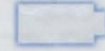


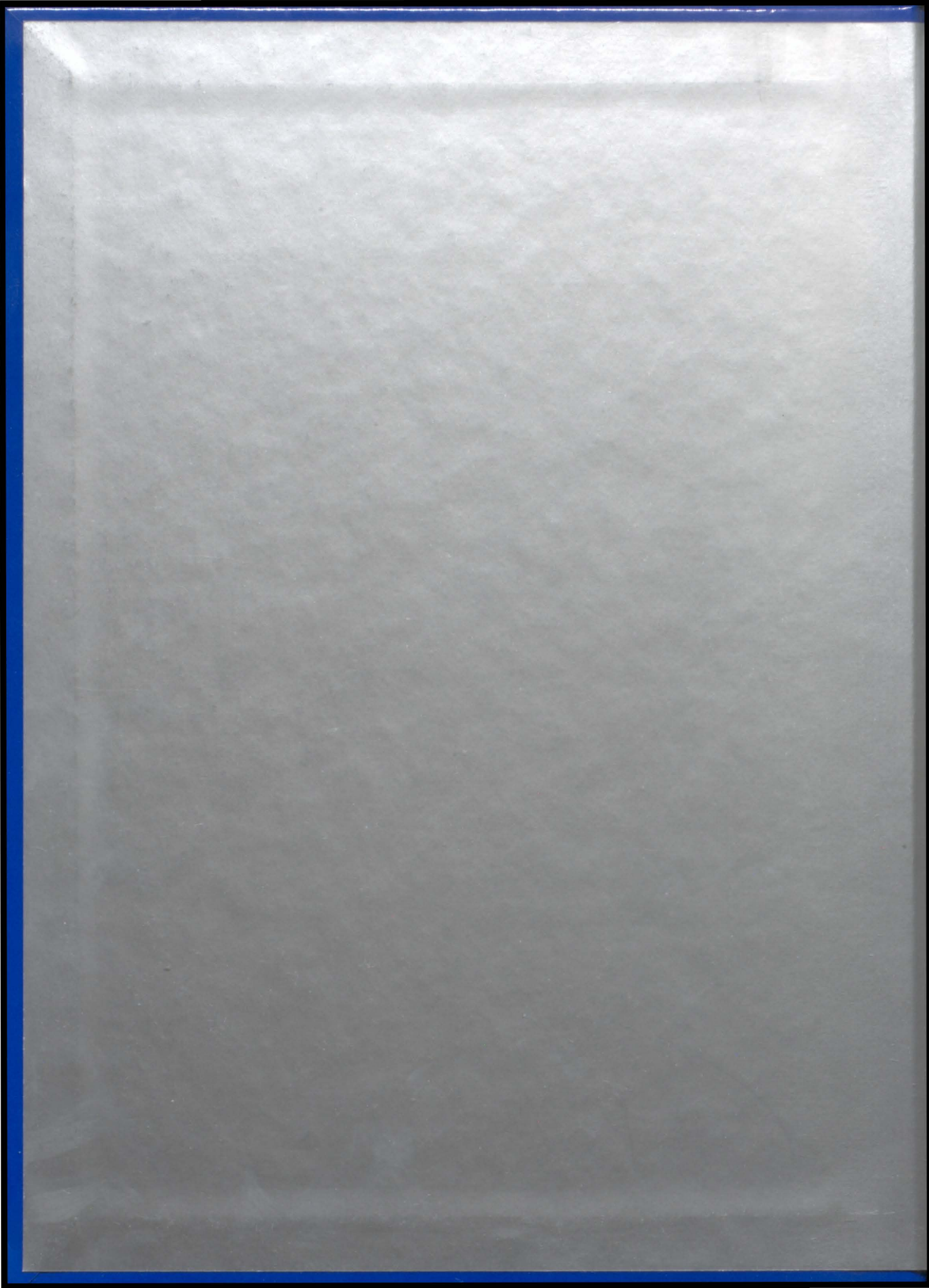
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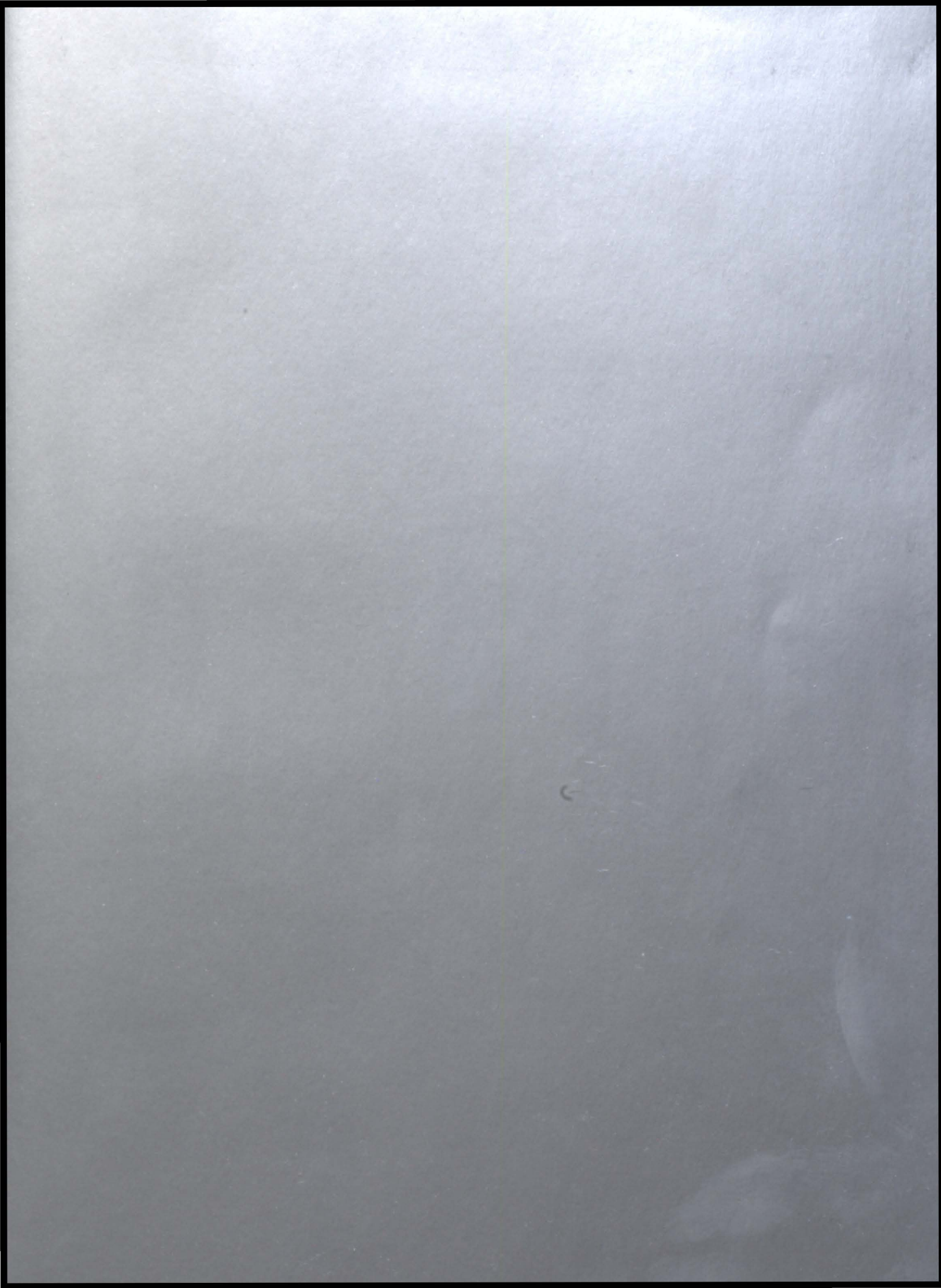


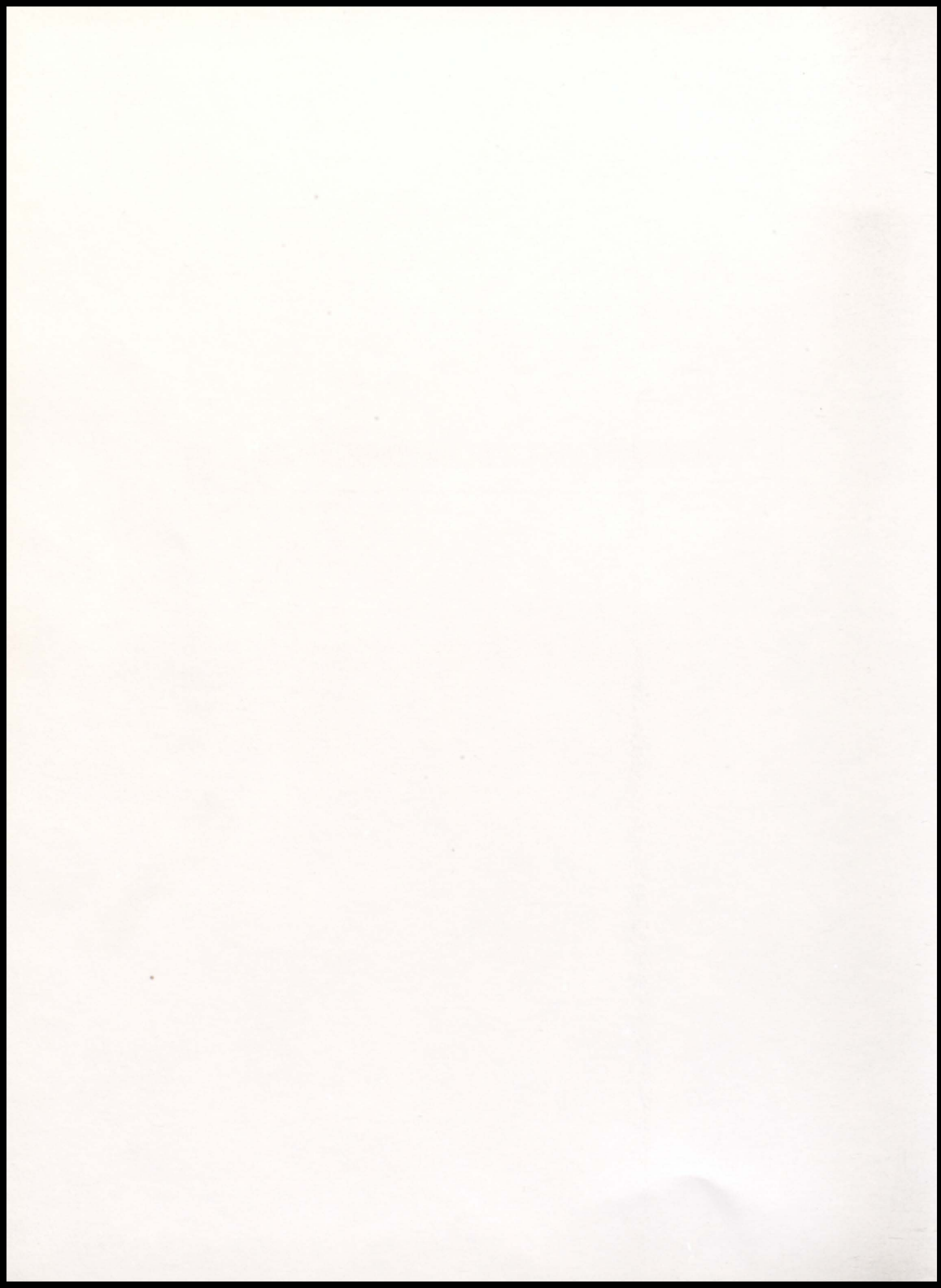
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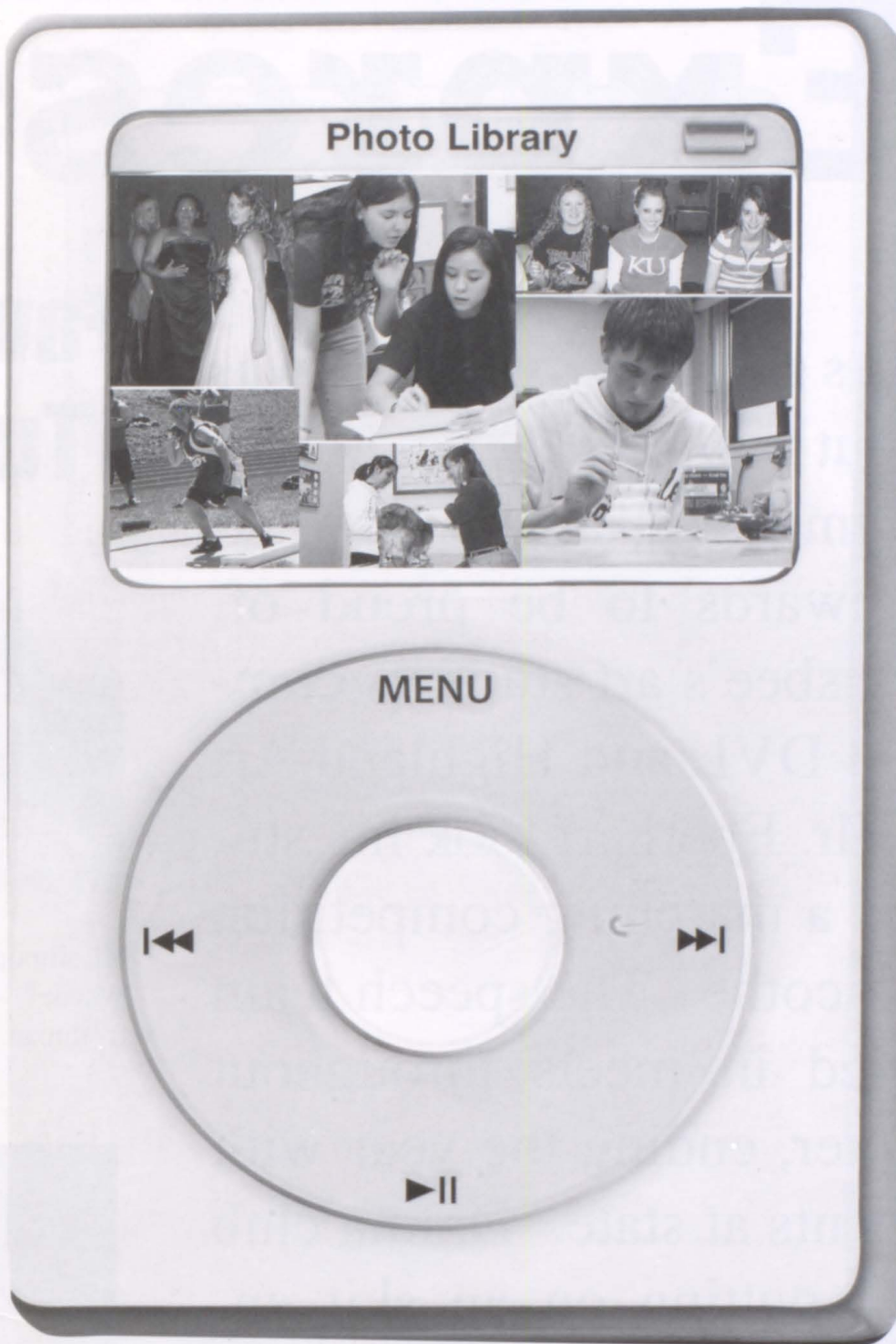
After the iPod was introduced, many accessories were introduced, bearing the i- prefix. From iTheater to iPhones, Apple had made a fortune expanding off this small, music-playing device.

iPods were extremely popular at Troy High School. They were seen in the halls in silver, black, white, pink, blue, green, or any other color you could think of. They also came in different shapes and sizes.

The students at Troy differed just as the iPods did. Each student could be seen walking the halls to his or her own tune.

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Clockwise from top left: Taylor Twombly, Bree Martinez, and Kia Grable dance at Prom; Ashley Miller and Desiree Weatherford plan for the speech meet at Troy; Courtney Miller, Madi Twombly, and Kaitlyn Jordan work on art projects; Caylor Luther puts the finishing touches on his ceramic piece; Jordan Libel helps vet Kelly Jordan during an examination; Brady Adams prepares to release the shotput at a track meet.

iExpress

The arts community at THS was small but dignified. Band, chorus, drama, and art all brought home awards to be proud of. Mrs. Clisbee's art students competed in DVL and Highland Art Days. Mr. Eberhart took his students to a marching competition in Chillicothe. The speech team competed in meets throughout the winter, ending the year with four events at state. Drama club enjoyed putting on a skit entitled "American Idol--Shakespeare Style" in commemoration of the playwright's birthday.

Favorite Tunes



"'Lollipop' by Lil' Wayne" -Levi Dunn, freshman



"'Our Song' by Taylor Swift" -Brandi Morris, junior





Clockwise from left: Kaitlyn Jordan works on a drawing in art; Leslie Osertag practices the baritone in concert band; Heather Adkins and Elizabeth Tharman play their flutes in rehearsal; Jesse Marriot and Caylor Luther enjoy backstage time during the fall play; The cast of the spring musical gather on stage for the finale; Desiree Weatherford strikes her best pose at the Troy speech meet.

Drama Club

~Getting our act together~

The drama club started the year with their fundraiser to get money for expenses for the year. The members sold pizzas, pies, decorations, and different stuff for Christmas from 4 Seasons Fund Raising. Each member had to sell at least 12 items.

For the spring musical, members helped set up the tables and chairs for the dinner theatre March 15. Most of the actors were waiters and waitresses, except for the actors who were the Smith family octet: Kayla DeLeon, Brittany Clary, Colin Greaser, Elizabeth Tharman, Kenneth Tharman, Ashley Miller, Kia Grable, and Desiree Weatherford.

Drama club members also worked at the Troy speech meet April 12. Some

were runners, workers in the tab room or helpers in the hospitality room, and others were timers during finals.

For William Shakespeare's birthday, the drama club officers put together a Shakespearean version of "American Idol." Jena Johnson, Madi Twombly, and Kaitlyn Jordan were the judges, and DeLeon, Elizabeth Tharman, Daniel Dominguez, and Ashley Miller were the contestants. Johnson was Randy Jackson, Twombly was Paula Abdul, and Jordan was Simon Cowell. DeLeon was Ophelia from *Hamlet*, Tharman was Beatrice from *Much Ado About Nothing*, and Dominguez and Miller were Romeo and Juliet, texting the lines to each other.

Right: "Logout." Daniel Dominguez and Ashley Miller act out *Romeo and Juliet*, with texting, for Shakespeare's birthday. They won the contest. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Above: Bailey Morgan works in the hospitality room at the Troy speech meet. Mrs. Helen Tuley was in charge of the hospitality room. Photo by Hannah Simpson

Right: Drama Club: Front Row: Secretary Elizabeth Tharman, Vice President Kaitlyn Jordan, President Jena Johnson, Treasurer Kayla DeLeon, and Historian Brittany Clary. Row 2: Hana Speaks, Leslie Ostertag, Kayla Hixson, Ashley Miller, Hannah Simpson, Kia Grable, Mackenzie Clary, Whitlea Klaus, and Desiree Weatherford. Row 3: Caylor Luther, Cameron Blanton, Kenneth Tharman, Colin Greaser, Jesse Marriott, Daniel Dominguez, Brennan Wehner, and Garrett Fenley. Row 4: Clyde Hixson, Sarah Grueb, Madi Twombly, Ethan Robinson, Tim Griffin, and Andrew Robinson. Not pictured is sponsor Martha-Jean Rockey. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Below: For Shakespeare's birthday, Elizabeth Tharman portrays Beatrice from *Much Ado About Nothing* in a Shakespearean version of "American Idol." Photo by Kimberly Clary



Below: Caylor Luther plays Robin Hood in the fall play *The Legend of Robin Hood...Sort of*. Instead of a bow and arrow, he pulls out a bow and violin. Photo by Jordan Libel



What was your favorite part about drama club?

"I really like being able to show my creativity and hang out with my friends."

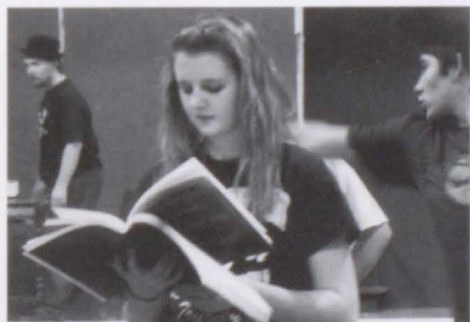
-Brittany Clary



Left: Jena Johnson, Madi Twombly, and Kaitlyn Jordan judge a Shakespearean "American Idol." Johnson portrayed Randy Jackson; Twombly, Paula Abdul; and Jordan, Simon Cowell. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Above: Desiree Weatherford checks off what sheets are put together for the judges at the speech meet. Photo by Brittany Clary



Left: Kia Grable looks at the lyrics to "Skip To My Lou" for her solo, during practice for the spring musical. Photo by Kimberly Clary

Left: Brittany Clary keeps the results from the speech meet up to date in the tab room. Others in the tab room were Jena Johnson, Madi Twombly, and Kayla DeLeon. Photo by Hannah Simpson

The Legend of Robin Hood...Sort of

A tale about a Hood, a fat friar, a witch who speaks in riddles, Minute Maids, and love

Maid Marian, Ashley Miller, talks to King John, her uncle, played by Colin Greaser, about the party being thrown for her. "It's my party and I'll cry if I want to," says Maid Marian when all of a sudden, Merry Maids burst onstage and sing, "You would cry too if it happened to you!"

The fall play, *The Legend of Robin Hood...Sort Of* was a corny way of telling the real legend of Robin Hood. There were jokes written into the play about Hulk Hogan, Minute Maids, and "chip monks." The Merry Maids also did a dance to "Wannabe" by the Spice Girls.

While the matinee was the regular play with nothing extra put in, a few comical moments were added into the play during the Friday night performance.



Right: "We love Robin." Frieda, Brittany Clary; Sue, Kayla Hixson; and Annie, Kayla DeLeon; hold a sign the Merry Maids made while they listen to Little John telling them what he expects. "They're my Minute Maids." Photo by Jordan Libel

While the Merry Maids were performing their dance, Daniel Dominguez, who played Friar Tuck, came onto the stage and started dancing along to the music. Another funny moment was when Robin Hood's (Caylor Luther) sword broke in a fight. When the sword broke, he called out, "What do we do now?"

Instead of a straightforward curtain call, the cast repeated the whole play in "fast-motion" at the end. One night during the fast version of the play, King Richard, Brennan Wehner, broke his sword while he was knighting Robin Hood.

The theatre arts class put the walls up for the play. Tim Griffin, Andrew Robinson, and Cameron Blanton ran lights and sound for the play and Madi Twombly designed the forest.



Left: "Where is that voice? It sounds like Robin!" Maid Marian, Ashley Miller, finds Robin Hood in a small cell after he was captured by the Sheriff of Nottingham. Photo by Jordan Libel

Above: "Did I just hear something?" The Sheriff of Nottingham, Kenneth Tharman, hears Little John (Jesse Marriott) and doesn't know where he is. "I call for help all day, and he hears the tree?" says Witch Waye. Photo by Jordan Libel



Below: "En garde." Clyde Hixson, the guard of King John, is defeated by Frieda, played by Brittany Clary; Sue, Kayla Hixson; and Annie, Kayla DeLeon, during an epic fight. Photo by Kacie Fenley



Below: "Beware of the woman." Witch Waye, Elizabeth Tharman, tells Robin Hood that a woman will betray him. He thought it was Maid Marian, but it ended up being Witch Waye. Photo by Jordan Libel



What did you like about the play?

"The humor, especially the scene when Little John is afraid that Robin Hood is coming on to him."

-Elizabeth Tharman, Witch Waye

Below left: "Rise Robin of Locksley, you are no longer a Hood." King Richard, Brennan Wehner, knights Robin Hood while Maid Marian, Ashley Miller, watches. Photo by Jordan Libel



Above: "We will, we will rock you." Robin Hood and Little John, Jesse Marriott, fight on top of a log while being cheered on by their fans and the commentators. Photo by Kacie Fenley



Left: "Wanted: Dead or Alive." The Sheriff of Nottingham, Kenneth Tharman posts a sign that says "Wanted Dead or Alive: Robin Hood." The sheriff could only draw a stick person. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Left: Front Row: Kaitlyn Jordan, Emily Cluck, Daniel Dominguez, Elizabeth Tharman, Lacey Smith, and Bailey Morgan. Row 2: Clyde Hixson, Brennan Wehner, Jesse Marriott, Caylor Luther, Ashley Miller, Colin Greaser, Sarah Greub, and Madi Twombly. Row 3: Kayla DeLeon, Kayla Hixson, Brittany Clary, Ethan Robinson, and Kenneth Tharman. Row 4: Leslie Ostertag, Jena Johnson, Hana Speaks, Kia Grable, Hannah Simpson, Whitlea Klaus, and Mackenzie Clary. Not pictured is Director Martha-Jean Rockey. Photo by Jordan Libel

Meet Me in St. Louis

~“Meet me at the fair”~

Meet Me in St. Louis was performed by the drama club March 13, 14, and with the dinner theatre March 15. It is a tale about a family who loves living in St. Louis, Missouri, and doesn't want to move to New York. The Smith family is made up of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, played by Jesse Marriott and Kayla DeLeon; Esther, Elizabeth Tharman; Rose, Kia Grable; Lon, Kenneth Tharman; Tootie, Desiree Weatherford; and Agnes, played by Ashley Miller.

For Halloween, Tootie and Agnes cause trouble by putting a dress belonging to Katie (Brittany Clary) on the trolley tracks for a prank. That same night, Mr. Smith tells the family that they're moving to New York.

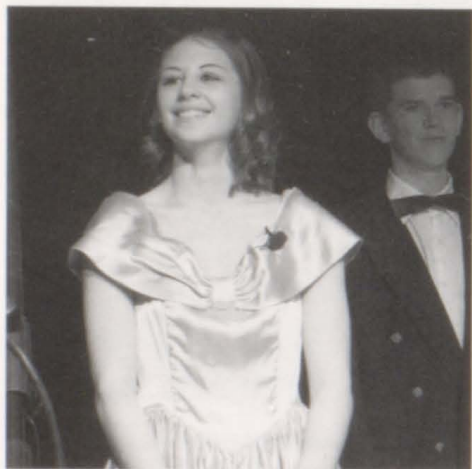
This destroys Esther's hopes because she has fallen in love with John Truitt (Daniel Dominguez), the boy next door.

When Tootie tells Esther that John hit her, Esther gives John “a touch of the Irish” by hitting and kicking him. In the end, Mr. Smith decides that the family would stay in St. Louis “till they rot,” and they get to see the World's Fair once again.

“[The most memorable part was] when Colin and I fell down the stairs at the end of the musical, and when Colin was dancing during the play with the cane,” said Kenneth Tharman.

Tim Griffin made the trolley for the musical, Bill Koehler controlled the sound system, Mr. Ken Eberhart choreographed the dances and played percussion, and Mrs. Martha Jean-Rockey directed and accompanied.

Right: Rose Smith, played by Kia Grable, talks to Warren Sheffield, her boyfriend, hoping that he will propose to her during his long-distance call from New York. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Above: Lucille Ballard, played by Leslie Ostertag, gets ready to dance “The Banjo.” Photo by Kimberly Clary

Right: Front Row: Clyde Hixson, Brittany Clary, Ashley Miller, Desiree Weatherford, Elizabeth Tharman, and Kayla Hixson. Row 2: Leslie Ostertag, Whitlea Klaus, Hannah Simpson, Kayla DeLeon, Colin Greaser, Daniel Dominguez, and Mackenzie Clary. Row 3: Brennan Wehner, Cameron Blanton, Caylor Luther, Kenneth Tharman, Kia Grable, Jesse Marriott, Garrett Fenley, and Emily Cluck. Not pictured is Director Martha Jean-Rockey. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Below: Tootie and Agnes Smith, played by Desiree Weatherford and Ashley Miller, talk about what they're going to do for Halloween: throw flour in peoples' faces. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Below: "You'll Hear a Bell." Mrs. Smith, played by Kayla DeLeon, sings to Esther, Elizabeth Tharman, about how she knew she was in love with Mr. Smith. Photo by Kimberly Clary



What did you like about the musical?

"I liked singing with Elizabeth..."

-Daniel Dominguez,
John Truitt



Left: The Smith family, Kayla DeLeon, Elizabeth Tharman, Colin Greaser, Kenneth Tharman, Kia Grable, Desiree Weatherford, Ashley Miller, and Jesse Marriott, gathers at the table for dinner, while Katie, played by Brittany Clary, gets the dessert. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Above: Tootie listens to Esther as she tries to cheer her up with "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas." Tootie was upset because she didn't want to move to New York City. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Left: Clyde Hixon, trolleyman, along with a group of people on the trolley, Garrett Fenley, Emily Cluck, Kayla Hixson, Mackenzie Clary, Whitlea Klaus, Hannah Simpson, and Caylor Luther, sing "The Trolley Song." Photo by Kimberly Clary

Left: Grandpa Prophater, played by Colin Greaser, and Lon, Kenneth Tharman, listen as Mr. Smith tells the family that they are not moving to New York City. Photo by Kimberly Clary

Speech and Theater

The theater arts class did many different activities this year. The class was taught by Martha-Jean Rockey. They put up the set for the fall and spring plays, worked through a pantomiming unit to learn body control and learned acting skills such as improvising and acting out scenarios. The class was small with only eight students.

"I liked all the fun acting activities we did and reading lines," said sophomore Carrington Jamvold.

The speech team, which was also directed by Mrs. Rockey, was very successful. The speech team members were freshmen Whitlea Klaus and Mackenzie Clary, sophomores Desiree Weatherford, Daniel Dominguez, Kenneth Tharman, and Ashley Miller, and senior Elizabeth Tharman.

"It was a good experience and I'm glad I did it," said Mackenzie Clary.

"We were small but mighty! All the competitors earned at least one medal!" said Mrs. Rockey.

The team traveled to many meets as well as hosting. Ashley Miller, Daniel Dominguez and Elizabeth Tharman advanced to state. Daniel received a 1 rating in prose and poetry, Ashley received a 2 rating on poetry, and Elizabeth received a 3 rating for her informative speech.

"I was excited to get my ratings. I had a lot of fun last year and this year, and hopefully I will get to go back next year," said Dominguez.

