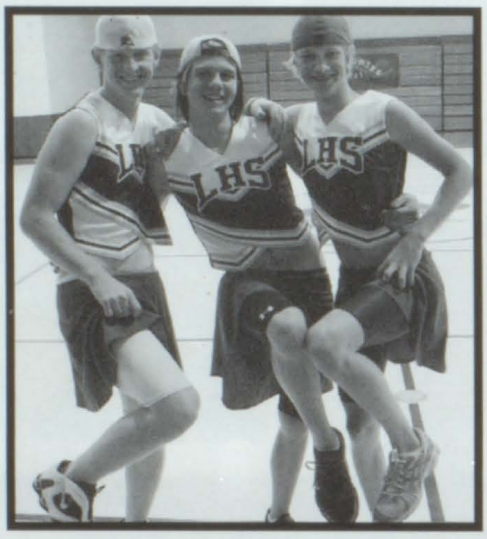
(Left) Another Schwan imitation: Freshman Joe Brandner reads his part during the class skit.



(Above) Seniors Austin Scaefer and Jordan Beck entertain themselves before the Homecoming parade.

(Right) Senior Landon Thayer escorts Senior Samantha Jung during introductions at Coronation.





A New Age of School Spirit

Seniors Matthew Waltman, Eric Grabowska, and Landon Thayer reveal a little leg for the dodegeball tournament.



Sophomore Kayla Brockel, juniors Megan Hoffman and Kristin Payne, and 8th grader Ashley Feickert have a little fun during the Homecoming parade.



Gimme some suga!

Senior Jordan Beck and Homecoming Queen Kayla Lapka show off too much PDA while working on the senior float.



Juniors Katie Tschappat and Kristin Payne show us their baking skills during a pep fest put on by the cheerleaders during Homecoming week.

Snow Queen





On this eventful day, November 3rd, girls from the senior and freshmen classes came together for some fun and competition.

Freshmen Rachel Davis, and Kelsey Robinson competed for the title of "Jr. Miss Leola." Senior Steffanie Mohror was crowned "Miss Leola."

Left: Miss Leola Stephanie Mohror and Jr. Miss Leola Kelsey Robinson smile for a picture after the pageant.

Prince and Princess



Rafe Fuller and Olivia Waltman were chosen as this year's Prince and Princess from the kindergarten class.

Smile!

Freshman Snow Queen contestant Rachel Davis takes a break from being nervous to pose for the camera



Talent



Fourth graders, Taylor and April Fauth, were selected as the talent winners and competed at the state talent contest.

bringin' it all together



















2007



2008

The Time of Our Lives
Prom 2008



























The Time of Our Lives

On March 29th the Leola Junior Class hosted a night to remember as 26 couples became glammed up for Prom 2008. The night began with Grand March through a Grecian palace followed by dinner in the garden. The couples, who were waited on by toga-clad freshmen, feasted on a candlelit 3 course meal while listening to the wills and prophecy. With their stomachs full and shoes kicked off, prom-goers danced the night away to the sounds of upbeat music and romantic melodies. With tired feet, attendees concluded the night with a show of mind-blowing hypnosis. When all was said and done, the dresses were hung up, the tuxes were returned and the lights grew dim on the Grecian palace. The couples returned home, sleepy and blissful, but always remembering the night they had the time of their lives.







































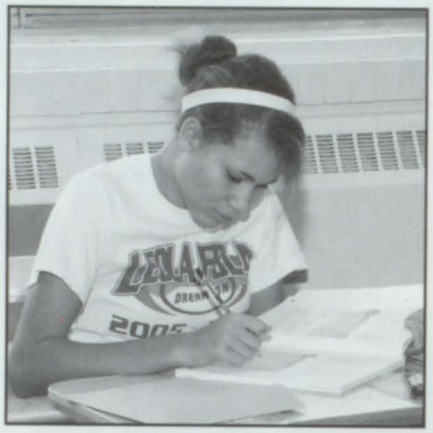
Senior Steffanie Mohror and sophomore Shelby Thayer wait patiently for their Snow Queen interviews.



Seniors Alyssa Podhradsky, Kayla Lapka, and Samantha Jung after the crowning of homecoming royalty



Freshman Dezmond Mohror sits in the middle of his creation for science.



Senior Madison Gill busies herself with a homework assignment.



Sophomore Brandon Franck takes a moment to show the camera his goofy self.



Junior AJ Myrman poses for a quick picture during the prom.

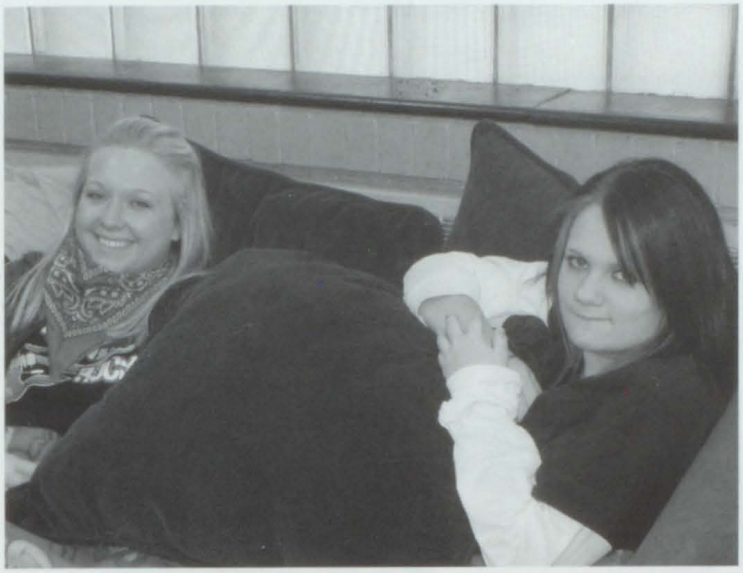


Seniors Steffanie Mohror and Katelyn Geffre find the tme to snap a picture.



Classes

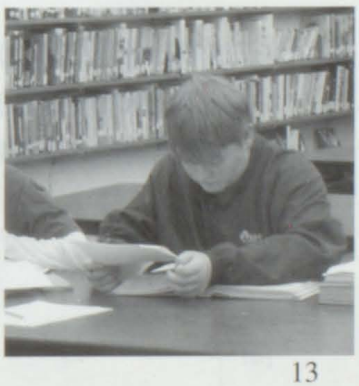












Freshmen

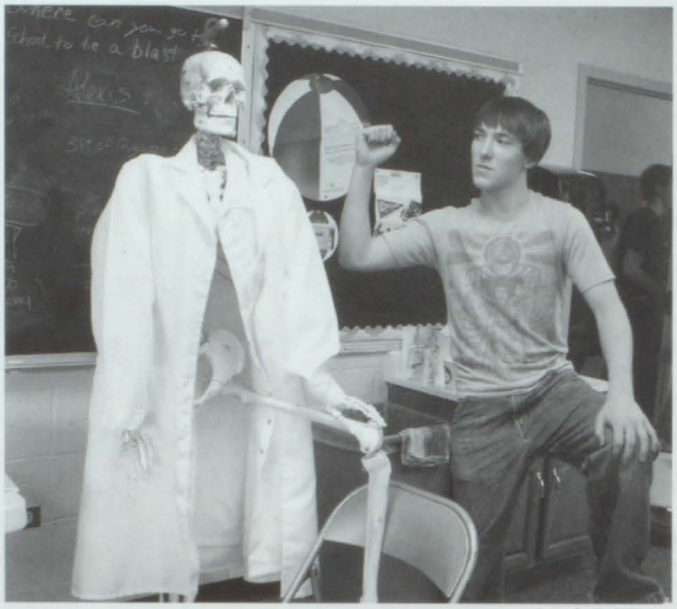
Grosssss!

Austin Weig peers into a makeshift container in the science room, holding....you guessed it...a cockroach!



I am not afraid of you!

Jaime Taylor shows "lab-coat-dead-guy" how it's done.



Trenton Aman
Joseph Brandner
Alexis Carman
Rachel Davis



Dezmond Mohror
Darian Richter
Kelsey Robinson



Never to be underestimated!











Matthew Erdmann
Douglas Kallas
Steven Kallas
Dylan Lapka







Jaime Taylor
Jake Schrupp
Austin Weig

class of 2018

Future World Rulers!





Tyler Beck



Jason Brandner



Kayla Brockel



Destiny Cleveland



Brandon Franck



Paige Guthmiller



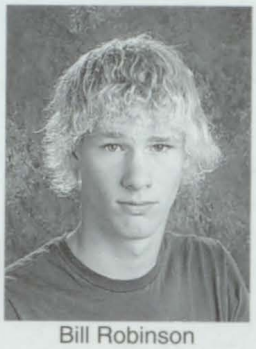
Stephanie Jung



Aaron Mehlhoff



Megan Melland



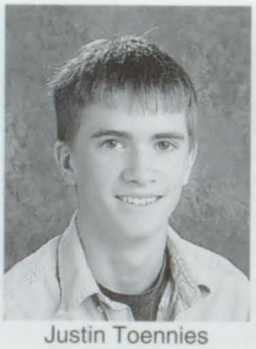
Bill Robinson



Ryan Schwahn



Shelby Thayer



Justin Toennies



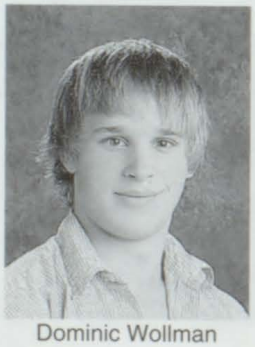
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Chance Turcotte



Jessica Waltman

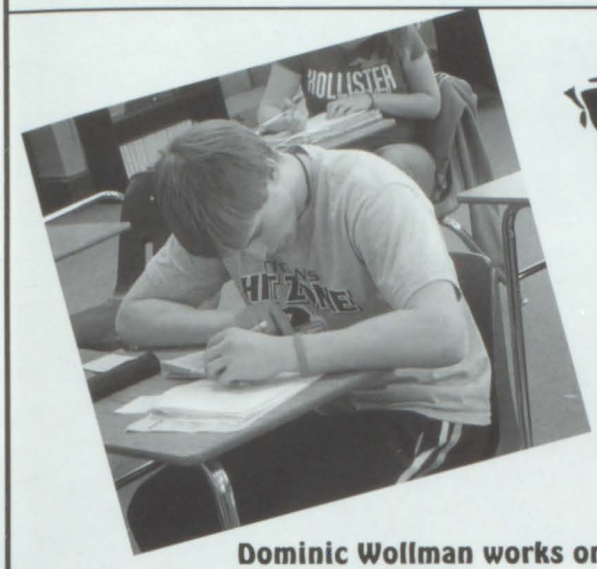


Dominic Wollman



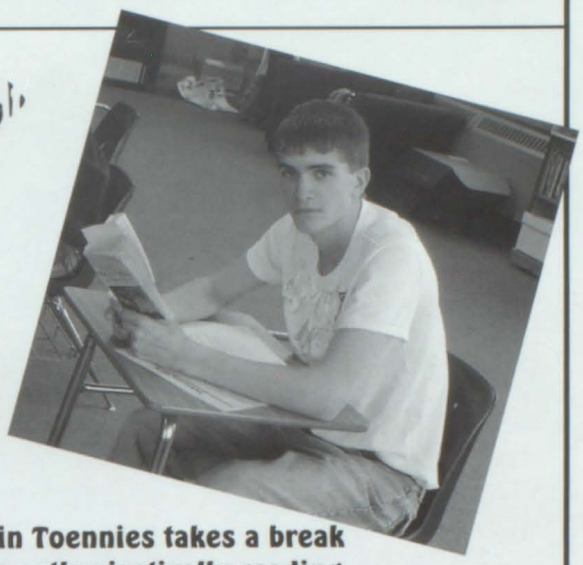


SOPHOMORES



Dominic Wollman works on his study guide in English class.





Justin Toennies takes a break from enthusiastically reading To Kill a Mockingbird.



Back Row: Jason Brandner, Ryan Schwahn, Bill Robinson, and Tyler Beck. Middle Row: Kayla Brockel, Kyra Tschappat, Shelby Thayer, Megan Melland, Paige Guthmiller, Stephanie Jung, and Advisor Anna Meier. Front Row: Destiny Cleveland, Justin Toennies, Dominic Wollman, Aaron Mehlhoff, and Brandon Franck.



Megan Melland is once again terrorized by senior Matt Waltman during lunch.



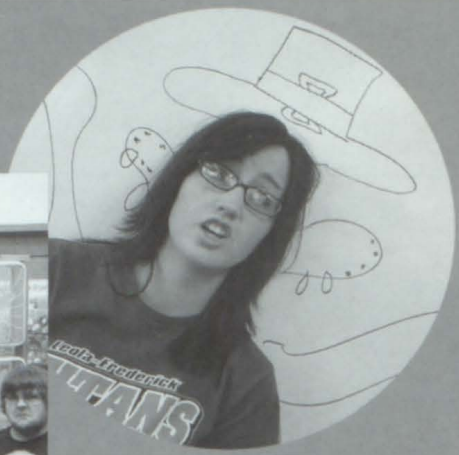
(Right) Kayla Brockel shows off her exhibit at the Leola Science Expo.

(Left) Jason Bradner and Ryan Schwahn display their science projects at the Science Expo.











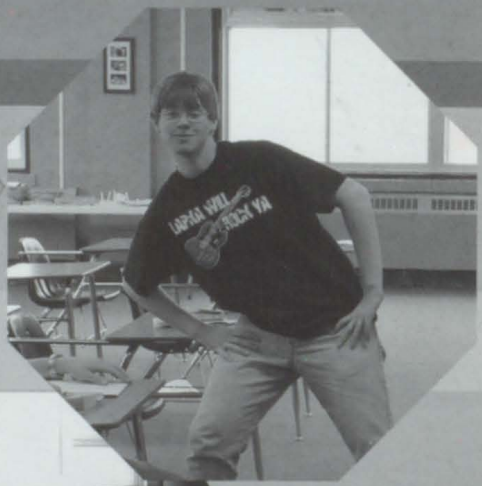
Juniors



Laughter is the shortest distance between two people. ~Victor Borge







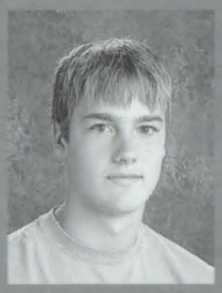








Mitchell Aman



Jack Daly



Brooke Feickert



Sydney Gill



Megan Hoffman



Joseph Klipfel



Sara Mack



Kayla Kallas



Tyson Meyer



AJ Myrman



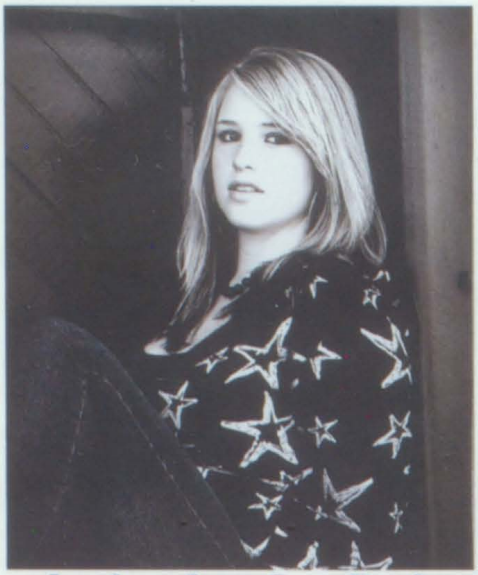
Kristin Payne



Josh Pudwill



Katie Tschappat



Jordan Ann-Gay Beck



Katelyn Leann Geffre



Skyler Michael Geffre



Samantha Jo Jung

class of 2008



Kayla Christine Lapka



Alyssa Jean Podhradsky



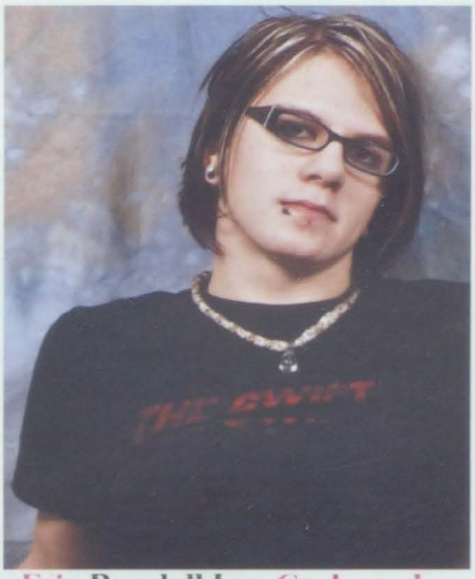
Austin Michael Schaefer



Nicole Lynn Myrman



Madison Carol Leigh Anne Gill



Eric Randell Lee Grabowska



Sebastian Chistopher Hoff

Class Colors: Royal Blue, White, and Gold

Class Flower: Pink Calla Lily

Class Motto: "And this above all else, to thine own self be true."
~William Shakespeare



Steffanie Tianne Mohror



Landon Scott Thayer



Matthew Layne Waltman



Eric Daniel Yost

senior trip











Minneapolis, Minnesota















The Final Countdown

With the clock striking 12, the senior class has enjoyed their last crusade in the halls of Leola High.







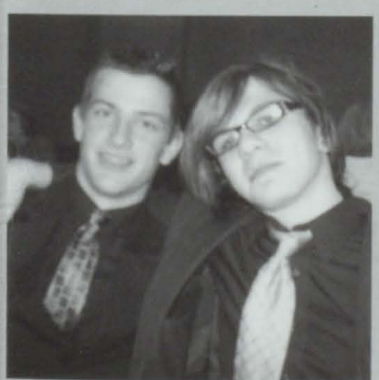






Maddy's Words of Life for Class of 2008: For all that we have seen and done in the past, nothing will compare to what we will do together in our future.









Graduation 2008



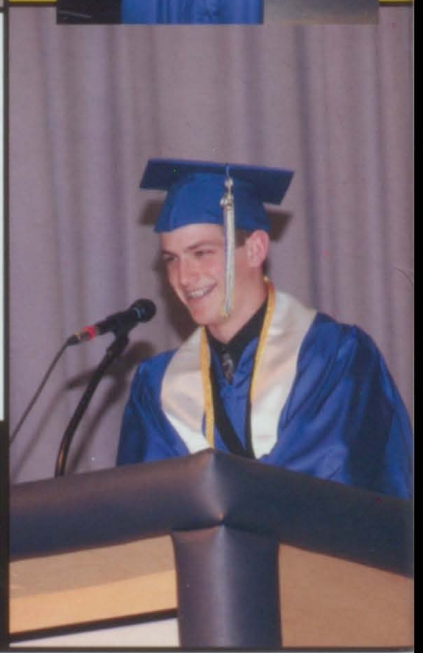


The Class of 2008
Back (from L to R): Skyler Geffre, Landon Thayer, Matt Waltman, Eric Grabowska, Austin Schaefer, Sebastian Hoff, Madison Gill, and Eric Yost. Front (from L to R): Kayla Lapka, Jordan Beck, Alyssa Podhradsky, Nicole Myrman, Steffanie Mohror, Sam Jung, and Katelyn Geffre.



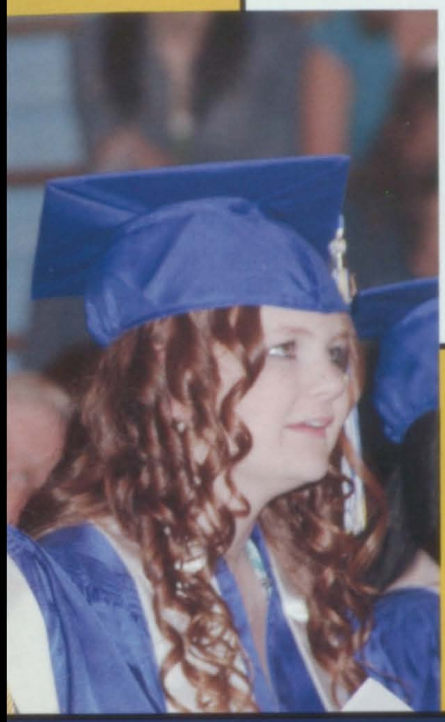






8th grade graduates
Back (from L to R): Royce Erdmann, Mitchell Waltman, Brandon Geffre, Reid Erdmann, and Alex Hodges. Front (from L to R): Andrew Hoffman, Ashley Feickert, Whitney Heupel, Amber Weig, and Ty Kessler. Not pictured are Joshua Waltman and Chase Miles.

"It is what a man thinks of himself that really determines his fate."
--Henry David Thoreau











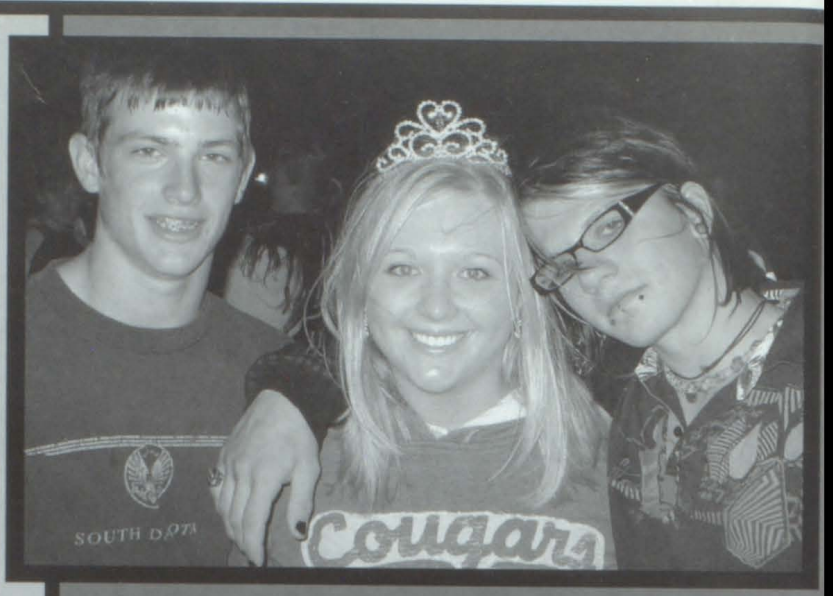




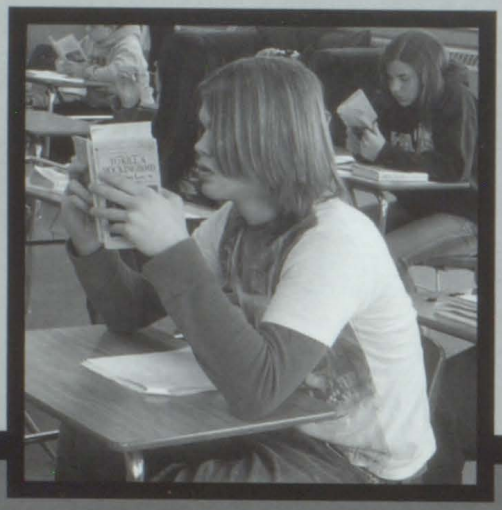




Freshman Trenton Aman



Seniors Austin Schaefer, Kayla Lapka, and Eric Grabowska



Sophomore Tyler Beck



Seniors Steffanie Mohror and Katelyn Geffre



Juniors Megan Hoffman and Joseph Klipfel



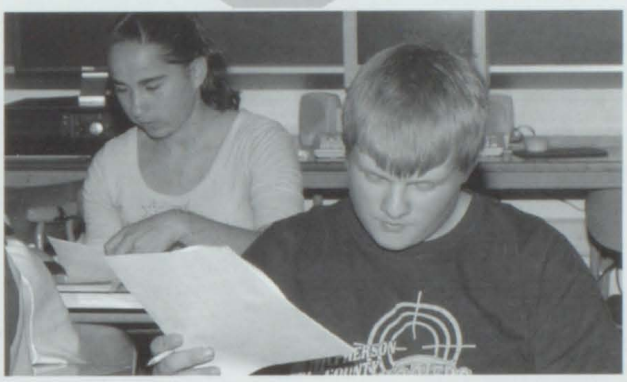
Freshman Matthew Erdmann

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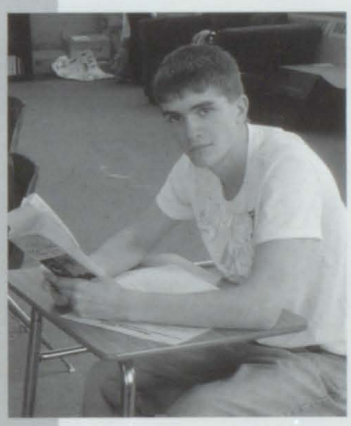








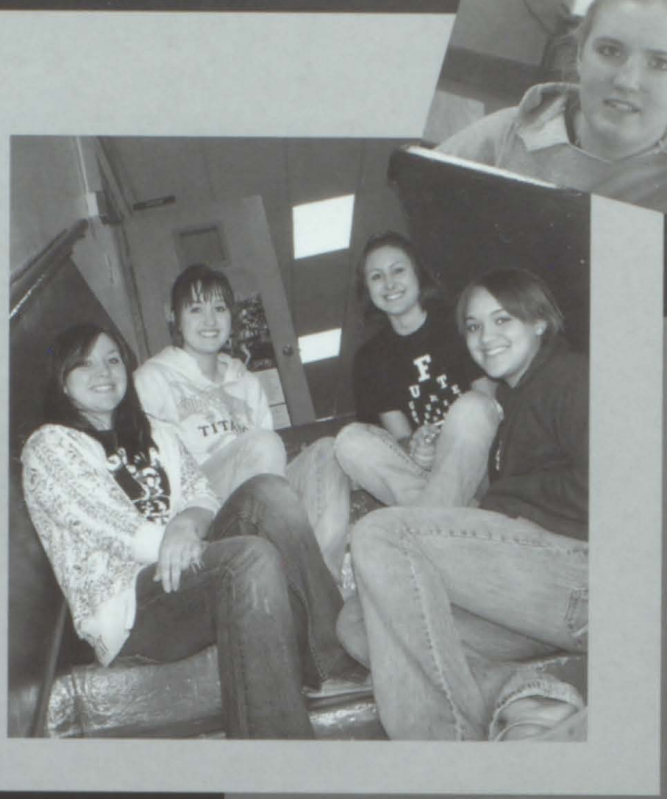













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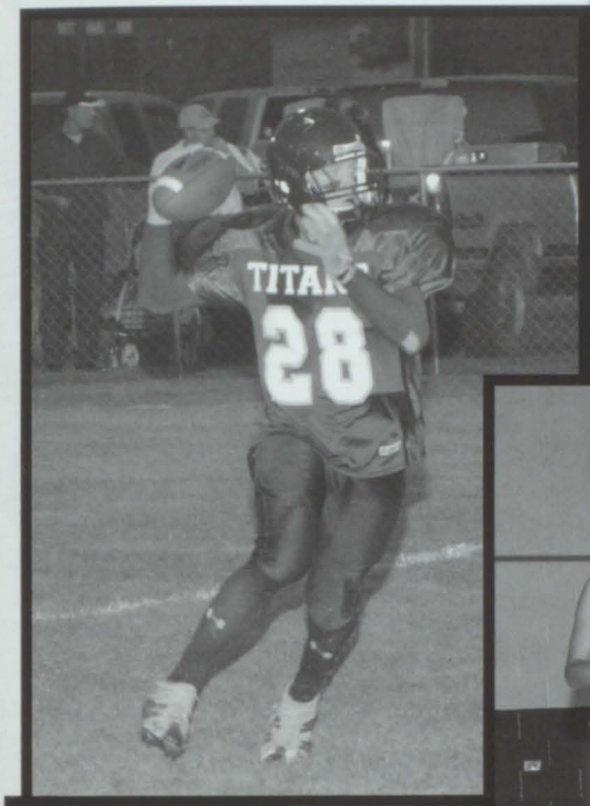


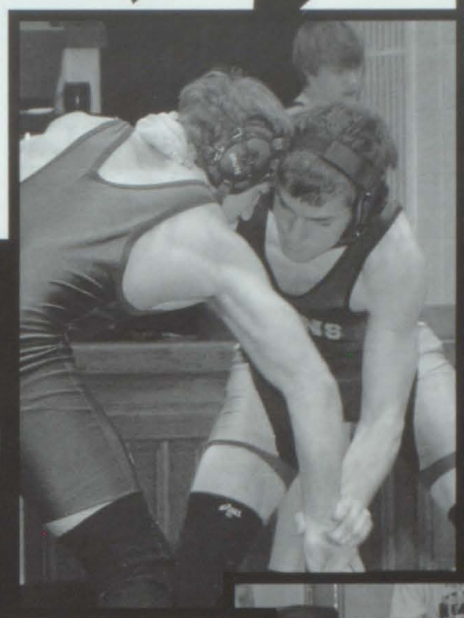






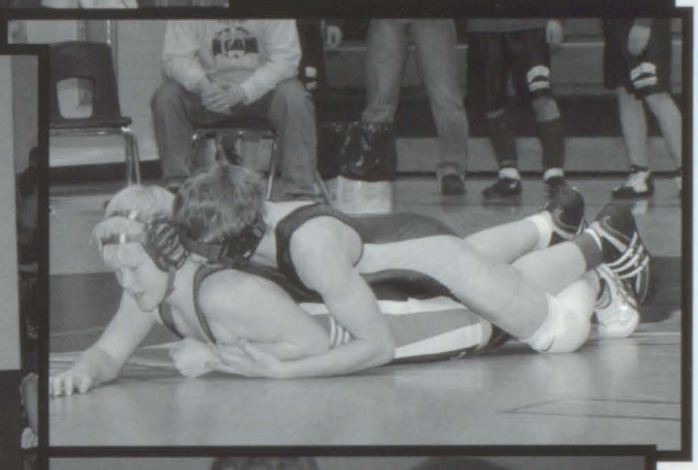
Sports















Leola/Frederick Football















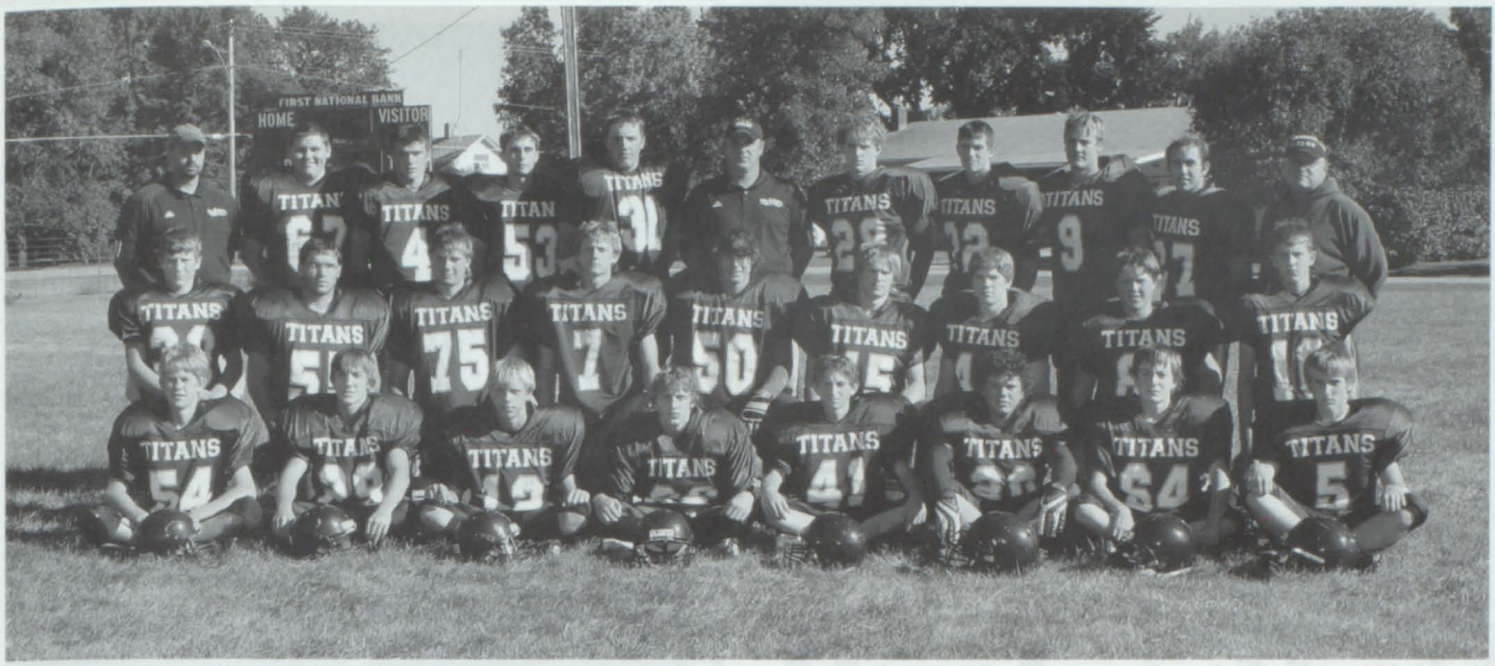












Back Row (L to R): Assistant Coach Marty Morlock, Matt Forsting, Carson Ellwein, Jesse Daniels, Matt Heuttl, Head Coach Mike Waltman, Matt Waltman, Austin Schaefer, Jack Daly, Tyson Meyer, and Assistant Coach Dwain Schwan.
Middle Row: Wyatt Sumption, Sam Reimer, Cole Truebenbach, Taylor Christianson, Dominic Wollman, Matt Haas, Matt Heine, and Ty Sumption.
Front Row: Austin Minard, Jaime Taylor, Doug Kallas, Brandon Franck, Brandon Haas, Micah Christianson, Joseph Brandner, and Derek Barondeau. Not pictured is Eric Yost.

Here we go Titans!

The Leola-Frederick Titans pulled off an amazing year. Through battles and hardships, the boys managed to close the season with 3 wins and 5 losses. The guys worked extremely hard all season long and never gave up.

When asked about his senior year of football, Austin Schaefer stated, "I'm sad to leave and I will sure miss everybody but I'm glad that we came through and beat teams that we normally don't beat. This football season was pretty challenging but pretty fun too, he remarked."



	Us	Them
Warner	16	22
Ipswich	6	34
Langord/Roslyn	0	36
Northwestern	16	38
Doland/Conde	30	0
Faulkton	20	0
Timber Lake	20	34
Eureka/Bowdle	32	26
Season	3	5







Titans Volleyball







Left: Junior Katie Tschappat returns an out-of-control ball.

Bottom Left: Tschappat bumps the ball in order to keep the volley going.

Bottom Right: Juniors Megan Hoffman sets up a super-straight ball for the return.

The Leola/Frederick Titans had a successful season, but it ended in a disappointing loss. All the members of the team agreed that they had a lot of fun this year. Seniors are sad that it's all over with. The rest of the team is excited to come back and play again next year.



Titan Varsity: Back (L to R): Head Coach Jaime Neuendorf, Caylee Hertel, Chelsy Padoll, Mikayla Barondeau, Megan Hoffman, and Assistant Coach Lyndse Ruenz. Middle (L to R): Renee Graves, Jessica Walworth, Madison Gill, and Brooke Feickert. Front (L to R): Sydney Gill, Katie Tschappat, and Shari Elsen.





Top Left: The Varsity Team huddles during a time-out to discuss various game strategies.

Top Right: Senior Madison Gill and Junior Brooke Feickert watch the game in awe.

Left: JV Titan Volleyball Team: Back (L to R): Coach Ruenz, Allison Worthy, Chelsy Padoll, Brooke Feickert, and Coach Neuendorf. Middle (L to R): Kayla Brockel, Megan Hoffman, Rachel Hamm, Krista Stoddard, Chelsea Zinter, and Kelli Hart. Front (L to R): Calli Crawford, Megan Melland, and Angela Goodall.

Below: Junior Sydney Gill reaches for the sky to spike the ball over the net.





Above: Juniors Megan Hoffman, 2, and Sydney GIll, 12, get ready to exchange places in the intense volleyball game.



Titan Varsity Girls line up for the announcement of players. (L to R): Megan Hoffman, Chelsy Padoll, Shari Elsen, Renee Graves, Sydney Gill, Mikayla Barondeau, Caylee Hertel, Brooke Feickert, Jessica Walworth, and Katie Tschappat.

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Edmunds Central	3	0
Warner	0	2
Ipswich	2	0
Doland/Conde	2	0
Miller	0	2
Langford/Rosyln	3	0
Sully Buttes	1	3
Timber Lake	1	2
Eureka/Bowdle	2	0
Campbell County	3	0
Faulkton	3	1
Doland/Conde	0	3
Sisseton	1	3
Selby Area	2	3
Northwestern	0	3
Britton-Hecla	3	0
Eureka/Bowdle	3	1
Groton	3	2
Redfield	3	2
Ipswich	3	0
Ellendale	3	1
McLaughlin	3	0
Warner	2	3
Mobridge	3	1
Groton	2	3
Season	15	10

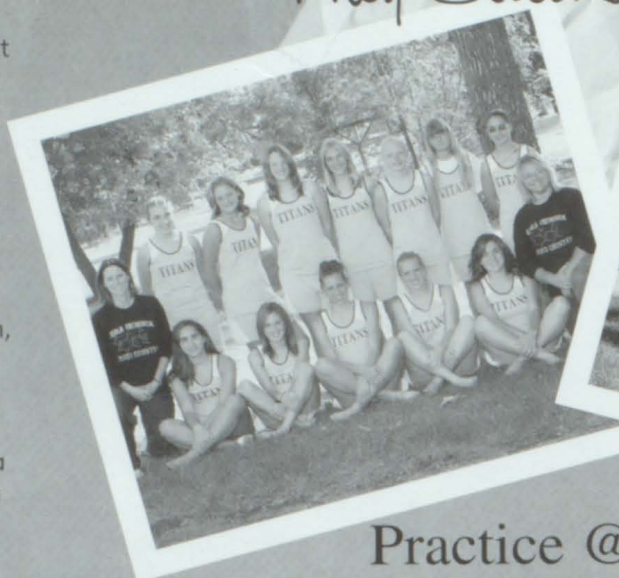


Above: Katie Tschappat slaps hands with the opposing team.

No One Said It Would be Easy. They Said It Would be Worth It.

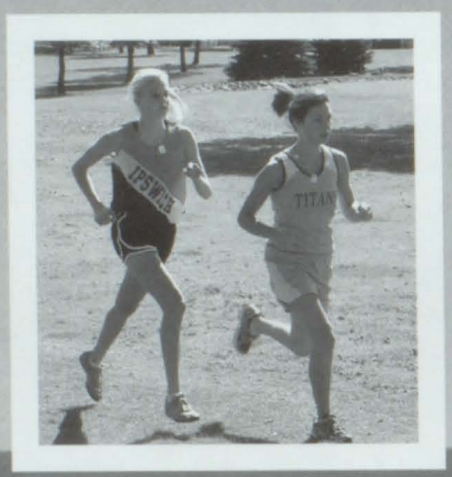
Boys' Team:
Front: Brian Sumption, Tyler West, Austin Minard, Reed Erdmann, Chris Paulson, and Brady Enge.
Back: Josh Waltman, Casson Cambell, Nathan Maunu, Wyatt Sumption, Tyler Sumption, Derek Barodeau and Coach Janelle Barondeau. Not pictured is Landon Thayer.

Girls' Team:
Front: Rachel Davis, Sam Jung, Mikayla Barondeau, Shari Elsen, Steph Jung, and Coach Sally Davis. **Back**: Coach Janelle Barondeau, Mariah Gustafson, Josie Waldo, Aly Perry, Breanna Helland, Angela Goodall, Taryn Flynn, and Courtney Schlosser.





Practice @ 6:30 am





Right: The Conference Meet Champions.
Top: Senoir Sam Jung pushes against her opponent.
Below: Senior Landon Thayer gives his all.









Above: Standing head strong are seniors Sam Jung and Shari Elsen.
Left: Freshman Rachel Davis runs for her first year.

Sophomore Steph Jung stays ahead of her competitiors.

















Cheers, Sprints, Tackles, and Kills...

Upper left corner: 8th grader Josh Waltman takes a walk to warm up before a cross country meet. Above: The Titans work to defeat their opponent. Left: Megan Hoffman and Sydney Gill work to motivate the crowd with radiant expressions. Bottom Left: The football boys prepare for a great game. Bottom Right: The Cross Country team takes some time to soak up some sun.





Above: Titan athletes try their best during a variety of fall sports.

Boys' Basketball

2007 2008



Boys' Varsity (Back) Tyson Meyer, Ty Sumption, Jack Daly, Matt Huettl, Matt Waltman, Ethan Emery, Blain Mikkonen, Cole Truebenbach, Wyatt Sumption, and Matt Haas.
(Front) Coaches Mike Waltman and Troy Knecht.



Senior Matt Waltman drives through tough defense, ready for the shot.



Head Coach Troy Knecht and Assistant Coach Mike Waltman



Sophomore Justin Toennies concentrates as he prepares to shoot a free throw.

	THEY	WE
Doland/Conde	71	57
Langford	60	43
Hoven/Edmunds Central	27	54
Groton	46	49
Webster	56	53
Ellendale, ND	54	57
Edgeley, ND	39	46
Oakes, ND	49	47
Britton-Hecla	61	60
Hanson	67	44
Sisseton	69	43
Roncalli	72	43
Northwestern	59	63
Warner	61	57
Faulkton	55	66
Campbell County	53	55
Hitchcock-Tulare	56	55
Selby Area	51	50
Eureka/Bowdle	46	57
Ipswich	67	47

(Below) Junior Jack Daly scores for the Titans.







Boys' Junior Varsity (Back Row) Justin Toennies, Tyson Meyer, Ty Sumption, Coach Mike Waltman, Jack Daly, Cole Truebenbach, and Taylor Christianson. (Front Row) Austin Minard, Brandon Haas, Derek Barondeau, Tyler West, and Jaime Taylor. (Not Pictured) Casson Campbell.

Titan Girls' Basketball



Left: The team groups up on the court for one last pep talk before the game starts.

Below: The team cheers as the starters are announced.

Bottom right: Senior Samantha Jung defends an opponent from getting the ball.



	THEM	US
Redfield	36	66
McLaughlin	34	57
Doland/Conde	24	50
Hoven	47	41
Groton	32	48
St. Thomas Moore	38	42
Webster	41	51
Roncalli	24	46
Hanson	40	50
Selby	31	46
Northwestern	56	76
Oakes	29	63
Milbank	48	45
Warner	41	51
Sisseton	48	51
Faulkton	35	53
Ipswich	50	42
Campbell County	22	41
Langford	31	41
Eureka/Bowdle	21	43
DISTRICTS		
Groton	27	50
Ipswich	25	50
REGIONS		
Sisseton	41	30

The Titan Girls' Basketball Team finished their season with an impressive record of 19-4. They soared through districts by defeating both Groton and Ipswich, but got hung up at regions where they faced Sisseton. Although they didn't make it past the Redmen, the Lady Titans had a great season and are working hard to improve their skills for next year's season.



"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."

- Henry Ford

Right: **2007-2008 Girls' Varsity Basketball Team** Back row (from L to R): Rachel Davis, Mikayla Barondeau, Amanda Haar, Jamie Hart, Angela Goodall, Chelsy Podoll, and Sara Mack. Middle row: Assistant Coach Dan VanderWal, Caylee Hertel, Stephanie Jung, Megan Hoffman, Shari Elsen, Renee Graves, Samantha Jung, and Coach Randy Barandeau. Front row: Kelsey Robinson and Chelsey Zinter.





Above: Senior Samantha Jung brings the ball into play.





Below: Junior Sara Mack looks for a pass as she protects the ball.





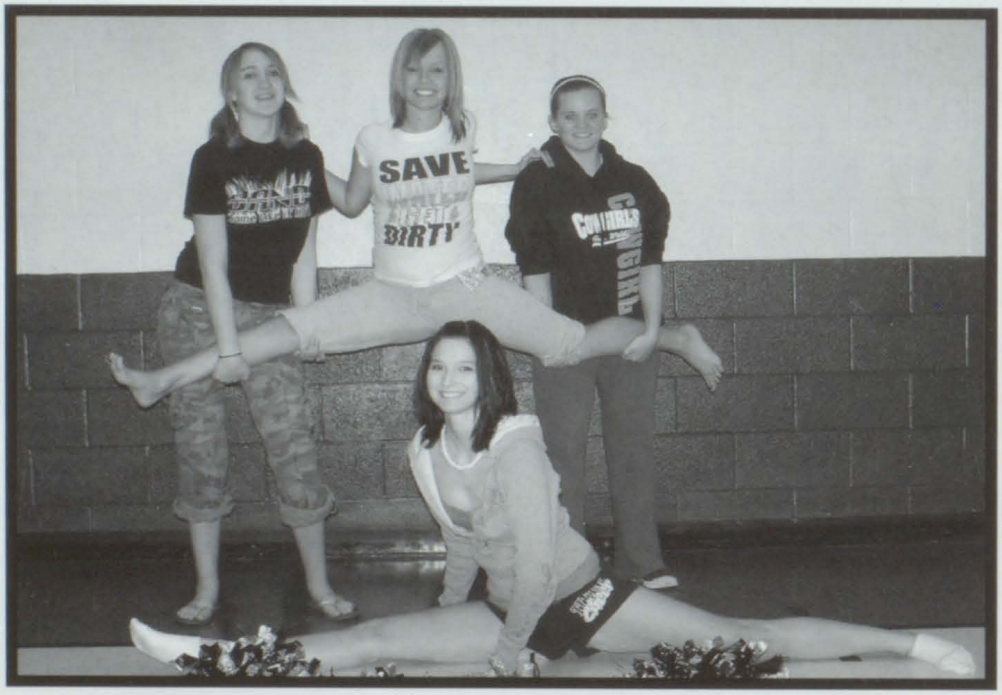
Above: Caoch Randy Barondeau gives instructions and the team gets a rest during a time-out at a home game.

Cheerleading

GO TEAM



(Above) Titan football cheerleaders: (Back Row, L to R) Megan Hoffman, Chelsea Zinter, and Kristin Payne. (Front Row) Advisor Tricia Erickson, Sydney Gill, and Katie Tschappat.



(Above) Titan Basketball Cheerleaders: (Back, L to R) Kyra Tschappat, Shelby Thayer, and Jessica Waltman. (Front) Katelyn Geffre. Not pictured is Shannen Maunu.