Right: Elizabeth Tharman performs her informative speech on female pirates. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Above: Daniel Dominguez, Ashley Miller, and Elizabeth Tharman competed at the state speech competition at Kansas City Kansas Community College. Photo by Mr. Lyle Rockey

Right: Daniel Dominguez performs "The Selfish Giant" at awards night. Daniel performed two pieces. The other was "To Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street." Photo by Kimberly Clary



Below: In senior English, Courtney Turpin presents her book report on *Daisy Miller* with visuals. Photo by Jordan Libel



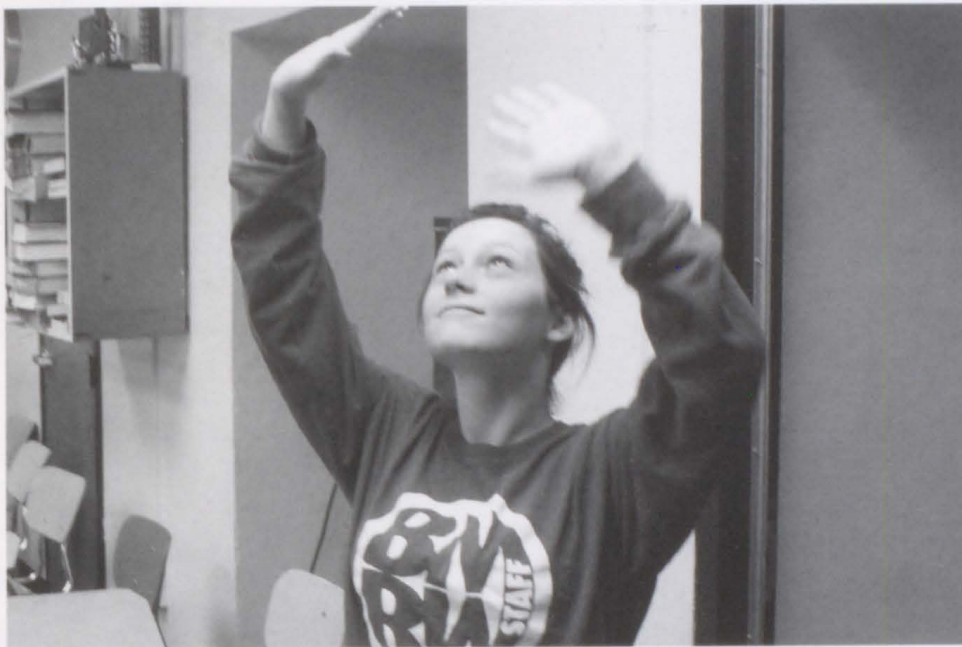
Below: Ashley Miller reads her poetry piece "You're Only Old Once" by Dr. Seuss. Photo by Kimberly Clary



What did you think about the speech team getting recognized at awards night?

"It was nice to see some of the hard work we put in get rewarded."

- Kenneth Tharman



Left: Beth Siard demonstrates the miming exercises that students did in theater arts class. Photo by Hannah Simpson



Above: Carrington Jamvold acts like a cat. This was a project the theater arts class did, to practice body control. Photo by Hannah Simpson



Left: Elizabeth Tharman receives her speech team letter at awards night from Mrs. Rockey. She had participated in speech all four years of high school. Photo by Kimberly Clary

Left: Mackenzie Clary, Elizabeth Tharman, and Whitlea Klaus listen as Mrs. Rockey reflects on the speech team season. Photo by Kimberly Clary

Band and Choir

The band and choir groups welcomed a new teacher, Mr. Ken Eberhart. "Mr. E" as students called him, made many changes.

He brought back the marching band, which marched at home football games and participated in the Chillicothe Christmas Parade and the World's of Fun Band Festival.

"I felt it was a good attempt to bring change and variety to Troy High School," said senior Elizabeth Tharman.

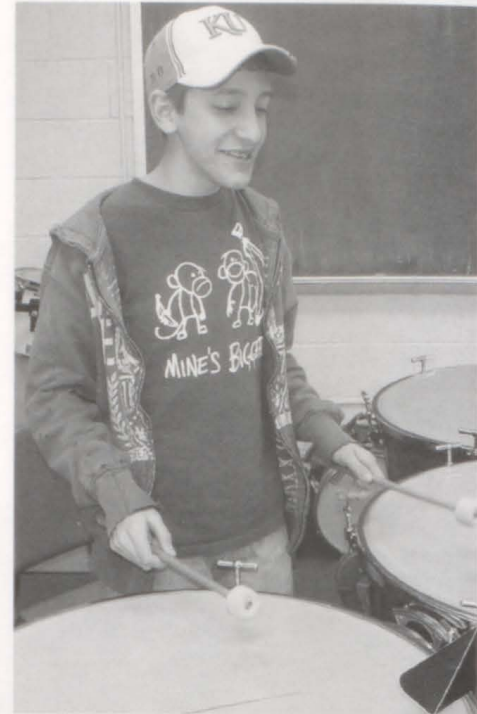
The concert band class was also very busy. They played pep band at home football and basketball games, in fall and spring concerts, and in the KSHSAA music contest.

The choir class was very active. The class sang at school concerts and at the gazebo when Santa came to town. Small groups performed at the Re-

naissance Festival and participated in a contest at Benedictine College.

"The thing that I enjoyed most was the fact that I sang my heart out every class. At concert time I was ready to go. That's called DEDICATION!" said senior Levi Jenkins.

"This year has been rewarding for me because I am proud of the renewed interest and effort by the students during marching band season. The choir and concert band are both looking to improve their contest scores, and overall, I am happy to be here in Troy," said Mr. Eberhart.



Right: Sonny Ivey demonstrates how to play his piece on the timpani. Photo by Hannah Simpson

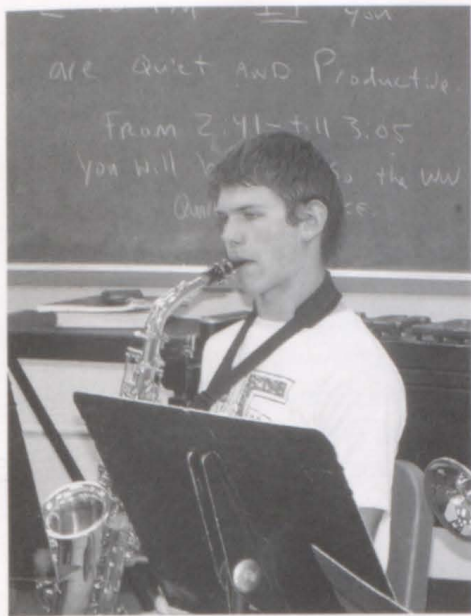


Above: Mr. Eberhart leads band students during rehearsal for their upcoming performance. Photo by Hannah Simpson



Right: The choir class performs at their spring concert. Front Row: Mickayla Shelton, Tiffany Weatherford, and Kayla Boyle and Nroh Wykert. Row 2: Kathy Grugel, Kayla Hixson, and Krystle O'Connor. Row 3: Alyssa Ashworth, Kayla DeLeon, Micah Bembrick, Ashley Miller, and Jordan Miller. Row 4: Jake Smith, Aaron Shelton, Cameron Blanton, and Levi Jenkins. Photo by Kimberly Clary

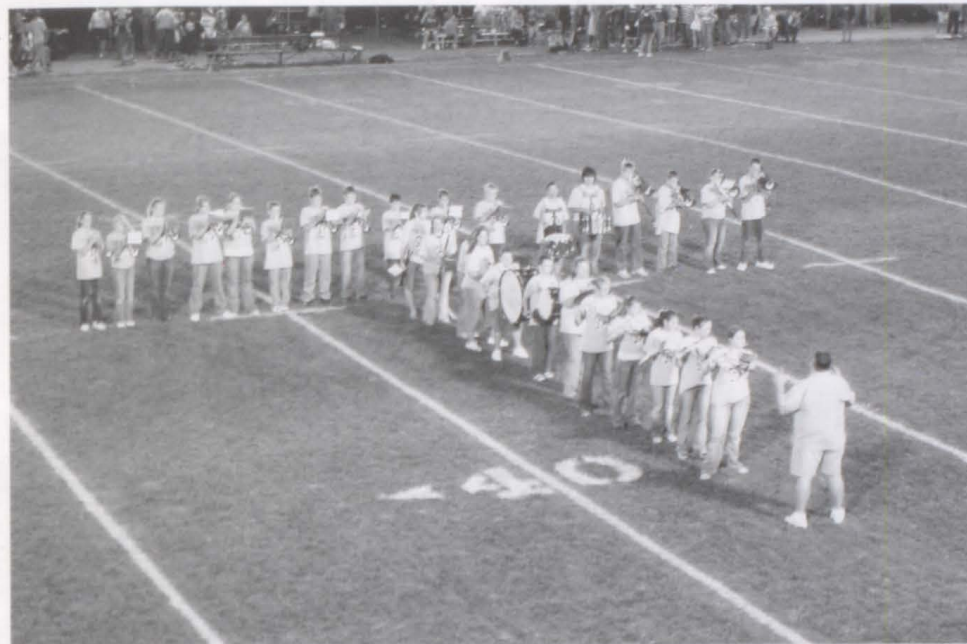
Below: Kenneth Tharman practices for the upcoming spring concert. Photo by Hannah Simpson



Below: Daniel Dominguez performs a dance for the crowd at the Renaissance Festival. Photo by Bea Koehler



Music washes
away from the
soul the dust of
everyday life.
~Berthold
Auerbach



Left: The Trojan Marching Band performs for the crowd at a football game. Photo by Kayla DeLeon



Above: Band Class Front Row: Elizabeth Tharman, Tanner Weishaar, Kelli Marriott, Amanda Clary, Airyan Boyle, Kayla Boyle, Heather Adkins, Sarah Greub, and Brittany Clary. Row 2: Hanna King, Marianne Anderson, Reece Simpson, Jordan Thornberry, Preston Foley, Christopher Tharman, Cole Hanson, Austin Weis, and Jacob Winkel. Row 3: Shane Miller, Sonny Ivey, Paige Fenley, Jeff Weatherford, Tanna Meng, Daniel Cordineer, Thomas Hegarty, Carmen Turpin, and Daniel Dominguez. Row 4: Claire Turpin, Chasity Wetmore, Kenneth Tharman, and Mr. Eberhart.



Left: Elizabeth Tharman, Kayla DeLeon, Kathy Grugel, Kayla Hixson, and Mr. Eberhart perform a song at the Renaissance Festival. Photo by Bea Koehler

Left: Choir Class Front Row: Elizabeth Tharman, Kayla Hixson, Emily Cluck, Ashley Miller, Krystle O'Connor, Micah Bembrick, April Porter, Kayla DeLeon, and Brittany Clary. Row 2: Kathy Grugel, Jordan Miller, Brittany Wetmore, Bailey Morgan, Heather Adkins, and Alyssa Ashworth. Row 3: Brent Schultz, Nick Ploeger, Sonny Ivey, Brandon Smith, Ross Libel, Aaron Shelton, Levi Jenkins, and Daniel Dominguez. Row 4: Kameron Duncan, Andrew Robinson, and Mr. Eberhart.

Art

"The aim of art is to represent not the outward appearance of things, but their inward significance." ~Aristotle

The art class kicked off another exciting year, with Mrs. Nancy Clisbee teaching. The art program had much success. Students participated in and did very well in many contests. In the "Kansas...Don't Spoil It" calendar contest, Madison Twombly, Jacob Clary and Kaeleb Zeltwantger all placed first statewide. They had their pictures put in the calendar and Twombly's was placed on the cover. Hana Speaks and Katie Cluck both placed second.

The "Kansas...Beautiful as You Think" competition, Design-An-Ad, DVL Art Festival and the HCC Art day were the

other contests the class entered and had much success with. They also designed t-shirts for the Troy Pride Committee to choose from. The art history team, which consisted of Madison Twombly, Courtney Miller, Kaitlyn Jordan, and Steven Clary, went undefeated, winning both the DVL and HCC competitions.

The students gained experience working with ceramics, photography, Photoshop, figure drawing, and pastels.

"My favorite part of art was Photoshop. It was a lot of fun, and I love working with computers," said sophomore Lucas Birdsley.

"I enjoyed art a lot. Mrs. Clisbee is one of my favorite teachers, and I plan on taking art throughout my high school career," said freshman Christina Liechti.

Students visited the Nelson-Atkins Museum during the all-school field trip. "I loved seeing all the old artwork; it's fun to see stuff from really old artists. I wish we could have spent more time there," said senior Madi Twombly.

"I have to say this was our most 'winning year' ever! We had success in events of all different kinds. The students did an overwhelmingly terrific job," said Mrs. Clisbee.



Above: Juniors Jake Smith and Auten Huss view the art work that had been hung at the Highland Community College Art Day. Photo by Mrs. Nancy Clisbee.

Right: Senior Caylor Luther gets covered in cling wrap by his teammates. He was the model for the cling wrap competition at the Delaware Valley League Art Festival. The team, consisting of seniors Luther and Jena Johnson, and sophomores, Hana Speaks and Kia Grable, placed second and received a ribbon and a bag of candy. Photo by Nancy Clisbee



Below: Sophomore Jacob Clary works on glazing his pot. The students had the chance to work on the pottery wheel, in which Clary participated. Photo by Hannah Simpson



Below: Senior Laci Ashford works on a pastel. The students were given time to work on a project of their choice during the independent work time. Photo by Hannah Simpson



How did you feel your last year at Troy went?

~ "It went great!! The number and variety of events where we had success was overwhelming. The final win at the HCC in the Art History quiz was really the icing on the cake!!" - Mrs. Clisbee

Below Left: The 2007-2008 art class. Front Row: Joey Pasch, Clyde Hixson, Levi Dunn, Kaeleb Zeltwanger, and Steven Clary. Row 2: Mrs. Clisbee, Mackenzie Clary, Kimberly Clary, Kia Grable, Hannah Simpson, Courtney Miller, and Katie Cluck. Row 3: Jacob Pasch, Hana Speaks, Anthony Hayes, Lucas Birdsley, Auten Huss, and Jake Smith. Row 4: Levi Jenkins, Jacob Clary, Paul Ward, Eli Smith, Caylor Luther, Garrett Fenley, and Peter Masters. Row 5: Samantha Stanton, Desiree Weatherford, Christina Ivey, Madison Twombly, Kaitlyn Jordan, Jena Johnson, and Leslie Ostertag.



Above: Freshman Eli Smith, senior Jena Johnson, sophomore Leslie Ostertag and freshman Peter Masters wore bags on their heads for the tall clay competition that they participated in at the HCC Art Day. They tried to build the tallest tower they could make with three pounds of clay in five minutes, but the catch was that they couldn't see what they were doing. Photo by Mrs. Clisbee



Left: Freshman Kaeleb Zeltwanger works on putting on the top of his team's tall clay tower. Zeltwanger along with his teammates in the tall clay competition at the DVL Art Festival worked on building this project. Photo by Mrs. Clisbee

Left: Seniors Anthony Hayes, Levi Jenkins, Christina Ivey, and Courtney Miller work on painting the field for Homecoming. All the art seniors helped paint. Photo by Hana Speaks

iLearn

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” And change is exactly what students at Troy strived for. To better the school, the community, and country, and, yes, the world. And they had the education to do so.

Once again the high school made AYP, a goal that grew tougher every year. As seniors prepared for future education or the workforce, underclassmen chose classes for the years to come to better themselves. From science experiments to book reports, from work study programs to weight training classes, each student worked to prepare him or herself for life outside the halls of Troy High School.

For, as Robert M. Hutchins said, “The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives.”

Favorite Tunes



“‘Bohemian Rhapsody’
by Queen”
-Jacob Pasch



“‘Just Friends’
by The Jonas Brothers”
-Emily Cluck



Clockwise from left: Ken Tharman welds in the ag shop; Brittany Wetmore feeds the fish in Mr. McNorton's science lab; the THS marching band performs at a home football game; Kodie Wetmore experiments with gravity in general science; Alyssa Ashworth attempts to complete a hang-clean workout; Jared Meng takes a break from his English speech about dairy farming.

Spanish and English

The Spanish I and II classes had a new teacher, Mr. Matt Stevenson. Stevenson experimented with many teaching strategies. The students in the Spanish II got the chance to make their own videos and use their imagination on how they were going to teach the class a lesson.

They read and translated many children's books such as *Clifford the Big Red Dog* and *Cinderella*. Every morning the students listened to a song that was sung in Spanish to see if they could pick out a few words that they knew. The classes combined to make enchiladas, which turned out "very good," said freshman Kaeleb Zeltwanger.

"I loved playing Spanish Scrabble. It was lots of fun," said sophomore Ashley Miller. Scrabble was another game Mr. Stevenson used to help the

students learn their Spanish words.

For their English classes, the freshmen were required to take freshman English with Mrs. Babetta Israel. The sophomores, for the first nine weeks, were split up into two classes between Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey and Mrs. Israel. In Mrs. Israel's class the students learned how to write stories in creative writing. With Mrs. Rockey the students worked on writing speeches. During the third nine weeks the students had

the choice to either take Greek mythology with Mrs. Rockey or mystery writing with Mrs. Israel. For the fourth nine weeks they could then choose either to take journalism or spelling. The juniors and the seniors had the options of taking novel, British literature, early American literature, and modern American literature, except for during the second quarter when the juniors took a research writing class with Mrs. Israel.



Above: Daniel Dominguez gives a demonstrative speech for his first semester speech class on how to make root beer. The class was assigned to give a speech demonstrating how to do a task. Photo by Kia Grable

Right: Joey Pasch works on making enchiladas for his Spanish I class. Photo by Hana Speaks

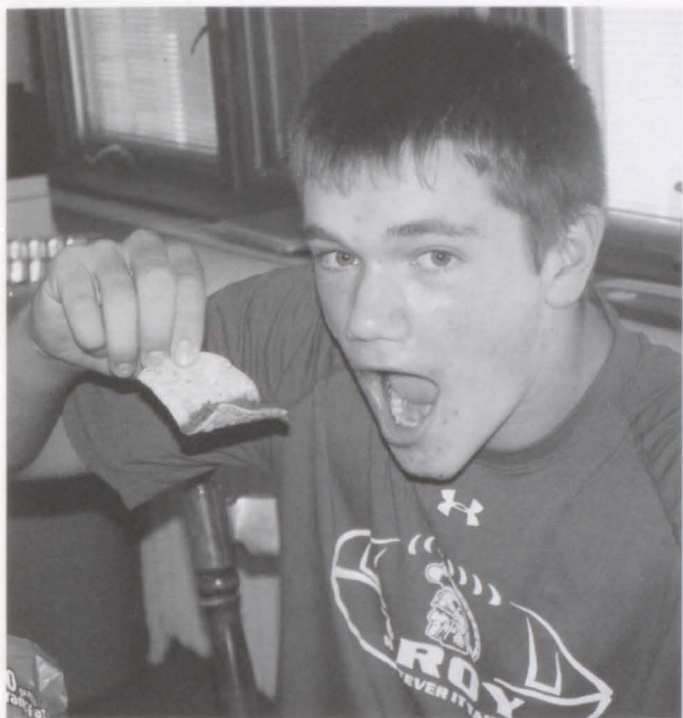




Left: Senior Jena Johnson cuts out a bull for a project did for her British literature class. She and her classmates created posters to illustrate word derivations of groups of words, like horse, to show the change from Anglo-Saxon to French as they entered the English language. "Early British Literature isn't quite what I expected. We are learning about *Beowulf* and the origins of words. It's all pretty interesting," said Johnson. Photo by Hana Speaks



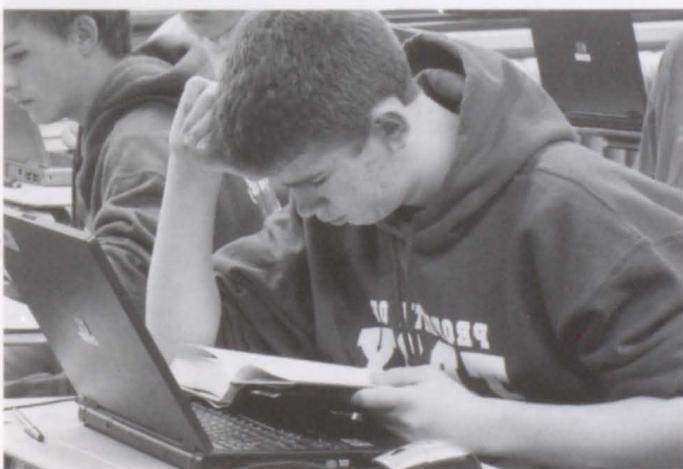
Left: Ashley Miller plays a game of Spanish scrabble during one of her Spanish II classes. "I really enjoy learning a second language. It can be really interesting," said Miller. Photo by Hana Speaks



Left: Freshman Garrett Meng enjoys some chips and salsa while waiting for the enchiladas to cook with his Spanish I and II classmates. They made them as one of their activities to get a taste of Spanish culture. Photo by Hana Speaks



Below: Cameron Blanton presents a book report in front of the class in his senior genre analysis class. He read the book *...* Photo by Jordan Libel.



Left: Garrett Fenley takes a break from working on the computer to read his library book for Mrs. Israel in his freshman English class. Photo by Hana Speaks

Publications, Business, & Computers

The computer classes were multimedia, accounting, computer applications, and desktop publishing. They were taught by Mr. Joel Kahnt until after Christmas, when he took on the computer tech job for the entire school but still continued to teach accounting. Mrs. Stacy Kahnt took over all his other classes.

The multimedia classes worked on I-Movie projects. They imported photos and music to create their own movies.

Accounting was a very small class. Sophomore Brittany Wetmore said, "I learned how to do a lot of different kinds of math. I enjoyed all the fun and different things we did."



Above: Senior Caylor Luther puts pictures of the seniors on their senior video for graduation while he listens to the music that goes along with it. Photo by Kia Grable

Right: Sophomore Emily Cluck plays a game during desktop publishing. The multimedia class and the desktop publishing class were taught during the same hour. Photo by Kia Grable

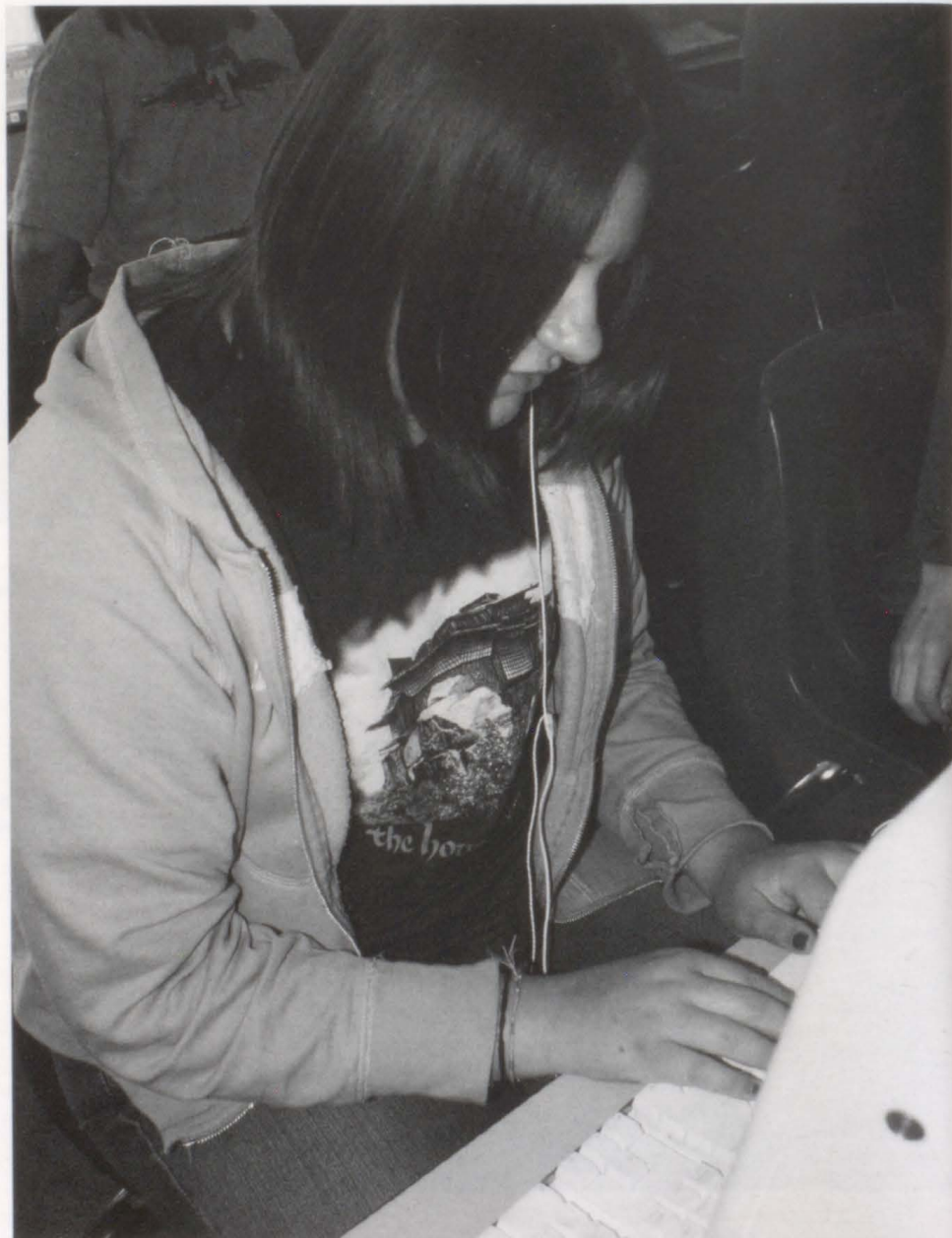
Computer applications worked through all the Apple programs to learn the basic knowledge of computers.

The publications staff consisted of 12 students. In previous years the staff consisted of upper classmen but this year sophomores were allowed to be on the staff. At Christmas a few left but a few also came in.

Sophomore Brittany Clary said, "I liked learning how to write news stories and make awesome year-

book pages. I also liked getting to know the publications staff."

The publications staff competed in State Journalism and placed second overall for class 1A. Madison Twombly received first place in the editorial cartoon while Kayla DeLeon placed first in yearbook sports writing. Jena Johnson and placed third in yearbook sports writing and Jordan Libel placed third in editorial writing.





Left: Troy High School's Publication Staff. Front row: Seniors Kayla DeLeon, Jordan Libel, Kacie Fenley, and Madi Twombly. Row 2: Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, Kimberly Clary, Sarah Greub, Hannah Simpson, Bree Martinez, Kia Grable, Hana Speaks, and Brittany Clary. Photo by Mrs. Nancy Clisbee



Left: Madison Twombly looks at another school's yearbook getting ideas for our own. The class visited Herff Jones at the beginning of the year to plan the yearbook and see how yearbooks are made. Photo by Kayla DeLeon

Below: Freshmen Kodey Smith, Eli Smith, Steven Clary, Kaeleb Zeltwanger, Garrett Fenley, and Peter Masters talk and work on computers during the freshman required computer applications class. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Left: Kia Grable and Hannah Simpson work on the March issue of the *Trojan Trumpet* and on yearbook layouts. Photo by Hana Speaks



Left: The publications staff had many people participate in State Journalism. Front Row: Sarah Greub, Kayla DeLeon (H.M., Headline Writing), Brittany Clary Row 2: Mrs. Rockey, Hana Speaks, Hannah Simpson (H.M., Cutline Writing), Jena Johnson (H.M., Editing), Madi Twombly (H.M., Cutline Writing), Kacie Fenley (H.M., Newspaper Sports), and Bree Martinez. Row 3: Jordan Libel and Elizabeth Tharman. Photo by Kimberly Clary.

Work Study & Aides

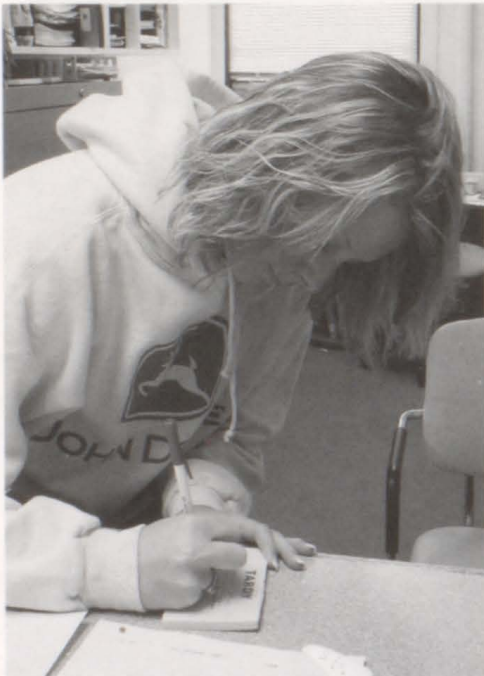
Students at Troy High School were required to take four classes each day; some upper class students had more optional classes to fill. If they did not want to take more college classes, but wanted some hands-on experience, work study or teacher's aide would be the route they chose to go.

A teacher's aide helped one of the high school or grade school teachers. They could do many things from grading papers to playing with the kindergarteners.

The students that chose work

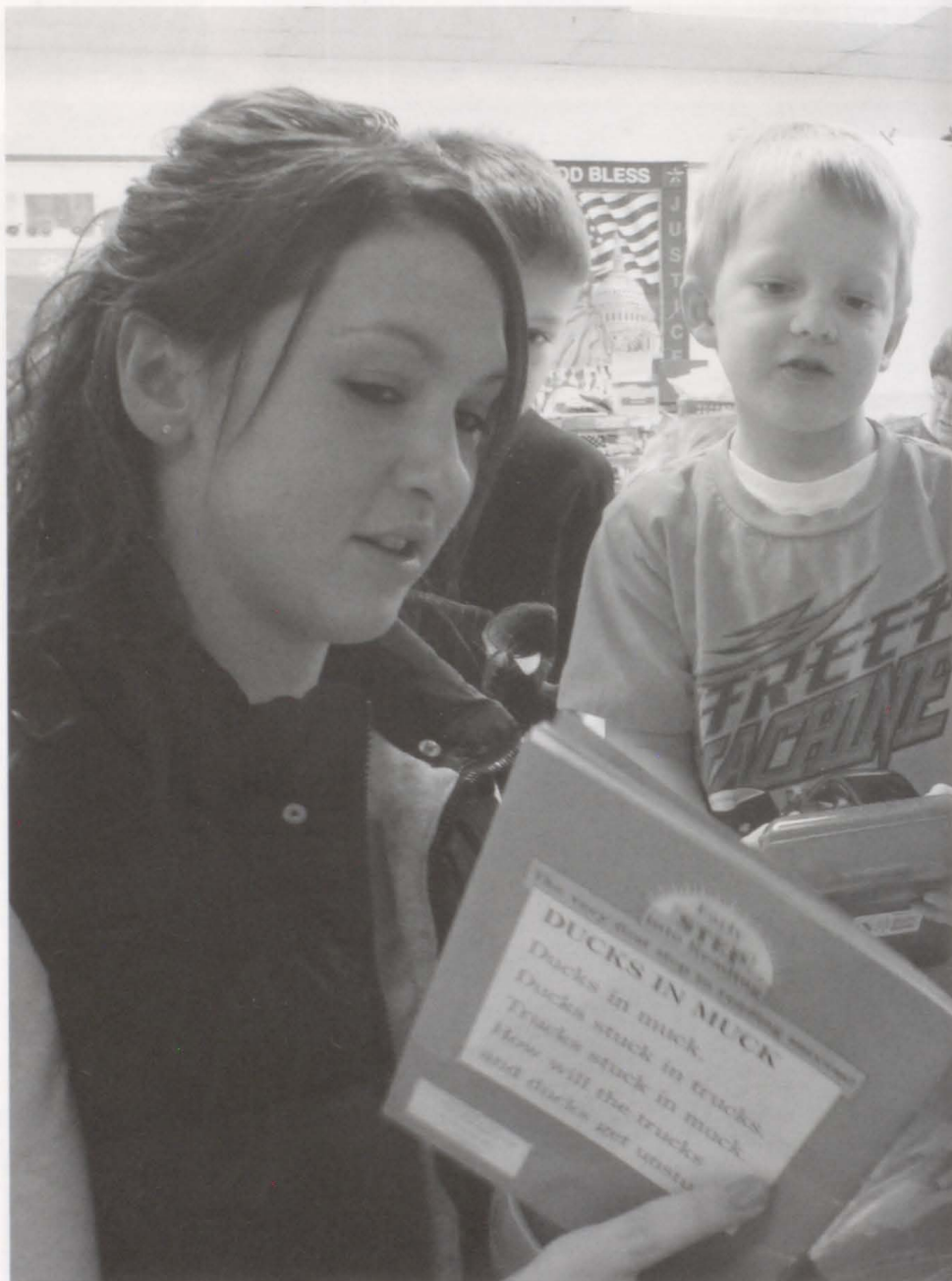
study would actually work at a local business for one block. In this way the student might be able to decide if that job were for them, if they wanted to advance in that career, or if the experience they gained could lead to better opportunities.