(Above) Kristin Payne and Megan Hoffman pump up the crowd with their Titan Pride!



(Above) Kristin Payne smirks as she struts her stuff during a football game.



(Above) Sydney Gill leads Titan fans during a pep rally.

Winter Months

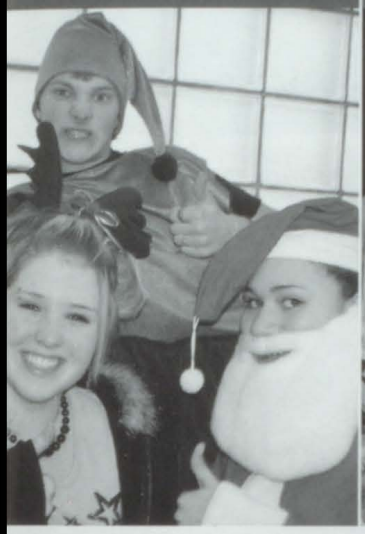
Keeping warm and entertained







Seniors Landon Thayer, Jordan Beck, and Madison Gill celebrate the holidays.



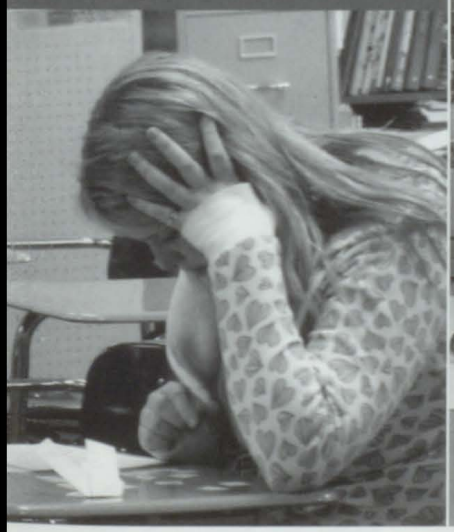
Mrs. Kindelspire leads her pep band.



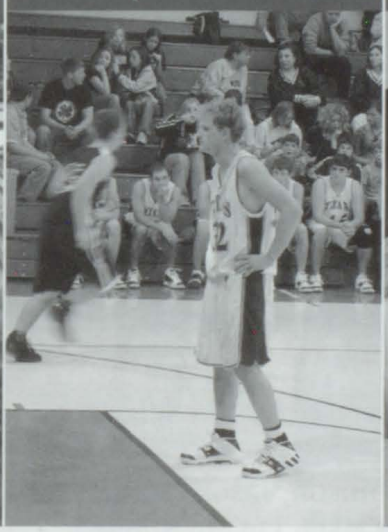
Junior Kristin Payne approves.



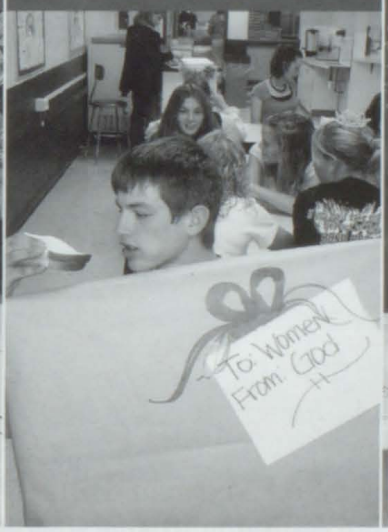
Senior Jordan Beck seems to be under some serious pressure!



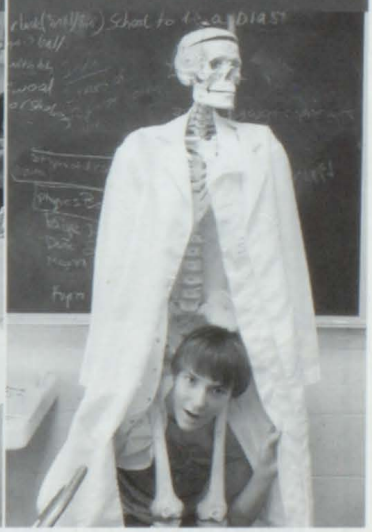
Senior Matt Waltman prepares to add a point to the score.



Senior Austin Schaefer--clearly God's gift to women



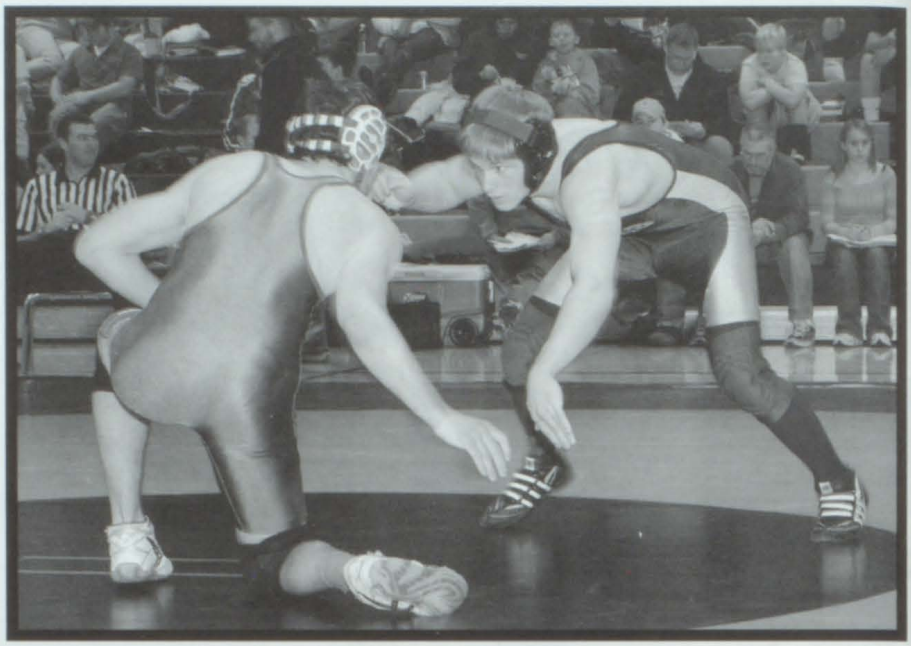
Freshman Jaime Taylor--umm, explanation please!



07 Titan Wrestling 08



Coach Schwan, statistician Sydney Gill, and sophomore Brandon Franck appear to be in eager support of the team.



Sophomore Dominic Wollman tries to outwit his opponent.

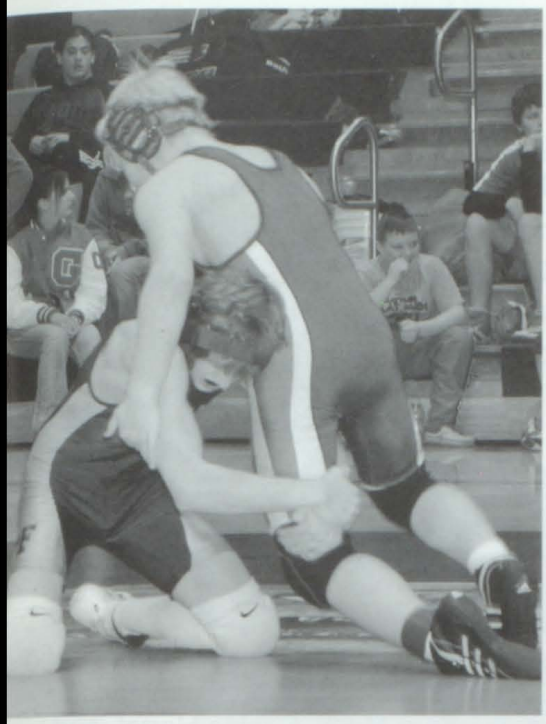


2007-2008 Titan Wrestlers

Front: Brandon Franck, Joe Klipfel, Landon Thayer, Austin Schaefer, Dominic Wollman, and Doug Kallas.

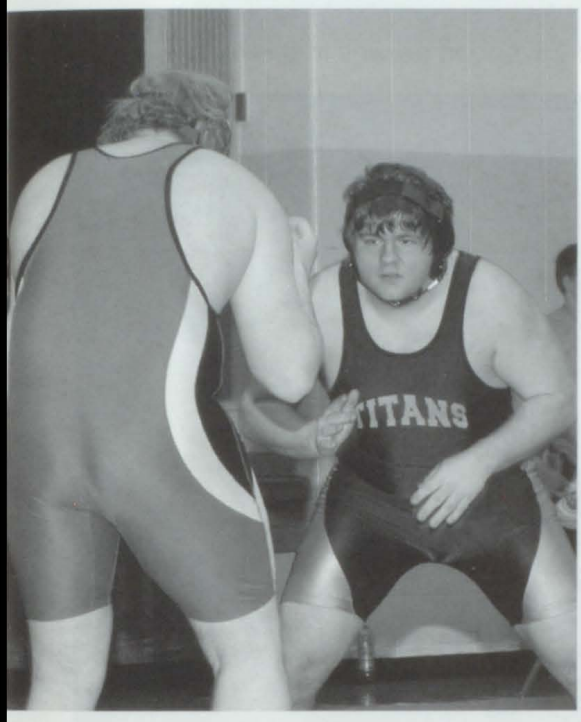
Middle: Royce Erdmann, AJ Myrman, Bill Robinson, Jason Brandner, and Joe Brandner.

Back:Assistant Coach Cory Pudwill and Head Coach Dwain Schwan.



Left: Sophomore Brandon Franck goes for a single leg takedown.
Below: Freshman Doug Kallas attempts to get hand control.





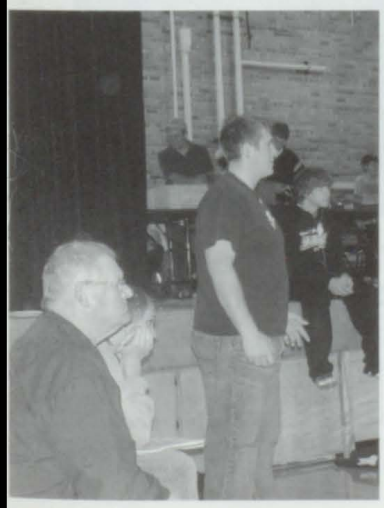
Left: Junior AJ Myrman confidently fights against Goliath.

" What did you think of this year's wrestling season?"

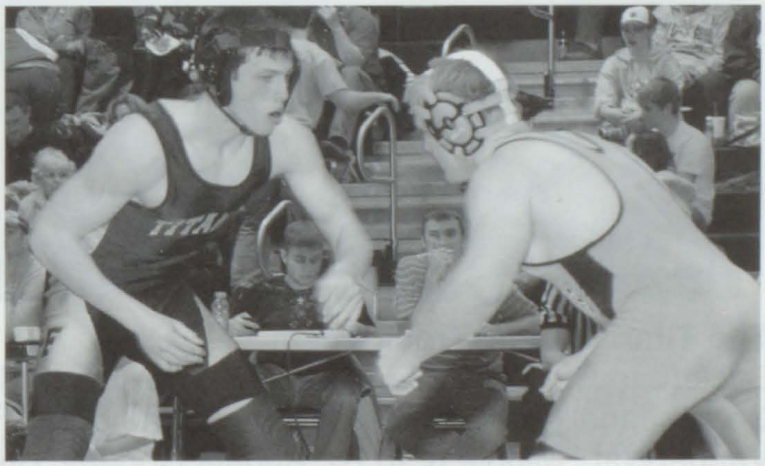
Landon Thayer: "I improved a lot this year."

Coach Schwan: "I think that we came a long way from last year. We had better individual records and did better as a team as well."

Joe Brandner: "It was awesome!"



Left: Head coach Dwain Schwan and assistant coach Cory Pudwill advise the wrestlers during their match.



Above: Senior Austin Schaefer squares off with his opponent.

LEOLA-FREDERICK

TRACK





Above: State Bound!
Mikayla Barondeau advanced to state in the 1600 and the 800. In addition, Barondeau advanced with teammates Sara Mack, Caylee Hertel, and Kayla Haas with their 1600 M Relay. Breanna Helland advanced as well in the 400 M.



The Titan Ladies' Track Team
Back (L to R) Coach Marty Morlock, Jessica Walworth, Kayla Brockel, Stephanie Jung, Coach Janelle Barondeau, Mikayla Barondeau, Sara Mack, Caylee Hertel, and Coach Dan VanderWal. Middle (L to R) Angela Goodall, Breanna Helland, Rachel Davis, Erin Wolter, Amber Weig, Kayla Haas, and Whitney Heupel. Front (L to R) Alisha Alvarez, Sara Davis, Allison Feickert, Rebecca Melland, Megan Walworth, Amanda Daniels, and Peyton Podoll.



8th grader, Mitchell Waltman races toward a victory.



Top Right- Freshman Rachel Davis is a sprinter for the lady titans.



Left - Stephanie Jung warms up before the Region Meet.

Bottom Right- Sara Mack competes in hurdles for the titans.





Titan Boys' Track Team

Back (L to R) Coach Janelle Barondeau, Michael Newcomb, Coach Marty Morlock, Derrick Barondeau, Wyatt Sumption, and Coach Dan VanderWal. Front (L to R) Wyatt Heine, Brandon Haas, Adam Deutenhofer, Mitchell Waltman, and Matt Haas.

GO GREEN

Leola-Frederick Golf

2008



Back Row (L-R): Assistant Coach. Jackie Brokaw, Timmy Englehart, Landon Thayer, Joe Klipfel, Casson Campbell, Justin Toennies, Matt Heine, and Head Coach Terri Pleinis.
Front Row (L-R): Alex Hodges, Brandon Geffre, Reid Erdmann, Josh Waltman, Royce Erdmann, Matthew Erdmann, and Collin Englehart.



State Qualifiers (L-R): Joe Klipfel, Kristin Payne, Justin Toennies, Kyra Tschappat, and Jessica Waltman.



Senior Landon Thayer golfs on a particularly chilly day.

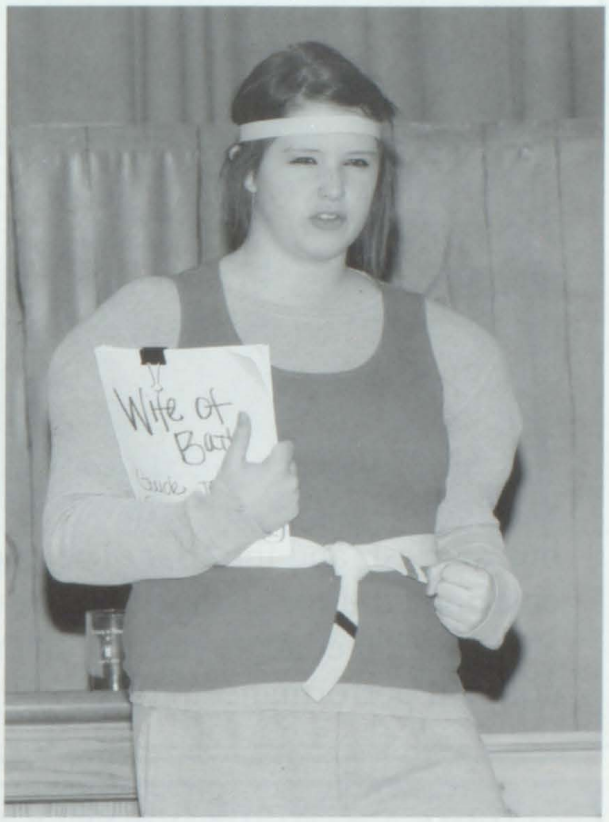


(L-R): Head Coach Pleinis, Jessica Waltman, Kristin Payne, Kyra Tschappat, Abby Sumption, and Assistant Coach Jackie Brokaw.

The Fine Arts

Band





All-School Play

Oral-Interp





Chorus

Monty Python Meets Geoffrey Chaucer...

Talking chickens, medieval jeopardy, Elvis, "The King Larry Show," and a pumped-up Wife of Bath were a few of the Monty Python-style schemes and characters that were portrayed by the students at LHS during the All-school play.

Geoffrey Chaucer's literary masterpeice, *The Canterbury Tales,* is a collection of tales told by pilgrims on their journey from masterpiece, England to Canterbury. The pilgrims meet at the Tabard Inn and decide to have a storytelling competition to pass the time.

Students introduced pilgrims such as the knight, the miller, the parson, the pardoner, the nun's priest, and the friar. The audience was entertained throughout the night while they attended the educational, yet interesting, comical performance put on by the students.



Senior Matt Waltman acts as a goat in the barnyard during the Nun's Priest's tale.

"Thank ya, thank ya very much"

Joe Brandner played his part while impersonating the King of Rock and Roll. The freshman also played Alex Trebek in this version of a "harem scarem" game of jeopardy.



Below: Junior Josh Pudwill showcases his area of expertise while taking on the task of being the spotlight guy.







Above Left: Senior Sam Jung is an old poor widow fighting for her tax rights.

Above right: Sophomore Ryan Schwahn displays what happens if you try to tell a story to the Wife of Bath.

The cast & crew of *The Canterbury Tales*



Back row: Director Anna Meier, AJ Myrman, Paige Guthmiller, Kyra Tschappat, Stephanie Jung, Ryan Schwahn, Dominic Wollman, Kayla Kallas, Jessica Waltman, Doug Kallas, and Kelsey Robinson. **Middle:** Tyler Beck, Destiny Cleveland, Shelby Thayer, Faith Cleveland, Megan Melland, Tyler Beck, Joe Brandner, Kayla Lapka, Katie Tschappat, and Brooke Feickert. **Front:** Kristin Payne, Sydney Gill, Sam Jung, Jordan Beck, Madison Gill, Eric Grabowska, Landon Thayer, Justin Toennies, Matt Waltman, Austin Schaefer, Josh Pudwill, and Jake Schrupp.



Seniors Landon Thayer and Eric Grabowska played a major part in the most famous chicken scene. The rooster, played by Eric, is very arrogant and deathly afraid of being eaten. His wife, the annoyed chicken, was played by Landon. She (he) will not listen to anything her/his husband has to say and she/he thinks he is completely insane.



Senior Austin Schaefer aka "the boring scholar" faced the important task of trying to educate the audience on the literature. With no expression and a horridly long summary of the tales, he made the audience laugh.

LHS Chorus

"Raise Your Voice"



Above: Accompanist Kayla Kallas tickles the ivories.

The 2007-2008 school year has yielded quite a successful time for the LHS Chorus with the Small Group Contest, the Aberdeen Central Stage Show Choir Invitational, and other events . With Conductor Nancy Kindelspire being out for a couple months early in the year on maternity leave, it left members of the LHS Show Choir with the help of Substitute Helen Anderson to prepare for the upcoming events during the year.



"Eyeballs"

Director Nancy Kindelspire grabs the attention of her students. Her favorite command, "eyeballs," usually makes the kids listen up.



Leola School Chorus

Left to Right: Front row: Alisha Alvarez, Whitney Heupel, Destiny Cleveland, Aaron Melhoff, Jake Schrupp, Darian Richter, Jaime Taylor, Royce Erdmann, Sydney Gill, Shelby Thayer, and Alissa Casey. Second row: Jessica Waltman, Katelyn Geffre, Kyra Tschappat, Kelsey Robinson, Reid Erdmann, Joe Brandner, Dominic Wollman, Dezmond Mohror, Jason Brandner, Kristin Payne, Paige Guthmiller, and Rachel Davis. Thrid row: Chance Turcotte, Katie Tschappat, Megan Hoffman, Dylan Lapka, Justin Toennies, Landon Thayer, Tyler Beck, Stephanie Jung, and Jordan Beck. Top row: Ryan Schwahn, Mitchell Aman, Bill Robinson, and AJ Myrman.

LHS Show Choir

Piraticals defeated on the stage, but not in their hearts.



Seniors Landon Thayer and Jordan Beck hold their fourth place trophy with tears behind their smiles.

The Leola Piraticals' third consecutive year brought a new dance routine, new faces, and most of all, new attitudes. With a first place trophy under their belt from last year, the Piraticals came into Aberdeen Central's Center Stage Competition performing better than ever. Even with their outstanding performance, the Piraticals came up short, placing fourth. This was a shocking defeat, but they will use this downfall to step up their game next year.



Put Your Crazy "Show Choir Face" On!

Left to right: Front row: Kristin Payne, Tyson Meyer, Megan Hoffman, Joseph Klipfel, and Sydney Gill. Second row: Austin Weig, Kyra Tschappat, Tyler Beck, Jordan Beck, Landon Thayer, and Katie Tschappat. Third row: Brooke Feickert, Shelby Thayer, Kayla Brockel, Kayla Kallas, Jake Schrupp, Jessica Waltman, Rachel Davis, and Sara Mack. Back row: Reid Erdmann, Josh Waltman, Royce Erdmann, Matthew Erdmann, and Trenton Aman. Not pictured is Darian Richter.

BAND ROCKS!



Above: Freshman Trenton Aman and juniors Tyson Meyer and Sydney Gill performed as part of the trumpet ensemble during the spring concert.



Above Right: The LHS Band
Back (from L to R): Willem Hoffman, Brandon Franck, Joe Klipfel, Mitchell Aman, Royce Erdmann, Doug Kallas, Jack Daly, and Landon Thayer. 3rd row (from L to R): Trenton Aman, Tyson Meyer, Darian Richter, Matt Waltman, Sydney Gill, Megan Melland, Matt Erdmann, Mitchell Waltman, Josh Waltman, Jadyn Geffre, Alisha Alvarez, AJ Myrman, Austin Weig, Sara Davis, Andrew Hoffman, Tyler Beck, Whitney Heupel, Sara Mack, and Kayla Kallas. **2nd row (from L to R)**: Rachel Davis, Amber Weig, Stephanie Jung, Jessica Waltman, Ashley Feickert, Rebecca Melland, Alison Feickert, Jordan Beck, Shelby Thayer, Brooke Feickert, Alex Hodges, Steven Kallas, and Reid Erdmann. **Front (from L to R)**: Kristin Payne, Megan Hoffman, Alexis Carman, Madison Gill, Kyra Tschappat, and Katie Tschappat.

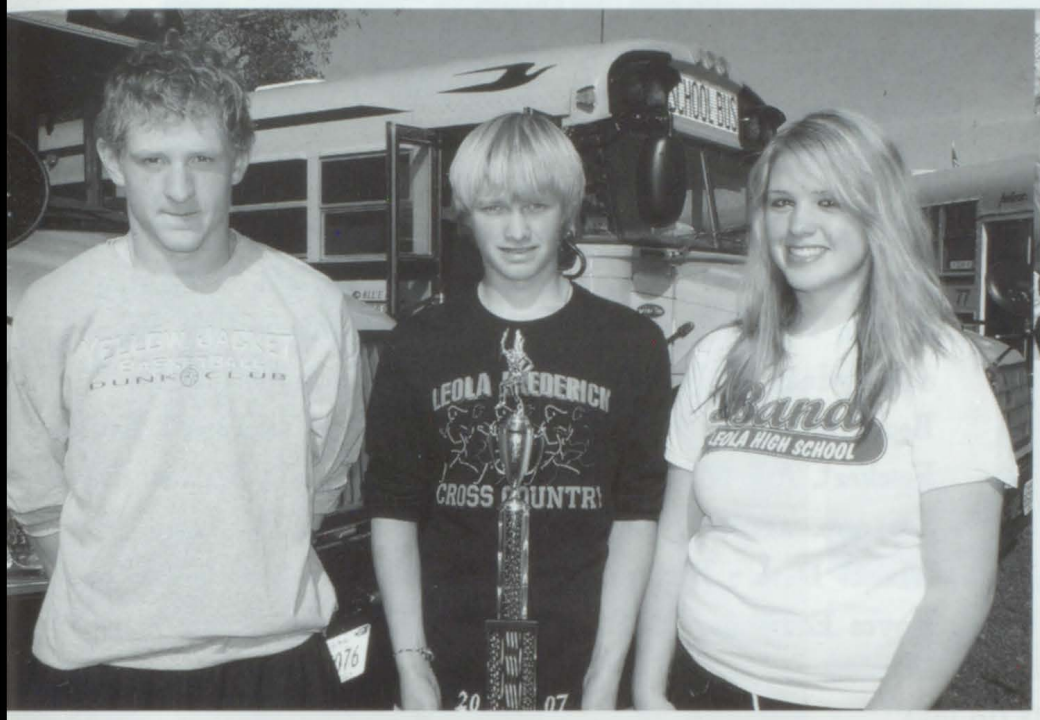


Junior High Band
Back (from L to R): Alex Hodges, Royce Erdmann, Willem Hoffman, and Director Nancy Kindelspire. **3rd row (from L to R):** Tyler Hoffman, Reid Erdmann, Andrew Hoffman, Whitney Heupel, and Sara Davis. **2nd row from L to R)**: Jadyn Geffre, Mitchell Waltman, Josh Waltman, and Alisha Alvarez. **Front (from L to R)**: Amber Weig, Alison Feickert, Rebecca Melland, and Ashley Feickert.



LHS Jazz Band
Back (from L to R): Mitchell Aman, Kristin Payne, and Joe Klipfel. **3rd row (from L to R)**: Alexis Carman, Whitney Heupel, Brandon Franck, Trenton Aman, Director Nancy Kindelspire, Tyson Meyer, and Steven Kallas. **2nd row (from L to R)**: Tyler Beck, Sydney Gill, Megan Melland, and Ashley Feickert. **Front (from L to R)**: Andrew Hoffman, Brooke Feickert, Shelby Thayer, Rachel Davis, Jordan Beck, Kayla Kallas, and Sara Mack.

2007-2008





Above: Madison Gill and Katie Tschappat get their groove on via their big bad flutes during pep band.

Left: Seniors Matthew Waltman, Landon Thayer, and Jordan Beck display their trophy they won at the annual Waubay Marching Festival in October.



Above (from L to R): Kayla Kallas, Sara Mack, Ashley Feickert, and Brooke Feickert showcase their saxophone piece during the spring concert.



Above: Whitney Heupel and Tyler Beck add a little bass with their trombones during the football pepband season.

Showing off the artistic side of LHS

(Right): The Leola High School Jazz Band rocks out with Trent Aman on guitar, Mitch Aman on drums, and Kristin Payne on keyboard.





(Left): The Leola Show Choir represents our school with great moves and funky music. Front from left to right, Kristin Payne, Tyson Meyer, Megan Hoffman, Joe Klipfel, and Sydney Gill; Austin Weig, Kyra Tschappat, Tyler Beck, Jordan Beck, Landon Thayer, Katie Tschappat; Brooke Feickert, AJ. Myrman, Shelby Thayer, Kayla Kallas, Jake Schrupp, Trent Aman, Rachel Davis, Jessica Waltman, Sara Mack; Darian Richter, Josh Waltman, Kayla Brockel, Royce Erdmann, Matt Erdmann, and Reid Erdmann.



(Left): Part of the journalism staff includes Dominic Wollman, Justin Toennies; Steffanie Mohror, Megan Melland, Kyra Tschappat; Stephanie Jung, and Jessica Waltman.



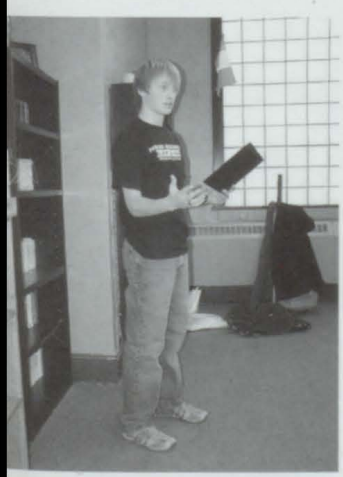
(Right): Anna Meier, the ever faithful Oral-Interp Coach, Play Director, Journalism Advisor, and English Teacher.

Acting on a small stage



With only one year of practice to depend on, the oral-interp team, under the direction of Anna Meier, had an extremely successful season. The group traveled to numerous meets including Brookings, Pierre, Arlington, Aberdeen, and Milbank. At the district contest, senior Samantha Jung (poetry), junior Kristin Payne (serious plays), and senior Jordan Beck and Payne (duet) advanced to the region meet. From there, the Payne/Beck duo as well as Payne's individual piece proceeded to the state competition, a rare feat, especially for such a new program.

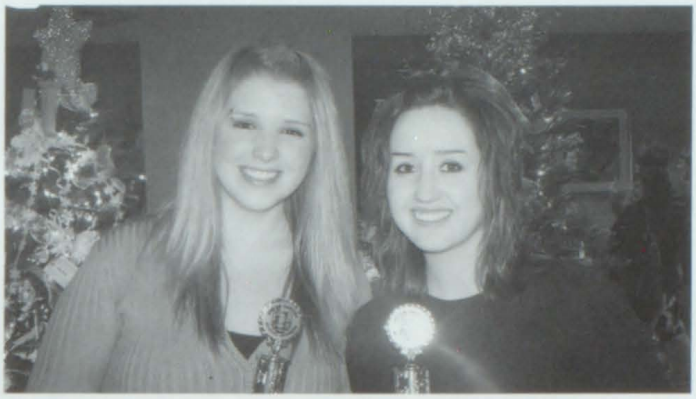




2007 Oral-interp team
Back (from L to R): Coach Anna Meier, Kayla Lapka, Samantha Jung, Tyler Beck, Chance Turcotte, Shelby Thayer, and Destiny Cleveland. **Front (from L to R):** Jordan Beck, Madison Gill, Eric Grabowska, Katie Tschappat, Landon Thayer, Sydney Gill, and Kristin Payne.

"The Diary of Adam"
(Left): Senior Landon Thayer perfects his funny rendition of Mark Twain's "Diary of Adam."

Oral-Interpretation



State participants!

Jordan Beck and Kristin Payne enjoyed success with a superior rating of their duet "Camp Improv" at the state meet in Huron.



"Get off the sidewalks; I'm driving!"

Sophomore novice competitors Katie Tschappat and Sydney Gill work to make the audience visualize a scene from their duet.



Practice makes perfect

Coach Anna Meier critiques Jordan Beck's performance as she prepares for the region meet in Milbank.

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Student Council

Back Row (L-R): Alisha Alvarez, Sara Davis, Whitney Heupel, Josh Waltman, Justin Toennies, Dominic Wollman, Katie Tschappat, Kristin Payne, and Jaime Taylor.
Front Row (L-R): Doug Kallas, Advisor Sandra Urbaniak, Jordan Beck, Madison Gill, Landon Thayer, and Samantha Jung.

An Example to Live By

National Honor Society





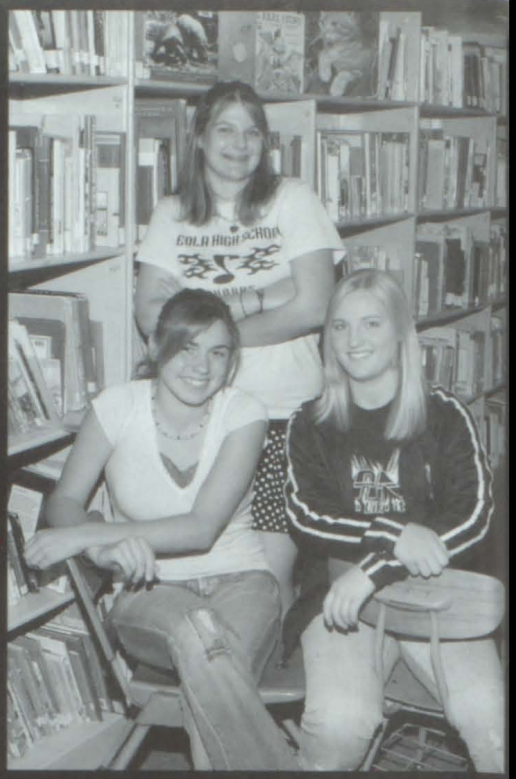


Back Row (L-R): Advisor Anna Meier, Kayla Lapka, Madison Gill, Austin Schaefer, Samantha Jung, Kayla Kallas, Mitchell Aman, and Joe Klipfel.
Middle Row (L-R): Sydney Gill and new members Aaron Mehlhoff, Kyra Tschappat, and Kayla Brockel, Brooke Feickert
Front Row (L-R): Sara Mack, Jordan Beck, Kristin Payne, Megan Hoffman, and Katie Tschappat.

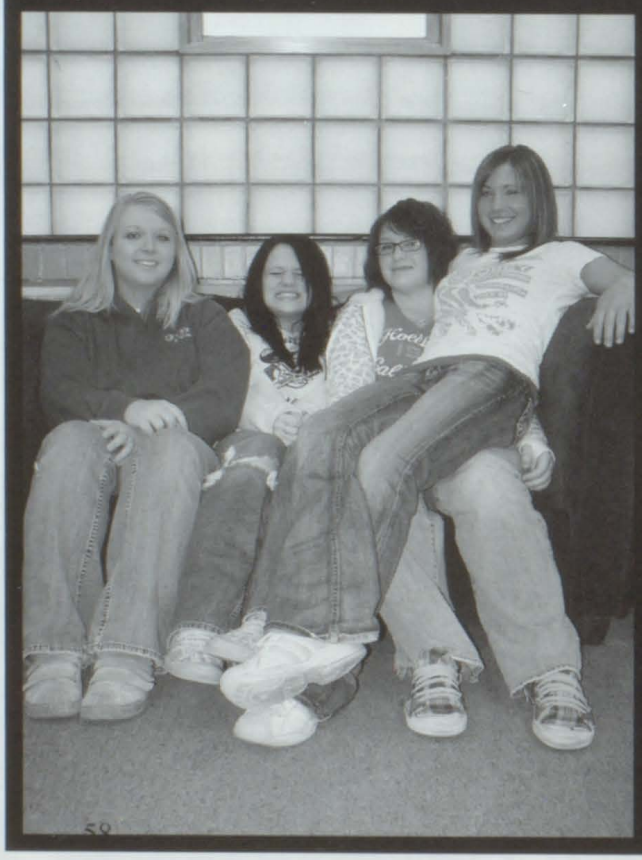
Large and In Charge



Above are the leaders of the Freshman class which include President Joe Brandner, Vice President Jaime Taylor and Secretary/Treasurer Rachel Davis.



Above are officers of the Sophomore class: President Megan Melland, Vice President Stephanie Jung, and Secretary/Treasurer Paige Guthmiller.



The Senior class is run by President Kayla Lapka, Secretary/Treasurer Alyssa Podhradsky, Student Council Rep. Jordan Beck, and Vice President Sam Jung.



Officers of the Junior class above are President Kayla Kallas, Vice President Joe Klipfel, and Secretary/Treasurer Megan Hoffman.

The Art of Journalism

2008 *LHS Eye & The Buccaneer*



What are your thoughts?

Seniors contemplate the style of the newspaper and yearbook. Editor, Madison Gill, looks over a copy of last year's *Buccaneer* to get ideas on this year's edition.



Here's my story...

Sophomores Tyler Beck and Destiny Cleveland check out the weekly paper in search of their stories. *The LHS Eye* is published weekly within *The McPherson County Herald*. The staff creates stories and takes pictures. Articles such as senior features, sports highlights, and upcoming events are familiar every week. Stories covering FBLA, music, happenings in school, and information on extra-curricular events also keep the circulation popular.





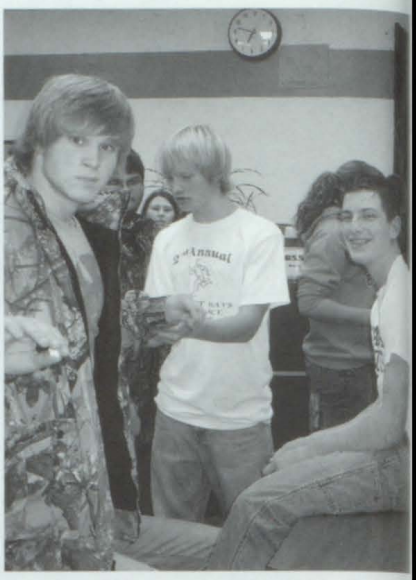
Above: Editor Kayla Lapka carefully examines a yearbook page before its online submission.

Left: **Journalism staff**
Back (from L to R): Joe Klipfel, Brooke Feickert, Mitchell Aman, Justin Toennies, Paige Guthmiller, Megan Melland, Kayla Lapka, Advisor Anna Meier, Samantha Jung, Landon Thayer, Chance Turcotte, Destiny Cleveland, Shelby Thayer, Tyler Beck, and Jessica Waltman. Front (from L to R): Kayla Kallas, Rachel Davis, Jordan Beck, Sara Mack, Madison Gill, Megan Hoffman, Eric Grabowska, Katie Tschapat, Sydney Gill, Kristin Payne, Jake Schrupp, and Darian Richter.

FBLA

"The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step."







Workin' Hard...

Sophomore Justin Toennies and Junior Josh Pudwill string popcorn for the Angel Tree like pros.



FBLA in Action...

Top Left: Senior and State President Kayla Lapka gives a little speech to her fellow FBLA-ers during the Fall Leadership Conference.

Top Right: Sophomore Dominic Wollman and Senior Austin Schaefer pose for a picture like the true studs they are.

Left: The entire Leola chapter takes some time out of their busy school lives to show off their FBLA pride.



Smile!

Junior Kristin Payne receives the State Presidential Torch from last year's state President, Kayla Lapka.



Pay Attention Now!

Juniors Sara Mack and Megan Hoffman watch in anticipation while Joe Klipfel shows them how work is REALLY done!



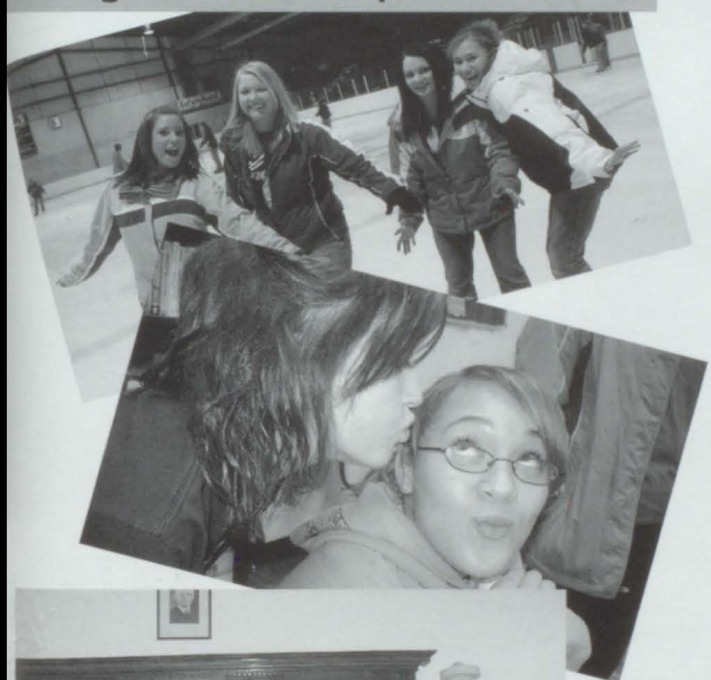
Who says business can't be fun?

Above: The FBLA members that will be going to Atlanta for the National Leadership Conference. Below: Seniors Sam Jung, Kayla Lapka, Alyssa Podradsky, and Madison Gill keep their balance while ice skating for the Christmas party. Juniors Kristin Payne and Sydney Gill grab some smooches and the members of the Mock Trial gather for a snapshot.



What's "gonna" work? TEAMWORK!

Freshmen Doug Kallas and Joe Brandner work together to create the next FBLA masterpiece.





A Year to be Remembered...

Once again, the Leola FBLA chapter didn't cease to stand out in this year's business activities. For the second year in a row, Leola surpassed many top schools such as Sisseton and Pierre, and won first place at the Spring Leadership Conference. This year has definitely been an interesting one. Between fundraising and preparing for competitive events, the whole chapter has kept busy. Fundraising for this year included the annual Blood Drive, the Chili Cook-off, and the Tour of Tables. The group also continued in their traditions of caroling, ice skating, and decorating the Angel Tree. In addition, Kayla Lapka became the first State President from Leola in dozens of years. Kristin Payne, recently voted State President 2008-09, will strive to fill her shoes. With ten students qualifying for nationals taking place in Atlanta, Georgia, this year will certainly be remembered as a successful one.

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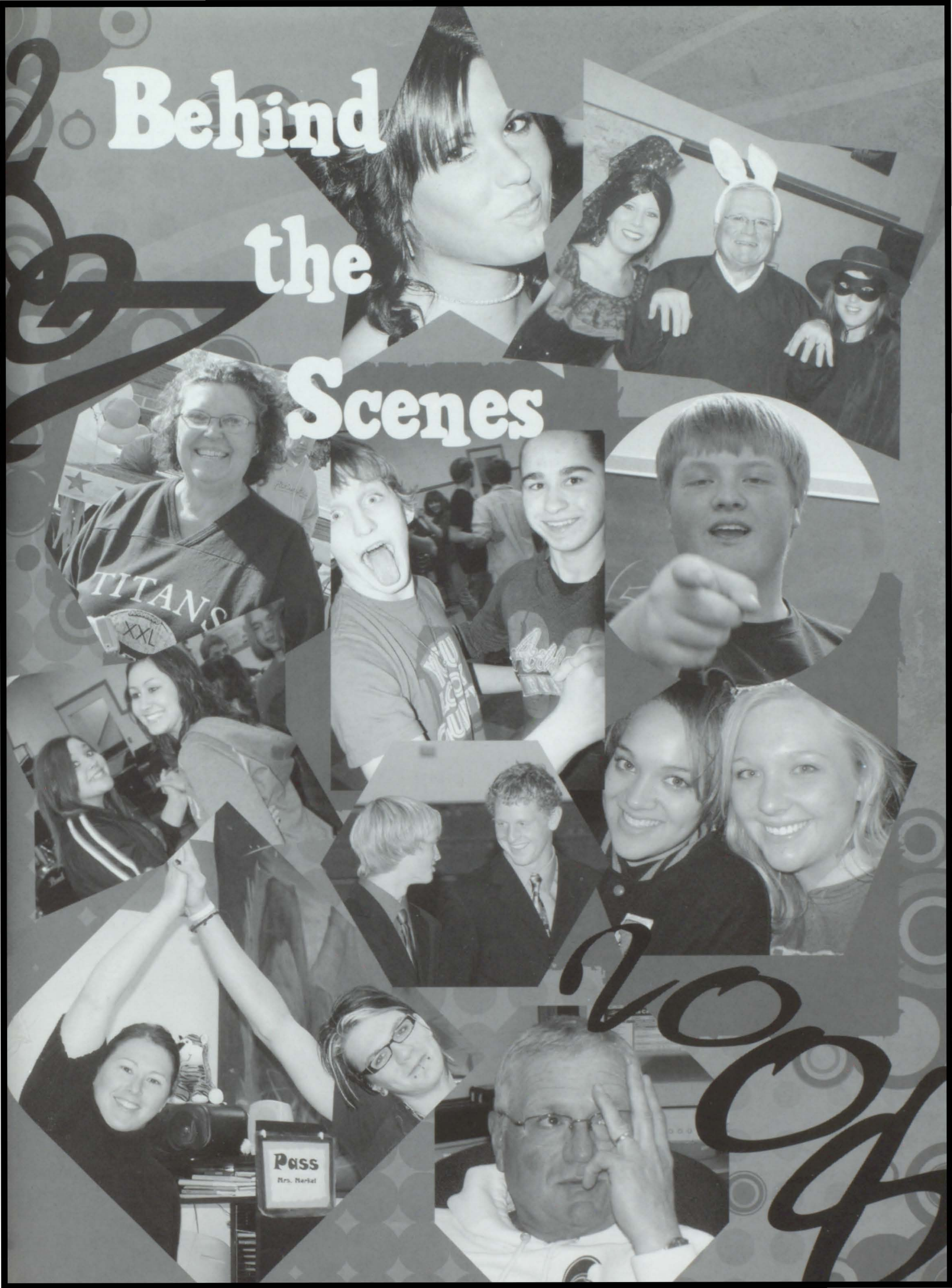



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Behind the Scenes



Staff Zone '07~'08



< (Left) Office Staff: Vicki Geffre, Tricia Erickson, and Deb Weiszhaar

> (Below) High School English Teacher, Anna Meier. Meier also teaches Spanish, is the yearbook and newspaper advisor, coaches oral-interp, directs the all-school play, advises the National Honor Society, and is in charge of prom.





< (Left) Tech. teacher, John Daly, assists with the flag burning ceremony presented by the American Legion Auxialliary.

> (Below) Technology coordinator, Brian Brochu





> (Above) Librarian JoAnn Sanborn

> (Below) Head custodian, Dave Weber





> (Above) Athletic Director Dan VanderWal, also teaches computers and PE.

> (Below) High School Social Studies teacher & head wrestling coach, Dwain Schwan





> (Above) Herb Schaunaman, JH English & Social Studies teacher, as well as HS Psychology & Sociology teacher

> (Below) Elementary Music Teacher, Jackie Opp





> (Above) High School Science teacher, Sandra Urbaniak, also advisor of the Student Council

> (Below) Diane Tschappat (Title I) & Sally Davis (Title aide)



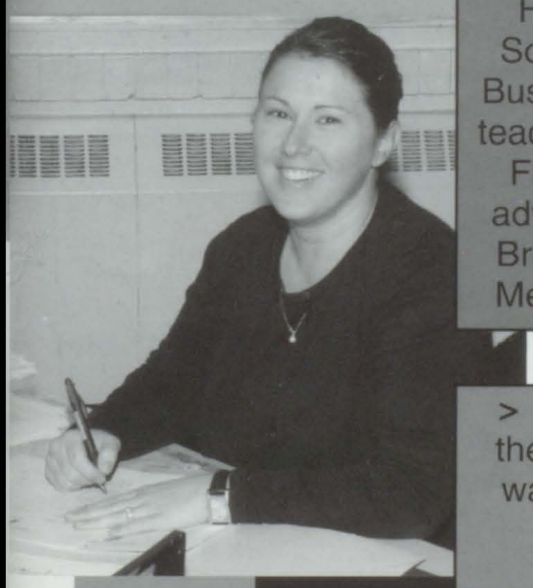
> (Right) Kitchen Staff:

Nancy Berreth

Karen Tschappat

Maria Evans





< (Left) High School Business teacher & FBLA advisor, Brenda Merkel.



> (Right) New to the staff this year was High School Math teacher, Pamela Fauth.

> If you could teach your students any life lesson, what would it be?