Senior Kayla DeLeon, who did her work study at the county attorney's office, commented on her experiences: "I like getting to sit in on hearings as Mr. Charles Baskins' intern. I don't do it often, but it's a great experience if you're interested in criminal justice or law school."



Above: Junior Katie Norris fills out a tardy slip in the office. She was an office aide for Mrs. Mary Simpson. Photo by Hana Speaks

Right: Senior Jena Johnson reads the book 'Ducks in Muck' with a kindergartener. Johnson was a teacher's aide at the grade school for Mrs. Susan Boeh. Johnson did many odds and ends for Mrs. Boeh. Photo by Hana Speaks





Left: Kayla DeLeon helps Carol Ramseier, the county attorney's secretary. DeLeon did her work study at the county attorney's office at the courthouse in Troy. Photo by Jenifer Schmile



Left: Senior Matt Ploeger takes a break from helping out in the library. He was an aide for Mrs. Bree Masters. Ploeger did random tasks, such as helping put books away, for Mrs. Masters. Photo by Hana Speaks

Below: Senior Elizabeth Tharman puts away files in the filing cabinet. Tharman was an office aide for Mrs. Mary Simpson. Photo by Hana Speaks



Left: Senior Jordan Libel helps take care of a little puppy. She had her work study in Hiawatha at Brown County Animal Clinic. Photo by Katie Norris

Left: Senior Kaity Jordan grades papers for Mr. Kevin McNorton. She was his teacher's aide during his sophomore biology class. Photo by Hana Speaks



Agriculture & Industrial Arts

The agricultural science program had a new teacher, Mr. Brian Yardley. The students were able to take agricultural mechanics, agricultural science, and intro to agriculture.

In the intro to agriculture classes, the students learned record keeping; animal science, such as beef, swine, poultry; welding; and FFA history.

The students in the ag mechanics class went over record keeping and welding, but they also worked on project designs and construction.

There were three ag science classes. Ag Science II concentrated on careers, record keeping, beef identification, shop safety, and small project construction. Ag III was like Ag II in that students worked on record keeping, but they also worked on business principles, leadership, and dairy foods.



Above: Freshmen Brady Adams, Garrett Fenley, Peter Masters, and Garrett Masters stand behind a recently painted school barrel. The group painted barrels for the grade school. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Right: Junior Keiffer Whetstine is in agricultural mechanics class welding a project for the class. Whetstine welds a lift for his fourwheeler. Photo by Hana Speaks

The Ag IV class too worked on record keeping. They also learned about entomology, how small gas engines work and worked on project construction.

Industrial arts was taught by Mr. Gene Velharticky. He also taught the building trades classes.

"In building trades we do different projects for the school. This year we

built a storage closet for the grade school," said Mr. "V." In the industrial arts classes the students learned about the tools and how they work. "We teach the students how to do orthographic and isometric view. In woodworking we stressed safety, pride of accomplishment, and knowledge of how to construct a project," Mr. "V" said.





Left: Sophomore Kenneth Tharman works on welding his project in ag with the help of fellow sophomore Jared Meng. "I am building a 10-foot-long cattle trough for my dad," said Tharman. Photo by Hana Speaks

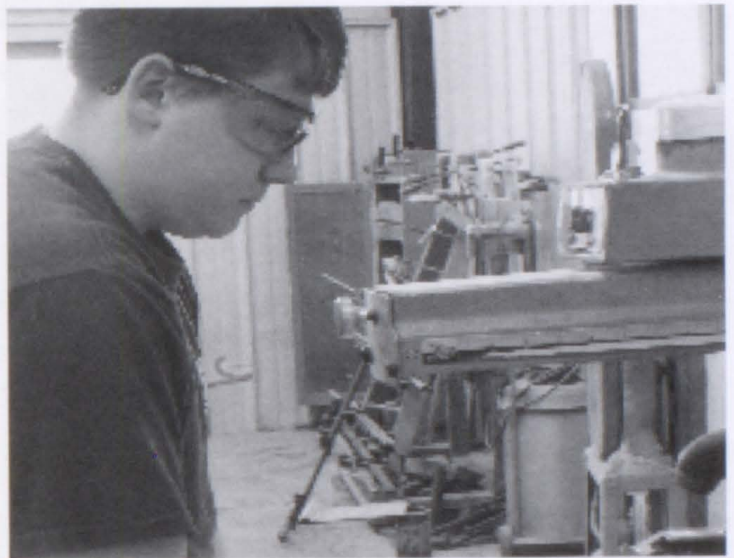


Left: Seniors Kameron Duncan and Brennan Wehner work on a project in their agricultural mechanics class. Brennan watches while Duncan starts to work on building a wood box for a smoker. Photo by Hana Speaks.

Below: Sophomore Cale Cluck builds a DVD cabinet in his industrial arts class. Photo by Hana Speaks



Left: Senior Cameron Blanton works on the base of a guitar. His big project was to build a working guitar. Photo by Hana Speaks



Left: Jan Stastny, senior, works on building a chess set in his industrial arts class. Photo by Hana Speaks



Social Sciences and Weights

Coach Steve Martin taught weight lifting, recreational physical education, and freshman physical education and health.

Rec P.E. lifted weights, as well as learned to play different kinds of sports. With a small class, they were limited on things to do.

The freshmen took a physical education class and a health class. In health they learned about what happens when they make destructive decisions and the consequences.

The weights classes had a contest to see which class improved most on their maxes. Coach Martin used an incentive to help the classes improve. The incentive was to have a pizza party and go to view different weights classes and equipment at a college.

Mr. Lyle Rockey taught American history, world history, and Geography II.

Mr. Rockey said, "History becomes a little more exciting and real during an election year, and we are fast approaching the picking of the actual candidates for the presidential election of 2008."

Geography II learned about the world and where things are located. It alternated to different parts of the world every other year.

Mr. Bruce Reynolds taught economics and American government.

The economics class learned about supply and demand and talked about events that are occurring in the world, while the government class learned about the first ten amendments and individual rights.

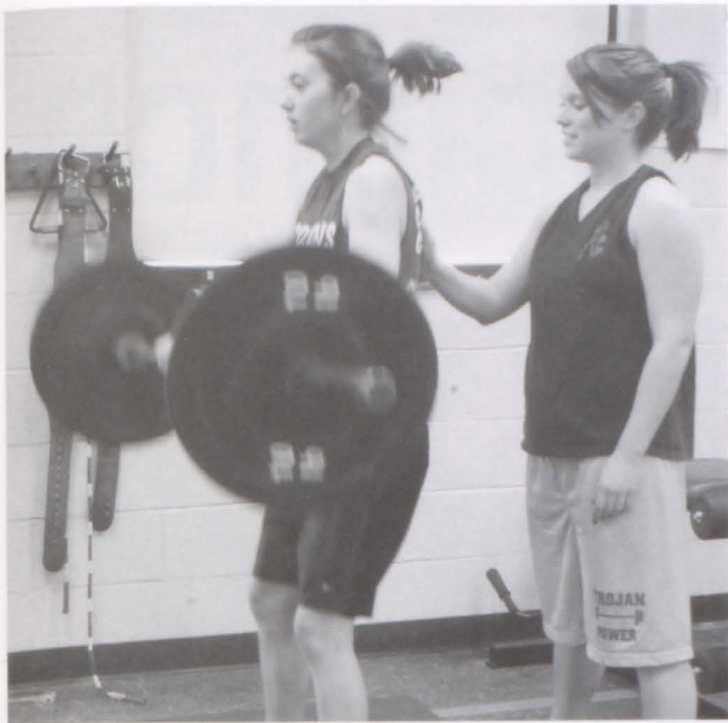
Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey taught psychology. It was offered to juniors and seniors, as a college class that counted as a dual credit with Highland Community College. They learned many things about how different parts of the brain work.



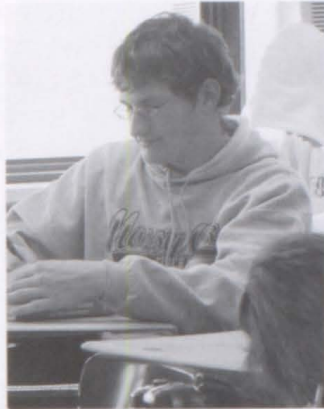
Above: Senior Christina Ivey sits in government working on an assignment about freedom of speech, press, assembly, and petition. These are the amendments they learned about in government. Government was a required class for seniors. Photo by Kia Grable

Right: Junior Ethan Robinson maxes on squat while using the new equipment. The weights class gained six new lifting stations, a good-morning machine, a lat-pull machine, and a hamstring machine. Photo by Hannah Simpson





Left: Senior Kaitlyn Jordan maxes while senior Courtney Turpin spots her so she doesn't fall or become injured. Kaitlyn was trying to make her max go up to help her class win the weight-lifting contest that Coach Martin put together to push the classes to do their best. Photo by Kia Grable



Left: Junior Jake Smith works on an assignment while Mr. Rockey lectures the class on the election. American history was a required class for juniors. Photo by Kia Grable



Left: Freshman Kodie Wetmore squats during Rec P.E. The class was not required to lift weights but chose to do a short workout on some days. Photo by Kia Grable



Below: Sophomore Kayla Hixson and the rest of the economics class listen to a representative from DeVry University. They enjoyed playing on the palm pilots to plan their future. Photo by Kia Grable



Left: Seniors Kayla Deleon and Kacie Fenley work on a psychology experiment in taste without odor being a help. In small groups, the class conducted experiments on sensory input, dealing with sight, sound, and smell, as well as taste. Photo by Jordan Libel

Math and Science

The math department had two new teachers: Mrs. Michelle Newkirk and Mr. Matt Stevenson. Mrs. Newkirk taught Algebra II, college algebra, calculus, business math, pre-algebra, and math fundamentals. She incorporated new ways of learning with old ones.

One way, with the Algebra II classes, was to do work on the computers. This program was called Acelus. From this program they learned basic math that will help them build up the fundamentals for Algebra II.

Mr. Stevenson taught geometry and Algebra I. Geometry classes made their own videos. These videos were used to teach the class lessons about what they were learning in their chapter.

Sonny Ivey, sophomore, said, "We put Mentos in pop to see how high it would shoot up. I really enjoyed watching this and it was a fun change rather than sitting in class and doing book work."

The science classes offered were

general science, biology, chemistry, earth and space science, and physics. These classes were all taught by Mr. Kevin McNorton, except for physics, which was taught by a teacher from Horton, Mrs. Kerrie Howard. Only eight senior girls took this IDL class.

Freshman Whitlea Klaus said, "My favorite part is going to the lab in general science. It helps make learning fun and easy by doing hands-on projects."

Biology was a lecture class most of the time, but they got to go into the lab to use microscopes to look at different types and parts of cells.

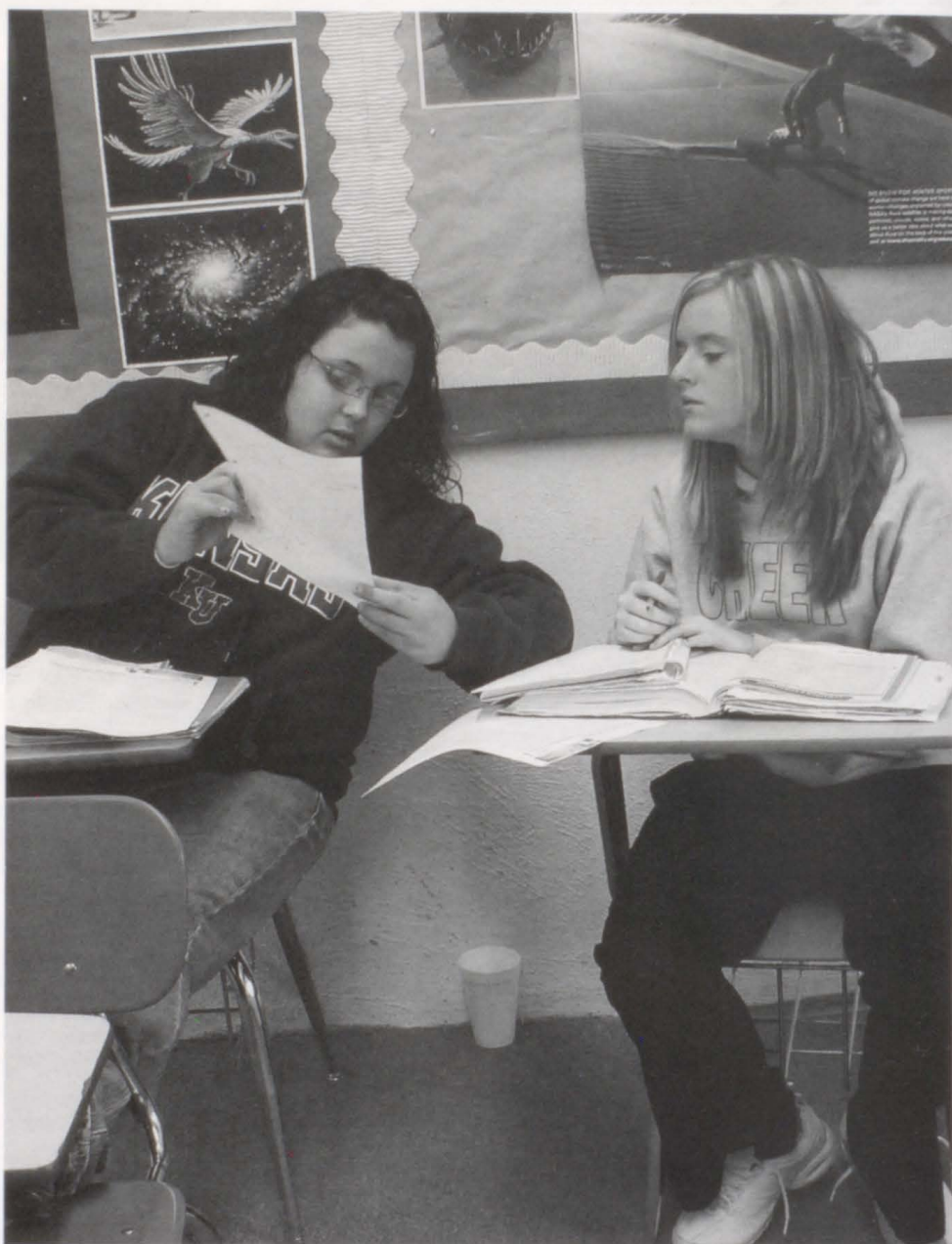
Hannah Simpson said, "Biology is a lot better than general science because you learn more about life."

Earth and space science was an addition to the science classes. It was an alternative to chemistry because students had to have three science credits.



Above: Daniel Dominguez listens to Mr. McNorton give directions. Biology was a lecture class most of the time, but students were allowed to go into the lab to use microscopes. Photo by Kia Grable

Right: Juniors Ashley Weis and Bree Martinez help each other with a problem on a chemistry assignment while studying for a test. Photo by Brittany Clary



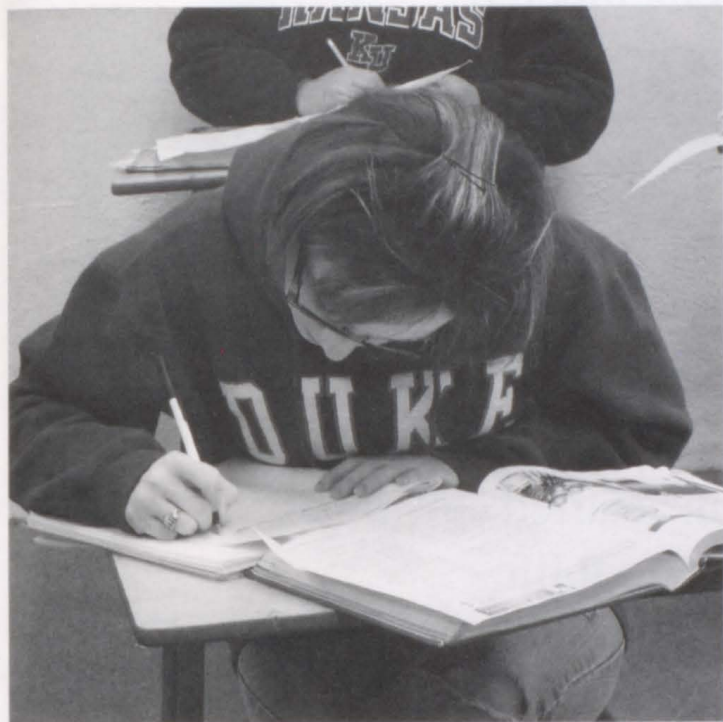


Left: Juniors Jesse Marriott, Keiffer Whetstine, and Jake Smith work in a group on an assignment in chemistry class. Photo By Kia Grable



Left: Freshman Levi Dunn receives help from Mrs. Newkirk, while working on homework in pre-algebra. Photo by Kia Grable

Below: Freshman Jacob Pasch prepares to put the Mentos into the pop bottle for an experiment in Algebra I. Photo by Kia Grable



Left: Junior Beth Siard works on a worksheet and finishes up homework in chemistry while preparing for a test. Photo by Brittany Clary

Left: Freshman Eli Smith studies static electricity by rubbing nylon and felt together to see which makes the ball stick to the nylon better. Photo by Kia Grable



iBelong

The graduating class of 2008 consisted of 31 students, who had spent 13 years working towards that one day in May which represents freedom, adulthood, and a new life. But on that day they also remembered their early years and their peers who helped to shape each one into his or her own personality.

The junior class entered the year as upperclassmen for the first time. They led by example on the court, field, classroom, or stage.

By the sophomore year, students started to get the hang of things. High school life became more stressful, but also more fun, as with the age of 16 came driving.

The freshman students began their high school career with new teachers, new classes, and new friends.

The same 160 students would never again walk the halls of THS together, but the memories they made will last a lifetime.

Favorite Tunes

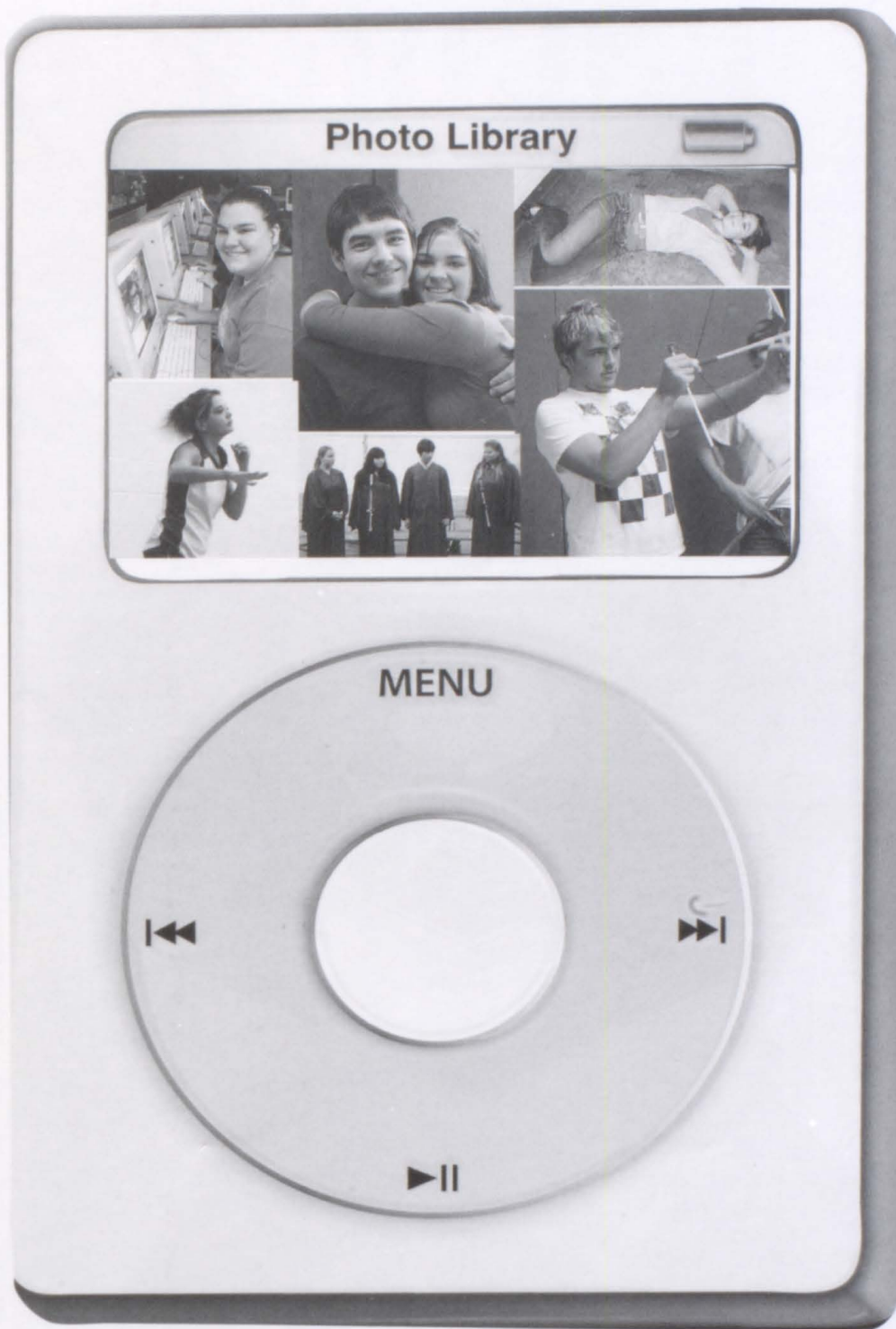


“Bobblehead’ by D4L”
-Colin Greaser



“Three Little Birds’
by Bob Marley”
-Madi Twombly





Clockwise from left: Kim Clary works on a computer assignment; Daniel Dominguez and Whitlea Klaus share their close bond; Brittany Wetmore works on her abs in the locker room; Jesse Marriott learns to shoot a bow for the fall play; Elizabeth Tharman, Kayla DeLeon, Daniel Dominguez, and Brittany Clary sing for the crowd; Heather Wetmore follows through on her serve during a volleyball match at Kansas City Christian.

Faculty

There were five new members joining the faculty. They were Michelle Newkirk, who taught math; Matt Stevenson, who taught Spanish, geometry, and algebra; George Cheramy, the school counselor; Ken Eberhart, the music teacher; and Brian Yardley, the agricultural science teacher.

When asked what his favorite part about teaching at Troy was, Ken Eberhart said, "I believe that the students here understand when to make their best efforts to reach their highest potential for success."

Mrs. Michelle Newkirk introduced Acellus to the math program. Acellus was a computer program designed to help students in specific areas.

Mr. Stevenson worked on getting the Scholars bowl team back together. They competed in several meets. He was also the cross country coach.

Mr. Eberhart re-organized the marching band. They went to Chilicothe and competed in the Christmas parade, where they placed seventh out of nine schools. They also performed at home football games on the field. There were three flag girls who had a routine to the "Trojan Fight Song." The pep band played at all home football and basketball games. They also went with the football team to Valley Heights for the playoffs.

Stacy Kahnt replaced Joel Kahnt as computer teacher. He moved to the

position of Technical Advisor for the district.

Sue King was the new superintendent. She brought fresh ideas to the school.

Principal Don Cash contributed to reducing the clutter in the classrooms by making students leave backpacks and purses in their lockers.

Mr. Yardley worked with the ag classes and fixed the bridge at the 4-H grounds. They put in new boards and made the bridge safer.

The women staff held a tea party at the Homeplace Restaurant in November to get better acquainted with all of the new faculty members.

Cash, Don
Cheramy, George
Clisbee, Nancy
Eberhart, Ken
Ferris, Terra



Kahnt, Stacy
King, Sue
Lindstrom, Jerri
Martin, Steve
Masters, Bree



Rockey, Lyle
Rockey, Martha-Jean
Schmille, Amy
Simpson, Mary
Smith, Kathy





Left: Kitchen Staff: Front Row: Linda Schultz, Shirley Beussing, Karen Wetmore. Row 2: Susan Reynolds, Laura Winkel. The cooks cooked all of the meals and were greatly appreciated. They helped promote grid-iron milk as well. They were awarded a break from cooking breakfast by Chef Linda on one occasion. Photo by Brittany Clary

Lower Left: USD #429 School Board: Front row: Hugh Kinsey, president; Margaret Sutherland, and Mark Twombly. Row 2: Carl Tharman, Sherman Smith, Warren Grable, vice president; and Duane Weishaar. They met monthly to discuss important school matters such as school funding. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Below: Transportation Crew: Front Row: Don Cash, Gracie Christenson, Bea Koehler, Richard Grable. Row 2: Kevin McNorton, Donald Harter, Rick Simmons, Bill Koehler, Charles Hopp, Bill Simmons. Not Pictured: Brian Yardley. The bus drivers not only drove before and after school but also for field trips and athletic events. Photo by Clyde Hixson



Griffin, Chris
Hopp, Charles
Israel, Babetta
Jasper, Derek
Kahnt, Joel



McNorton, Kevin
Miller, Rhonda
Mitchell, Bonnie
Newkirk, Michelle
Reynolds, Bruce



Stevenson, Matthew
Velharticky, Gene
Winder, Mary
Yardley, Brian

class of 2011 } Dare to Dream

The freshman class started the year off great, earning a lot of money working the concession stand for the Troy vs. Wathena football game. The class sponsor was Mrs. Michelle Newkirk, who was new to Troy High School and sponsoring a class.

"The freshman class worked hard and was full of smart students. We earned more money with one concession stand than we would have by a fundraiser," said Newkirk.

During the Homecoming festivities in October, the freshmen tied with the sophomore class for first place on their Homecoming float. The theme of the float was "Surprise the Dragons!" The creative design won the

class 25 dollars for their class fund.

The usually embarrassing, but never harmful, tradition of freshman initiation was cancelled due to scheduling conflicts, so the class got by without having to be the entertainment of a pep rally.

First-year students were required to take a number of courses to prepare them for harder courses later in their high school careers. All were required to enroll in English I, taught by Mrs. Babetta Israel, and general science, taught by Mr. Kevin McNorton. Math classes were divided, as some students took Algebra I with Mr. Matt Stevenson and some took geometry with Mrs. Newkirk. The students also had the option of taking two elective credits,

such as ag, art, band, choir, or Spanish.

"The most memorable moments in my first year of high school are my very first day and all the fun activities I've gotten to participate in!" Whitlea Klaus said.

Most freshmen were involved in at least one of many activities, such as FFA, Kayettes, Drama Club, or others. Many saw varsity experience on the courts or fields. Two starters on the volleyball team were freshmen, as well as several on the football team.

"My favorite part of freshman year was getting to know more friends than just the ones in my grade," said Katie Cluck. Friendships were developed between upper- and lower-classmen, due in large part to sports.

Adams, Brady
Burchett-Burtis, Alyssa
Clary, Mackenzie
Clary, Steven
Cluck, Katie

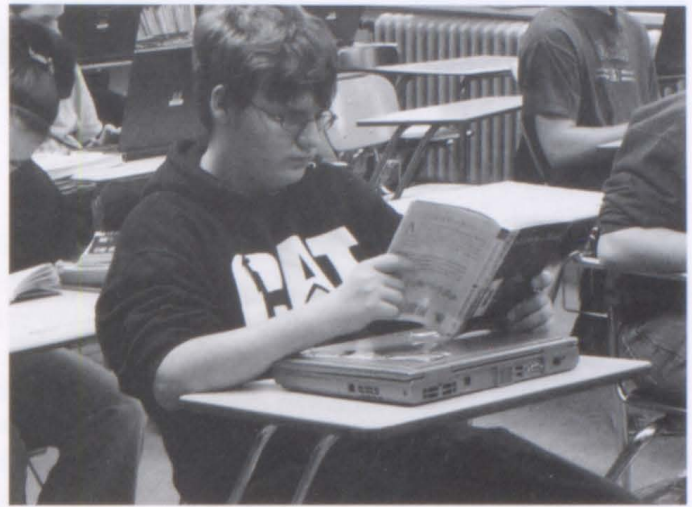


Porter, April
Schultz, Brent
Smith, Eli
Smith, Logan
Stanton, Samantha



Meng, Garrett
Pasch, Jacob
Ploeger, Nicholas
Wetmore, Kodie
Zeltwanger, Kaeleb





Above: JD Gaither chooses to read his book over using the laptop in Mrs. Israel's freshman English class. All freshmen were required to take the course, in which they had to watch a movie and write a summary of it. They also were required to write their own creative children's story. Photo by Jordan Libel

Left: Freshmen Whitlea Klaus and Kodie Wetmore, along with grade school student Blair Weisgar, show off their muscles during a home school football game. Whitlea was a member of the dance team, that performed at halftime. Kodie was an avid supporter of the Trojan football team, and could always be found in the student section with a sign and a loud cheer for the boys. Photo by Kacie Fenley



Dunn, Levi
Fenley, Garrett
Gaither, JD
Klaus, Whitlea
Leichti, Christina



Masters, Garrett
Masters, Peter

Right: Freshman class officers Peter Masters, Mackenzie Clary, and Whitlea Klaus met several times throughout the year to plan class meetings, organize fundraisers, and design the class Homecoming float. Their leadership led the class to a tie for first in the Homecoming parade. Photo by Beth Siard

class of 2010 } A Splash of Color

The sophomores worked together as a class on many things. They got together on two different occasions to work on their Homecoming float. Their theme was "Super Sophomores." They tied with the freshmen for first place. "I feel that we worked together well on everything and we always had a lot of fun," said Heather Adkins.

They also did a fundraiser and worked concession stands at basketball games. Even though they had to work hard during the year it was also very enjoyable. "My favorite part about sophomore year was being able to spend time with my friends. I also liked going to the football and basketball games," said Micah Bembrick.

A large number of sophomores were involved in sports. Whether it was football, basketball, cheerleading, dance, track, softball, baseball, or cross country, a sophomore was there. Many of the sophomores excelled while playing at a varsity level, and many earned a letter.

Some sophomores who didn't play sports were also very busy. Many were involved in clubs and academics. There was a large number of sophomores who lettered in academics from their freshman year.

A few of the sophomores were involved in art. Some were rewarded for their pieces. Joseph Pasch won contests for his pictures, David Clary for a drawing, and Lucas Birdsley for a poster.

Many of the sophomore girls were in Kayettes. They participated in the Kayettes gift exchanges for Christmas and Valentine's Day.

SADD was also popular among the sophomore class. They went to the elementary school to play games with the children, talk to them about having a drug-free life, and read them stories during Red Ribbon Week.

Sophomores were also involved with music. Some even participated in the marching band. They went to Chilicothe to march in the Christmas parade, where they marched and got seventh place. They took groups to contest for singing and also for band. There were a few soloists as well.

Adkins, Heather
Baskins, Randall
Bembrick, Micah
Birdsley, Lucas
Clary, Brittany

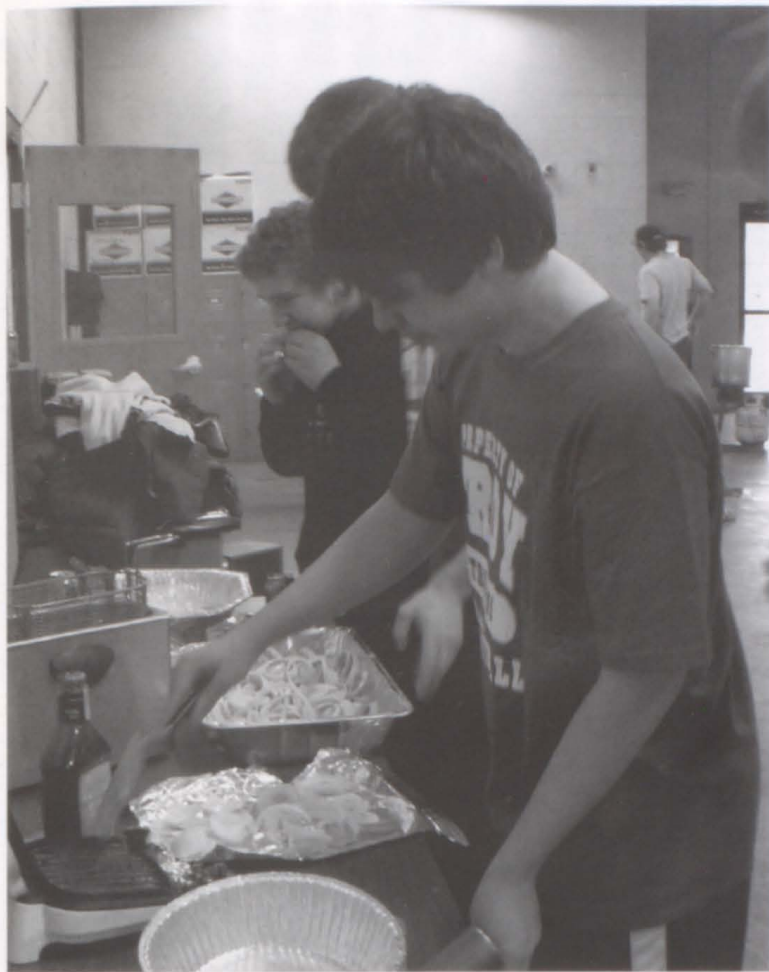


Grable, Kia
Hixson, Kayla
Ivey, Sonny
Libel, Ross
Masters, Jesse



O'Conner, Krystle
O'Donnell, Nicolas
Ostertag, Leslie
Pasch, Joseph
Shelton, Aaron





Above: Brittany Clary, Hannah Simpson, and Daniel Dominguez hang out on the front steps. Dominguez was vice president, Clary was president and Simpson was treasurer of the sophomore class. They got everyone together for class meetings, to work on the Homecoming float, and to work on the fundraiser. The class sponsor was Matt Stevenson. He helped organize the meetings and also had great ideas for fundraisers. Photo by Beth Siard

Left: Ross Libel cooks a hamburger at the FFA turkey fry. The turkey fry was a reward for the FFA members who sold fruit. They got out of class to cook their own lunch and watch a movie. "My favorite part was eating, of course. It was also fun getting out of class and learning how to deep fry different foods," said Libel. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Clary, David (Jacob)
Clary, Gerald
Cluck, Cale
Cluck, Emily
Dominguez, Daniel

Meng, Jared
Miller, Ashley
Miller, Colby
Miller, Jordan
Morgan, Bailey

Simpson, Hannah
Speaks, Hana
Tharman, Kenneth
Weatherford, Desiree
Wetmore, Brittany

class of 2009

IMAGINE

The juniors had a fun, but busy year. Their activities ranged from decorating their Homecoming float, to planning for the Prom, to taking many tests. They did not run the concession stand like they had in the past, but instead had to share it with other clubs and classes.

While they still worked the middle school concession stands, the class had a need for another fundraiser. With a lot of community help, they hosted an alumni volleyball tournament in the fall, and all proceeds went to the Prom fund.

Throughout the year, the junior class was faced with many tests. Some of the tests they took were Pre-SAT(Scholastic Aptitude Test), Kansas

Reading and Social Studies Assessments, and the ASVAB(Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery). Some juniors even took the ACT(American College Test).

Juniors had more choices of classes to take. Required were American history with Mr. Lyle Rockey, English III with either Mrs. Babetta Israel or Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, and a science and math class at some level.

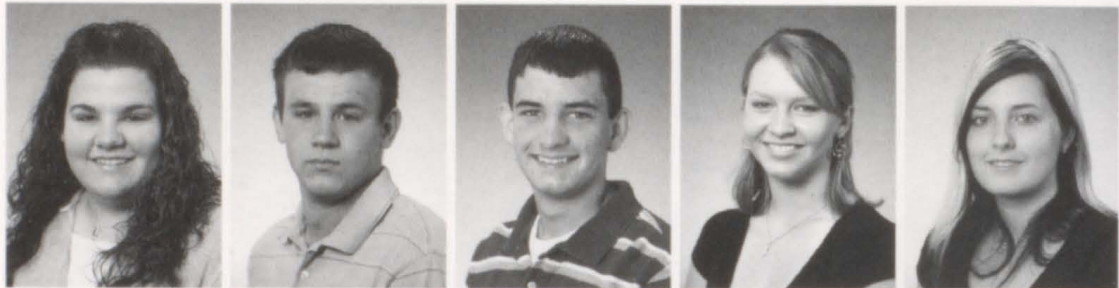
The junior class had one foreign exchange student. Katharina Grugel was originally from Germany, and stayed in Troy with Doug and Michelle Duncan.

Like the freshmen and the sophomores, the juniors had a new class sponsor, Mrs. Jennifer Whetstine. Mrs.

Whetstine taught middle school science and English. "For the most part it has been fun. The hardest thing is not seeing the juniors unless we have a meeting. I thought the juniors did a good job on their Homecoming float. They were really good at showing up and working the volleyball tournament. We made \$1,500 in two days!" said Mrs. Whetstine.

The class definitely filled some leadership positions in both sports and clubs. Several football players received all-league honors. Some were active in the school plays. They covered a large area of the school for such a small class.

Clary, Kimberly
Duncan, Kody
Greaser, Colin
Greub, Sarah
Grugel, Katharina



Norris, Katie
O'Donnell, Michael
Robinson, Ethan
Siard, Beth
Smith, Jacob



Smith, Lacey
Weis, Ashley
Whetstine, Keiffer
Whetstine, Riley
Wykert, Kerya





Above: Juniors Jake Smith and Keiffer Whetstine work on frying potatoes during an FFA turkey fry. A normal ag class for the guys included working on metal projects in the shop, but they took a day off for fried food and fun. The fry was a reward for doing well in the club's fruit fundraiser. Photo by Kimberly Clary

Left: Juniors Kimberly Clary and Kerya Wykert concentrate on a paper for American history. All juniors were required to take the course, taught by Mr. Rockey. The class covered the nation's history from the Revolutionary War in the 1700's to today. "My favorite time to study was World War II. The holocaust was fascinating. The class was also fun because all the students were juniors, which isn't the case in most of our classes," said Clary. Photo by Beth Siard



Huss, Auten
Marriott, Jesse
Martinez, Bree
Meers, Brandon
Morris, Brandi



Smith, Kyle

Junior Class Officers: Ethan Robinson, secretary; Bree Martinez, vice president; and Colin Greaser, president. The officer team was in charge of planning Prom, and their parents planned and raised money for After-Prom. "Planning Prom got to be a little stressful, but it was well worth it in the end," said Martinez. Photo by Beth Siard



Marianne Elizabeth Anderson



Laci Danelle Ashford



Alyssa Mae Ashworth



Kameron Jacob Duncan



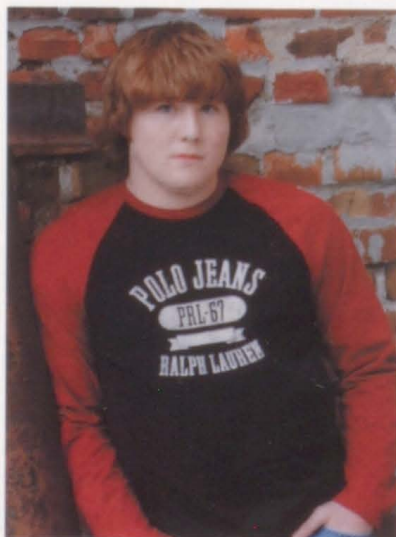
Kacie Michelle Fenley



Timothy S. Mykile Griffin



Christina Vaune Ivey



Levi Colton Jenkins



Jena Marie Johnson



Cameron Tye Blanton



Darren Michael Clary



Kayla Nicole DeLeon



Anthony Michael Hayes



Megan Dawn Hiemer



Clyde Alexander Hixson



Kaitlyn Yukiko Jordan



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Matt,
We are so proud of you!
Love Mom, Nick, and
Hannah



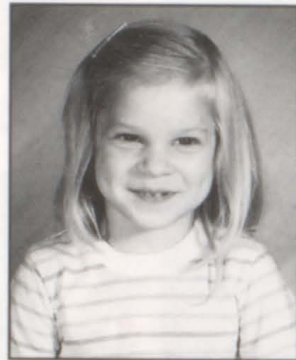
Matt Ploeger

Jordan,
I am so proud of you.
You have brought so
much joy to my life. I
know you will achieve
all your goals, because
there is nothing you
can't do.
Love, Mom and kids



Jordan Libel

Marianne,
We are so proud of you.
Love Mom, Dad, Joe,
Ben, and Ray



Marianne Anderson

Caylor,
What a wonderful young man
you have become. You are a
person of many talents, and you
have achieved so much thus
far. We are very proud of you,
and we are looking forward to
watching you grow in college
and beyond.
Love, Mom, Kevin, Cody,
Kelli, and Connor



Caylor Luther

Courtney,
Congratulations on this big
milestone in your life. Our hope
and prayer for you is that you
continue to strive for the best.
We have enjoyed watching you
mature into a fine young lady
and are looking forward to what
the future holds for you.
Lots of Love,
Mom, Dad, Ashley,
Shane, Grandma Gail,
and Grandpa Hobert



Courtney Miller

Kacie Pop,

It is unbelievable this is your
senior year! It seems just like
yesterday that you smelled the
flowers in the front yard of our old
house! We are so proud of you and
the beautiful young woman you
have become. You came back from
adversity and are truly a shining
star! You have set goals in your life
and have started down your path
to achieve them. Don't look back;
your whole life is ahead of you.
Love, Mom and Dad



Kacie Fenley

Dear Courtney,
You have grown into a
beautiful young woman.
As you graduate we hope
that you will continue to
follow your dreams. We
hope that you are happy
and successful in every-
thing you do.
Love, Mom, Dad, Katie,
Carmen, and Claire



Courtney Turpin

Madi,
"We are the leaves of
one branch, the drops of
one sea, and the flowers
of one garden."- Jean
Babstiste Henry
Lacordaire
We Love You!
Mom, Dad, and Garrett



Madi Twombly

Heather,
May you always soar above
the best, with wings of honor,
strength, and health, keep-
ing in order God, family, and
friends. Keep conquering
with God's speed! We are so
proud.

Love Always,
Dad, Mom, Brittany, Kodie,
and Chasity



Heather Wetmore

Baby,
We are so proud of you. You
have grown into a wonder-
ful young woman. You were
blessed with a good and loving
heart, and all of your dreams
will come true. You deserve the
best of everything. We love you
so very much.

Love, Mom, Dad, and Sissy



Laci Ashford

Whitney,
It doesn't seem possible that our
little "Minnow" has grown up so
quickly. You have always been a
little "go-getter." You set goals
and go after them. Reach for the
stars in life and remember to be
happy and enjoy your journey.
We love you very much and are
very proud of the things that you
have already accomplished.

Love Mom, Dad, and Wade



Whitney Sutton

Congratulations, Kayla!
We are very proud of
you. You have turned
into a beautiful young
woman. Keep smiling
and always follow your
dreams. We will always
be here for you.

Love, Mom, Megan,
and Uncle D.L



Kayla DeLeon

Jena,
We are so very proud of you
and all that you have accom-
plished. Keep up the great
desire to achieve your goals
in life and your future will
be full of success. We love
you and will always be here
for you.

Love Mom, Dad, Jed,
Angela, and Jay



Jena Johnson

Levi,

You are my joy, my strength, my inspiration, my ray of
sunshine. I am so proud of you, and everything that you
have accomplished. Always remember the road to success
is not straight. There is a curve called Failures, a loop
called Confusion, speed bumps called Friends, red lights
called Enemies, caution lights called Family. You will
always have your flats called Jobs, but if you have a spare
called Determination, and engine called Perseverance, in-
surance called Faith, a driver called Jesus, you will make
it to a place called Success!

You remember when you made that interception and ran
for a 78-yard touchdown? Well, I think that Grandpa Jerry
was behind you pushing. I could feel his presence from all
the excitement. I know that he was watching and would
be as proud of you as we all are. We all love you so much
and are here for you always.

Love,
Mom, Mike, Baileigh,
Trey, Grandma, Grandpa
Thomas, Deb, Harlan, and
Tim

Jordan,
We all are very proud of you, and
everything that you have done! We
have gone through a lot, but always
know that we love you! You are
a smart, beautiful, strong-willed
young lady who can achieve any-
thing that you put your heart into.
It's not what life makes of you; it's
what you make of life. God Bless
you! Love,

Dad, Jessie, Ross, Isabella, and Jack



Jordan Libel



Levi Jenkins



Courtney Rae Miller



Matthew D Ploeger



Andrew Ryan Robinson



Elizabeth E. Tharman



Courtney LeAnn Turpin



Madison Shea Twombly

The senior class officers were responsible for many jobs. The team included Vice President Kacie Fenley, President Elizabeth Tharman, and Secretary/Treasurer Courtney Miller. They would also be responsible for organizing class reunions.





Brandon Norman Smith



Ian Stastny



Whitney Ann Sutton



Paul Ward



Brennan Joseph Wehner



Heather Renee Wetmore

The Class of
2008, on the
all-school
field trip at the
Nelson-Adkins
Art Museum in
Kansas City

Not Pictured:

Darren Clary, Kameron
Duncan, Christina Ivey,
Courtney Miller, An-
drew Robinson, Brandon
Smith, Paul Ward.



Kaity,
 You are the most precious gift
 God could have given. You have
 the strength and ability to
 overcome any obstacle life
 brings you. Look inside yourself
 for the hope and outside for the
 faith. You'll reach your goals.
 Let life bring you joy.
 You are always loved,
 Your Family



Kaity Jordan

Alyssa,
 Eighteen years have gone by so fast!
 I'm so proud of you for all your ac-
 complishments, but most of all I'm
 proud of the person you have become.
 I know you understand the depth of
 my love for you. My prayer for you
 is that you grasp how wide, long, high
 and deep is the love of Christ, and for
 you to know this love that surpasses
 knowledge that you may be filled to
 the measure of all the fullness of God.
 Love you Always! Mom



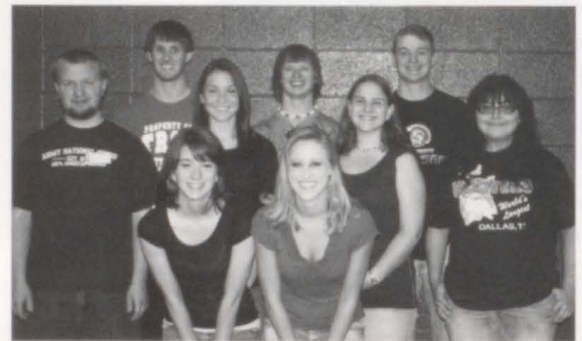
Alyssa Ashworth

Senior Achievements

Kacie, Kayla, Jordan, and Madi
 Congratulations! May you all go far in life; we know
 that you all will. Don't forget to dream big. Next year
 we don't know what we will do without you. We don't
 know if we will ever be able to do a newspaper without
 the crack of the whip. Good Luck on your big day, and
 remember this is one deadline you will not be late for!
 Love you always,
 Publications Staff



Drama Club



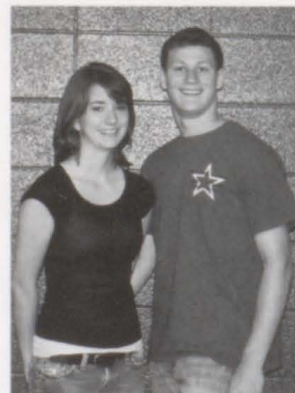
Kaitlyn Jordan, Madi Twombly, Clyde Hixson, Jena Johnson, Elizabeth Tharman, Kayla DeLeon, Caylor Luther, Tim Griffin, and Brennan Wehner

Football



Levi Jenkins, Kayla DeLeon (filmer), Caylor Luther, Brennan Wehner, and Tim Griffin

Cross Country



Kaityln Jordan and Kameron Duncan

Track



Jena Johnson, Courtney Turpin, Madi Twombly, Paul Ward, Jan Stastny, Kameron Duncan, Tim Griffin, and Caylor Luther

NHS



Kaity Jordan, Whitney Sutton, Madi Twombly, Jena Johnson, Caylor Luther, Kacie Fenley, and Kayla DeLeon Not pictured: Jordan Libel

Advanced Classes



Kayla DeLeon, Elizabeth Tharman, Marianne Anderson, Kaitlyn Jordan, Whitney Sutton, Jena Johnson, Jordan Libel, Kacie Fenley, Courtney Turpin, Madi Twombly, Tim Griffin, Paul Ward, Jan Statstny, and Caylor Luther

Vo-Tech



Darren Clary

Art/Music



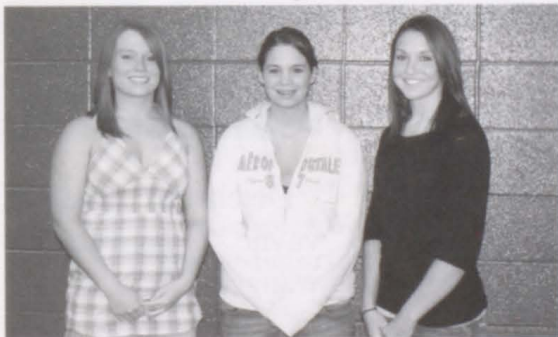
Marianne Anderson, Kayla DeLeon, Madi Twombly, Courtney Miller, Kaitlyn Jordan, Jena Johnson, Elizabeth Tharman, Laci Ashford, Paul Ward, Caylor Luther, and Brennan Wehner

Baseball and Softball

Brennan Wehner and Kacie Fenley



Volleyball



Courtney Turpin, Jordan Libel, and Jena Johnson

Basketball



Whitney Sutton, Jena Johnson, Kacie Fenley, Courtney Turpin, Kayla DeLeon, Jan Stastny, Matt Ploeger, and Caylor Luther

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Teams were formed; titles were won; history was made. Eight teams represented Troy High School in athletic events.

Fall brought the beginning of school, along with football, cross country, and volleyball competitions. Both football and volleyball went one step further in the end-of-the-year tournaments. Cross country also fared well, sending two runners to the state meet.

With winter came men's and women's basketball. Both teams brought home third-place medals in the DVL tournament.

Softball, baseball, and track wrapped up the year of athletics in the spring. Track participant numbers were high, with a large and competitive team. It was the second year for the combined Troy and Wathena ball teams. They settled into the swing of things quickly, competing in 1A-2A regionals.

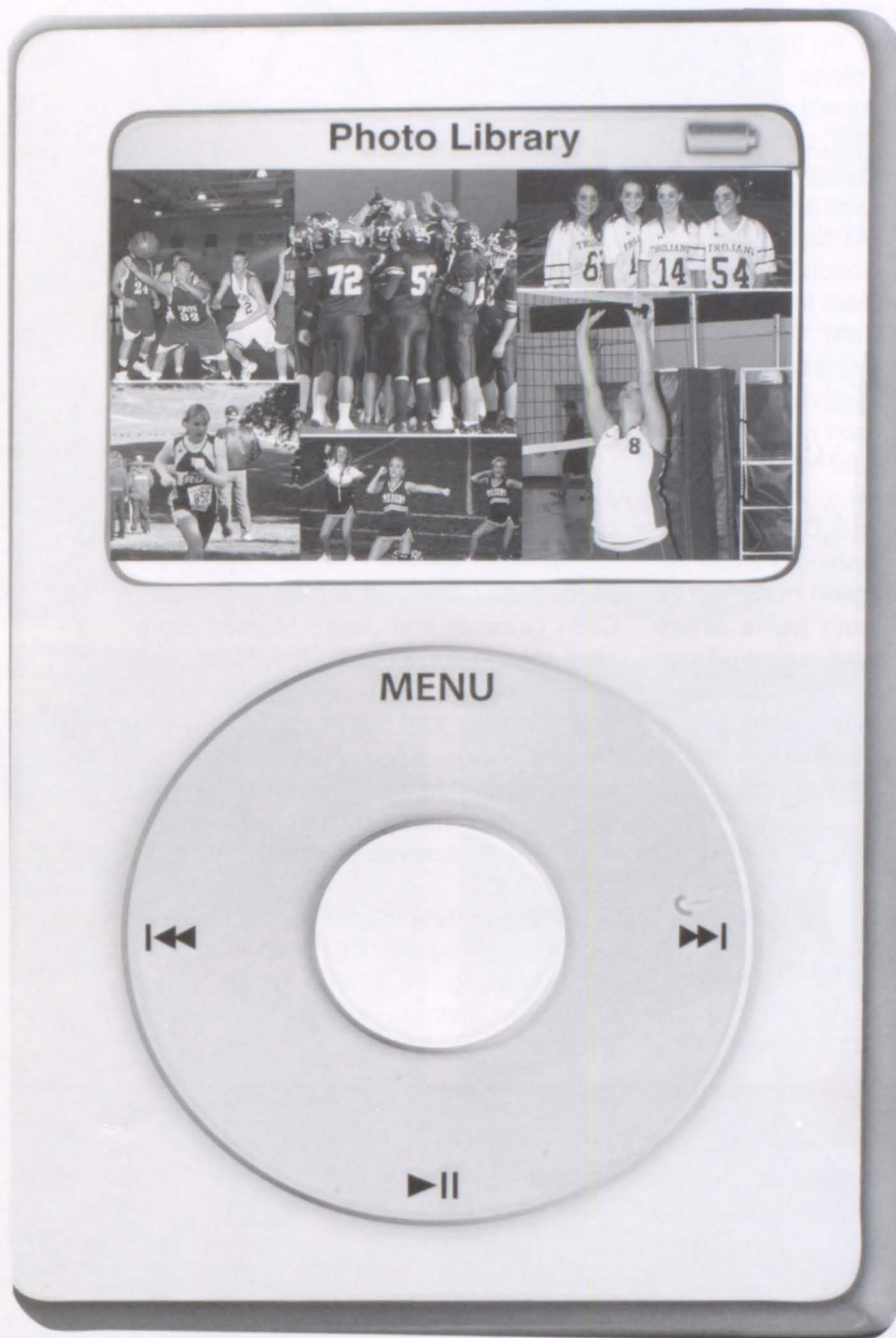
Favorite Tunes



“Paradise City’ by Guns and Roses.” - Whitney Sutton



“‘Determined’ by Mudvayne.” -Kaeleb Zeltwanger



Clockwise from top left: Jesse Marriot reaches for a rebound; the football team sings the "Fight Song"; Anthony Hayes, Matt Ploeger, and Andrew Robinson serve drinks at the senior dinner; Jordan Libel backsets during warm-up at a volleyball game; Heather Wetmore, Ashley Weis, and Christina Ivey cheer on their Trojans; Hana Speaks pushes through the finish line at a cross country meet.

"Whatever it Takes" was the team motto for Coach Steve Martin's fourth season with the Trojans. The Trojans ended the season with a record of 7-4, with a defeat by the Lyndon Tigers in the regional playoff game. The Trojans ended the season with a league record of 5-2.

The season went by fast, but that didn't stop the team from having good times, playing with all their heart and soul, and proving that they would do whatever it takes to be the best. Coach Martin said, "This was a good year for everyone associated with this team. We had fun, we competed hard every game, and we learned a lot from each other."

A highlight of the season was defeating rivals Doniphan West 53-13. Individual highlights of the season included the Oskaloosa game, where Caylor Luther had a total of 253 rushing yards, the Wathena game when Auten Huss had 12 tackles, and the McLouth game where Jesse Marriott had three sacks. Team highs were 55 points in the JCN game, 73 total plays in the Valley Falls game, 502 rushing yards in the McLouth game, and 37:38 minutes of possession during the Frankfort game.

The Trojans had a total of 404 points during the season and 3,353 rushing yards out of 4,407 offensive yards. Luther led the team with a total of 1972 rushing yards for the season with 31 touchdowns, and Colin Greaser had 1053 passing yards with 1021 rushing yards. "I think

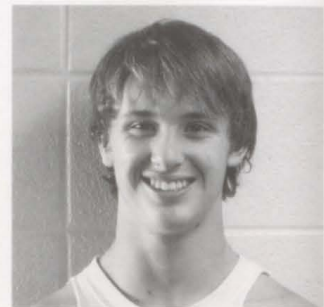
the highlight of the season was beating Valley Heights and getting to the second round of playoffs," said freshman Peter Masters.

Several Trojans were recognized for their efforts on the field. Caylor Luther was chosen for the DVL All-League for offense and defense on the first team. Colin Greaser and Jesse Marriott were also chosen for offense, first team. For second-team offense, Ethan Robinson, Kyle Smith, and Levi Jenkins were chosen. On second-team defense, were Jesse Marriott, Ethan Robinson, and Auten Huss. Garrett Meng and Auten Huss received honorable mention nominations.

"Being a freshman, this year was a big learning experience," said freshman Garrett Meng. "I looked up to a lot of upperclassmen. I hope this year's experience carries over..."



"The best part of the season was just being with all my friends," said Jesse Marriott.



"The best part was getting our first playoff win in three years..." said Caylor Luther.

Season Scores

McLouth	54-8
JCN	55-23
Pleasant Ridge	20-43
Wathena	19-20
Oskaloosa	47-14
Valley Falls	30-14
Centralia	18-58
Doniphan West	53-13
Frankfort	47-7
Valley Heights	38-16
Lyndon	24-22

Front Row: Levi Jenkins, Caylor Luther, Anthony Hayes, Brennan Wehner, and Tim Griffin; Row 2: Riley Whetstine, Auten Huss, Ethan Robinson, Kyle Smith, Jesse Marriott, Keiffer Whetstine, and Colin Greaser; Row 3: Steven Clary, Kenneth Tharman, Jacob Clary, Jesse Masters, Ross Libel, and Peter Masters; Row 4: Kaeleb Zeltwanger, Eli Smith, Garrett Meng, Garrett Fenley, Garrett Masters, and Brady Adams; Row 5: Assistant Coach Jonathan Winder, Head Coach Steve Martin, and Assistant Coach Brian Yardley. Photo by Foster's Fotography





Left: Ethan Robinson, Peter Masters, and Eli Smith eat sack lunches with the grade school for the Gridiron Milk contest. Photo by Jordan Libel

Below left: The seniors. Front row: Tim Griffin, Anthony Hayes, and Levi Jenkins. Row 2: Caylor Luther, Coach Steve Martin, and Brennan Wehner. Photo by Jordan Libel

Below: The Trojans huddle together before the start of the Frankfort game. Photo by Kacie Fenley



Below left: The Trojans' defense lines up against the McLouth Bulldogs' offense. Photo by Brittany Clary



TROY VOLLEYBALL TROJAN

The Lady Trojan volleyball team had a strong 1A regional tournament, placing second overall. 1A regionals were held at Troy and the students at THS were let out early to help with the tournament.

After defeating Bishop Seabury and Kansas School of the Deaf, the Lady Trojans moved on to compete in Sub-state at Baileyville. At Sub-state the Trojans lost to Beloit-St. John's. The loss to Beloit-St. John's ended the Lady Trojan's season with a record of 9-28.

"The high points of the 2007 volleyball season were that we won more matches than the year before, and we were the regional runners-up. It was also great to make it to Sub-state," said Head Coach Kevin McNorton.

The season leading up to the Sub-state tournament had its high points and low ones. Winning the tournament at Wetmore was one of the high points in the Lady Trojans' volleyball season. The Trojans won all three matches in the tournament held in late September.

"I liked growing closer to my teammates and getting to know the upper-classmen

better. I learned so much more playing volleyball this year than I did last year," said freshman Mackenzie Clary when asked how her first year playing high school volleyball went.

The Lady Trojans also participated in the Hiawatha tournament. They faced Centralia, Atchison, Baileyville, and Hiawatha, where each match ended in two games for the Trojans, making their record 0-4.

Two members of the Lady Trojan volleyball team received All-League honors. Seniors Jena Johnson and Jordan Libel received honorable mention in the All-League selections.

When questioned about her final year of volleyball, senior Jordan Libel said, "Bonding with my teammates was great this season. We faced some hard times together and we learned to look to each other for support. The memories will definitely last a lifetime."



"The girls on the team were a lot closer making things much easier," said Courtney Turpin.



"I thought we worked well as a team and ended on a good note," said Hannah Simpson.