Take responsibility for your own education. Teachers are here to help you, but we can't force you to learn. You have to want it for yourself.
-Pamela Fauth

1. Don't be afraid to make changes; Try new adventures in life.
2. Give 100% to achieving your goals in life and don't settle for less.
3. Find happiness within yourself.
-Dwain Schwan

I would teach my students to be good people. No matter where their lives take them, what degree they pursure, what they become, where they live, who they marry, or how much money they make, I hope they remember to always be good to themselves and to others around them.
-Nancy Kindelspire

It would have saved me a lot of time and headache to have known that everything doesn't always have to be perfect. Even today I struggle with that. That is one lesson I would like to pass on. Even if you do your best, and it's not perfect, you're still okay...except for term papers–those have to be perfect!
-Anna Meier

>(Right) High school aide, Kathie Wool





<(Left) CEO, Jamie Hermann



>(Above) High School and Junior High Music Director, Nancy Kindelspire

>(Below) Junior High Math and Science teacher, Richard Jasmer



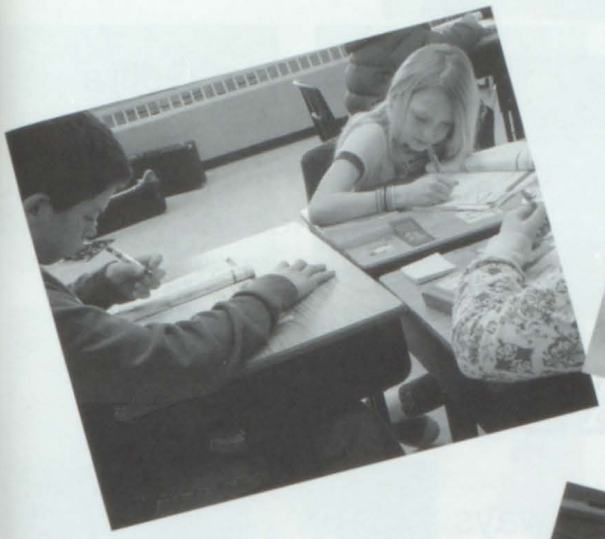
> What has been your most memorable teaching experience so far?

Every day is memorable for me. Either something funny happens or I see one of my students succeed. This school and my students mean the world to me; I will remember it all!
-Anna Meier

Watching the students grown in knowledge and maturity and working with my fellow staff members.
-Dwain Schwan

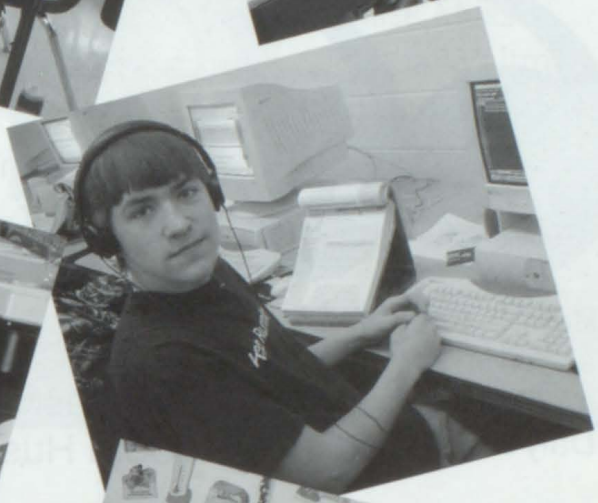
Just getting to know all these great kids. Teaching is the most rewarding job out there. When students come back to see you after they've graduated you can't help but feel you played a part in who they are today.
-Nancy Kindelspire

Junior High and Elementary: the wind beneath our wings!

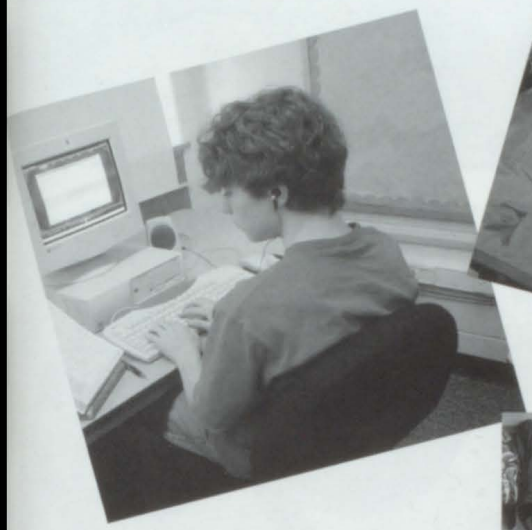


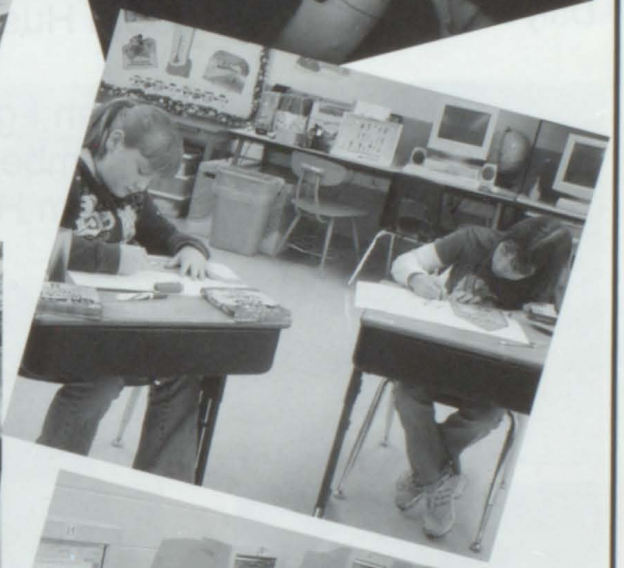




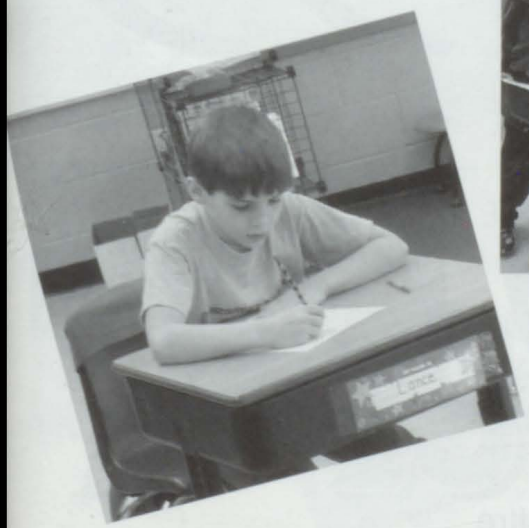


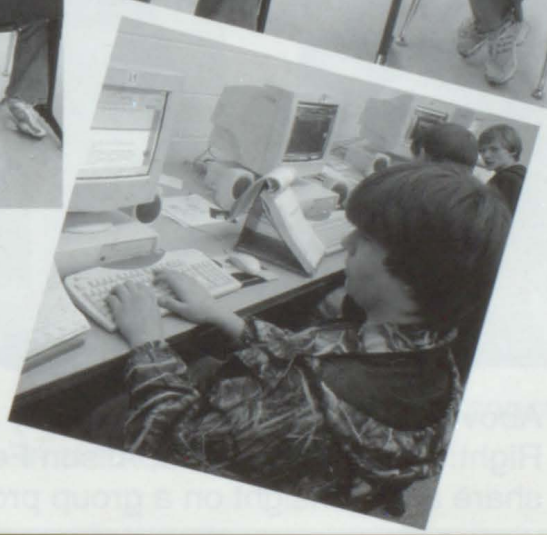

















Alisha Alvarez
Alissa Casey
Sara Davis
Alison Feickert






Jadyn Geffre
Tyler Hoffman
Willem Hoffman
Rebecca Melland

Below: Sara Davis and Alissa Casey work on a math assignment.

7th Grade

"The funniest moments are always when Mr. Schwan yells!" -Alissa Casey

"In ten years, I'll probably be at Nebraska playing baseball for the Corn Huskers." -Jadyn Geffre

"When I graduate, I want people to remember me as a funny person." -Willem Hoffman



Below: Tyler Hoffman and Willem Hoffman measure up in Mr. Daly's class.





CLASS OF 13



Above left: Alisha Alvarez intently concentrates in tech. Right: Rebecca Melland, Alison Feickert, and Jadyn Geffre share a little insight on a group project.






Reid Erdmann
Royce Erdmann
Ashley Feickert
Brandon Geffre






Whitney Heupel
Alex Hodges
Andrew Hoffman
Ty Kessler






Chase Miles
Joshua Waltman
Mitchell Waltman
Amber Weig

8th Grade



8th grade class officers (from left to right) Mitchell Waltman, Alex Hodges, Ty Kessler, and Andrew Hoffman



Brandon Geffre tries hard to concentrate in tech class.

CLASS of 2012

Kindergarten and 1st Grade

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KINDERGARTEN

Front Row: Makala DeRaad, Noah Wool, Charles Rushing, and Ellysha Bixby.
Back Row: Rafe Fuller, Olivia Waltman, Jayna Kehrwald, Cadin Kallenberger, and Mrs. Sharon Osborne.

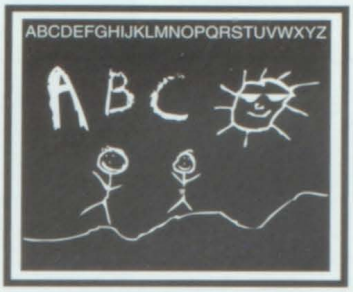
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1ST GRADE

Front Row: Zachary Wimer, Audree Berreth, Abigail Grabowska, Maxwell Waltman, and Chase Hatlewick.
Back Row: Mrs. Meredith Gulseth, Tanner Geffre, Zackary Walz, Nicholas Brandner, Ethan Wool, and Mrs. Jackie Wurtz.

2nd, 3rd, and 4th Grade





Second Grade: Front row (from L to R): Tanner Wimer, Cole Franck, Diana Hochhalter, and Alonna Erickson. Back Row (from L to R): Lance Feickert, Grace Wolff, Abigail Berreth, Shane Davis, Preston Morton, and Mrs. Gretchen Rux.



Third Grade : Front row (from L to R): Frederick Lapka, Luke Wool, Nathaniel Hochhalter, April Hoffman, and Mrs. Sarah Kehrwald. Back row (from L to R): Olivia Fuller, Brianna Erdmann, Bryanna Bixby, Taylore Geffre, Brittany Aman, and Morgan Hoffman.

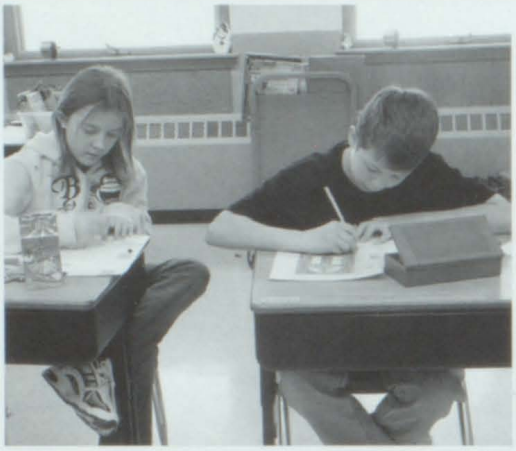


Fourth Grade : Front row (from L to R): Elizabeth Grabowska, Taylor Fauth, Rachel Brandner, April Fauth, and Randi Boardman. Back row Dakota Gutierrez, Chauncy Kerstiens, Jeremiah Goebel, Derek Weisser, Evan Erickson, and Mrs. Terri Pleinis.



Story Time!
Second graders Grace Wolff, Shane Davis, Cole Franck, Alonna Erickson, Diana Hochhalter, and Abigail Berreth sit quitely to listen to a short story.

5th and 6th Grade



5th graders Francine Hoffman and Chance Beilke



6th grader Lexi Thayer gets a little help from teacher Brandi Geditz.



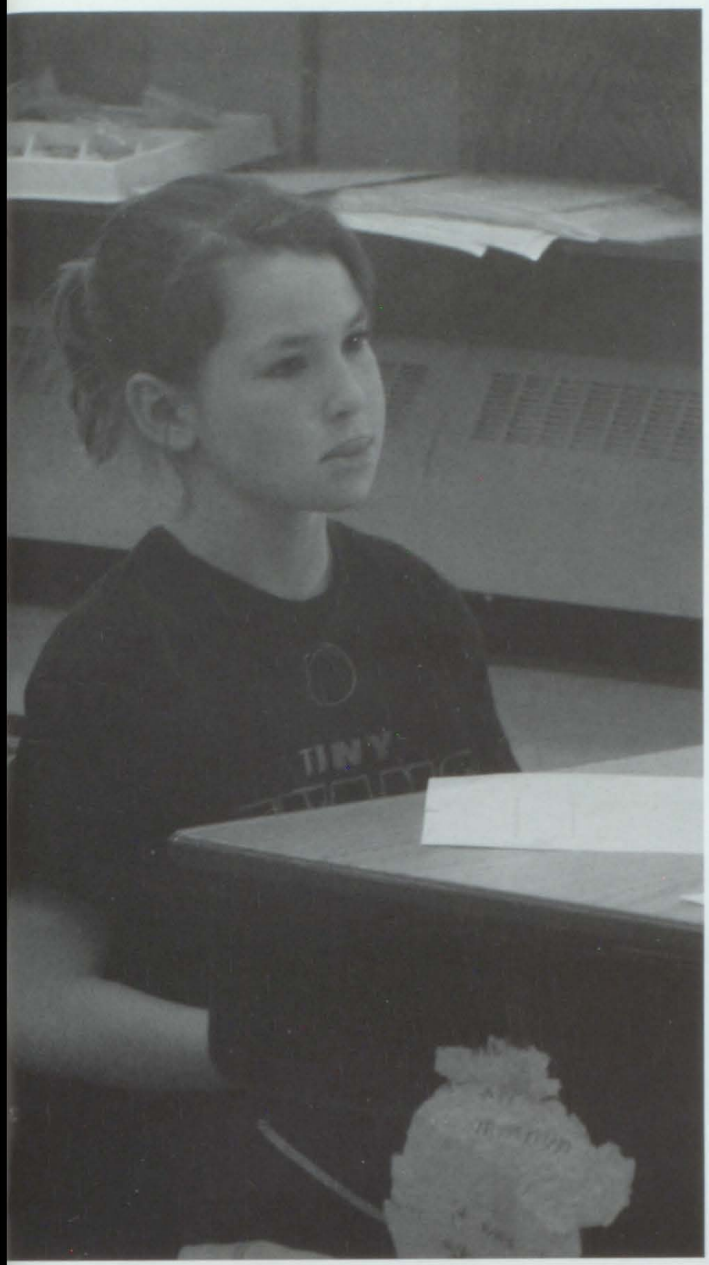
5th grader Ethan Erickson works on an assignment.



5th Grade: Back row, left to right; Abby Miller, Mrs. Janice Jasmer, Denae Melland, Chance Beilke, Sarah Wool, Kayleigh Kallenberger, Front row; Ethan Erickson, Bradley Ruff, Emily Grabowska, Francince Hoffman, and Krystina Bixby.



6th Grade: left to right; Back row: Mrs. Brandi Geditz, Adam Geffre, Mathew Hoffman, Lexi Thayer, Paige Kerstiens, Middle Row; Jessica McClain, Bobbi Boardman, Brittney Casey, Lukas Kallas, Front Row: Haili Wimer, George Lapka, and Lucas Hodges.



Left: Third grader April Hoffman carefully listens to instructions from her teacher, Miss Kehrwald.



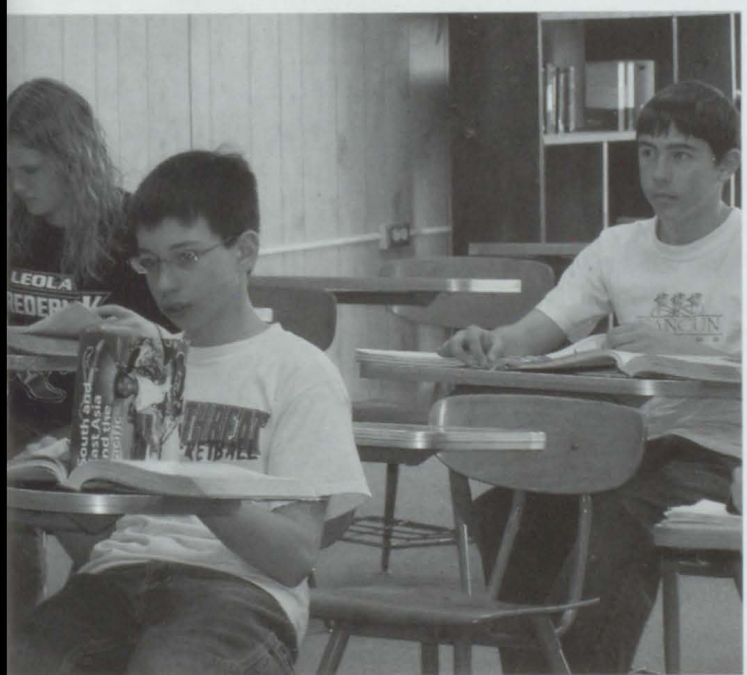
Above: Eighth grader Whitney Heupel types during her typing class.



Left: Fourth graders Randi Boardman helps classmate Dakkota Gutierrez.

Below: Second graders Cole Franck, Alonna Erickson, and Lance Feickert follow along in their books as their teacher reads.





Left: Seventh graders Rebecca Melland, Tyler Hoffman, and Willem Hoffman listen to one of Mr. Schwan's famous lectures.



Above: Sixth graders Paige Kerstiens and Adam Geffre work quietly on their homework.

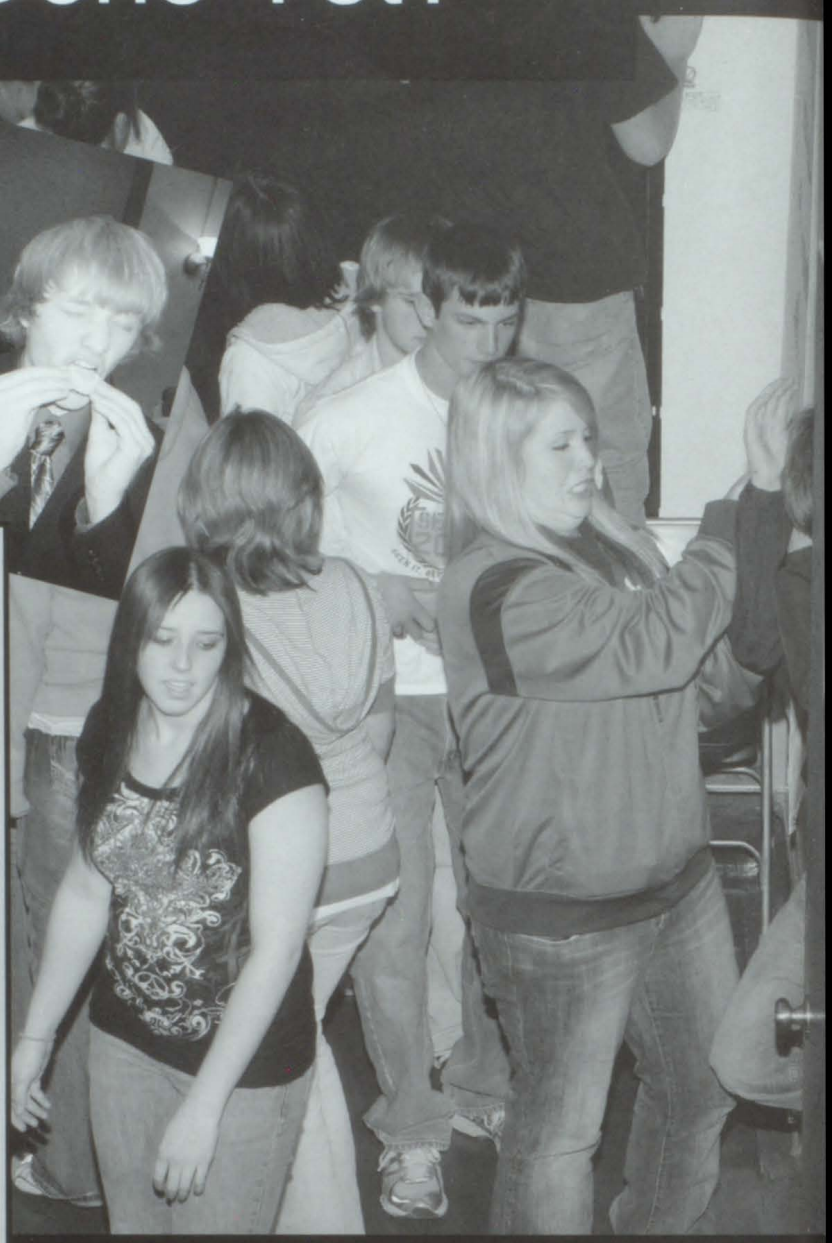
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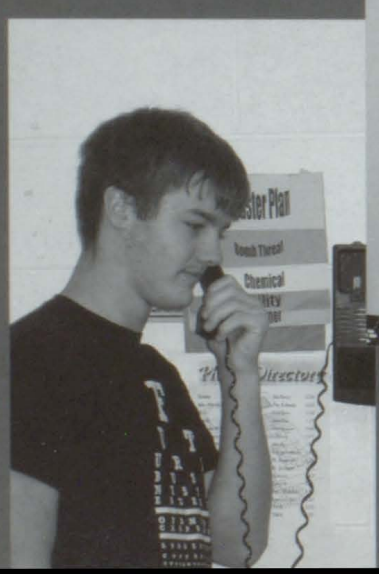






Left: Ethan Erickson has placed at the state level for the Hoop Shoot 2 years in a row. In order to do this he had to win the district and regional contests.