THS Volleyball 2007

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Pleasant Ridge	0-2	Oskaloosa	0-2
Doniphan West	0-2	KC Christian	0-2
McLouth	0-2	Valley Falls	0-2
JCN	1-2	Jackson Heights	0-2
Immaculata	2-1	McLouth	2-0
Elwood	2-0	JCN	0-2
Hiawatha	0-2	Horton	0-2
Wathena	0-2	Nemaha Valley	0-2
KC Christian	0-2	Doniphan West	0-2
Centralia	0-2		

Row 1: Jena Johnson, Courtney Turpin, and Jordan Libel;
 Row 2: Hannah Simpson, Beth Siard, Whitlea Klaus, and Alyssa Burchett-Burtis;
 Row 3: Assistant Coach Amy Schmilke, Mackenzie Clary, Bailey Morgan, Ashley Weis, and Head Coach Kevin McNorton. Not pictured: Heather Wetmore. Photo by Foster's Fotography

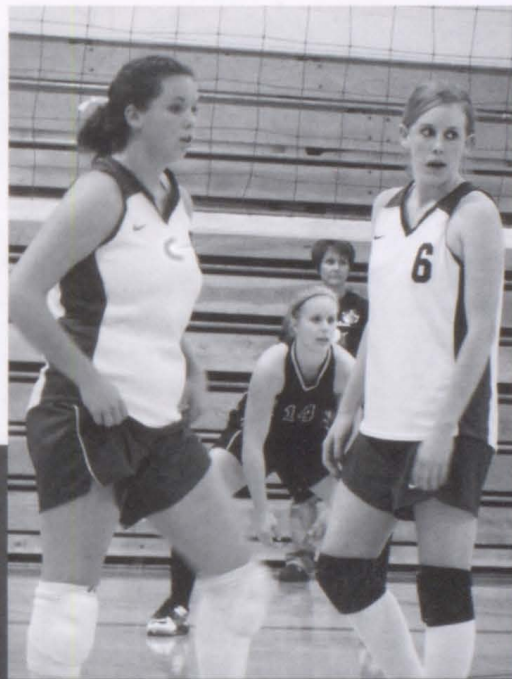


Right: Courtney Turpin goes up for a hit in a game against the McLouth Bulldogs. The rest of the Lady Trojans rush to cover Turpin. Pictured are Jena Johnson, Bailey Morgan, Hannah Simpson, Heather Wetmore, and Jordan Libel. The second game in the match against the Bulldogs was a close competition and the Lady Trojans ended up losing the game by only two points. Photo by Laurie Simpson



Bottom Right: Jordan Libel and Mackenzie Clary wait to take their positions on the court after a teammate serves the volleyball. Photo by Laurie Simpson

Below: Freshman Whitelea Klaus serves the ball during a home game against Jackson Heights. Photo by Hannah Simpson



TROY CROSS COUNTRY TROJAN

The cross country team had a successful season, sending two runners to compete at the State meet at Wamego, October 27. Hana Speaks placed 6th, while Kameron Duncan placed 37th under new coach, Mr. Matt Stevenson. Kaitlyn Jordan, Desiree Weatherford, and Leslie Ostertag were also on the team.

The five-member team had many morning practices where they had to run five miles while also having to do sets of incline push-ups.

“Coaching cross country this year has been exciting. Most of the meets we attended scored five runners, so we usually didn’t have a team score, but that didn’t stop our runners from doing well individually,” said Coach Stevenson.

The only meet where the Troy team was scored as a team was at Regionals at Riley County, October 20. The team placed fourth, only two points behind Wakefield.

The team also had some stressful moments during the season. While on their way to Rim Rock Farm for the Delaware Valley League race, the team got lost and the meet was delayed until Troy arrived. Even after arriving late, Speaks was ready to run and won the race in a time of 17:11. Duncan

also did well, placing 23rd out of 87 runners.

The team had “home-field” advantage at the Troy meet, with members of the other sports teams coming to cheer them on!

“I’ve gotten so close to [my teammates] and I am very proud of everything we accomplished. Just making it through the season together was the best thing--I couldn’t have done it without them,” said Jordan.

“It was a fun and interesting season. The rides home were the best part, especially with “Ush [Desiree] and Nel [Hana]” entertaining us,” said Ostertag.

“The cross country team did very well this year and I’m proud of how everyone did,” said Duncan.

At the end of the year Speaks received 1st Team All-League honors.

“My favorite part of the season was the bus rides to and from the meets. We just had fun being with each other,” said Weatherford.



“My favorite part of the season was goofing off with my teammates. I’ll never forget how they cheered me up,” said Kaity Jordan.



“It was great! I was really proud of our accomplishments. We all did really well,” said Hana Speaks.

Personal Bests

Girls	Time	Race
Kaity Jordan	21:15	4,000 M
Leslie Ostertag	21:37	4,000 M
Hana Speaks	16:29	4,000 M
Desiree Weatherford	22:07	4,000 M
Boys		
Kameron Duncan	19:23	5,000 M

Front Row: Desiree Weatherford, Leslie Ostertag, Kameron Duncan, Kaity Jordan, and Hana Speaks.
Row 2: Manager Kayla Hixson. Not pictured: Coach Stevenson. Photo by Foster’s Photography



Far Right: Kameron Duncan sprints to catch another runner at the Nemaha Valley meet. He placed 9th with a time of 20:40. Photo by Tom Speaks

Right: Desiree Weatherford speeds up after passing a runner at the Nemaha Valley meet. Weatherford placed 32nd with a time of 24:02. Photo by Tom Speaks

Bottom Right: Kameron Duncan and Hana Speaks listen while Principal Don Cash tells the student body why they should go and cheer them on at the State meet. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Below: Leslie Ostertag tries to keep up a fast pace to stay in front of the pack at the Nemaha Valley meet. Ostertag went on to place 34th with a time of 24:15. Photo by Tom Speaks



The boys' basketball team ended their season in an 11-point loss to Elwood in the second round of the 1A Regional Tournament. They came home with a 3rd-place DVL Tournament plaque, a 4th-place award in the DVL season standings, and a 5th-place finish in the Raider Classic tournament in Seneca.

The team opened the season with a nail-biter overtime loss to Wathena. They went into Christmas break with an even 2-2 record, recording wins over Jackson Heights and Wetmore, and a loss to KC Christian.

In January the boys played a total of eight games, with four being for the Raider Classic. Their record at the end of the month was 7-5, including another close loss to rival Wathena.

After December's huge ice storm, February brought more bad weather that allowed the team to practice only a few times the entire month. They did, however, fit in the rest of their games for the season. They lost to Pleasant Ridge and KC Christian, and then would not see another until their season-ending loss to Elwood, leaving them at a 12-9 record.

Joel Kahnt led the Trojans, assisted by Larry Sandy. Senior leaders were Caylor Luther and Matt Ploeger. Juniors also filling in key leadership roles were Colin

TROY BASKETBALL

Greaser, Ethan Robinson, and Jesse Marriot. Two sophomores, Ross Libel and Kenneth Tharman, stepped up to see a little varsity. A hoard of freshmen also turned out, and a few of them also saw varsity playing time.

Greaser led the team in scoring with 252, followed closely by classmate Robinson with 208 on the season. Luther led the team in rebounds, grabbing for 136, with Robinson close behind with 130. Defensively, Greaser led steals by a long shot with 59, as well as offensive assists with 67. In the blocked-shots category, Luther had 29, Robinson had 19, and Marriot had 7. The team scored 993 points on the season, and held their opponents to 971. They also out-rebounded their opponents, with a total of 578 to 517.

Receiving honors were Greaser, DVL 1st Team and All-State honorable mention, and Robinson, DVL honorable mention.



"I enjoyed hanging with my friends and being part of the team," said Matt Ploeger.



"I enjoyed winning; of course, everyone loves winning," said Ross Libel.

Wathena 47-54	Horton 36-32
Jackson Heights 48-42	Pleasant Ridge 42-58
KC Christian 43-55	Elwood 44-41
Wetmore 52-36	Mclouth 56-45
Oskaloosa 36-45	Jackson Heights 66-37
Immaculata 46-57	KC Christian 34-45
JCN 47-43	Doniphan West 63-53
Wathena 62-67	Horton 45-42
JCN 35-27	Elwood 46-57
Falls City 52-64	
Hiawatha 33-28	

Front Row: Ross Libel, Colin Greaser, Garrett Masters, Kaleb Zeltwanger, Brent Schultz, Jan Statsny, Steven Clary, Kenneth Tharman. Row 2: Coach Joel Kahnt, Jesse Marriot, Ethan Robinson, Garrett Fenley, Garrett Meng, Caylor Luther, Peter Masters, Eli Smith, Matt Ploeger, and Coach Larry Sandy.



Right: Jesse Marriott goes up for the rebound during the Troy vs. Horton game, while Ethan Robinson and Colin Greaser wait for a possible rebound. Photo by Kia Grable



Below Right: Ethan Robinson attempts a lay up during the McLouth game while Caylor Luther follows the shot. Photo by Kimberly Clary

Below: Caylor Luther squats during a free throw, trying to regain his strength. Photo by Kimberly Clary



LADY BASKETBALL

The Lady Trojan basketball team ended their season with a record of 9-13 and a record of 2-8 in the DVL. They went into the DVL pre-season tournament with a win against Wathena, and their first-round game they played Wathena again and won 46-35.

The DVL tournament was postponed until January 12, and the Lady Trojans played Horton for 3rd place. The game was close until the final 30 seconds when Whitney Sutton made one free-throw and then missed the next but snagged the rebound. The Horton players fouled her, and it put her on the line again where she made both to ice the win. The Lady Trojans won 38-34.

One other major point of the season was getting to play Wathena, Jackson Heights, and Horton each three times. The Lady Trojans beat Wathena each time they played them but the biggest win was at Wathena's home floor where they won 43-33.

The team had a pre-game ritual of listening to music and dancing.

"My favorite part of the season was always getting pumped up in the locker room before the games. Certain memories, like crazy dancing and pep talks, will be unforgettable," said senior Jena Johnson.

"My favorite memory was when we poured our hearts out on the court to win

3rd in the DVL tournament. Also, when we smashed Wathena by 26!" said Sutton.

"This will go down for me as a very strange season because of the weather issues forcing us to play so many games without any practice time. We also endured more illness than I can ever remember. To bring home a 3rd place plaque from the DVL Tournament was an outstanding accomplishment. I am extremely proud of the seniors and how they held things together all year long," said Coach Derek Jasper.

Sutton was the only member to receive post-season honors. She was named to the Hiawatha Tournament team, 1st-Team All-League, as well as Honorable Mention All-State.

"I enjoyed the time the team spent together before the games. We listened to music and listened to Whitney's memorable pep talks. Another part was when I made my free throws at the end of the Pleasant Ridge game," said Courtney Turpin.



"Getting 3rd in the DVL tournament by beating Horton!" said sophomore Bailey Morgan.



"I enjoyed bonding with the team, learning new things, and hanging out in the locker room," said Alyssa Burchett-Burtis.

Box Scores

Jackson Heights	45-21	Jackson Heights	38-23
Wathena	56-30	Horton	49-52
Wathena	46-35	Pleasant Ridge	53-51
KCC	30-45	Elwood	64-26
Wetmore	56-17	McLouth	41-48
Oskaloosa	22-44	Jackson Heights	32-34
Immaculata	29-41	KCC	20-48
JCN	29-52	Valley Falls	29-46
Wathena	43-33	D-West	22-32
Horton	38-34	Horton	44-47
Nemaha Valley	29-54	Bern	49-66

Front Row: Hana Speaks, Desiree Weatherford, Whitney Sutton, Courtney Turpin, Kodie Wetmore, Alyssa Burchett-Burtis, and Brittany Wetmore. Row 2: Coach Kevin McNorton, Mackenzie Clary, Jena Johnson, Bailey Morgan, Kacie Fenley, Kia Grable, Hannah Simpson, Whitlea Klaus, and Coach Derek Jasper. Photo by Foster's Foto



Right: Kia Grable, Jena Johnson, Whitney Sutton, Bailey Morgan, and Courtney Turpin listen while Coach Derek Jasper makes up a play for them to run after he had called a time-out. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Below left: Whitney Sutton shoots a lay-up over two Nemaha Valley defenders in the Hiawatha Tournament. Sutton was named to the all-tournament team. Photo by Kimberly Clary

Below Right: Hana Speaks, Bailey Morgan, Kia Grable, and Hannah Simpson fight for a rebound against Horton defenders. The Lady Trojans lost the game 44-47 on Parents' Night. Photo by Kimberly Clary



BASEBALL DONIPHAN SOFTBALL

Doniphan County baseball and softball completed their second year of playing together. The softball team ended their season with a record on 1-15. The baseball team ended with a record of 18-4. The baseball team also won their regional and traveled to the state baseball tournament in Manhattan.

The softball team's season started off with three games having to be postponed due to inclement weather. They played their first game April 1.

The baseball team's season started off on schedule and they only had to reschedule one game.

"During the year all of the girls have become better all-around hitters and players. We have grown so much as a team and we have learned each other's strengths and weaknesses," said senior Kacie Fenley.

The softball team played their first regional game at Wellsville. They lost the game 0-17 to Wellsville to end the season.

The baseball regional was held in Wathena where the boys had a first-round bye. They played McLouth, whom they beat 11-7. They then played Oskaloosa for the championship game, which they won 6-3.

"The season went well; we hit a few rough spots in some games but then we bounced back. I was very proud of the team when we won the regional tournament against Oskie," said sophomore Colin Greaser.

Although Troy was a 1A school, when combined with Wathena, the baseball team became a 3A team. The 3A tournament was held at Norvell Field in Manhattan. Doniphan County faced Central Heights, who had a record of 19-2, in the first round of the state tournament. The Doniphan County team lost the game 4-2, ending their state play and season.



"Even though our season was shaky I enjoyed all my teammates," said Bree Martinez.



"Being able to go to state was awesome; it shows we had a great season," said Auten Huss.

Box Scores

Baseball		Softball	
Mid-Buchanan	14-7, 13-2	Valley Falls	
Oskaloosa	4-2, 9-14	Oskaloosa	
Valley Falls	20-8, 18-7	McLouth	
North Platte	11-9	Hiawatha	16-1, 18-0
McLouth	14-1, 14-4	Atchison	21-22, 31-21
Pleasant Ridge	7-4, 5-4	Atchison	9-16, 14-18
Maranatha	8-12, 15-3	Pleasant Ridge	0-17, 1-16
Immaculata	6-2, 9-2	Wellsville	0-17
Marysville	6-3, 5-9		
McLouth	11-7		
Oskaloosa	6-3		

Front row: Sam Root and Sarah Snodgrass. Row 2: Mackenzie Clary, Morgan Hontz, Bailey Morgan, Whitlea Klaus, and Allie Mitchell. Row 3: Bree Martinez, Kacie Fenley, and Shelby McQuillan. Not pictured-Coaches Stacy Kahnt and Lindsey Root. Photo by Foster's Foto



Right: Bailey Morgan, Kacie Fenley, and Bree Martinez listen to Coach Kahnt during a quick time-out during the Atchison double header. The team lost the first game 20-21 in eight innings. This was one of the highest scoring games that the Doniphan softball team played during the season. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Below left: Colin Greaser pitches during the first game of a double header versus Marysville. The team won both games. Photo by Kimberly Clary

Below right: Doniphan Baseball: Front row: Colin Greaser, Colton Bauman, Bryce Paden, Justin Hawkins, and Blake Haynes. Row 2: Gerald Dilley, Jesse Bahr, Brett Hontz, Jesse Marriott, and Elliot Nold. Row 3: Auten Huss, Eli Smith, Jeremy Mowry, Jordan Lester, Brennan Wehner, Aron Sharp, and Coach Matt Peterson. Not pictured: Ethan Robinson. Photo by Foster's Foto



Troy High School's track team had a successful season. With only 8 girls and 13 boys, the track team was very small, but the girls' team got 3rd at the Delaware Valley League meet. The team also had five people qualify to compete at the state track meet, and one gold medalist, Ethan Robinson, in the javelin.

The team was coached by Steve Martin, assisted by Brian Yardley and Lyle Rockey. Colin Greaser and Jesse Marriott were the teams' managers.

"Track was a lot of fun and we were very successful," said sophomore Hannah Simpson.

Leslie Ostertag set a new school record in the triple jump with a jump of 34'9" at the Nemaha Valley meet.

At the DVL meet Simpson placed first in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:03.59. Ethan Robinson also placed first with a throw of 170'10.75".

At the county meet the girls' team placed second with 70 points. Jena Johnson placed first in the mile, two-mile, and the 800-meter dash. Simpson placed first in

the 400-meter dash, and the 4x200 relay placed first. Ostertag also placed first in the triple jump with a jump of 33'1.5".

At the county meet, the boys' team placed first in the 4x200 relay. Robinson placed first in the javelin throw and discus with throws of 185'2" and 111'2".

Regional track was at Mankato, and three school track records were broken. The girls' 4x100 team, Desiree Weatherford, Hannah Simpson, Madi Twombly, and Leslie Ostertag set a new record with a time of 52.9. Simpson broke the 400-meter record with a time of 1:01.52. Hana Speaks broke the 800-meter record with a time of 2:33.02.

"I was really proud of our 4x100, we pulled things together even though one of our runners was hurt," said Madi Twombly.

The five people competing at state were Ethan Robinson and Courtney Turpin in javelin, Caylor Luther and Leslie Ostertag in the triple jump, and Hannah Simpson in the 400-meter dash.



"The best part about track was the meets," said Garrett Fenley.



"The practices helped me get better over the course of the season," said Jordan Miller.

State Track Results

Ethan Robinson 1st javelin throw 179'11"

Leslie Ostertag 5th triple jump 33'11.5"

Caylor Luther 10th triple jump 40'11"

Hannah Simpson 12th 400m dash 1:01.66

Courtney Turpin 14th javelin throw

Front row: Jordan Miller, Hana Speaks, Courtney Turpin, Jena Johnson, Madi Twombly, Hannah Simpson, and Leslie Ostertag. Row 2: Jan Statsny, Jacob Clary, Peter Masters, Tim Griffin, Caylor Luther, Kaeleb Zeltwanger, and Brady Adams. Row 3: Levi Dunn, Garrett Fenley, Paul Ward, Kodey Smith, Randall Baskins, Jesse Masters, and Kenneth Tharman. Not pictured: Kameron Duncan, Kyle Smith, Riley Whetstine, Desiree Weatherford, Coach Martin, Coach Yardley, and Coach Rockey. Photo by Foster's Foto



Right: Courtney Turpin finishes her run up at the Highland track meet. Turpin threw the javelin 104'1". Turpin also competed in the discus where she threw 85'9". Turpin competed in the javelin at state in Wichita. Photo by Brittany Clary.



Below left: Brady Adams throws the shot put at the Highland track meet. This was Adams's first year in track and he did well competing at several meets. Photo by Brittany Clary

Below right: Jena Johnson holds down the starting blocks for Hannah Simpson at the McLouth track meet. Simpson was getting ready to run the 100-meter dash. Photo by Hana Speaks.



TROY CHEER/DANCE

The Trojan spirit squads spent the year supporting the football and basketball teams. They also performed at various activities to support community events, as well as at a pep rally for the grade school students.

The cheer squad was led by Mrs. Stacy Kahnt. Co-captains were Courtney Turpin and Heather Wetmore, both seniors. Christina Ivey was the third senior, and Ashley Weis was the only junior. Four sophomores wore the skirts, including Brittany Wetmore, Hana Speaks, Kia Grable, and Desiree Weatherford.

Cheerleaders were responsible for cheering during the football games in the fall and the girls' and boys' varsity basketball games during the winter season. They also performed at several pep rallies throughout the year, including dancing with the dancers.

The dance squad also had eight girls. Kristee Klaus joined the team in her first year of being dance sponsor. She had three senior co-captains: Madi Twombly, Jena Johnson, and Whitney Sutton. Also dancing were senior Jordan Libel, sophomores Hannah Simpson and Leslie Ostertag, and freshmen Whitlea Klaus and Mackenzie Clary.

The dance team performed at halftimes of football and boys' basketball games. They also performed in the March of Meals parade on Main Street in Troy and at the grade school for their Kansas Assessment Rally.

The squads both attended the UCA/UDA Spirit Spreader clinic at Highland Community College. The cheerleaders learned several cheers, while the dancers learned a hip-hop routine to "Walk It Out." Later, the squads joined together to learn a fun unity dance to "Please Don't Stop the Music." They later performed the routine at the Homecoming pep rally on Main Street.

"I loved the group of girls that I danced with this year. I felt like we really bonded, and we had fun at every single dance practice. My favorite routine to perform was when we added 'Back in Black' to our new dance 'Break It Off' at the halftime of the Wathena football game," said Madi Twombly.



"I loved cheering on the football team and the rides to the game," said senior Courtney Turpin



"I enjoyed bringing smiles to peoples' faces when we danced," said sopomore Leslie Ostertag



Above: Hannah Simpson, Madi Twombly, Leslie Ostertag, Jena Johnson, Jordan Libel, Whitney Sutton, Whitlea Klaus, and Mackenzie Clary dance at the Troy vs. Wathena football game to the song "Break It Off." Photo by Kacie Fenley

Right: Hana Speaks is elavated into the air by her spotters, Heather Wetmore, Brittany Wetmore, and Courtney Turpin along with Kia Grable, Desiree Weatherford and Ashley Weis. Photo by Bree Martinez

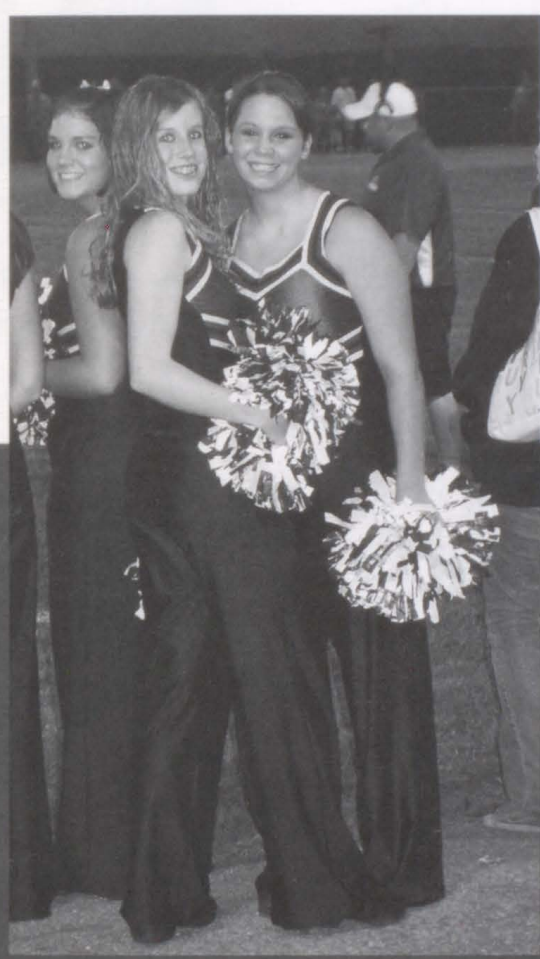


Right: Dancers Madi Twombly, Hannah Simpson, and Whitney Sutton perform their second halftime dance at the Troy vs. Wathena game to the song "Back in Black." Photo by Kacie Fenley



Below Right: Cheerleader Christina Ivey fully extends her leg in the air while her spotters and fellow cheerleaders cheer at the Troy vs. McLouth football game. Photo by Brittany Clary

Below: Senior Jordan Libel and freshman Mackenzie Clary prepare to perform at half time. Photo by Kacie Fenley



iParticipate

Troy High School offered activities for students ranging from Kayettes to Students Against Destructive Decisions. The clubs were all optional, but requirements varied.

Many clubs required participants to help with a fundraiser. T-Club sponsored the alumni men's basketball tournament, and drama club sold wrapping paper and various items at Christmas time.

Some clubs held fairs and activities for community support. Among the FFA community service projects was Fire Safety Day at the grade school. SADD also held several safety fairs for students and the community alike that aimed to prevent drug and alcohol use.

The activity involvement at THS benefitted the members, younger students, faculty, and the community.

Favorite Tunes



“Independent’ by Webbie” -Katie Norris, junior



“Tokio Hotel’ by Durch Den Monsun”-Cale Cluck, sophomore



Clockwise from top left: Caylor Luther and Ashley Miller rehearse for the fall play; Daniel Dominguez presents his booth at the SADD fair, while Bailey Morgan and Brit-tany Wetmore look on; Stu-Co members Whitney Sutton, Kia Grable, Madi Twombly, and Riley Whetstine help Bea Koehler serve the Thanksgiving dinner; Riley Whetstine marinates a turkey for the FFA fry; Garrett Meng and Kaeleb Zeltwanger listen as Coach Kahnt talks at the awards banquet; Clyde Hixson and Gerald Clary pose with the KC Chiefs Cheerleaders.



Late Night

A favorite Trojan tradition of many students was Late Night, a pep rally that kicked off the year by getting the students, faculty, and community involved in all the fall sports. All students involved in any fall sport, including cheer and dance, were announced.

Late Night was held in the new gym, instead of outside. The coaches and captains for volleyball, football, and cross country had time to announce their plans for the upcoming seasons. After everyone was announced, each team met on the gym floor for the games.

For one of the games the team members were paired with partners and had to pass a ball to each other without using their hands.

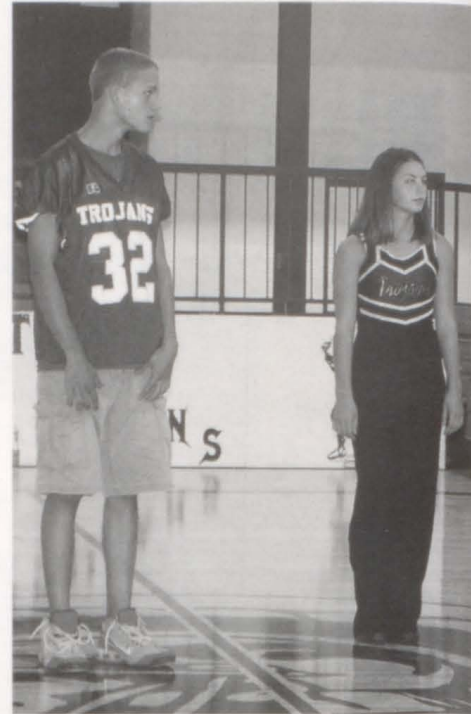
Sophomore Brittany Clary said, "My favorite part about Late Night was

probably when all the team members had to play the game where they had to pass the ball to each other without touching it with their hands. I thought it was great and pretty amusing."

The dancers and cheerleaders each performed their dances and cheers to get the crowd going. During all the Late Night excitement, many blue-and-white items were thrown into the crowd so that everyone could be involved in spreading the spirit throughout the night and the rest of the season.

"I was surprised to see so many community members there to support us. It really gives us motivation to do our best," said senior Jordan Libel.

Right: Peter Masters and Leslie Ostertag listen to the instructions as the Late Night games are being explained. Photo by Kayla DeLeon



Above: Jordan Libel and Mackenzie Clary work the crowd during their dance at Late Night. Photo by Kayla DeLeon

Right: Leslie Ostertag, Whitney Sutton, and Whitlea Klaus get the crowd going at Late Night while performing their dance to "Break It Off." Photo by Kayla DeLeon

Opposite page: Brennan Wehner and Madi Twombly pass the ball to each other during one of the Late Night games. Photo by Kayla DeLeon



"The games were the best part of Late Night. Everyone was really pumped up to start the season."

Tim Griffin

"The best part about Late Night for me was playing all the games and it was a great way to start off the year."

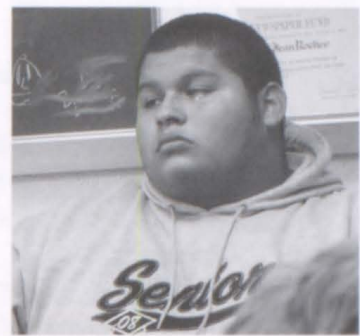
Beth Siard

"I thought Late Night was late and great. All the school spirit was amazing and was really a good memory."

Anthony Hayes

"My favorite part about Late Night was all the games we played. They really got all the athletes involved."

Jesse Masters





Homecoming

Spirit week helps keep the Homecoming traditions alive. For spirit week the cheerleaders and dancers decided what each day would be. They decided on Sports Day, Camo Day, Dress-like-a-staff-member Day, Multiple Day, and, for Friday, the traditional Blue-and-White Day. A number of activities were planned to promote the Trojan spirit throughout the Homecoming week, all building up to a pep rally on Main Street.

Each class designed a float for the parade, whose theme was "Surprise the Dragons." The dancers and cheerleaders got the crowd excited by performing a joint dance, as well as their own performances. After the teams announced their plans for the upcoming seasons, it was time for the

candidates' game.

Paired up, one candidate had to run down and catch the football thrown by the other person and then do their best touchdown dance. Kaitlyn Jordan and Kameron Duncan were the winners of the game.

The Homecoming ceremonies began before the game with Valley Falls. The Homecoming candidates were Kaitlyn Jordan, Whitney Sutton, Courtney Turpin, Anthony Hayes, Levi Jenkins, and Caylor Luther. Homecoming King and Queen were Kameron Duncan and Madi Twombly.

Right: Queen Madi Twombly, King Kameron Duncan and Homecoming candidates Courtney Turpin and Levi Jenkins pose with their junior attendants Jordan Gatz, Madison Harbeston, and Sydney Fleek. Photo by Ashley Weis



Above: Anthony Hayes and Whitney Sutton try to get the crowd to choose them as the winners of the candidates' game, as Stacy Kahnt announces them. Photo by Kayla DeLeon

Right: Sophomores Kenneth Tharman, Jesse Masters, and Jordan Miller wait on their float "Super Surprise" for the Homecoming parade to begin. Photo by Kayla DeLeon



"My favorite part of Homecoming was being crowned Homecoming King. That is a memory that I will have forever."

Kameron Duncan



"My favorite part about Homecoming was the parade. We had to make several last-minute adjustments to our float."

Lacey Smith



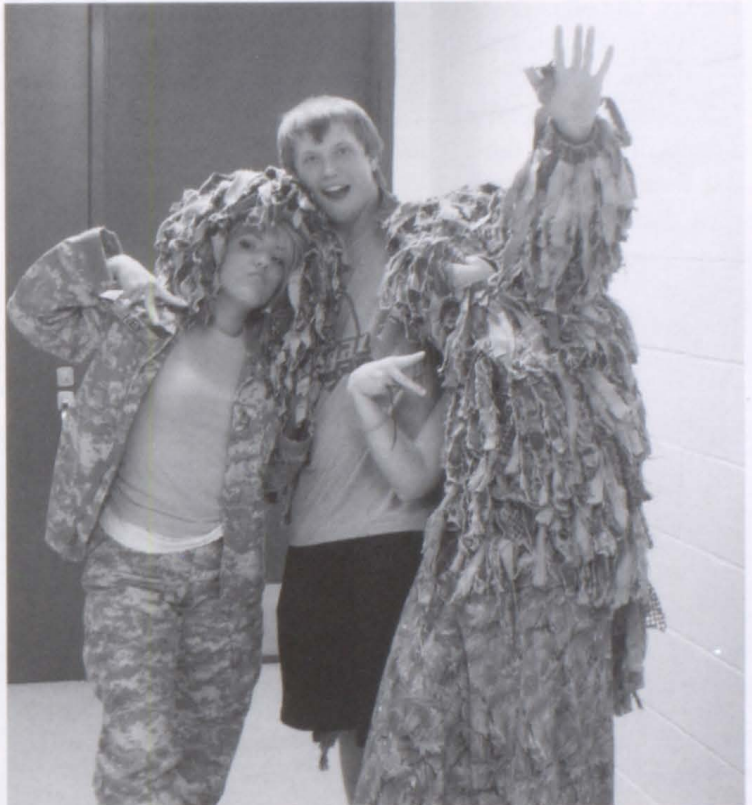
"My favorite part of Homecoming is always enjoying the completed field out painting. This year's seniors did an exceptional job!"

Nancy Clisbee



"My favorite part of Homecoming was going to the dance and hanging out with my friends. It was my first dance at Troy High."