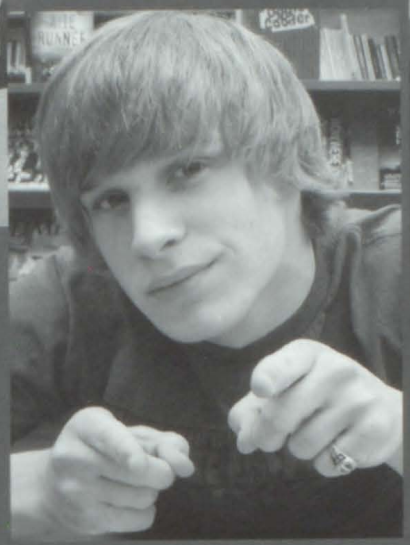










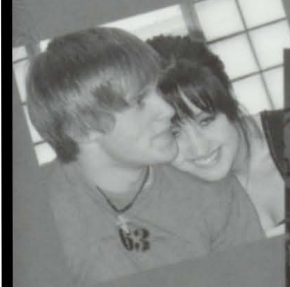




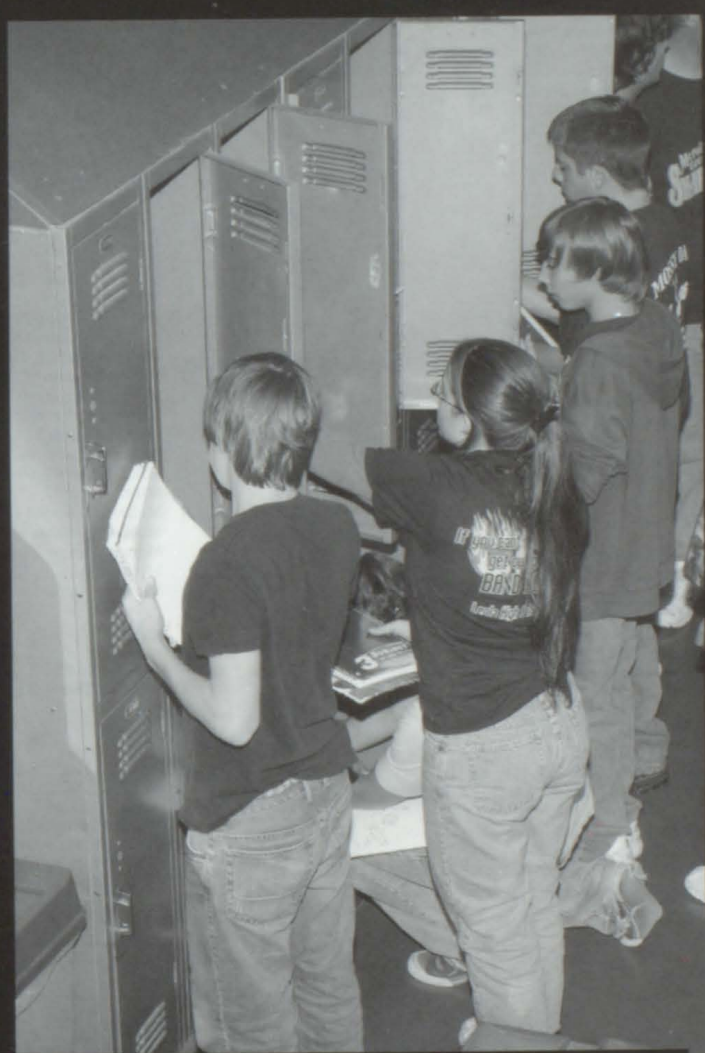












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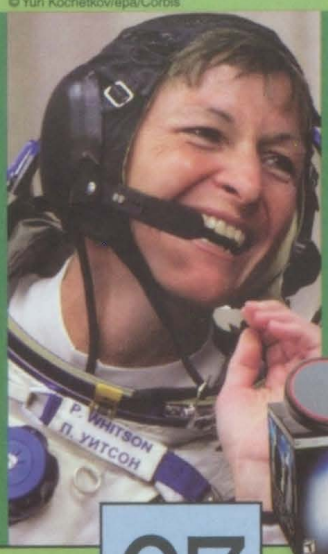
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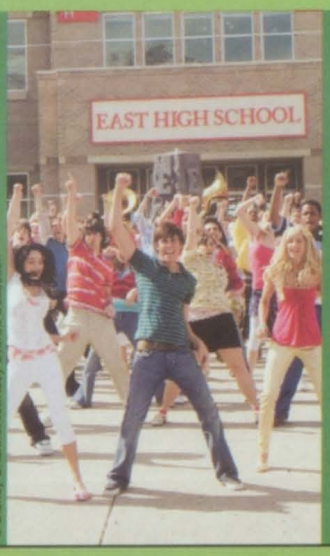


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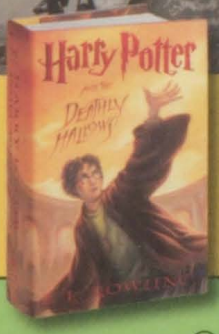




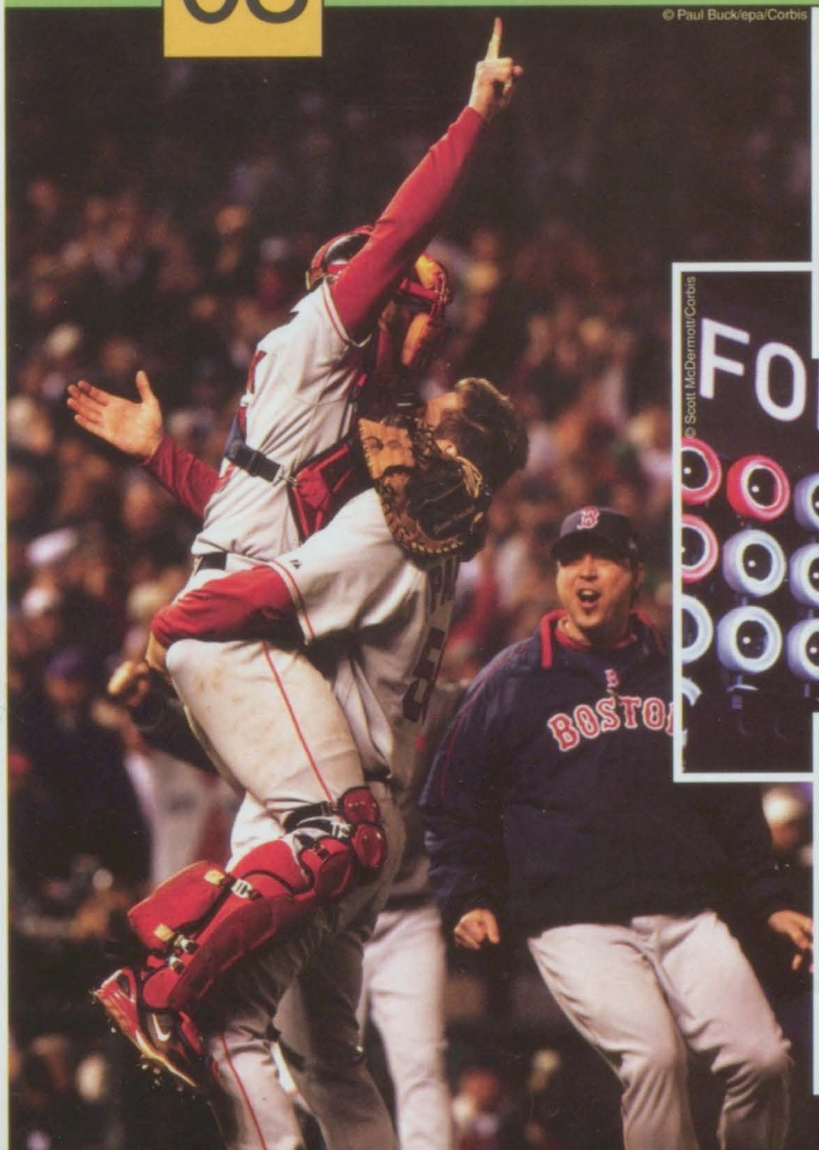
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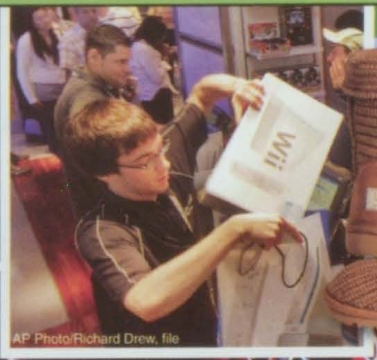
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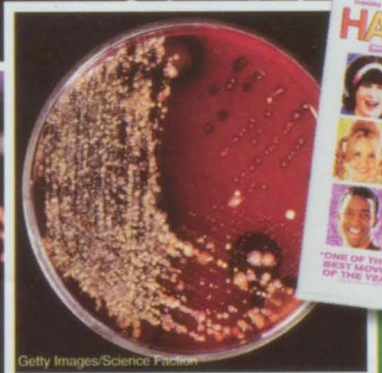
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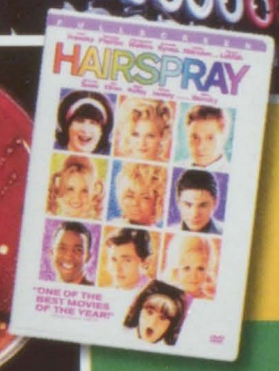
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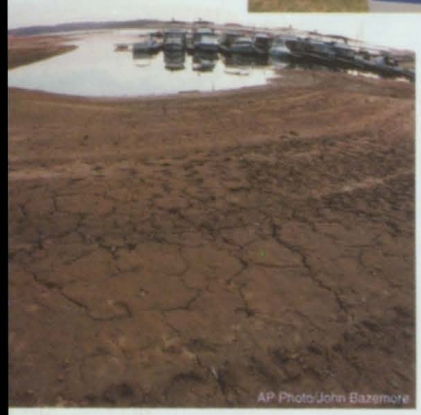
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▶ As the war in Iraq passes the four-year mark, tours of duty are lengthened and recruitment standards are relaxed.

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

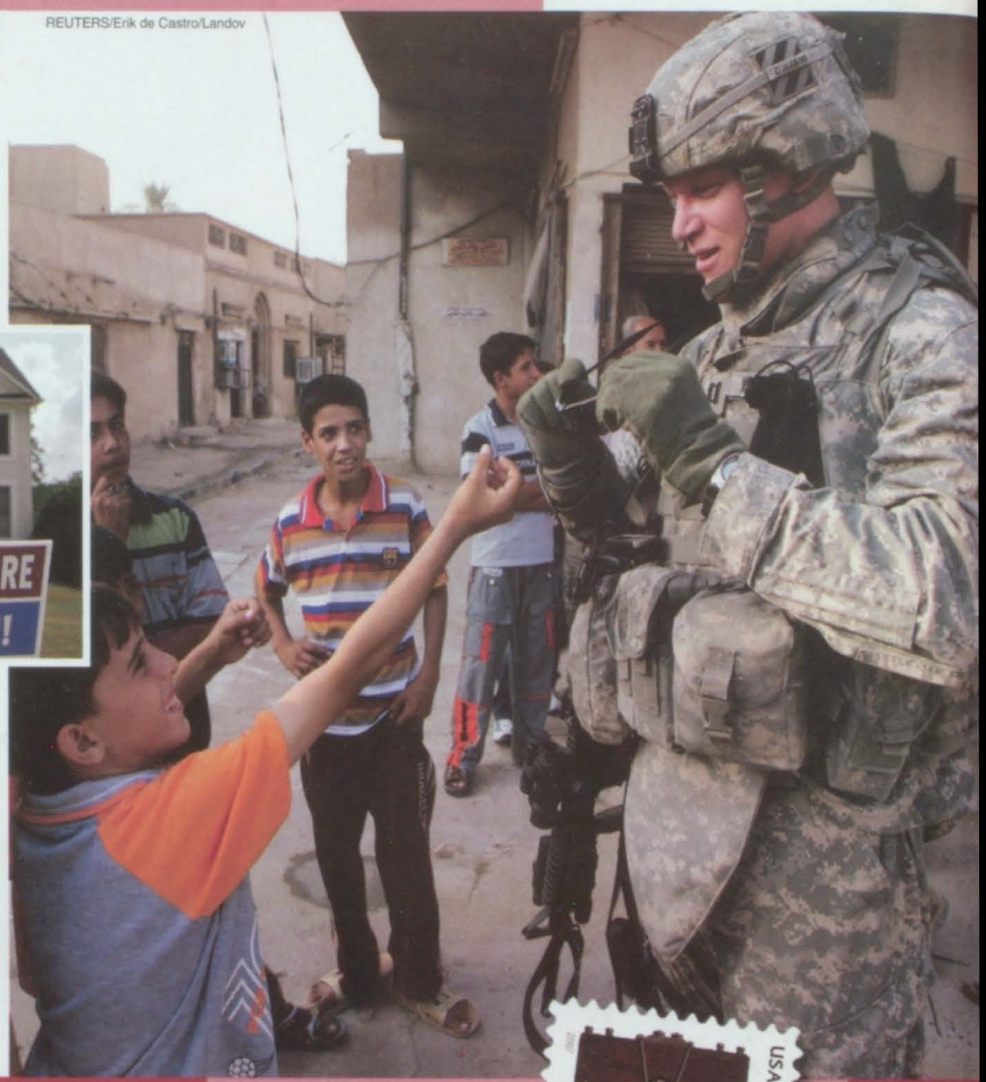
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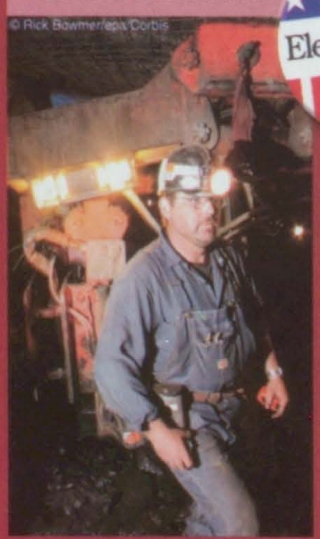
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◀ Several cities in the southeastern U.S. are mere months away from running out of water as drought conditions persist in the region.

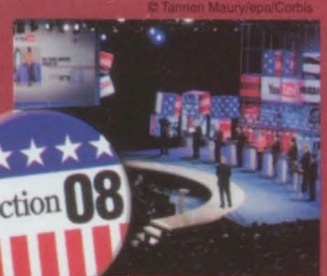


▼ Six men are trapped when a Utah coal mine collapses on August 6. Ten days later, the mine collapses again, killing three rescue workers. After four weeks the search ends.

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

▶ 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.

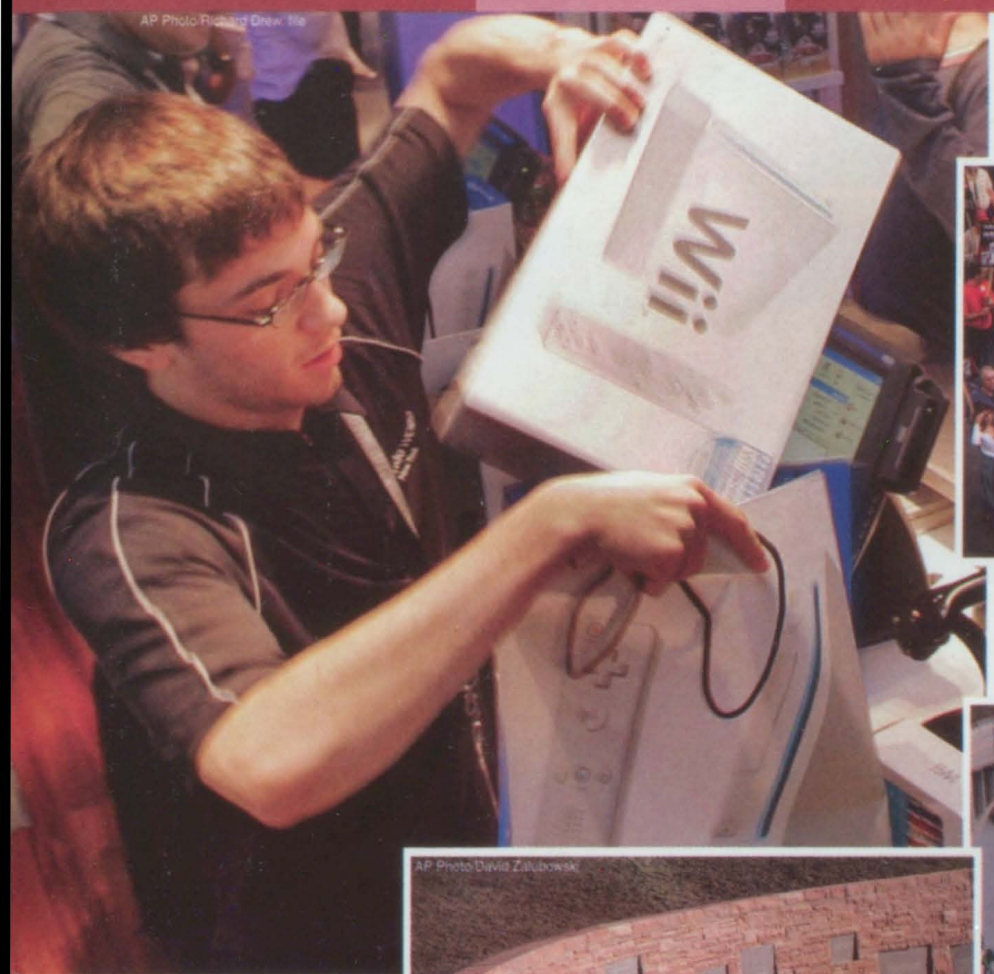


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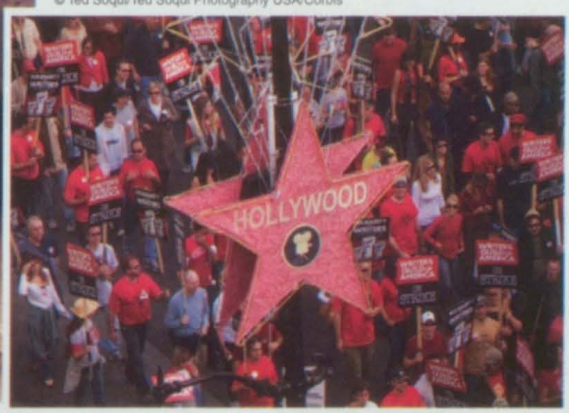
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▲ American consumers lose their confidence in China's manufacturers when children's toys tainted with lead trigger widespread recalls.



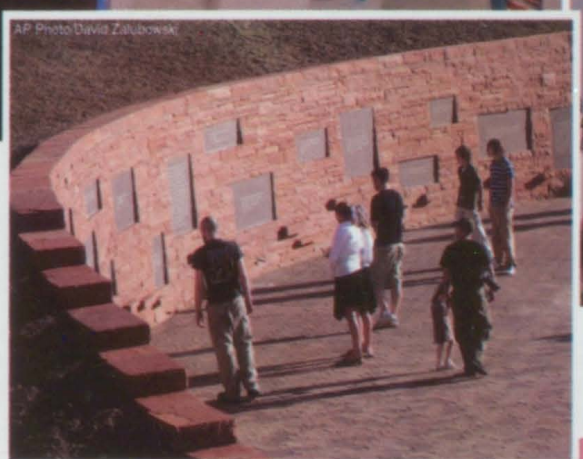
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◀ The Nintendo "Wii-nomenon" sweeps the nation as the game console outplays the competition with sales of more than 13 million units.



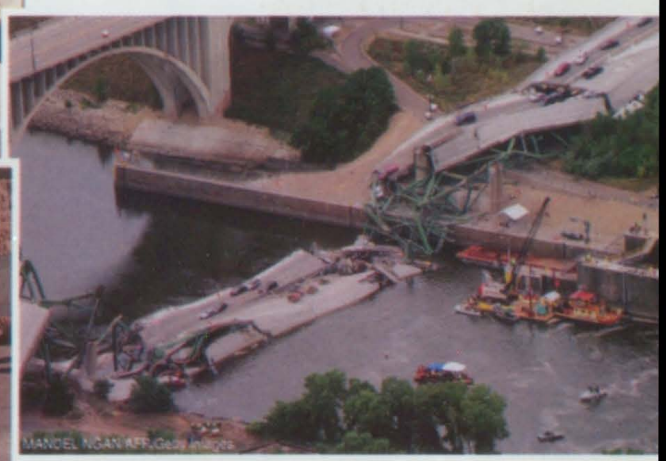
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▲ Writers hit the picket lines and television production is halted for months when the Writers Guild of America goes on strike to protest compensation policies for new media such as iTunes downloads.



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▶ 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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▲ 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.

Global

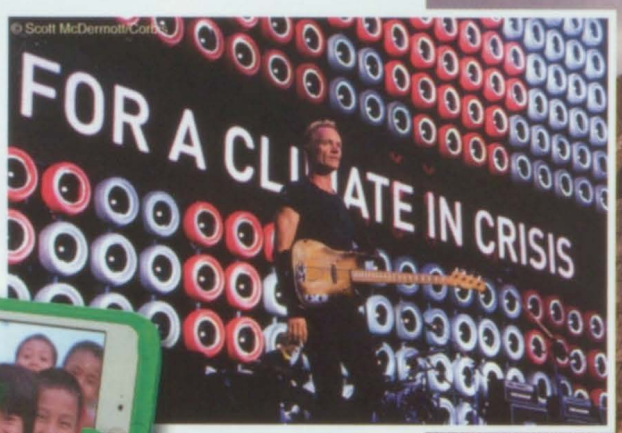
The New Seven Wonders of the World

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▶ 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.



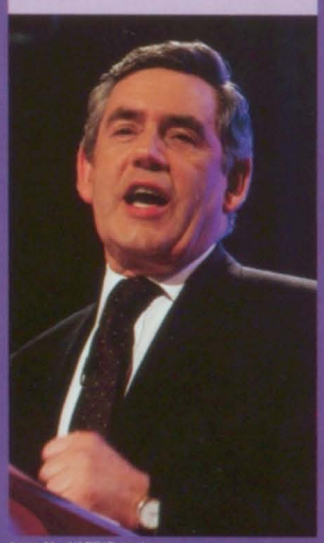
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One Laptop Per Child

◀ 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.

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



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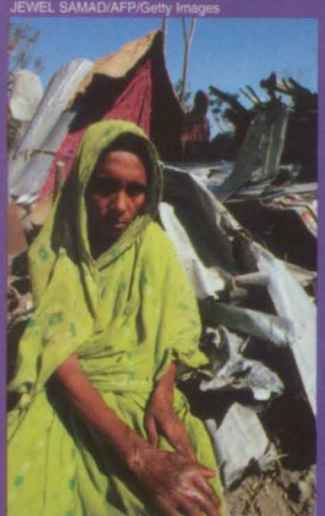
▲ The melting of the Arctic Sea ice spurs an international network of climate scientists to conclude that global warming is indisputable, and that human activity has been causing temperatures to rise since 1950.

▼ 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



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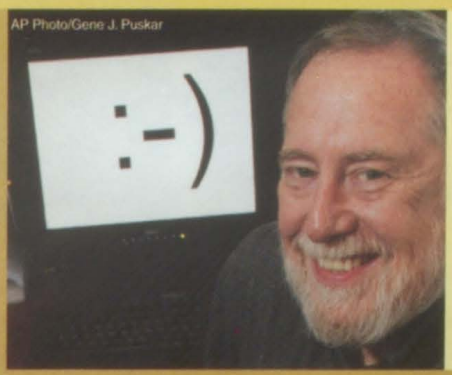
▼ U.S. astronaut Peggy Whitson is the first female commander at the International Space Station.

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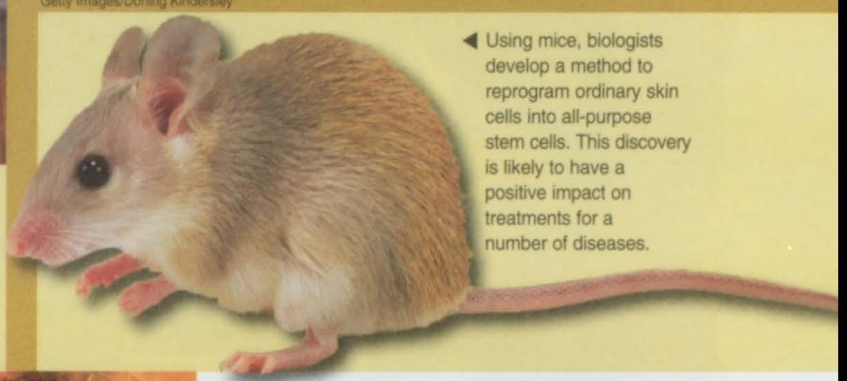
▲ Black bears make headlines in Utah, Wyoming and New Mexico as park rangers and wilderness homeowners report raids on backpacks, tents, trash cans and even kitchens.

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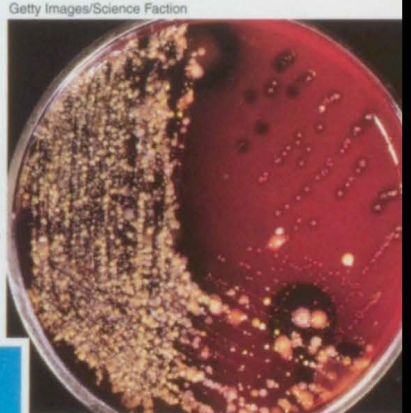
◀ Using mice, biologists develop a method to reprogram ordinary skin cells into all-purpose stem cells. This discovery is likely to have a positive impact on treatments for a number of diseases.



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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 Futalognkosaurus 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.

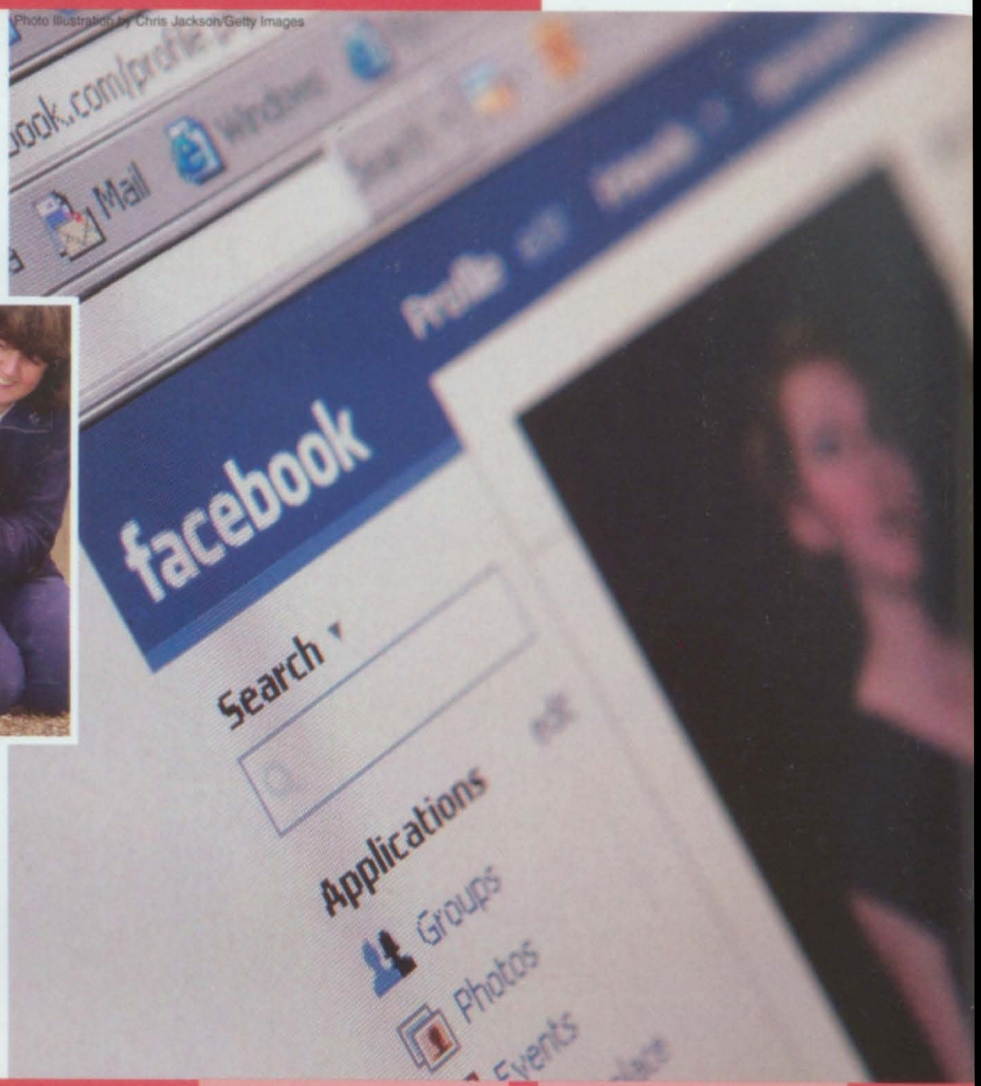
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◀ The healthy growth trend for vitamin waters and other nutrient-boosted consumables continues with the introduction of specialized formulas for immunity, focus and more.

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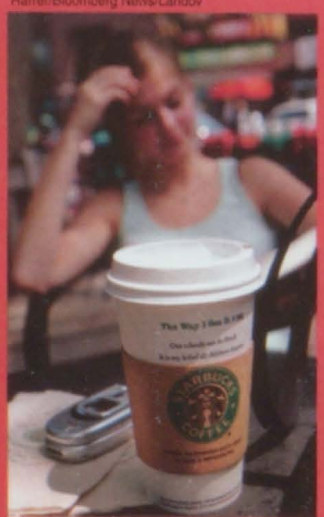


▼ User-generated content grows more popular as network television shows, mainstream musical acts and wannabe media stars join amateur home moviemakers on YouTube. One of the most-watched videos of 2007 features a feline pianist.



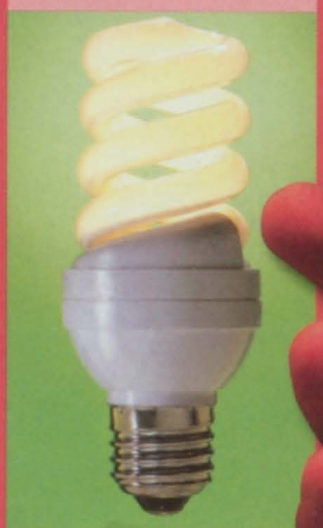
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▲ Higher prices for coffee beans do not lessen the nation's craving for coffeehouses. Independents and chains alike continue to be popular with younger consumers.

▼ 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.

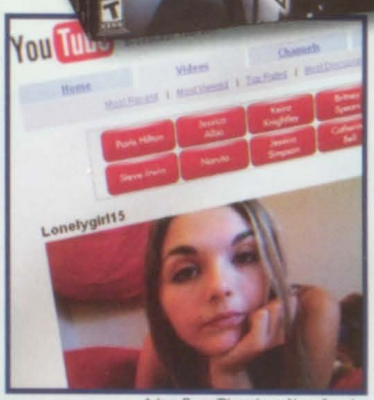
Entertainment

▼ 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.

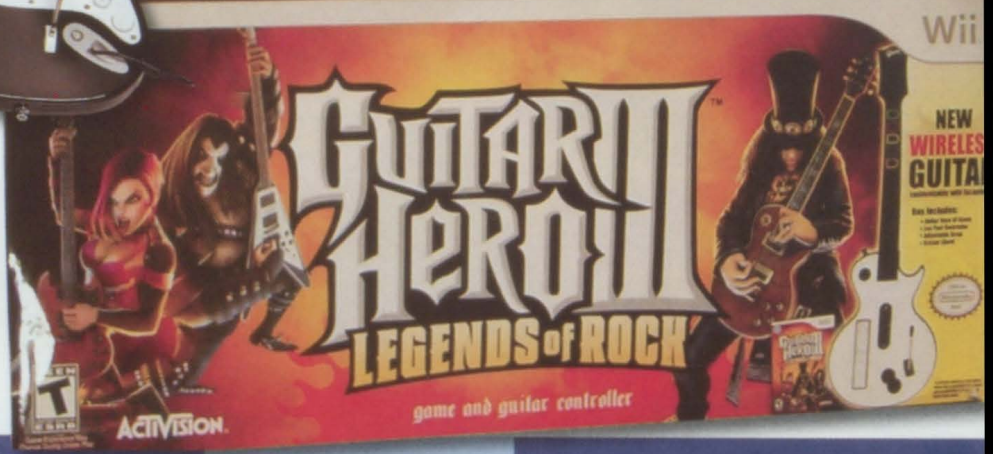




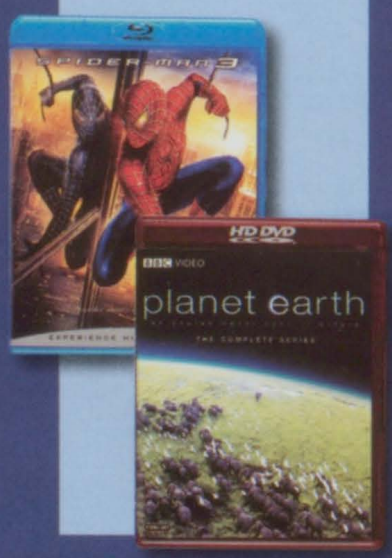


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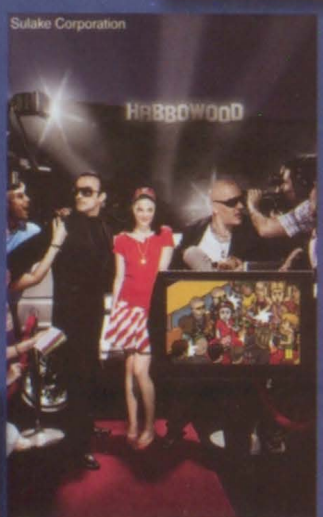
◀ Even after lonelygirl15 is revealed as a fictitious character, her popular storyline continues for a full season as an Internet dramedy series on YouTube and MySpace.



▼ 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.

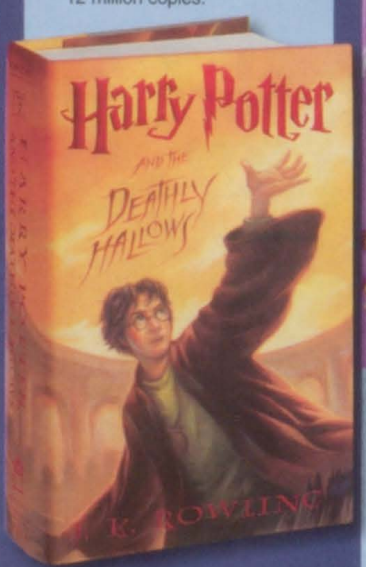


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▲ Large-scale multiplayer online gaming gives rise to virtual worlds where players interact via avatars and the computer-generated environment is similar to the real world.

▼ *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.

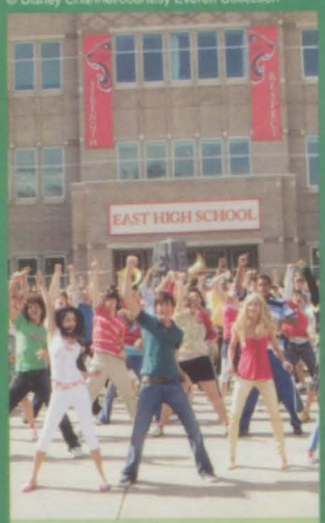
Television

▼ 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."



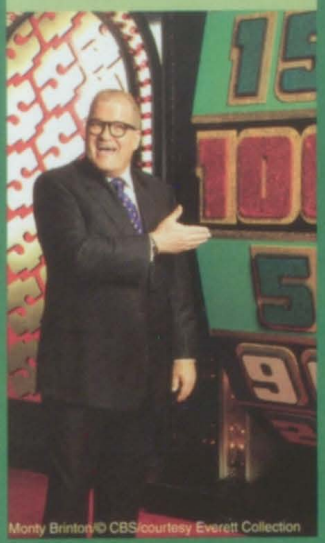
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▲ *High School Musical 2* becomes the highest-rated cable broadcast in the nation's history when 17.2 million U.S. viewers tune in to the Disney Channel for its debut.

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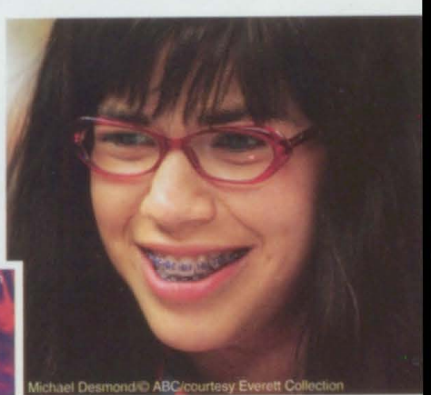
▲ The NBC drama series *Friday Night Lights*, about a fictional high school football team, is taped documentary-style, without rehearsals, to give it a more authentic feeling.

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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:

Movies

▼ 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.

▼ 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.



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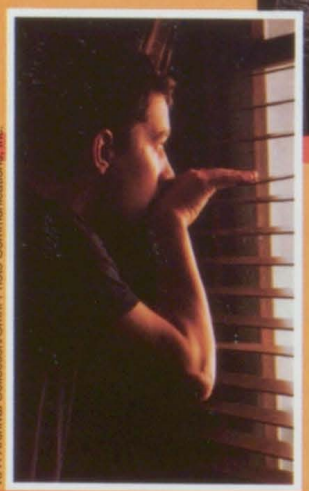
◀ *Atonement* receives seven Golden Globe nominations, including lead acting nods for Keira Knightley and James McAvoy.



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

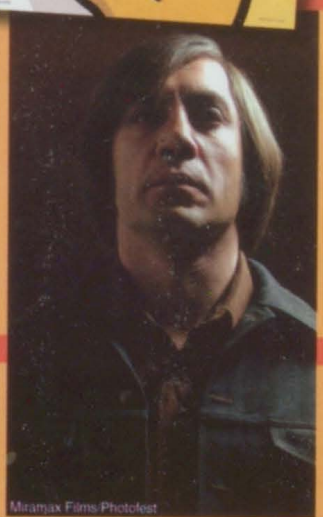

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◀ *Disturbia*, a surprise hit thriller about a bored teenager under house arrest who thinks his next-door neighbor may be a notorious serial killer, spends three weeks at the top of the box office.

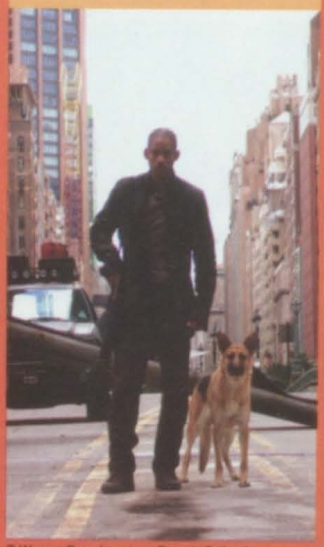
▼ *The Great Debaters*, based on the real-life victories of a black debate team in the 1930s, receives eight NAACP Image Award nominations.


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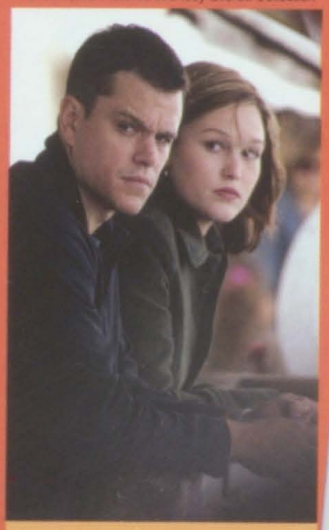
▲ Joel and Ethan Coen write and direct *No Country for Old Men*, a film adaptation of Cormac McCarthy's bleak, moody modern western novel. The film receives eight Oscar nominations.

▼ 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.



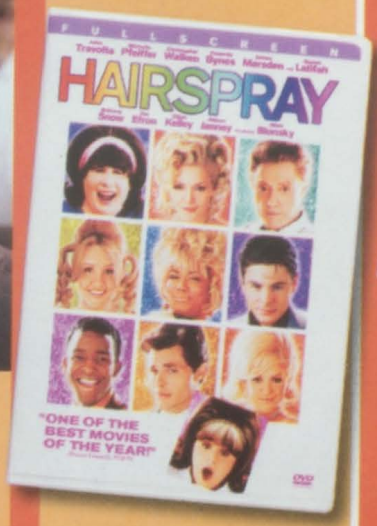
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▲ Matt Damon reprises his role as amnesiac CIA assassin Jason Bourne for *The Bourne Ultimatum*, the third film in the Bourne trilogy based on Robert Ludlum's novels.

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



Best Picture Oscar Nominations

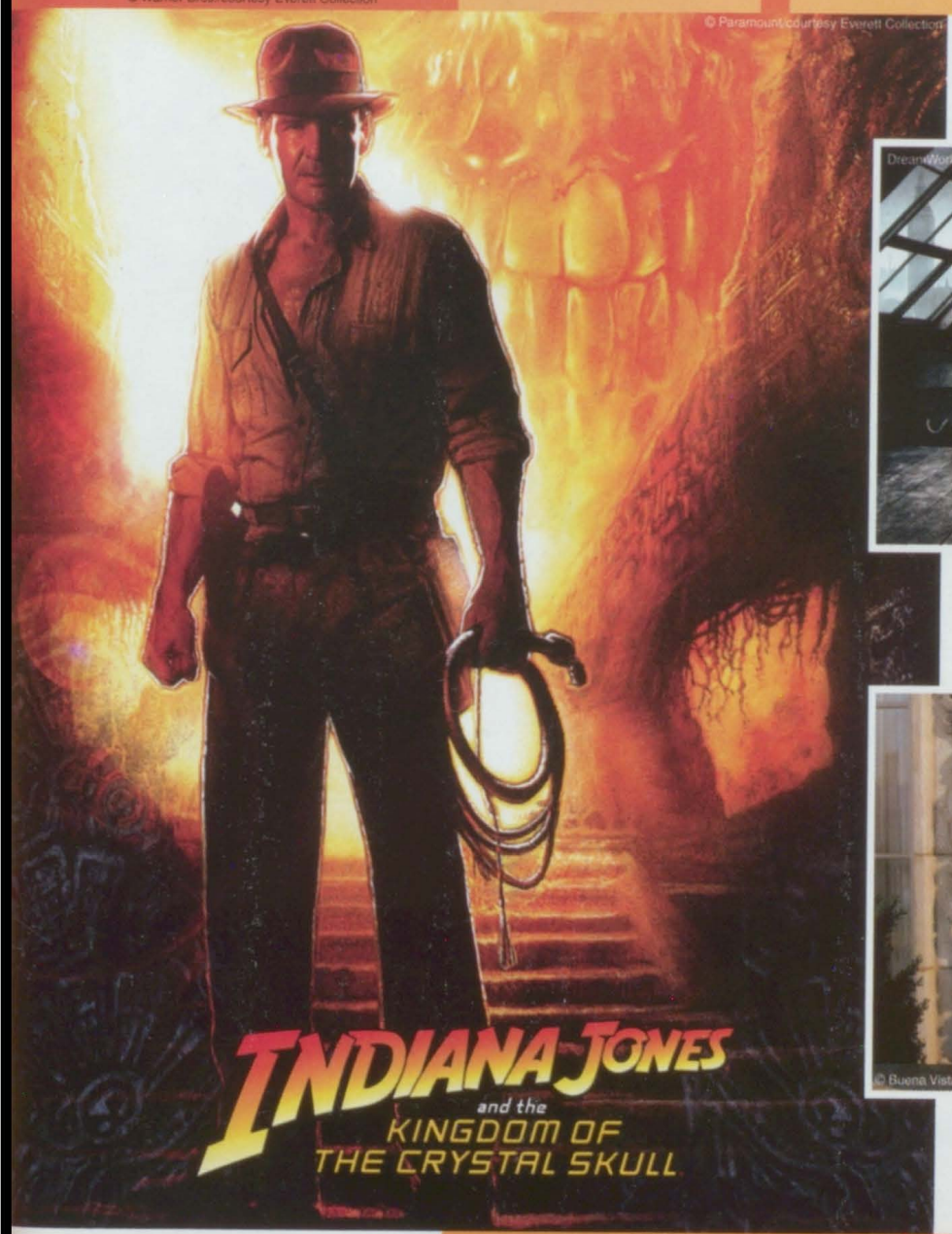
Atonement

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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.

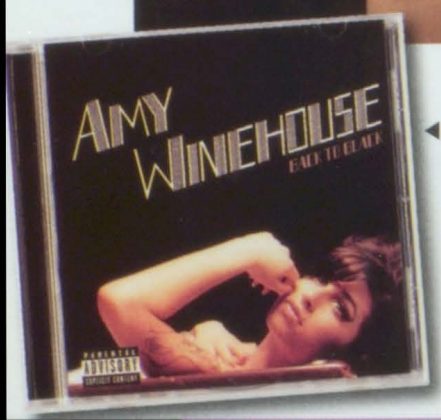
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▼ Fall Out Boy headlines the Honda Civic tour, performs at Live Earth concerts and reaches the top of the charts with the release of their album *Infinity on High*.

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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.

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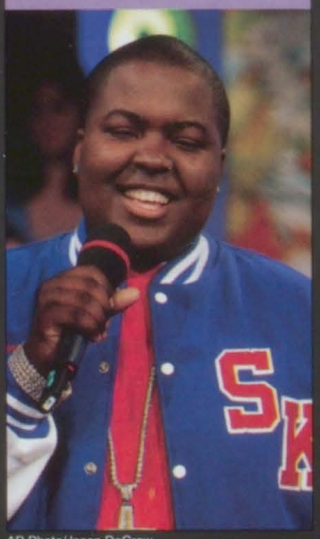


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▲ Rihanna records her third album, *Good Girl Gone Bad*, featuring Jay-Z and Ne-Yo. She receives six Grammy nominations.

▼ 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.



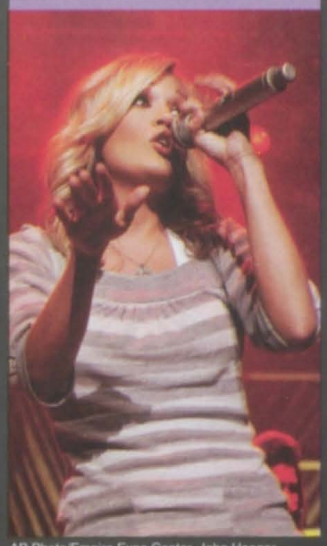
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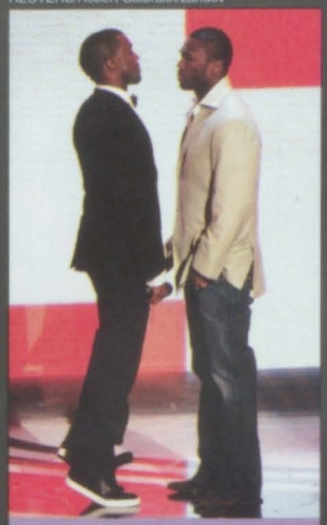
▲ Malibu singer-songwriter Colbie Caillat rises to stardom from MySpace. Her song "Bubbly" garners more than 31 million plays and her CD goes platinum.

▼ 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*.



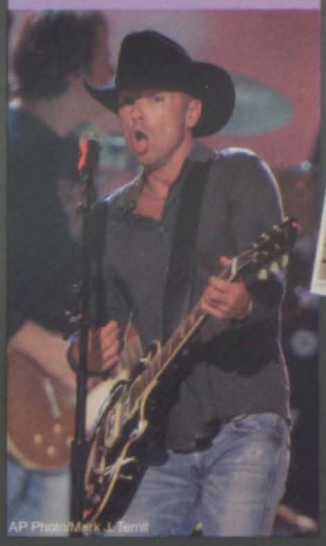
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▲ After facing off at the MTV Music Awards, rapper rivals Kanye West and 50 Cent release albums on September 11 and vie for top sales. Kanye's *Graduation* is the victor.