Jordan Miller



Above: Christina Ivey, Tim Griffin, and hidden Katie Norris pose for Camo Day during spirit week. Photo by Kayla DeLeon

Above Left: Dancers Hannah Simpson, Madi Twombly, Leslie Ostertag, and Whitney Sutton perform during the parade. Photo by Kayla DeLeon



Left: Desiree Weatherford, Kia Grable, Hana Speaks, and Heather Wetmore lead the crowd in the cheer "Blue, Grey, and White." Photo by Kayla DeLeon



Queen of Courts

A Valentine's Day theme set the stage for the Queen of Courts ceremony. Caylor Luther and Kaitlyn Jordan were crowned King and Queen of Courts during halftime of the boys' varsity basketball game.

Spirit Week preceded the Queen of Courts crowning. The week started with students dressing up for Multiple Day on Monday. The other days were Character Day, Hat Day, Pirate Day, and Blue-and-White Day. Blue-and-White Day, on Friday, had the largest participation of students displaying their school pride.

"I thought that the days chosen for Spirit Week were really original. I enjoyed dressing up and seeing people dress up for different days. I always love Blue-and-White Day; the school spirit that students have is great," said senior

Kacie Fenley.

Spirit Week led to a pep rally on Friday. The dancers and cheerleaders both performed, and team captains of the basketball teams made speeches. The Queen of Courts candidates participated in a game. Caylor Luther and Whitney Sutton were the winners of the candidate game.

After the basketball games and crowning ceremonies were completed, the THS students attended a dance in the old gym of the high school. Valentine's Day decorations helped set the mood for the dance.



Right: Cheerleaders Hana Speaks and Brittany Wetmore get the crowd pumped up at the Queen of Courts pep rally. The pep rally was held the same Friday as the crowning. Photo by Kayla DeLeon



Above: Dancers Mackenzie Clary, Jena Johnson, Leslie Ostertag, and Hannah Simpson perform at the pep rally to "Can't Touch This" by MC Hammer. The dancers also threw spirit items into the crowd before dancing. Photo by Kayla DeLeon

Right: Eli Smith, Peter Masters, Steven Clary, Garrett Fenley, and Garrett Masters look on as senior basketball captain Caylor Luther encourages students to attend the Queen of Courts basketball game and ceremonies. Photo by Kayla DeLeon

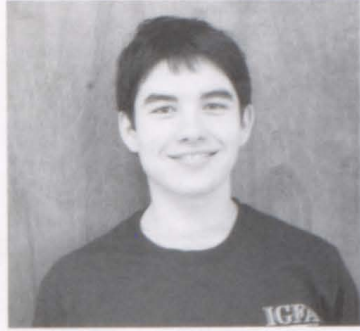


"It makes me sad to think that this was my last Queen of Courts to attend as a Troy High School student. I had a lot of fun with the activities that went along with Queen of Courts this year." Marianne Anderson

"It was really disappointing that our boys lost against Pleasant Ridge, but the dance still turned out to be a lot of fun. I appreciate how students at our school can always have fun no matter what the situation." Daniel Dominguez

"I thought that STUCO did a good job with decorating and putting the Queen of Courts dance together. Sometimes it is a lot of work for STUCO members to get everything to go smoothly but in the end it is usually worth it." Jesse Marriott

"The whole week leading up to the Queen of Courts ceremony was fun. My favorite part of the week was Pirate Day because I was in the handful of people who dressed up for that day of Spirit Week." Ashley Miller



Above: Jan Stastny and Whitney Sutton battle to pop each other's balloon during the candidate game during the Queen of Courts pep rally. The candidates were put into teams of two and then a balloon was tied to each one's ankle. The goal of the game was to pop the other candidates' balloons while protecting their own. Photo by Kayla DeLeon

Above Left: King Caylor Luther and Queen Kaitlyn Jordan smile as the crowning ceremonies draw to an end. "I was really surprised that I was crowned King. It was kind of an honor," said Luther. Photo by Madi Twombly



Left: Queen of Courts candidates Cameron Blanton, Jena Johnson, Caylor Luther, Kaitlyn Jordan, Levi Jenkins, Whitney Sutton, Jan Stastny, and Courtney Turpin pose with junior attendants Caitlyn Johnson, MeKayla Martin, Joey Parks, and Grayden Penny. Photo by Madi Twombly



Prom

Prom was held in the Troy Community Center, which was decorated for dinner and the dance. "A Red Carpet Affair" was the theme of Prom, and the decorations were red and black. The junior class spent several evenings during the week leading up to Prom decorating the community center.

"Decorating the community center took a little extra time out of my schedule, but I was really happy with the end result. I was proud of how well my class worked together to make everything look nice," said junior, Bree Martinez.

The meal for Prom was fixed by Angie Stock. Roast beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, and home-made rolls were served. A choice of strawberry cake or chocolate cake was given for dessert. Iced tea and water were also served throughout the evening. Seven

sophomores served the meal and later helped clean up the community center.

"It was kind of a long night; having to be on my feet the whole time, but I liked seeing everyone in their dresses during the meal and the dance," said sophomore Desiree Weatherford.

After-prom was held in the Troy High School new gym. A Wii and Guitar Hero were set up for entertainment. The main act of the night was a hypnotist. Several students volunteered to be hypnotized. While under hypnosis the students were made to perform in several different ways. Prizes were given out at the end of the night. The prizes included two TVs, a Wii, a Guitar Hero, and cash prizes.

Right: Daniel Dominguez, Edwin Buch, Clyde Hixson, and Caylor Luther act like the boy band Nsync under the influence of hypnosis. Photo by Bree Martinez



Above: Desiree Weatherford takes plates from Cameron Blanton and Mary Flinders. The junior class paid the sophomore class \$500 dollars to serve at Prom. Photo by Hannah Simpson.

Right: Colin Greaser is tossed into the air by Kameron Duncan, Matt Ploeger, Jesse Marriott, Anthony Hayes, and Levi Jenkins. Several boys took turns being tossed at the beginning of the dance. Photo by Bree Martinez



"I had a really good time at Prom. The dance was fun and I was happy that people actually got out on the floor and danced. The boys tossing each other in the air was really funny too." Sarah Greub

"The food was pretty good at Prom. I liked getting to eat a meal with my friends. It was also fun to see everybody dressed up." Aaron Shelton

"I was so happy that my senior Prom turned out like it did. I had a great time and loved spending the evening with my friends. The theme was really cute as well." Courtney Miller

"After-Prom was great! The hypnotist was absolutely amazing. It was so cool to see people do whatever the hypnotist told them." Kerya Wykert



Above: Sarah Greub, Marianne Anderson, Kimberly Clary, and Elizabeth Tharman laugh over a game of cards during After-Prom. Space was open in the new gym for students to eat and talk before the hypnotist act. Photo by Madi Twombly

Above Left: Jordan Libel, Bree Martinez, Courtney Turpin, Kacie Fenley and Mackenzie Clary do the Electric Slide during one of the first dances of the night. The dance was supposed to last from about 8 p.m. to midnight, but Prom-goers were released a little early to go home and change for After-Prom. Photo by Hannah Simpson.



Left: Keiffer Whetstine and his date Kodie Wetmore enjoy their dinner while Brittany Wetmore looks on. "I had a fun time at Prom, and I thought that the meal was really good," said Whetstine. Photo by Hannah Simpson



Senior Trip/ Graduation

A group of Troy High School seniors departed May 9 for Dallas, Texas. The seniors rented a charter bus for the ten-hour trip. After arriving at their hotel at nearly 10 p.m. the seniors unpacked and settled in to their assigned rooms.

Saturday morning the group headed to downtown Dallas to the Sixth Floor museum. The museum was filled with information about the assassination of former president John F. Kennedy. Later that afternoon the seniors went to the Speed Zone, which had a large arcade and outdoor race tracks. To end the day everyone went to an outlet mall to do a little shopping.

On Sunday the group traveled to the Six Flags over Texas amusement park, where they rode roller coasters and played games. Later that day the seniors ate as a group at Joe's Crab Shack.

The next morning the seniors left Texas and headed to Oklahoma City

where they spent time reflecting at the Oklahoma City bombing memorial.

Troy High School's graduation was May 18 and began with the processional to "Pomp and Circumstance."

Junior escorts were Jesse Marriott and Sarah Greub. Principal Don Cash gave the welcome and then the THS chorus performed. Mr. Cash then introduced co-valedictorians Kaitlyn Jordan and Jena Johnson. Each gave a short speech.

The senior video was then presented. After the video was the rose ceremony, where students presented roses to their loved ones.

The ceremony ended with the presentation of diplomas, and the graduating class of 2008 then turned their tassels.

Right: Foreign exchange student, Jan Stastny presents his rose during the dedication ceremony to his host Mr. Dale Whiteside. Stastny visited Troy from the Czech Republic for the entire school year. Photo by Martha-Jean Rockey



Above: Elizabeth Tharman, Madison Twombly, Paul Ward, Brennan Wehner, and Marianne Anderson form a line to receive their diplomas from the board members. Photo by Leslie Ostertag

Right: Kaitlyn Jordan, Caylor Luther, Tim Griffin, and Levi Jenkins stand by the reflecting pool at the memorial of the Oklahoma City bombing. Two large monuments stand at either end of the reflecting pool. Photo by Madi Twombly



"Senior trip was a lot of fun. The kids were great and really easy to handle. It was a great way to finish the year." Mr. Joel Kahnt

"I thought that the graduation ceremony was great. Things got very emotional, especially during the senior video, but everything went very smoothly. I couldn't have asked for a better graduation!" Elizabeth Tharman

"I was proud of all the seniors that graduated. Passing out programs before the ceremony started gave me a chance to talk to all the people that came to watch graduation." Kimberly Clary

"Senior trip was so much fun, I liked going to the museum and amusement parks, but my favorite part about the whole trip was just hanging out with my friends in the hotel room." Courtney Turpin



Above: Jordan Libel, Kaitlyn Jordan, and Whitney Sutton talk to a group of protesters on Dealy Plaza in Dallas, Texas. The group the girls spoke to were protesting Scientology, a form of religion. "I was a little nervous about talking to the protesters, but they turned out to be very friendly and informative," said Libel. Photo by Madi Twombly

Above Left: Caylor Luther and Megan Hiemer walk to the front of the gym during the processional at graduation. The Troy High School Band played "Pomp and Circumstance" as the seniors walked in at the beginning of the ceremony. Photo by Lisa Twombly

Left: Courtney Miller and Alyssa Ashworth stand on the "grassy knoll" near the area where President Kennedy was shot. Photo by Madi Twombly



Awards Night

Awards Night took place May 6. It started with the induction of new NHS members. After the NHS portion was finished, 23 scholarships were awarded to seniors, along with a few awards to other students. Sonny Ivey won the Arion Foundation award.

Three people were named Kansas State scholars, which requires a good GPA and ACT score. The three scholars were Jena Johnson, Kaity Jordan, and Madi Twombly.

Following the scholarships were woodworking awards. Outstanding woodworking awards went to Tim Griffin and Courtney Miller.

Nancy Clisbee then announced the art students. Many of the art students placed at the art competitions, so she announced all that were there.

Next Martha-Jean Rockey announced who lettered in speech, drama club,

and journalism. Bree Martinez and Sarah Greub were then inducted into Quill and Scroll. The people that went to state journalism were also recognized. Elizabeth Tharman earned the most speech points for the year.

Ken Eberhart gave out letters for choir and band. He also gave certificates to Daniel Dominguez and Elizabeth Tharman for getting a II rating on their solos. Don Cash awarded the DVL scholars.

Following this, recognition was given to track, baseball, and softball athletes. Matt Peterson started with the baseball boys. Then, Stacy Kahnt brought the softball girls out. To end the night, Lyle Rockey talked about the track team.

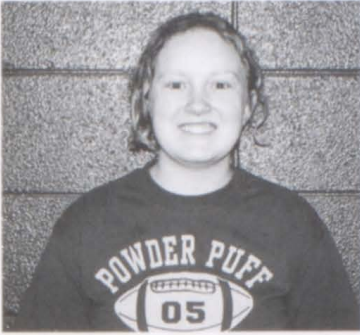
Right: Tim Griffin receives the Troy Alumni Scholarship from Pat Dill. Tim was one of four students to receive this scholarship. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Above: Whitney Sutton receives the Doniphan County Farm Bureau Scholarship from Fred Meng. This was one of the many scholarships given to the seniors. Photo by Kimberly Clary



Right: Kathy Tharman awards Leslie Ostertag a t-shirt and a 50-dollar savings bond. Leslie's design was chosen to appear on the new Troy Pride t-shirts. The art class designed t-shirts for the Troy Community Pride Program, and Leslie's was chosen. Photo by Kimberly Clary

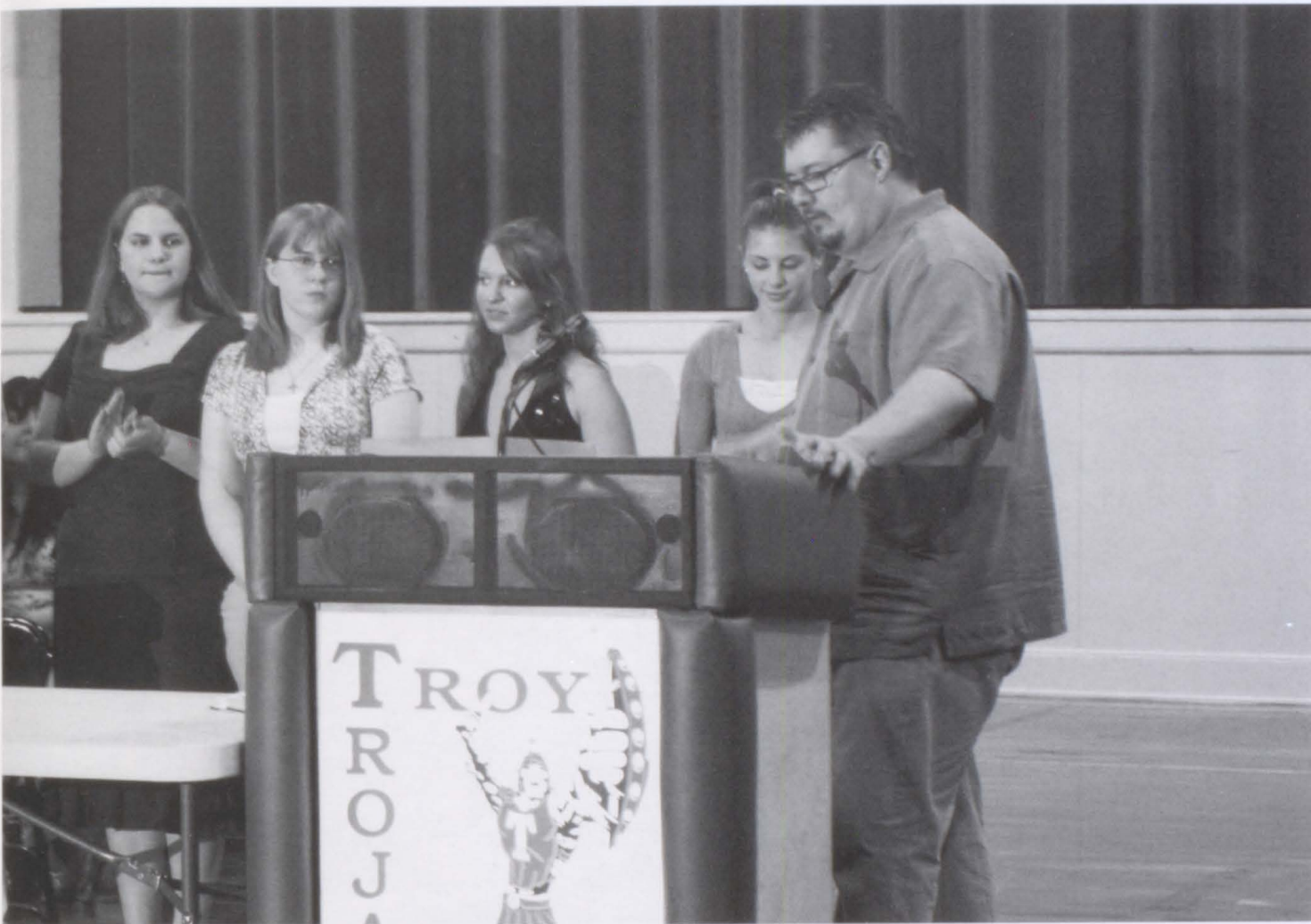


"I enjoyed watching to see who got what scholarships and it has encouraged me to fill out as many as I can, unless I win the Lottery," said junior Bree Martinez.

"I liked seeing everyone dressed up in their dresses and winning scholarships," said senior Courtney Miller.

"I liked to see all of the seniors dressed up and get their awards," said senior Marianne Anderson.

"I enjoyed the NHS induction. It was very traditional which was interesting. The candles were neat because they were symbolic of the responsibilities and duties of NHS," said junior Kerya Wykert.



Above: Elizabeth Tharman, Marianne Anderson, Sarah Greub, and Leslie Ostertag receive their band letters from Ken Eberhart. They had to attend all pep band games, concerts, and contests to receive their letters. Photo by Kimberly Clary



FFA & T-Club

The T-club sponsored the men's alumni basketball tournament and was in charge of National Activities Week. The alumni tournament was T-club's only fundraiser. The money that they earned from the tournament went towards buying medals, letters, and plaques.

At the tournament, the T-club members worked the scoreboard, kept track of fouls, kept time, and cleaned up after the games were over. The T-club also bought the winning team t-shirts.

FFA was headed by a new teacher, Brian Yardley, and with him came new ideas. They sold fruit as a fundraiser, and as a reward they got to get out

of class and have a turkey fry. They enjoyed almost a full day out of school to fry and eat all kinds of different foods.

They also fixed the bridge at the 4-H grounds. Yardley worked with all of the ag classes to get this job finished.

FFA also went to Kansas City to the farm show for FFA Week. After the farm show, they went to Cabella's to look around.

Troy FFA joined with other county chapters to host a recruitment day for the 8th graders. They taught about the different contests that FFA holds and stressed the many benefits in being active in the club.

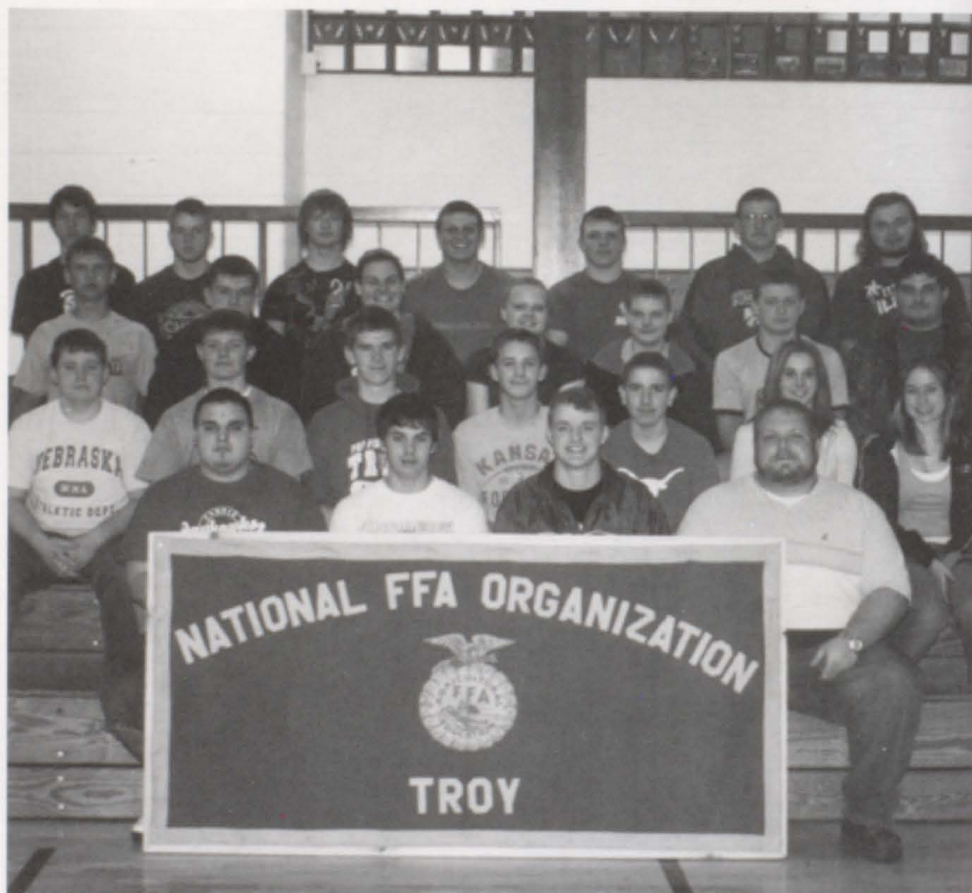


Right: Jena Johnson helps hand out the letters for T-club. Many people lettered in either sports, clubs, music, or academics. Photo by Brittany Clary



Above: Riley Whetstine, Jake Smith, Kenneth Tharman, Auten Huss, and Keiffer Whetstine enjoy fried hog testicles at the turkey fry. Photo by Kimberly Clary

FFA: Front Row: Aaron Shelton, Ross Libel, Brennan Wehner, Sponsor Brian Yardley. Row 2: Cale Cluck, Randall Baskins, Garrett Fenley, Garrett Masters, Brady Adams, Kodie Wetmore, Alyssa Burchett-Burtis. Row 3: Kenneth Tharman, Garrett Meng, Kimberly Clary, April Porter, Kerya Wykert, Keiffer Whetsine, Brandon Smith. Row 4: Eli Smith, Jesse Masters, Tim Griffin, Auten Huss, Jared Meng, Jacob Smith, and Andrew Robinson. Not pictured: Jordan Libel, president and Katie Norris, vice president. Photo by Brittany Clary





I enjoyed actually going places with the rest of the FFA members, helping at the turkey fry, and learning new things," said freshman April Porter.

"I enjoyed the 8th grade recruitment. I think we made a positive influence on the upcoming freshmen. Hopefully, they like the activities and they had a chance to learn about and take into consideration the benefits of FFA," said junior Katie Norris.

"I enjoyed working at the alumni basketball tournament," said sophomore Bailey Morgan.

I really enjoyed working at the alumni tournament. It was very entertaining," said sophomore Kayla Hixson.

T-Club: Row 1: Jena Johnson, vice president; Whitney Sutton, president; Elizabeth Tharman, secretary/treasurer. Row 2: Ashley Miller, Whitlea Klaus, Hana Speaks, Kia Grable, Desiree Weatherford, Caylor Luther, Hannah Simpson, Mackenzie Clary, Kayla DeLeon. Row 3: Kayla Hixson, Sarah Greub, Ashley Weis, Bree Martinez, Leslie Ostertag Courtney Turpin, Katie Norris, Katy Jordan, Tim Griffin. Row 4: Kenneth Tharman, Ross Libel, Colin Greaser, Levi Jenkins, Ethan Robinson, Peter Master, Matt Ploger, Steven Clary. Row 5: Jesse Masters, Kyle Smith, Jesse Marriot, Aaron Shelton, Auten Huss, Riley Whetstine, Brennan Wehner, Kaeleb Zeltwanger. Row 6: Brittany Clary, Clyde Hixson, Madi Twombly, Christina Ivey, Kacie Fenley, Bailey Morgan, and Emily Cluck. Photo by Kimberly Clary.





StuCo, Kayettes, and Quill and Scroll

Student Council and Kayettes were both busy throughout the year. Whether they were serving the school for Thanksgiving, or exchanging gifts for Christmas, these activities both contributed to making the school year great.

Along with exchanging gifts for Christmas, Kayettes also exchanged gifts for Valentine's Day. The freshmen cleaned out the trophy case. Kayettes members also helped decorate the Christmas tree at the gazebo and held the annual senior farewell.

Student council not only fed the schools on Thanksgiving; they also coordinated all of the school dances. They decorated and cleaned up for the Homecoming and Queen of Courts dances. They went to

a leadership conference in Kansas City where they learned ways to be leaders in their schools and their communities. They also sold suckers for Valentine's Day.

Quill and Scroll was a prestigious club in the school. In order to be inducted into Quill and Scroll, a student had to be in the top one-third of the class, be recommended by current members, and excel in journalism. Sarah Greub and Bree Martinez were the only two new members to be inducted into Quill and Scroll. Current members were Jordan Libel, Madi Twombly, and Kacie Fenley.



Right: Whitney Sutton, Kia Grable, and Madi Twombly serve at the Thanksgiving lunch. The STUCO organized it, set up for it, and served at it. Photo by Kerya Wykert



Above: StuCo: Front Row: Jesse Marriot; Jena Johnson, president; Whitney Sutton, secretary/treasurer; and Caylor Luther, vice president. Row 2: Steven Clary, Madi Twombly, Courtney Turpin, Kia Grable, Garrett Fenley, and Hana Speaks. Photo by Kimberly Clary

Right: Kayettes: Front Row: Emily Cluck. Row 2: Katie Cluck, Leslie Ostertag, Courtney Turpin, Whitney Sutton, Kia Grable, Hana Speaks, and Courtney Miller. Row 3: Bree Martinez, Mackenzie Clary, Kayla Hixson, Micah Bembrick, Hannah Simpson, Ashley Weis, Alyssa Ashworth, and Jordan Libel. Row 4: Katie Norris, Krystle O'Conner, Ashley Miller, Brittany Wetmore, Bailey Morgan, Kacie Fenley, Megan Heimer, and Marianne Anderson. Row 5: Elizabeth Tharman, Brittany Clary, Whitlea Klaus, Kayla DeLeon, Madi Twombly, Jena Johnson, Kaity Jordan, and sponsor Babetta Israel. Photo by Kimberly Clary





"My favorite part of Kayettes was cleaning out the trophy case," said freshman Katie Cluck.

"I enjoyed the StuCo convention and being a part of the many ways StuCo helps the school," said freshman Steven Clary.

"I enjoyed exchanging gifts because it feels good to give and receive gifts," said sophomore Emily Cluck of Kayettes.

"I feel honored to have been chosen to be part of Quill and Scroll," said junior Sarah Greub.

Below: Madi Twombly speaks to the audience about Quill and Scroll while Kacie Fenley and Jordan Libel listen. They then inducted Bree Martinez and Sarah Greub. Photo by Kimberly Clary





SADD, NHS, and BB/BS

National Honor Society, SADD, and Big Brothers/Big Sisters were very active.

Every Thursday morning students involved in Big Brothers/Big Sisters met with their little brothers or sisters at the grade school around 7 a.m.

They played games, helped with homework, or just talked to them about things they may not talk to anyone else about.

"It was hard getting up that early, but when I did, it was always worth it," said sophomore Hannah Simpson.

SADD also had a large turn out. They attended a lock-in with many other schools also involved in SADD, and they learned how to deal with drug

prevention through games. They learned about fitness and keeping the body healthy.

They also held a SADD fair in the gymnasium. Many different organizations set up booths to inform student on drugs and alcohol. Students also visited the grade school during Red Ribbon Week.

National Honor Society held their annual blood drive in the old gymnasium. They helped by handing out snacks and drinks after people had donated blood.

Senior Jordan Libel said, "I enjoyed visiting with the donors and serving them apple juice and cookies."

Right: Emily Cluck and Austin O'Connor work to put a puzzle together during their Big Brother/Big Sister session. Photo by Hannah Simpson



SADD: Front Row: Brent Schultz, Kerya Wykert, Garrett Meng, Micah Bembrick, Gerald Clary, and Kodey Smith. Row 2: Kayla DeLeon, President Elizabeth Tharman, Vice President Daniel Dominguez, Secretary/Treasurer Whitlea Klaus, Alyssa Burchett-Burtis, Mackenzie Clary, and Kenneth Tharman. Row 3: Emily Cluck, Kayla Hixson, Ashley Miller, Bailey Morgan, Brittany Wetmore, Jacob Pasch and Brittany Clary. Photo by Kimberly Clary

Opposite page: Sophomore Bailey Morgan attempts to walk a straight line in the drunk goggles, provided by Officer Darren Davies, at the SADD Fair. Photo by Brittany Clary



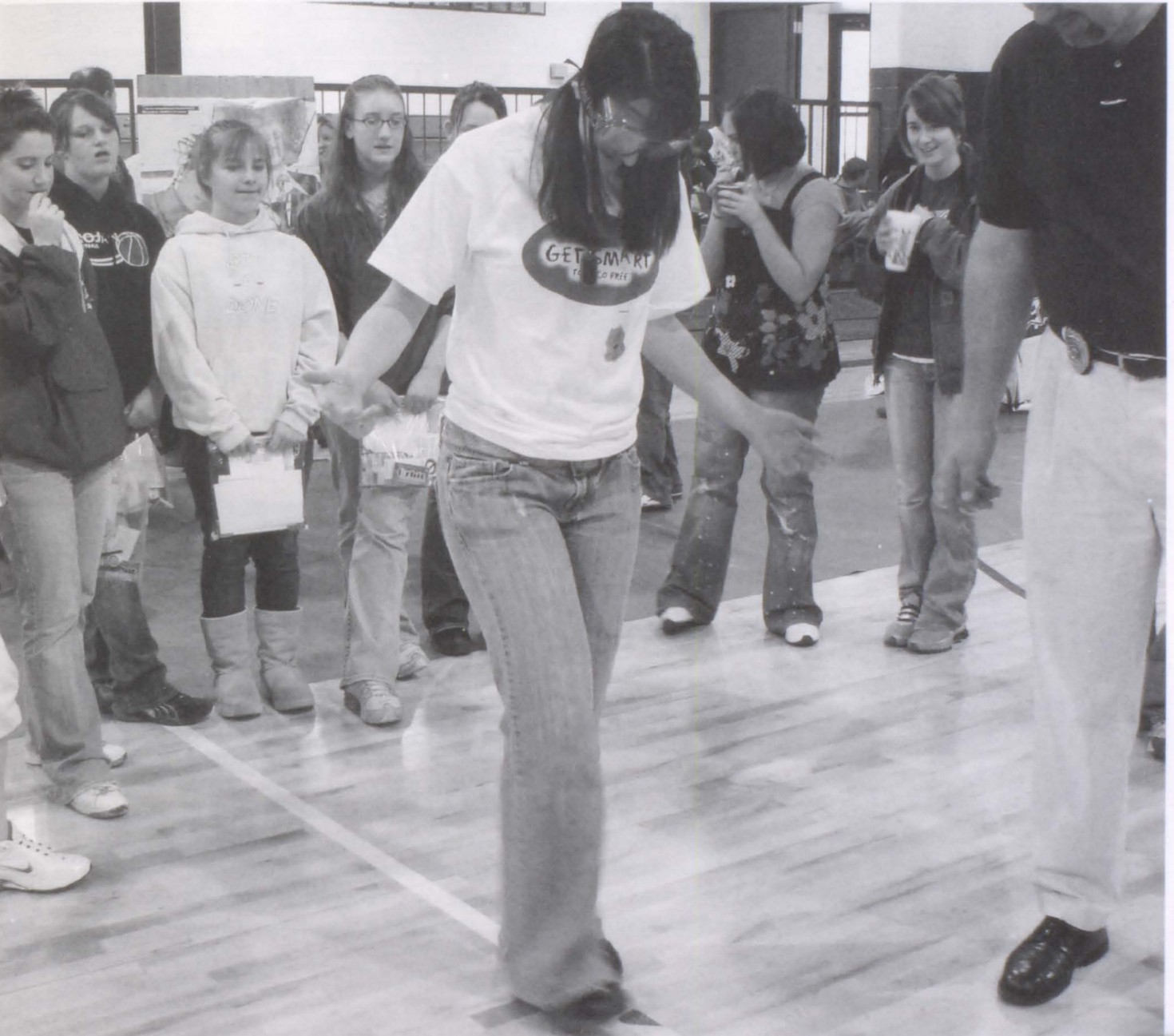
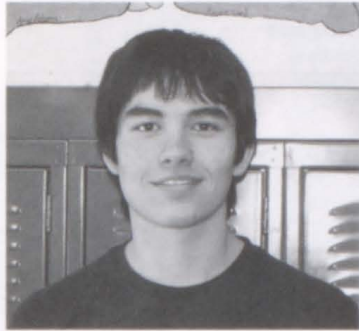
National Honor Society: Front Row: Sarah Greub, Kaitlyn Jordan (secretary), Jordan Libel, Whitney Sutton, Jena Johnson (vice president), and Elizabeth Tharman (treasurer). Row 2: Kerya Wykert, Kayla DeLeon, Caylor Luther, Colin Greaser, Jesse Marriott, Kacie Fenley, and Madison Twombly, (president). Photo by Kimberly Clary

"National Honor Society has helped me be a better person by helping at blood drives and making me keep my grades up," said senior Kacie Fenley.