▼ 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.

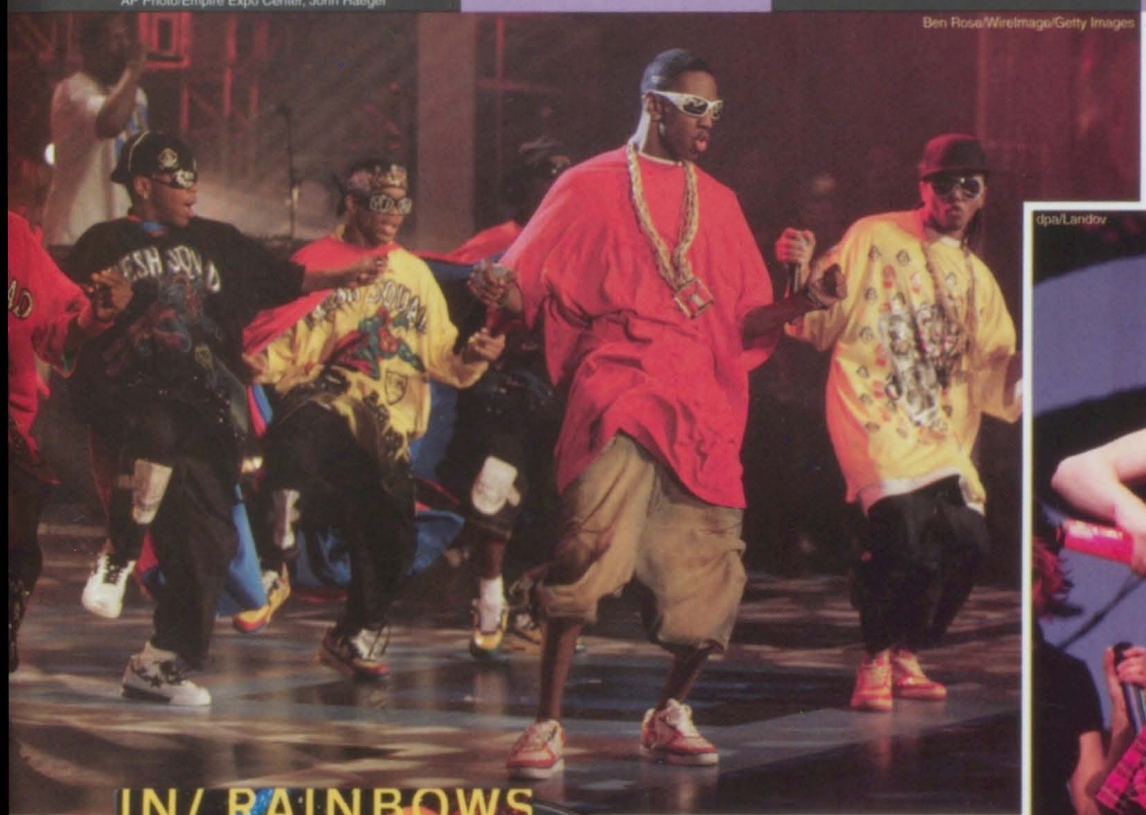


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▲ Hip-hop artist T-Pain releases his second album, *Epiphany*. The album receives four 2008 Grammy nominations and the Vibe 2007 Song of the Year Award.

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◀ 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.



◀ 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.

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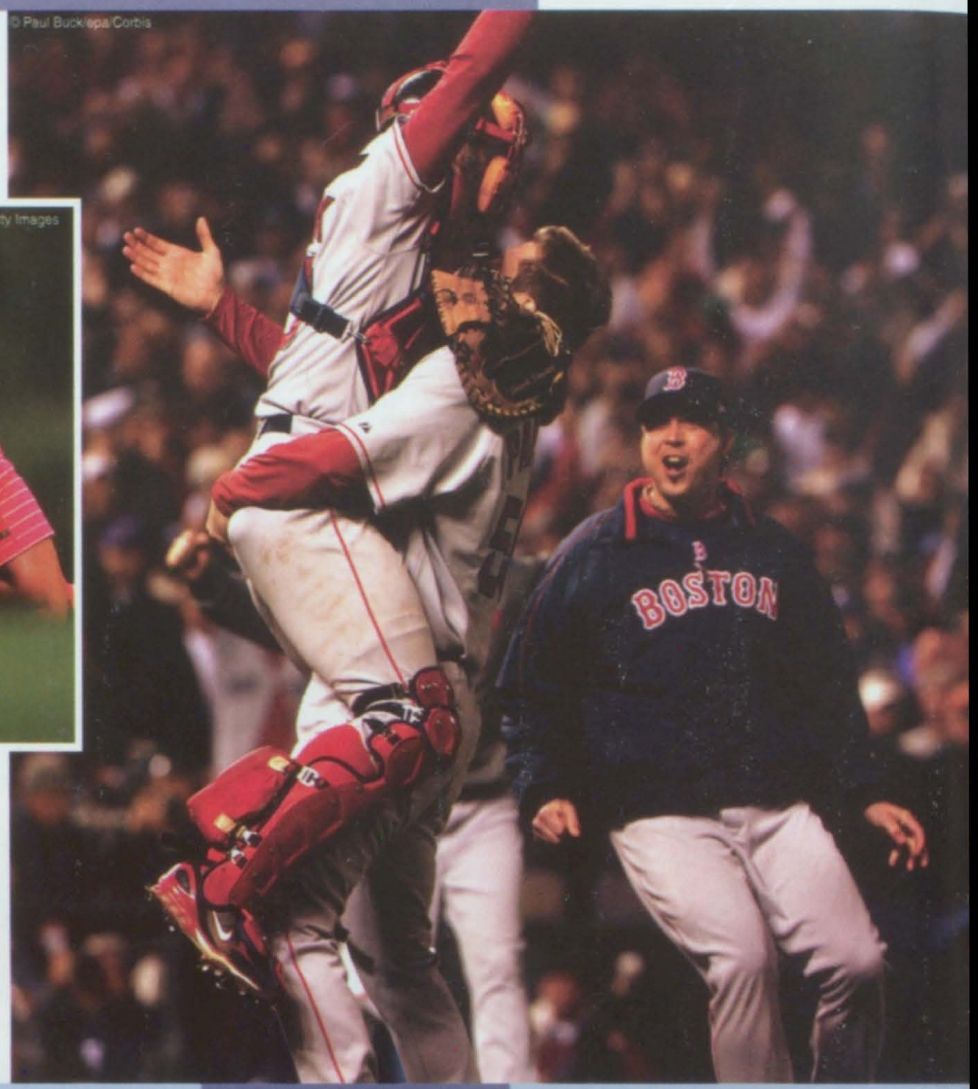


▲ Punk-pop princess Avril Lavigne releases her third album, *The Best Damn Thing*, featuring "Girlfriend," her first No.1 single on the *Billboard* Top 100.

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.

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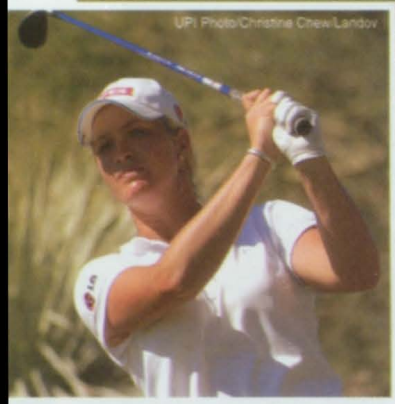


▼ Tiger Woods achieves his record 14th World Golf Championships win at the WGC-Bridgestone Invitational and claims his 60th PGA Tour win at the BMW Championship.

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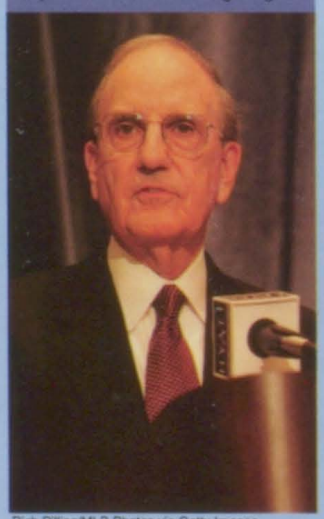


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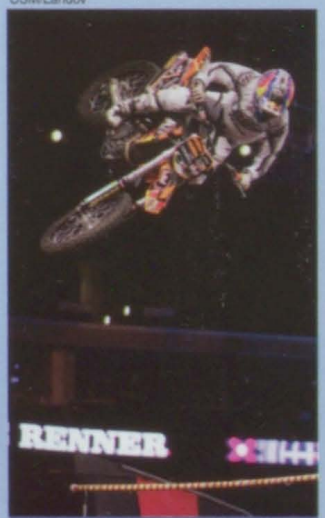
◀ Norwegian golfer Suzann Pettersen wins five LPGA events including her first major championship in a break out season.

▼ 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.



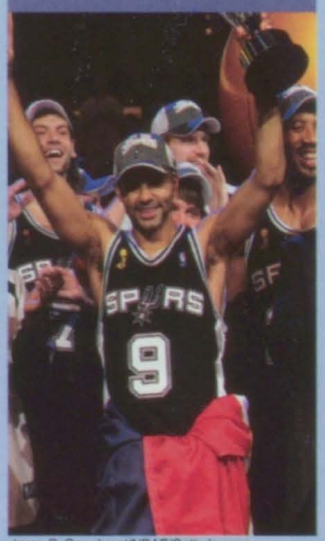
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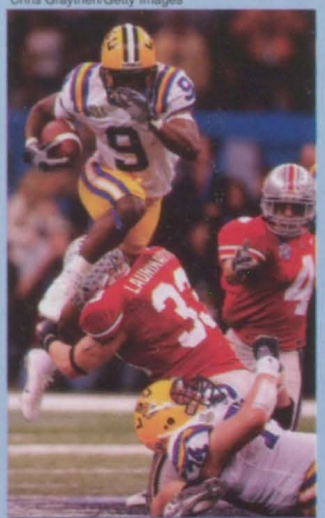
▲ At X-Games 13, Ricky Carmichael wins the first MotoX Racing Circuit, Simon Tabron does back-to-back 900s in BMX Vert and Jake Brown survives a 40-foot fall.

▼ 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.



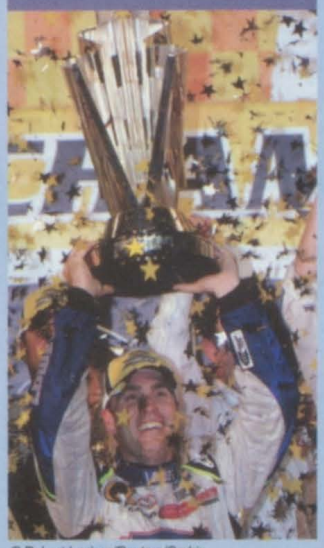
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▲ The LSU Tigers pounce on Ohio State early on their way to a 38-24 victory. LSU is the first two-loss team to compete for and win the BCS National Championship.

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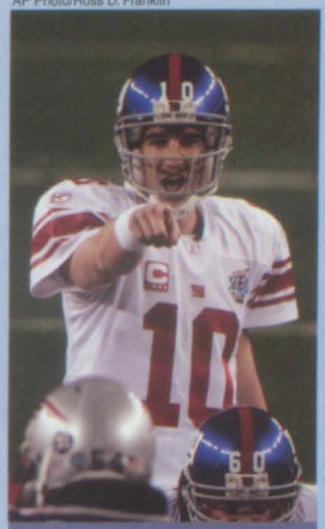
▲ Athletes from around the world train for the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing as the city prepares for the arrival of hundreds of competitors and millions of spectators.

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



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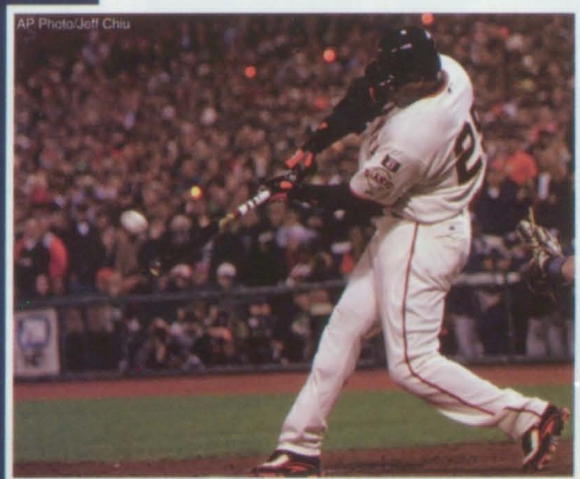
▲ Super Bowl XLII MVP Eli Manning leads the New York Giants on a last-minute scoring drive to upset the heavily favored New England Patriots 17-14, shattering the Patriots' bid for a perfect 19-0 season.



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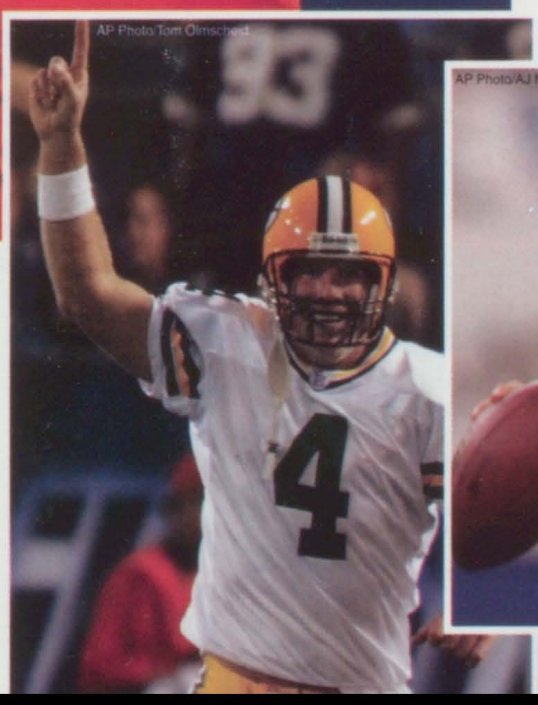
◀ Belgian Justine Henin defeats Russian Svetlana Kuznetsova 6-1, 6-3 to win her second U.S. Open title in New York.

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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.

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▶ 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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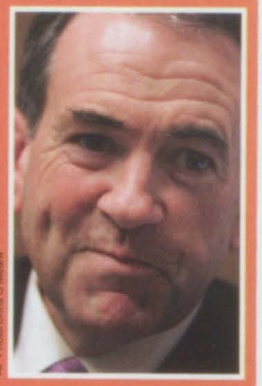
Election '08 Candidates

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



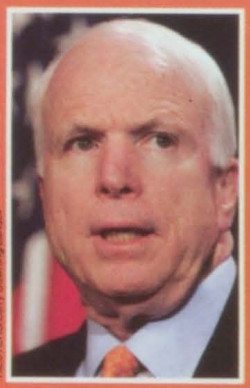
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Hillary Rodham Clinton



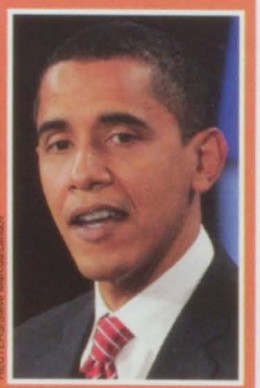
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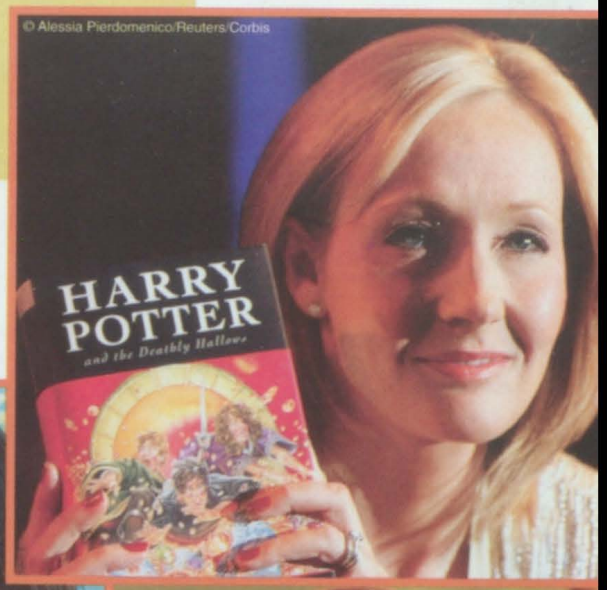
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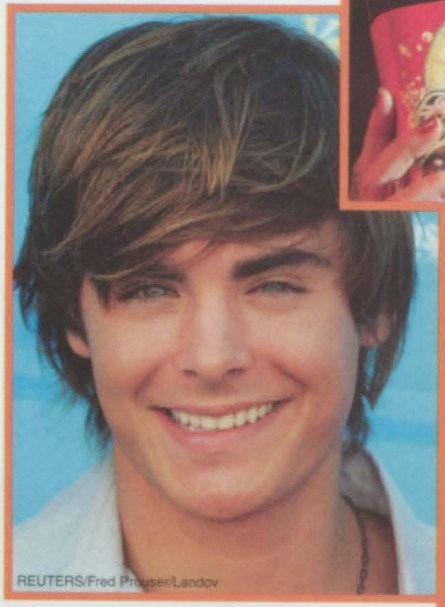
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Barack Obama

▶ *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.



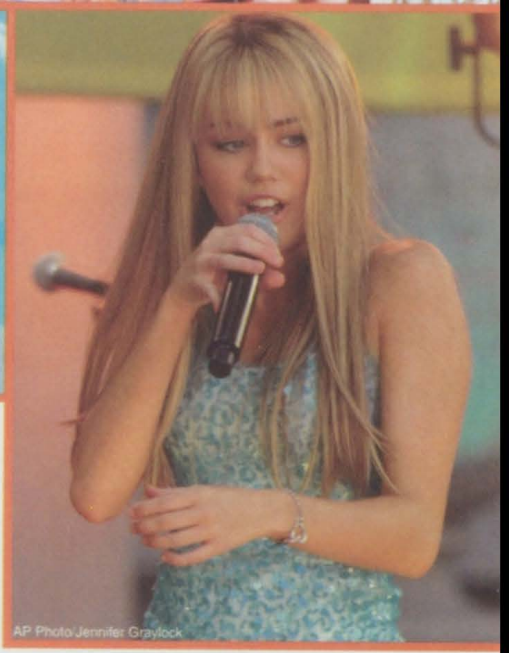
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▲ Heartthrob Zac Efron, who came to fame with his performance in the first *High School Musical*, becomes an even bigger teen star with the release of *High School Musical 2*.

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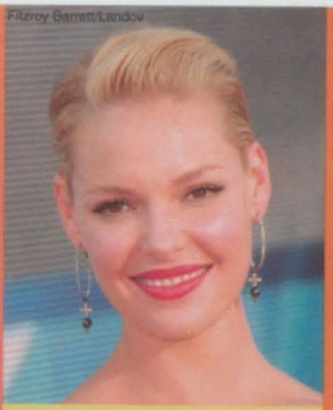
▲ Multi-talented star Queen Latifah becomes the latest spokeswoman for Jenny Craig. Her message isn't about getting skinny, but about losing weight to reduce the risk of Type 2 diabetes.

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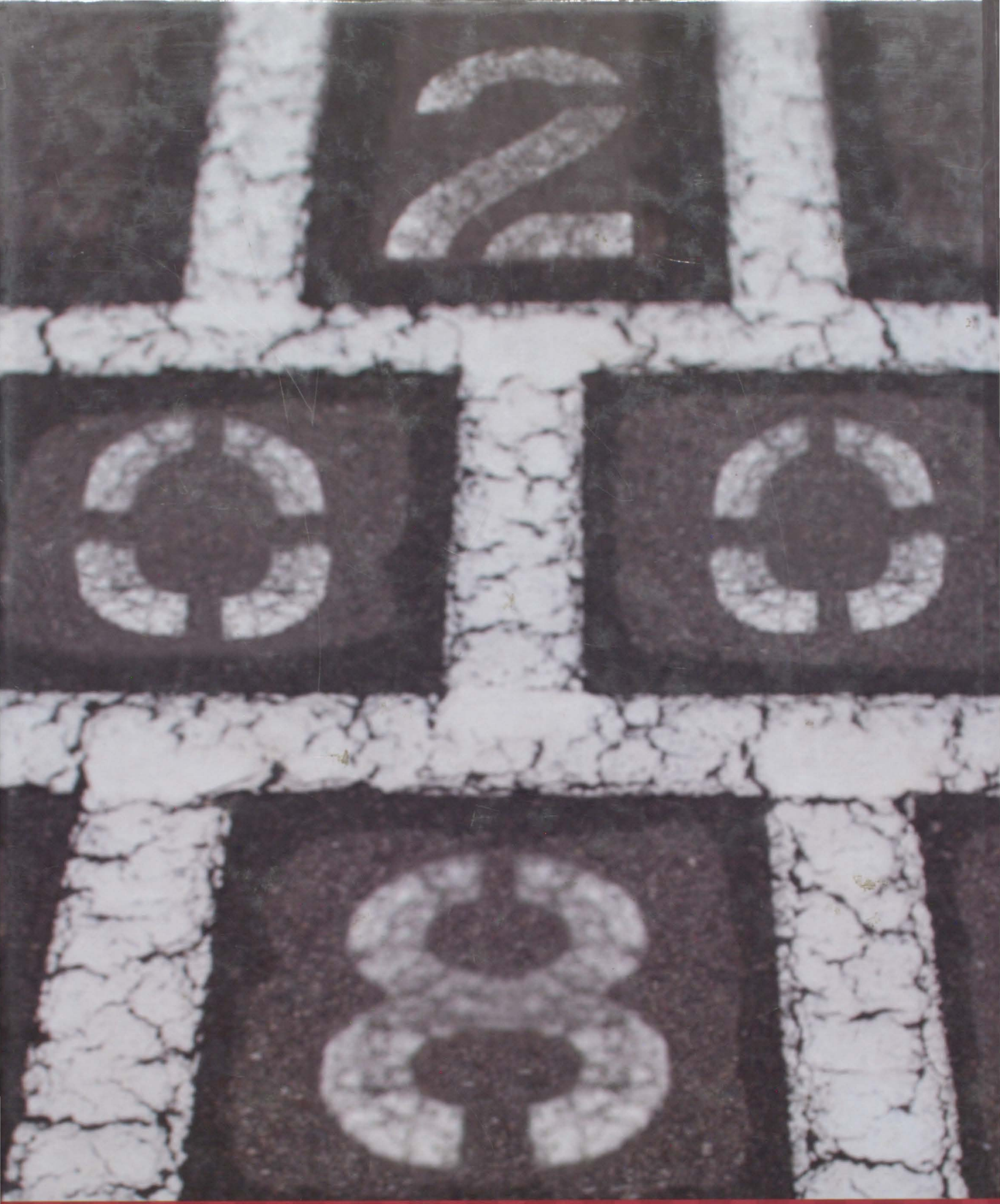
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▲ As Izzie Stevens on ABC's *Grey's Anatomy*, Katherine Heigl is a small-screen star. As Anne Fletcher in the comedy *27 Dresses*, she conquers the big screen as well.

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