"SADD was a great way for me to meet kids from other schools and influence my peers. My favorite part of SADD was the lock-in. I had a lot of fun with 'Rusty Shackleford'," said sophomore Daniel Dominguez.

"The SADD fair was fun. My favorite part was playing with the drunk goggles," said sophomore Bailey Morgan.

"Big Brothers/Big Sisters was okay, I enjoyed the little kids. I didn't really like getting up so early, but it was worth it," said sophomore Gerald Clary.



iSupport

Troy and its surrounding area experienced a hard winter. A week-long ice storm caused power outages for over a week, as well as an extra week out of school for students in the area. With the help in invaluable leaders, the community pulled together to help support each other, as well as to help in the clean-up process. It showed us all how strong a community we live in.

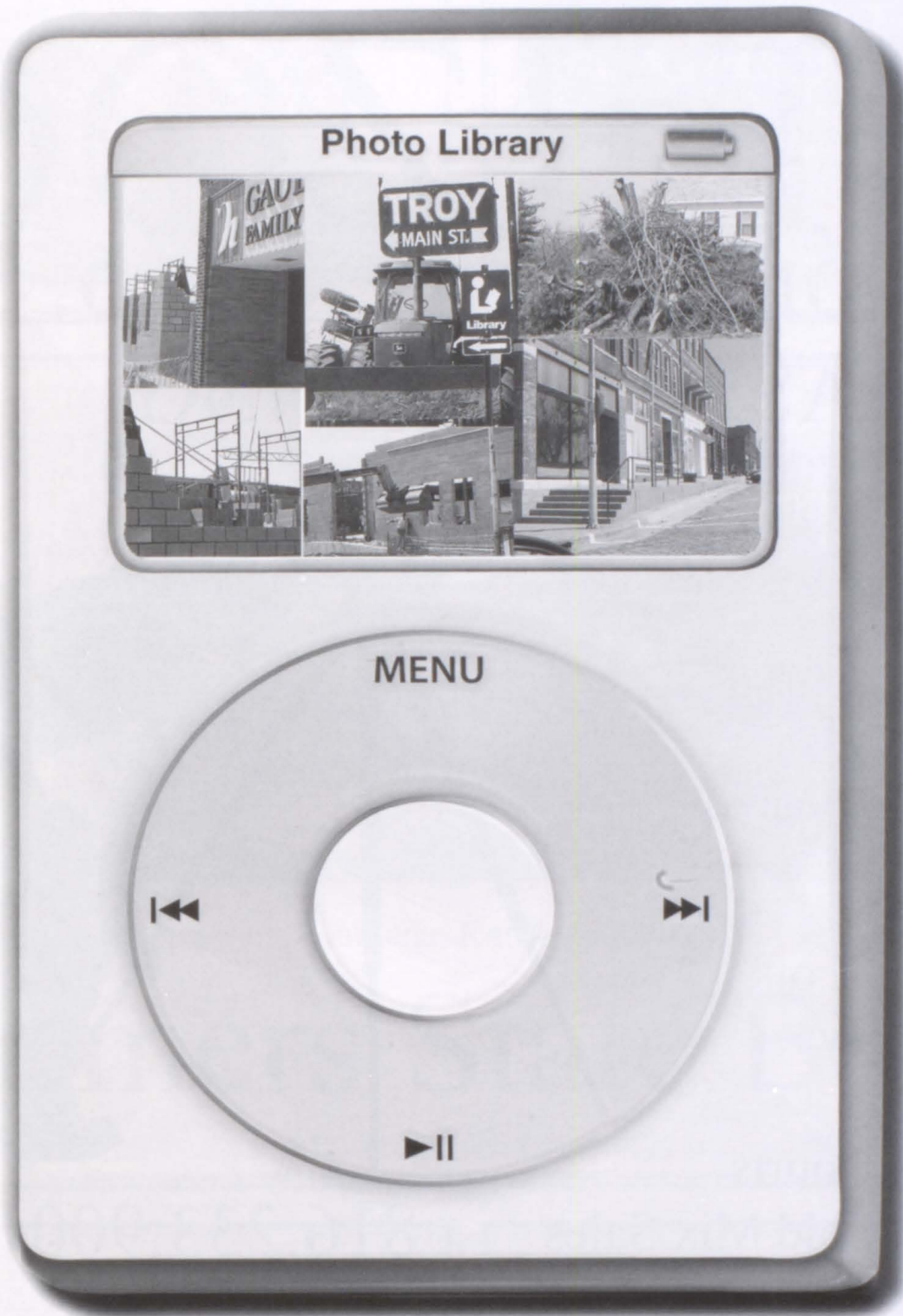
Favorite Tunes



“‘Everything’ by Lifehouse” -Joey Pasch, sophomore



“‘Piece of Me’ by Britney Spears” -Bree Martinez, junior



Clockwise from top left: Gaul Family Practice neighbors the construction site of the new jail on the south end of Main Street; A tractor sits in the Davies Oil parking lot under the sign announcing Main Street; a pile of brush left over from the January ice storm lies by the city hall; the historic buildings off Main Street sit across from the county courthouse; workers use a crane to hoist bricks for the new county jail; the construction site sits empty because of rain in the forecast that day.

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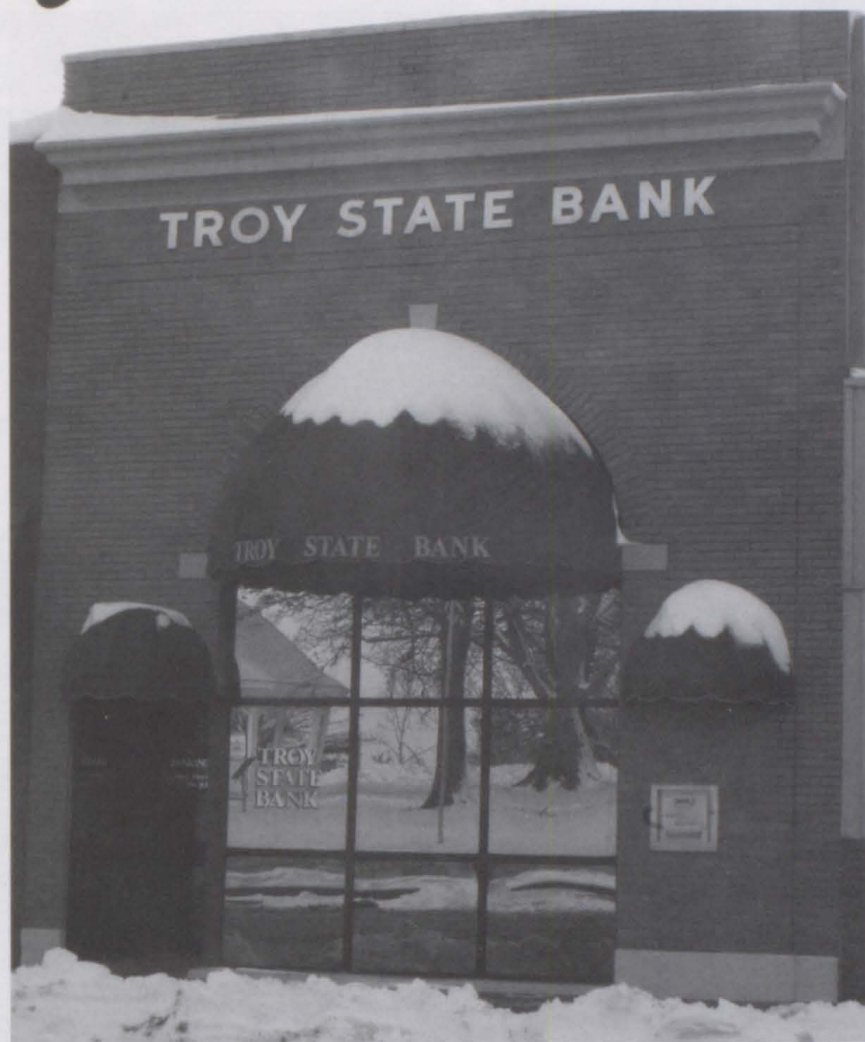
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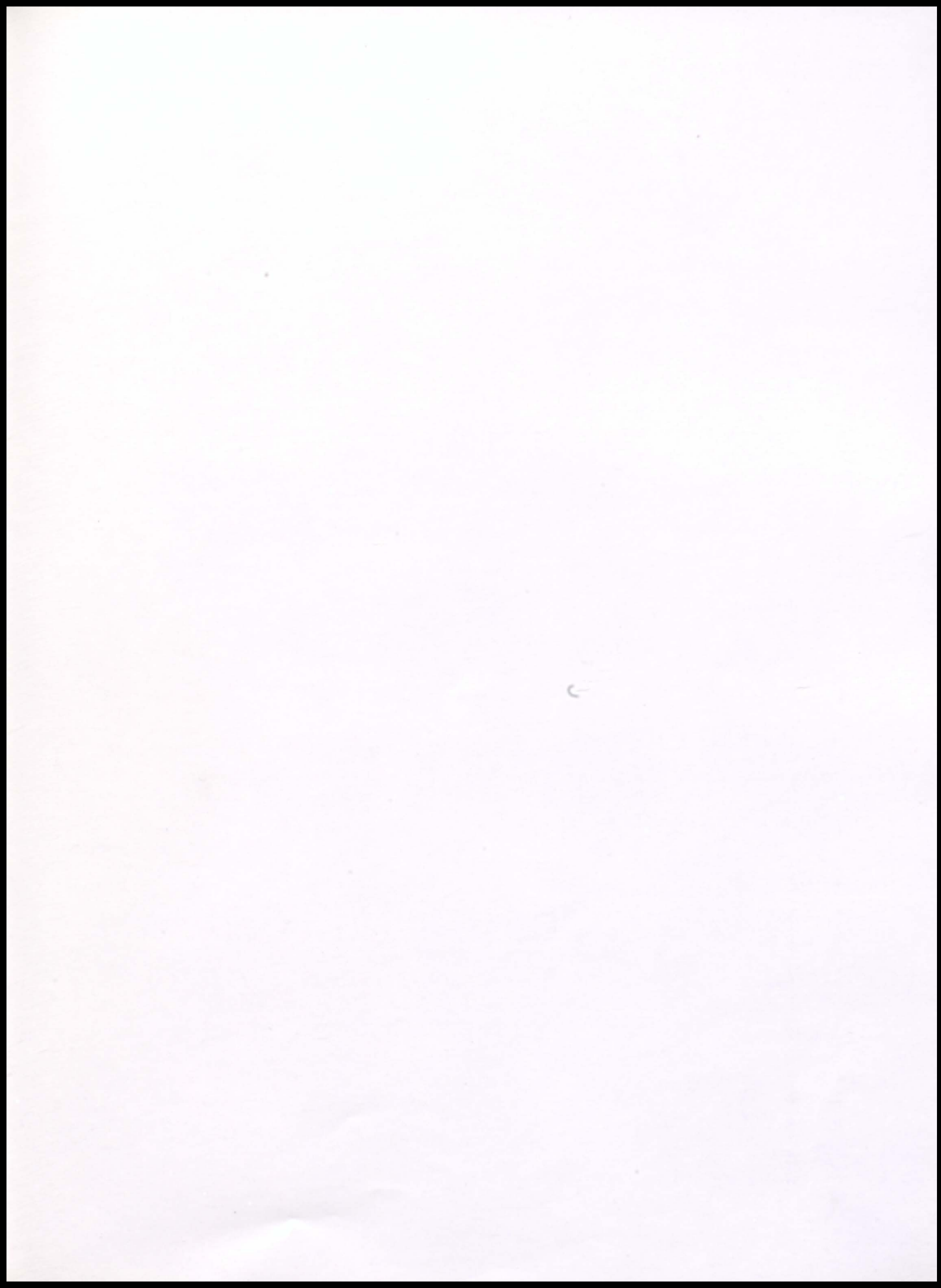
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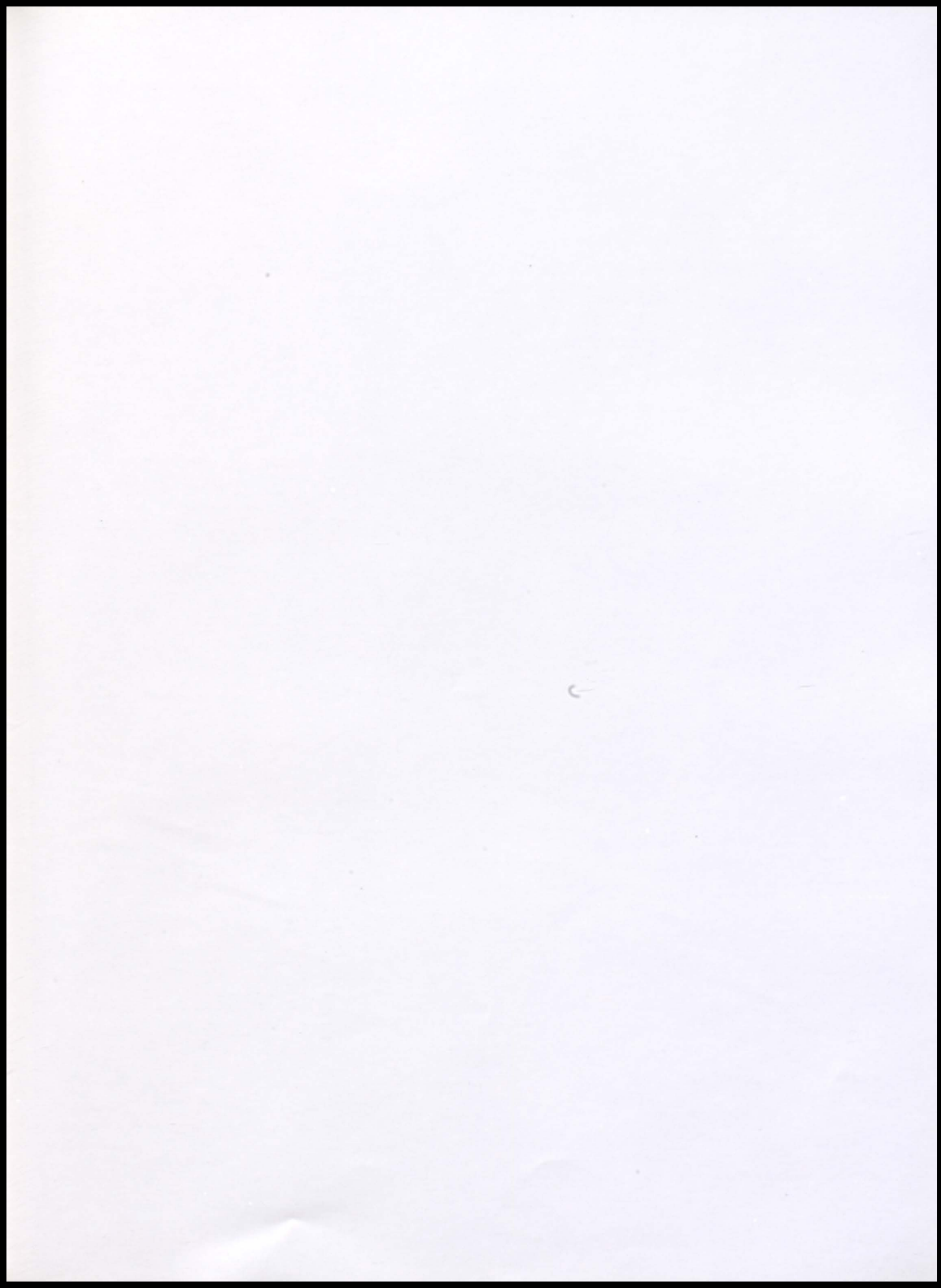
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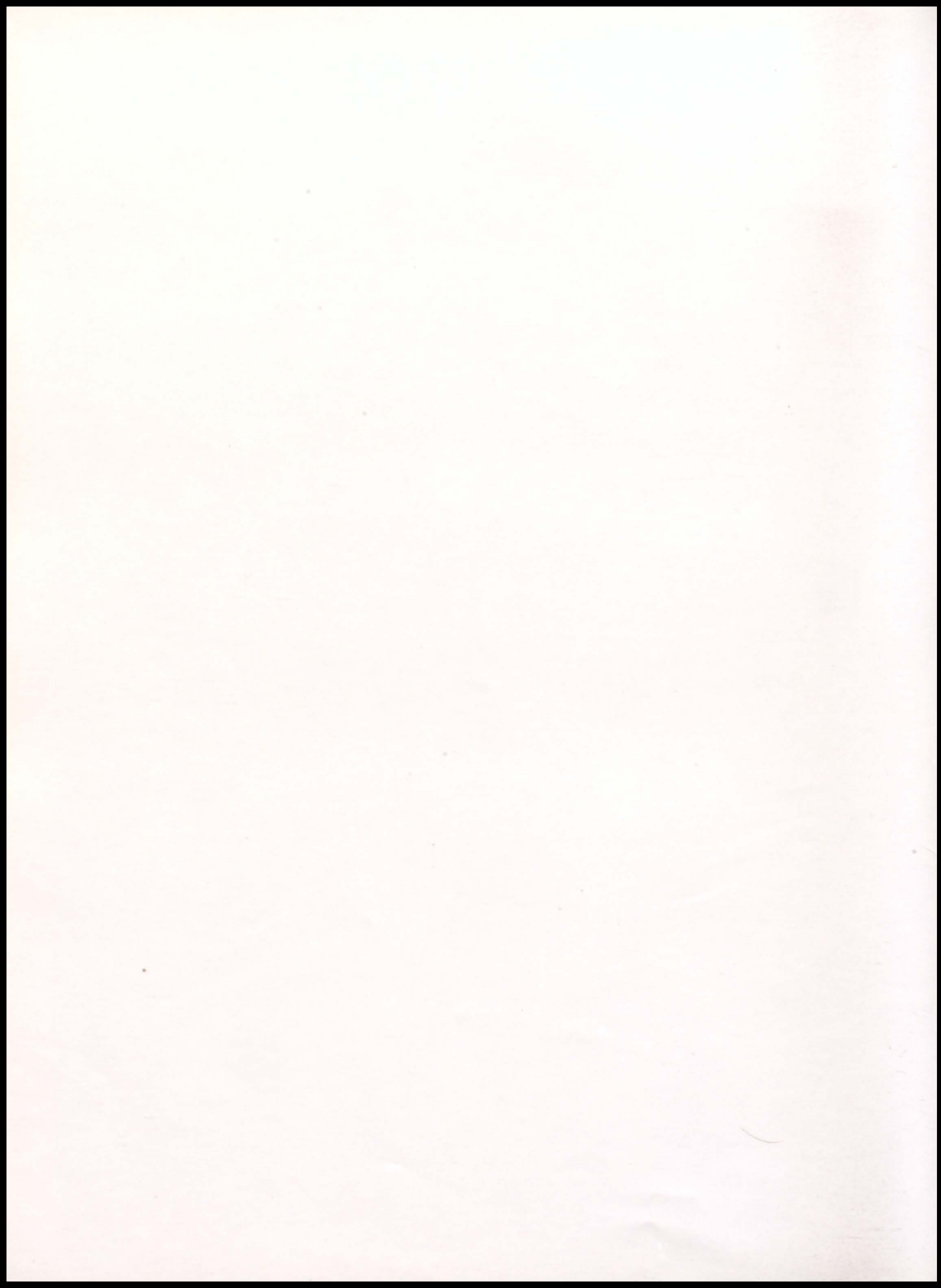


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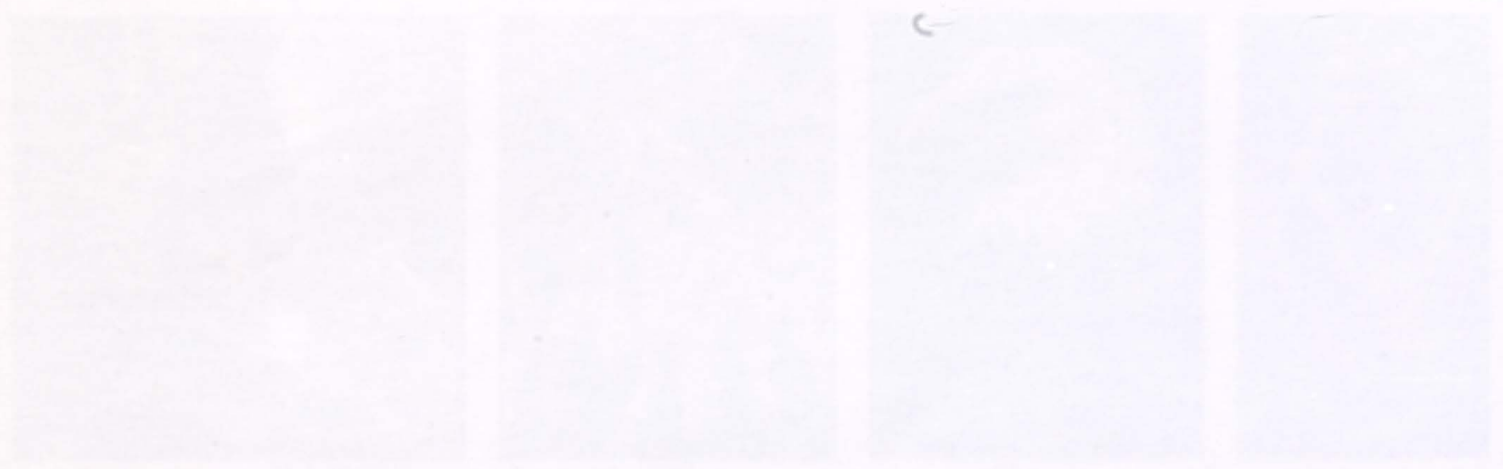




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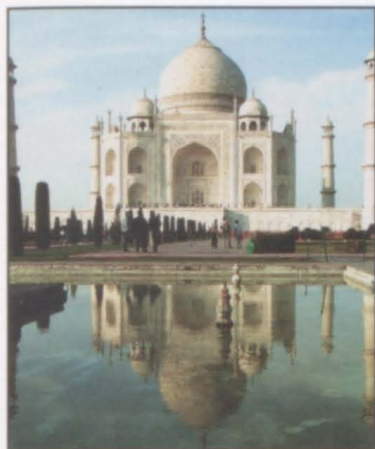


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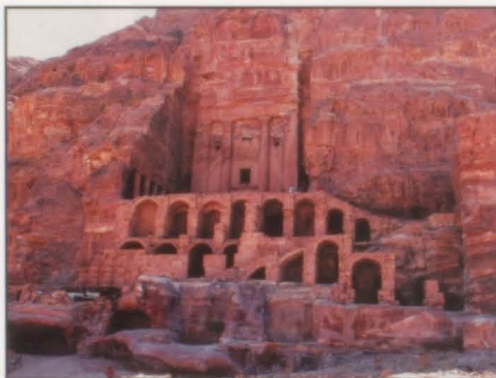


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More than 90 million votes were cast when the world was asked to name the "New Seven Wonders of the World." The man-made sites selected include the Coliseum in Rome, Mexico's Chichen Itza, Petra in Jordan, Peru's Machu Picchu, the Taj Mahal in India, Christ the Redeemer Statue in Brazil, and The Great Wall of China.



A team of 30 physicians worked 24 hours to remove extra limbs from a two-year old born with eight limbs.

The bald eagle was removed from the endangered species list after 30 years.

The first Baby Boomers became eligible to apply for Social Security benefits, beginning a stress on the system.

Steve Jobs introduces the MacBook Air, the world's thinnest notebook computer at January's Macworld.



WORLD EVENTS



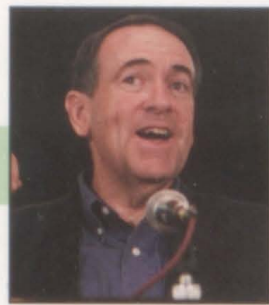
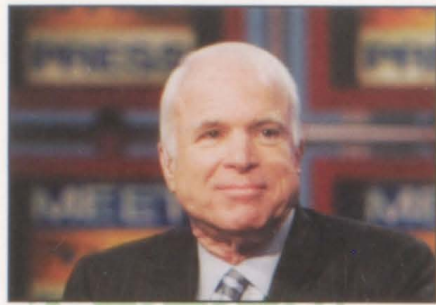
Researchers in South Korea cloned a cat and modified its genes so that it glows red in ultraviolet light.



October wildfires, which forced evacuation of nearly 1 million people, burned more than 600 square miles and destroyed as many as 1,500 homes over 19 days in Southern California. Santa Ana winds and extreme drought worsened the impact of the fires; nine people were killed and 85 others — including at least 61 firefighters — were injured.

The space shuttle Endeavor landed safely in August despite exterior damage that had worried NASA.

John McCain emerged from "Super Tuesday" as a strong favorite among Republicans. Mike Huckabee remained his only challenger for the party nomination after Mitt Romney suspended his campaign.



Even after "Super Tuesday" and the Potomac Primaries, the race between Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama for the Democratic presidential nomination was too close to call.



The Billy Graham Library was dedicated in NC in June less than two weeks before the evangelist's wife, Ruth, died.



Cristina Fernandez is Argentina's first elected female president.



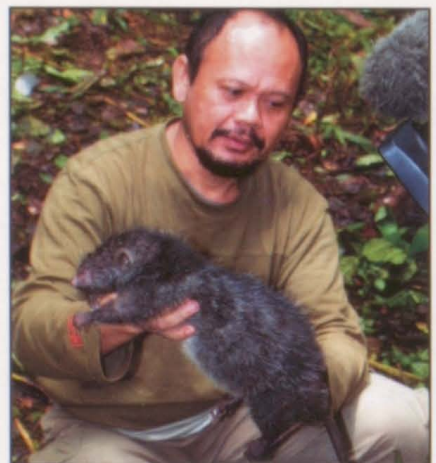
Scientists in Moscow unveiled the remains of a frozen mammoth found in the Siberian tundra in May. A reindeer herder found the frozen carcass, which has been dated back 10,000 years to the end of the last Ice Age.



Tesla Motors, a Silicon Valley start-up, pre-sold all 600 of its \$98,000 all-electric Roadsters set for production in 2008.



British Prime Minister Tony Blair resigned after 13 years in office.



Researchers uncovered two new species — a giant rat and a tiny possum — in a remote jungle in Indonesia in June.



Former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was assassinated.



The disputed December re-election of president Mwai Kibaki caused unrest and violence in Kenya.



Unusual cold plagued Iraq. Baghdad's first snow in memory magnified the impact of persistent electrical outages.

Great Britain banned smoking in enclosed public spaces in July. Individuals caught violating the law will be fined \$400.



Nintendo's profit doubled this year, thanks to sales of 20 million Wii devices.



Meteorologists blame this winter's tornados across the South on La Niña (the cooling of Pacific waters).



Internet service in Asia, the Middle East and northern Africa was interrupted when an undersea Mediterranean cable failed in January. Many businesses were brought to a standstill, but most Middle East governments had backup satellite systems that minimized the impact.

After an eight-year legal battle, a major power company agreed to spend \$4.6 billion to reduce chemical emissions blamed for spreading acid rain across the Northeast.

Velib', a program that has nearly 20,000 bicycles posted at 750 stations around Paris is Socialist Mayor Bertrand Delanoë's latest effort to make his city more green and bike-friendly. The program allows Parisians and tourists to use the bikes for a minimal fee.

Astronaut Daniel Tani experienced something no other American has ever faced when his 90-year-old mother was killed in a Chicago train accident in December while he was in orbit aboard the international space station.

The Homeland Security Department announced plans for its REAL ID Act, which is designed to make it harder for con artists, illegal immigrants and terrorists to get government-issued IDs. The plan will increase requirements of people applying for drivers licenses.

New words inducted into the English language in 2007 by Merriam-Webster included "ginormous" (a contraction of sorts of gigantic and enormous), "Bollywood," "sudoku" and "speed dating". In all, nearly 100 words were added to the company's collegiate dictionary.



The entire span of an interstate bridge broke into sections and collapsed into the Mississippi River during the evening rush hour in Minneapolis. The August 2 catastrophe killed 13, injured more than 60 and called attention to light deficiencies in many of America's bridges needing repair.

The national debt expanded roughly \$1.4 billion a day, nearly \$1 million a minute. Economists said that an economic slowdown may be looming and that higher taxes or cuts in government programs are possible.

Oil prices hit a new high of \$100 a barrel when the markets welcomed 2008. The previous record, \$99.29, was set in November, 2007 as the year ended with the decade's largest annual price increase. A falling dollar, violence in Nigeria and bad weather in Mexico were among the causes of the drop in U.S. crude supplies.

Medical researchers decoded the DNA of the cat and anticipate new information in the search for treatments to both feline and human diseases.

In Spain, a new \$179 million telescope became operational in July. The Great Canary Telescope took seven years to build and construction involved more than 1,000 employees from nearly 100 companies worldwide.

At the Consumer Electronic Show, inventors demonstrated a driverless car and a \$2,500 11-inch light-emitting diode television which offers contrast more than 30 times sharper than a current screen.

A Bend, Oregon man flew 193 miles toward Idaho in a lawn chair lifted by 105 helium balloons. During his nine-hour trip, 47-year-old Kent Couch used a GPS and a BB gun and he took his video camera along to prove he'd flown. The trip was Couch's second; in September, he was aloft six hours.

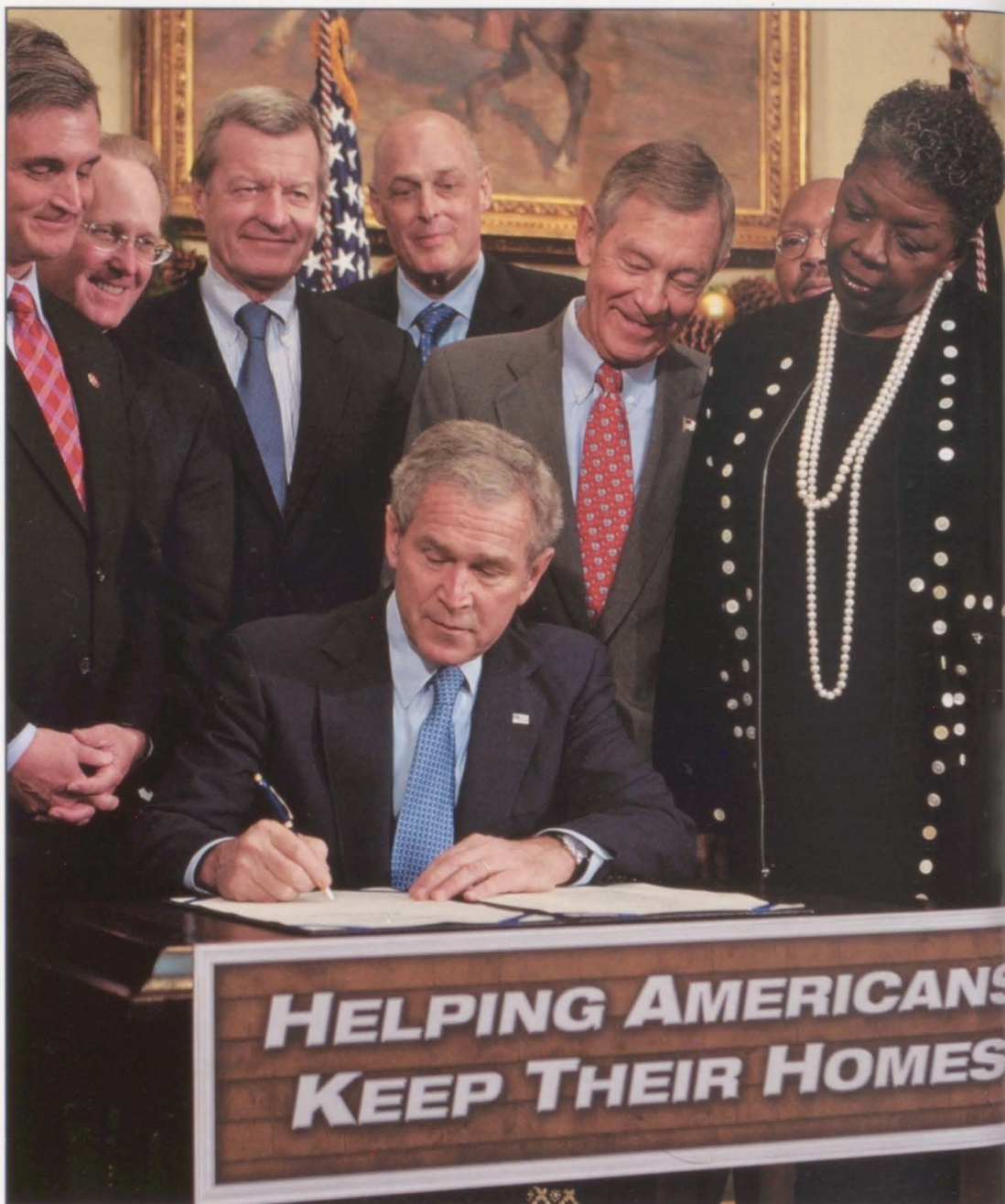
After just 40 years in existence, more than 1.5 million ATM machines simplify life.



Concern about lead-based paints caused world-wide recalls of millions of toys produced in China.



Ice storms crippled the Midwest when freezing rain coated electrical wires causing far-reaching power outages.



Both the House and the Senate approved a \$146 billion economic stimulus package which called for one-time tax rebates aimed at rejuvenating the economy. The rebates were expected to begin arriving in early summer. The plan also included temporary tax breaks for businesses and measures to help struggling homeowners.

Citing an increasingly polarized Middle East, more than 45 nations attended November peace talks in Annapolis.



In his final year as Russia's president Vladimir Putin was named Person of The Year by "Time" magazine.



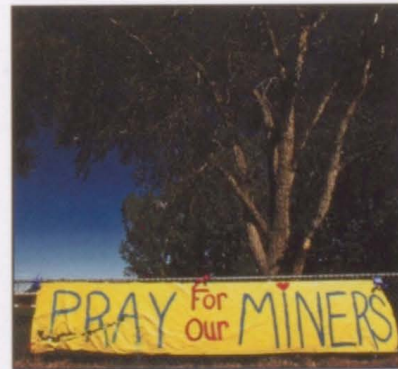
Fidel Castro, Cuba's leader since 1959, announced in February that he would "not aspire to nor accept" another term as President. Days later his brother Raul was elected the new President of Cuba.



The long winter drought and July heat wave across central and southeast Europe took temperatures as high as 115° F, caused fires and contributed to the deaths of more than 500 in Hungary alone. At the same time, it was flooding in Britain.



A week of heavy November rains caused rivers to overflow and left 70% of the Mexican state of Tabasco underwater.



The August collapse of Utah's Crandall Canyon coal mine killed six miners and three rescue workers.



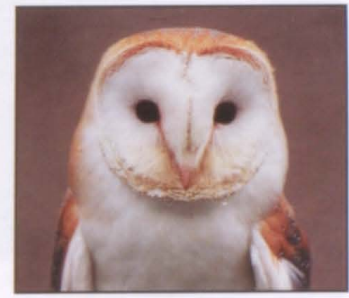
Former VP Al Gore and the UN's Panel on Climate Change shared the Nobel Peace Prize.



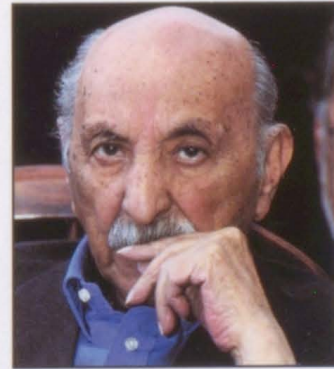
Chrysler announced cuts of 15% of its workforce in November, following February layoffs.



A standoff in Hillary Clinton's New Hampshire campaign offices ended without incident.



Jordanian and Israeli farmers used barn owls to control the crop-eating rat population.



Mohammed Zahir Shah, the last king of Afghanistan, died in July after reigning for 40 years.



Boeing Co. unveiled its first new model since 1995; the Dreamliner 787 will enter service in 2008.

U.S. military troop casualties numbered at least 3,941 since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003.



Scientists have discovered 11 new species of plants and animals in central Vietnam.



After selling more than 525,000 iPhones in the first weekend of their release, Apple moved into third position in the global smartphone market by year's end. More than 4 million iPhones were distributed in the first six months.



The UN convened in an emergency session on human rights abuses after protests and violence in Myanmar.



A wireless memory card won "Last Gadget Standing" honors at the electronics show.



The worst wildfires ever in Greece killed more than 64 people, destroyed hundreds of homes in southern villages and burned more of the country's rapidly dwindling forestland than in any single year on record.



India-based Tata Motors rolled out its no-frills Nano this year, but the car will not be available in American markets.



Polaroid announced it will stop making film for its instant cameras.



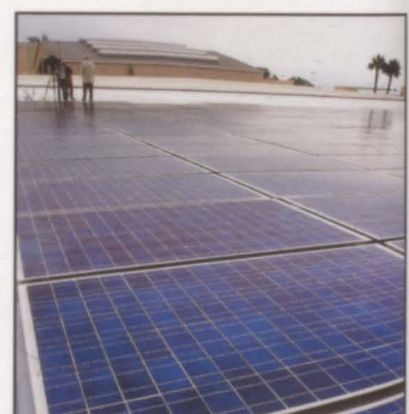
In December, a Rhode Island couple dining on clams found a rare purple pearl; a 1-in-2-million find.



Lady Bird Johnson, the widow of former President Lyndon Baines Johnson, died at 94.



Issues of discrimination and differential treatment were central to Jena 6 protests in Louisiana.



The world's largest solar farm was planned for Fresno, California, where the 640-acre farm would power local cities.

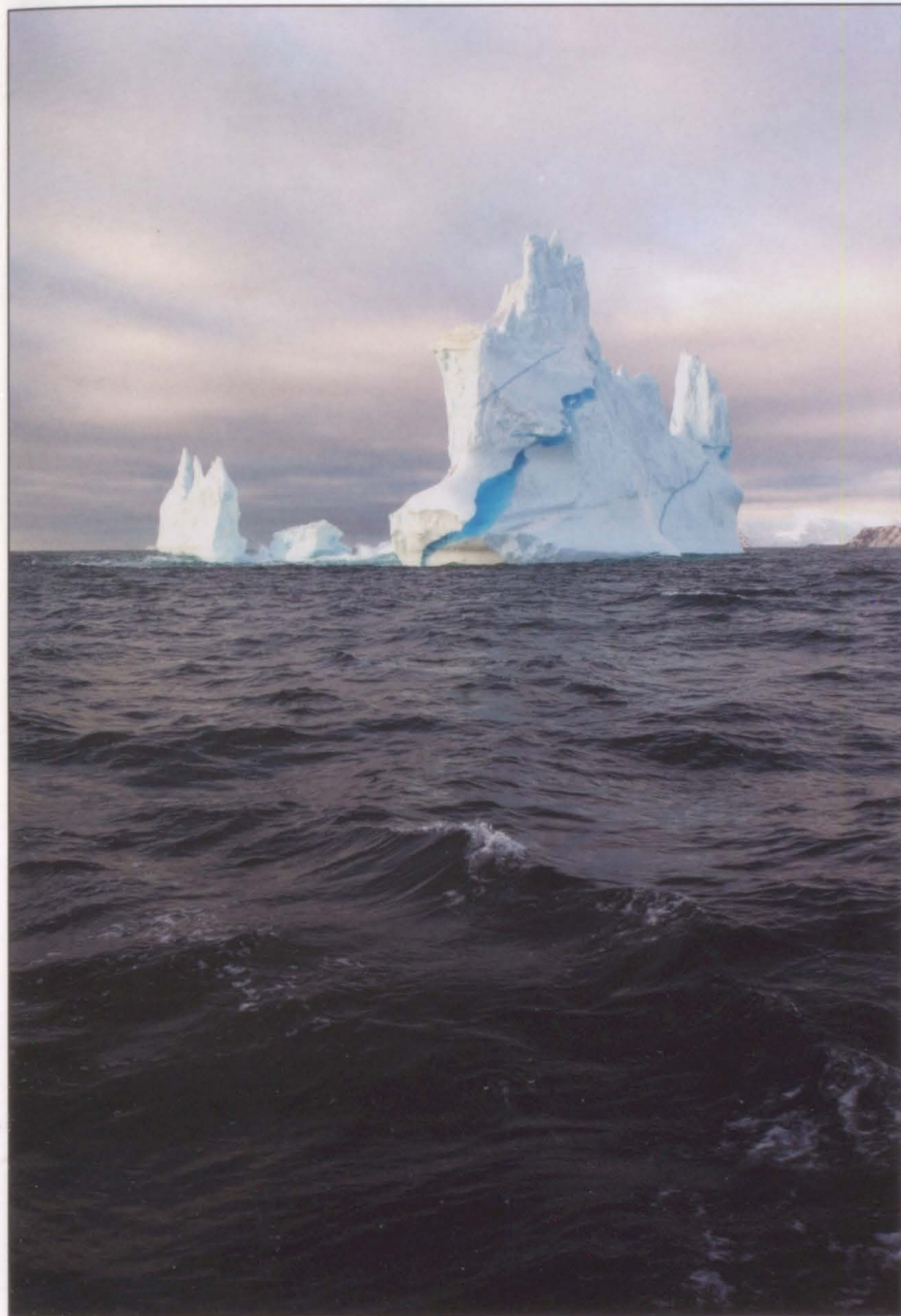
Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, D-California, crafted legislation that will increase fuel economy, boosting mileage standards 40 percent to 35 mpg.



When Palestinian militants breached the Gaza-Egypt border wall, thousands of refugees poured into Egypt for supplies.



Lamborghini unveiled its Reventon sports car at the Frankfurt Motor Show in September. They will produce only 20 of these cars to be sold for \$1.4 million each.



Climate changes appear to be destabilizing vast ice sheets in western Antarctica, which worries researchers who had previously believed the area was protected from global warming. They say the melt is more dramatic than previously imagined.



February blizzards in China paralyzed roads, railways and airports in a region used to mild winters. Officials fear economic losses may reach \$3 billion.



Missing adventurer Steve Fossett was declared dead in February.



Sir Edmund Hillary, the first to successfully scale Mount Everest, passed away at 88.

2007 was the year of the threequel. Five of the six top-grossing films were continuations of previous storylines. "Spider-Man 3", "Shrek the Third", "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End" and "The Bourne Ultimatum" brought millions of viewers to theaters across the country. Harry Potter films extended past the threequel; "The Order of the Phoenix" was the series' fifth installment.

The announcement of the Golden Globes, usually the first Hollywood awards extravaganza of the season, was reduced to an hour-long press conference at the Beverly Hilton on Jan. 13 because of the writers strike. The red carpets were rolled out just six weeks later for the Academy Awards after the strike ended.

The DVD market experienced its first-ever decline when sales/rentals dropped 2% to \$23.7 billion, yet it generated more sales than music, video games or the theatrical box office.

Kelly Clarkson, the season one winner from "American Idol", cancelled her 36-date summer arena tour saying, "Touring is just too much right now." Her third album, "My December," was released in June and certified platinum by year's end.

Actor Dennis Quaid and his wife Kimberly sued Baxter Healthcare Corp. after their newborn twins were given an overdose of the blood thinner Heparin because the vials containing different doses of the drug were packaged too similarly. The Quaid twins recovered, but investigators learned that a number of infants had died following similar situations.

The world bid farewell to entertainer-turned-gameshow producer Merv Griffin, larger-than-life tenor Luciano Pavarotti, French mime Marcel Marceau, daredevil and stuntman Evel Knievel and controversial rock pioneer Ike Turner.

Top-selling Country Artist Carrie Underwood announced plans for a pair of 2008 tours.



"No Country for Old Men" swept Hollywood awards, concluding with the Oscar for Best Picture.



Johnny Depp was Hollywood's top money maker, said Quigley Publishing's 2007 annual poll.



Sony's "Spider-Man 3" was America's top grossing film of the year. Starring Tobey Maguire, Kirsten Dunst and Topher Grace, the film was released May 4, 2007. Although it received mixed reviews from critics, Spider-Man 3 broke most of the opening weekend records, both in U.S. and foreign markets.



Live Earth created a global musical audience on July 7, 2007; the 24 hours of music across seven continents was delivered with a call to combat the climate crisis.



America Ferrera's Best Actress in a Comedy was one of 11 "Ugly Betty" Emmy nominations.

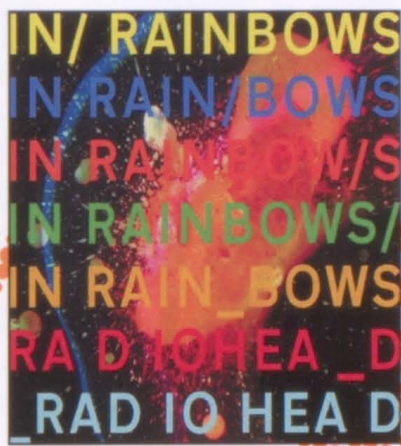
"High School Musical 2" premiered as the most-watched basic cable telecast in history. The movie, which attracted 17.24 million viewers, featured Zac Efron, Vanessa Hudgens and friends. "High School Musical 3", a full-length feature film and "High School Musical 4" are being planned.



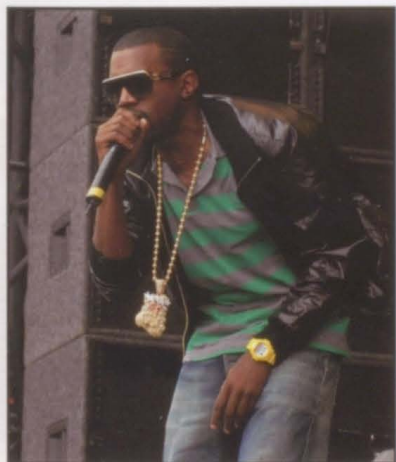
The Police reunion tour, which sold more than 1.8 million tickets, earned more than any other concert tour.



Radiohead released their seventh album, "In Rainbows," online (set your own price) and followed with a box set.



ENTERTAINMENT



Kanye West's album "Graduation" sold more copies (957,000) in its first week than any other since 2005.



After 50 years on daytime TV, Bob Barker retired as the host of "The Price is Right" in June, 2007 at 83.



Miley Cyrus' tour included songs from her album and her "Hannah Montana" TV show.



Officials said that the death of actor Heath Ledger, found in his NYC apartment in January, was accidental.

POPULAR TV SHOWS

30 Rock
Dancing With The Stars
CSI
Grey's Anatomy
Lost
Heroes
Friday Night Lights
House
The Office

HIT MOVIES

Hairspray
Bee Movie
Alvin and the Chipmunks
The Simpsons Movie
Rush Hour 3
National Treasure:
Book of Secrets
I Am Legend
Enchanted

TOP ALBUMS

Nickelback: All the Right Reasons
Josh Groban: Noel
Gwen Stefani: The Sweet Escape
Norah Jones: Not Too Late
Linkin Park: Minutes To Midnight
Rascal Flatts:
Me and My Gang
Taylor Swift: Taylor Swift
MercyMe: All That Is Within Me

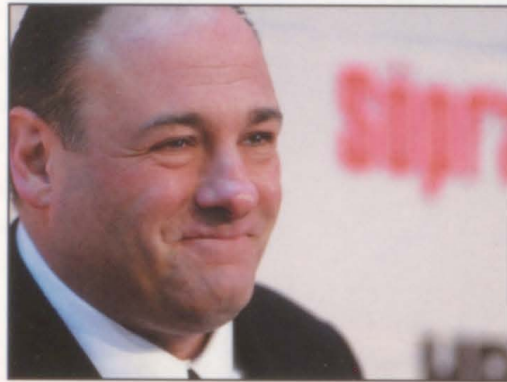
Princes Harry and William held a concert in honor of their mother. The July fundraiser was held on the 46th anniversary of Princess Diana's birth.



Marvel Comics buried Captain America in July after 66 years of heroics.



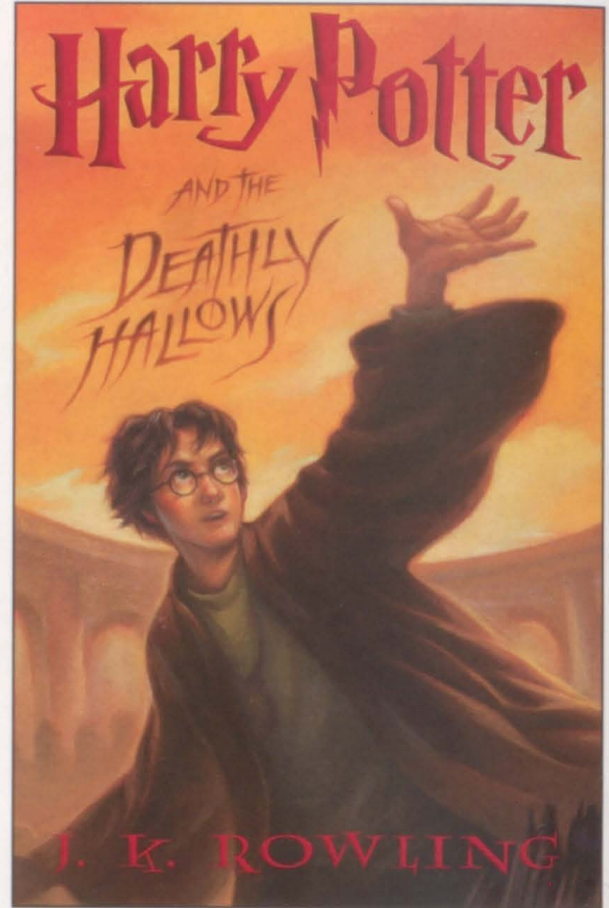
Fergie's "Big Girls Don't Cry" was her third #1 and the year's most downloaded track.



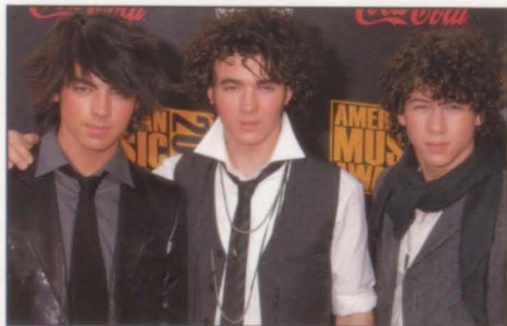
"The Sopranos", an HBO series which broke rules, told complex stories and both changed and enforced stereotypes, ended after six seasons.



The Spice Girls, the original "Girl Power" band of the 1990s, reunited for an 11-show world tour of their first concerts since they broke up in 2001.



The seventh and final volume in the Harry Potter series set all-time records in book sales in July, tallying more than 8.3 million books sold in the first 24 hours.



After appearing on the Ellen DeGeneres Show to kick off their first headlining tour, New Jersey's Jonas Brothers launched an ambitious schedule.



Breakout Shia LaBeouf starred in "Disturbia" and "Transformers."



Endorsement deals landed Beyonce at #5 on the list of "Cash Queens of Music."

After nearly four months on strike, the Writers Guild of America and the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers reached a settlement on Feb. 12. Production halted in November when more than 12,000 writers joined the effort, but the industry was prepared to gear back up quickly.

After a global box office of more than \$700 million, "Transformers" sold more than 8.3 million DVDs in the first six days after its release.



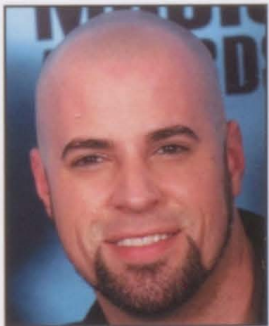
Disney/Pixar's "Ratatouille" won the Golden Globe for Best Animated Feature Film and earned five Academy Award nominations.



"The Assassination of Jesse James", starring Brad Pitt, exemplified the Western genre's return to popularity on the big screen.



Late night shows returned in January with hosts Conan O'Brien and David Letterman sporting full strike beards.



Fourth place American Idol Chris Daughtry had the top-selling album.



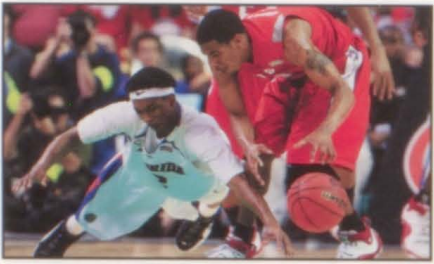
R&B star Akon was Billboard's top pop artist; "Konvicted" spent 30 weeks in the top 30.



NBC remade and launched several '80s prime time hits: "Bionic Woman", "American Gladiators" and "Knight Rider".



In May, 2007, Dale Earnhardt Jr. announced plans to leave his father's legacy, DEI, and race for Hendrick Motorsports in 2008.



April 2007's Final Four brought a second consecutive NCAA title to the Florida Gators when they beat Ohio State, 84-75.



With a 9-3 win over North Carolina, Oregon State became the first team in years to win back-to-back College World Series.



The day after Tiger Woods finished second in the U.S. Open, his wife Elin gave birth to their first child, a daughter named Sam.



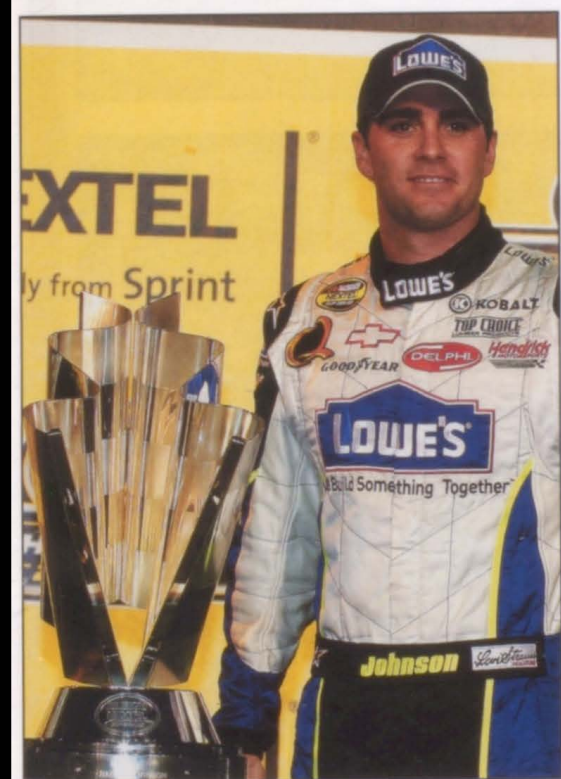
The NY Giants won Super Bowl XLII 17-14, thwarting the New England Patriots' hopes of becoming the first team since 1972 to complete an NFL season undefeated. New York QB Eli Manning and his brother Peyton (Indianapolis Colts) became the first brother QBs to lead their teams to back-to-back Super Bowl victories.

The Boston Red Sox celebrated after sweeping the Colorado Rockies with a 4-3 win in Game 4 of the World Series. Sox Pitcher Jon Lester became the third pitcher in MLB history to win the deciding game of a World Series in his first career postseason start.

Candace Parker's 17 points against Rutgers made her the Final Four MVP and earned the Lady Vols a national title.



Californian Shaun White captured the Men's Snowboard Slopestyle honors in the 2007 ESPN Winter X Games in Aspen.



SPORTS



Jimmie Johnson won NASCAR's 2007 Nextel Cup, his second in as many years – after winning 10 individual races from coast to coast.

Florida QB Tim Tebow is the first underclassman to win the Heisman Trophy.

The team from Warner Robins, GA won the Little League World Series over Japan.

Venus Williams won her fourth Wimbledon title beating France's Marion Bartoli, 6-4, 6-1.

In one of the greatest upsets in college football, Appalachian State surprised Michigan 43-32 in Ann Arbor.



Controversy surrounding Atlanta Falcon quarterback Michael Vick's dogfighting operation in Surry County, VA continued past his July guilty plea and December sentencing to 23 months in prison.

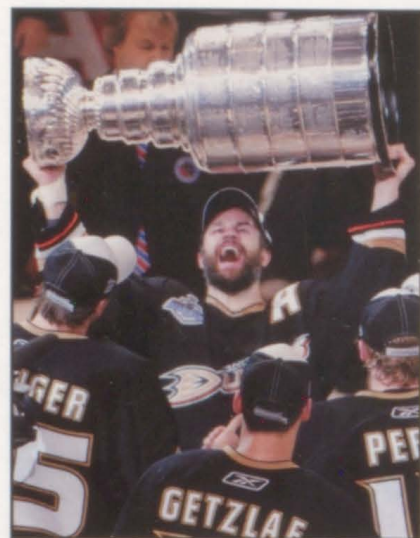
New York Yankee Roger Clemens, a seven-time Cy Young Award winner with 354 career wins, disputed the claims of his former trainer who reported he injected Clemens with steroids.

Olympian Marion Jones was sentenced to six months in prison for lying about her use of steroids and involvement in a check-fraud scam.

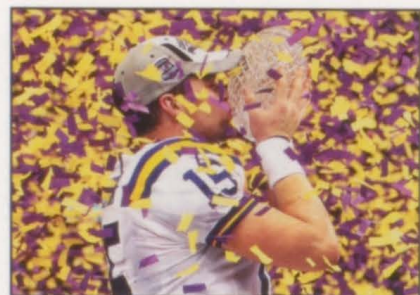
Ex-NBA referee Tim Donaghy pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit wire fraud and transmitting betting info across state lines.

Bobby Knight, the winningest coach in college basketball with 902 victories, resigned abruptly from his head coaching responsibilities at Texas Tech in February. Knight will be succeeded by his son, Pat.

A number of sports greats passed away this year; these included SF 49's coach Bill Walsh, MLB pitcher Rod Beck and figure skater Christopher Bowman. In addition, Washington Redskins safety Sean Taylor was shot and killed in a home invasion.



The Anaheim Ducks crushed the Ottawa Senators 6-2 earning the state of California its first Stanley Cup.

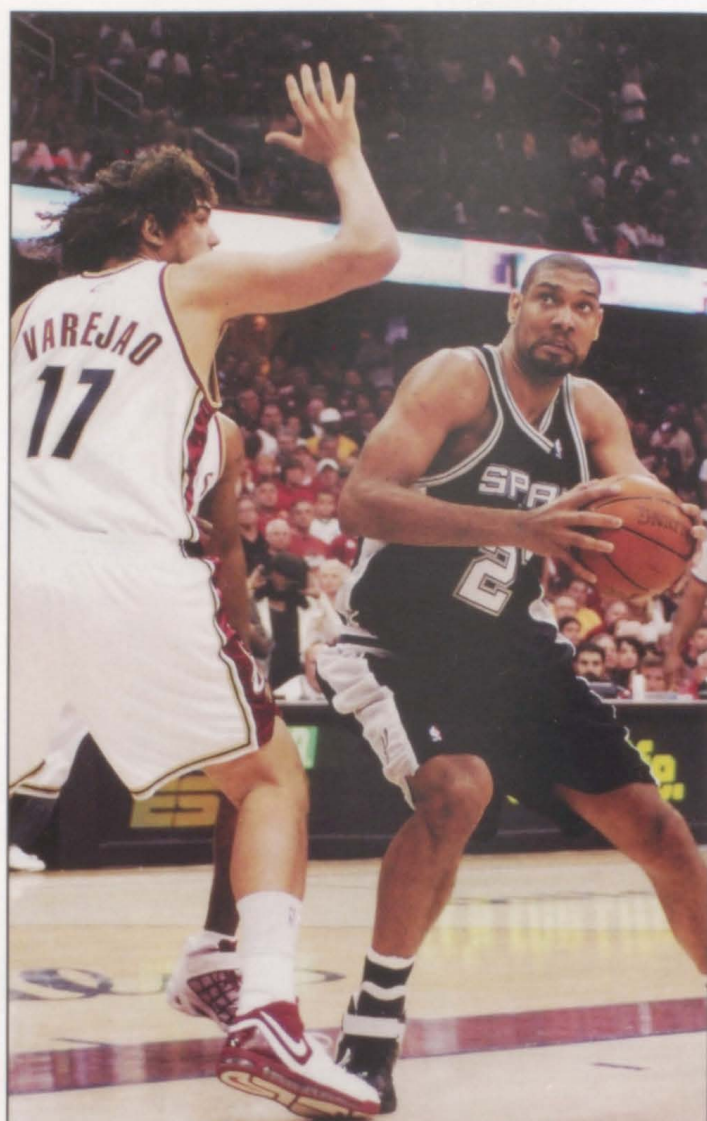


The LSU Tigers became the first team to win a second BCS title with a 38-24 championship win over Ohio State.

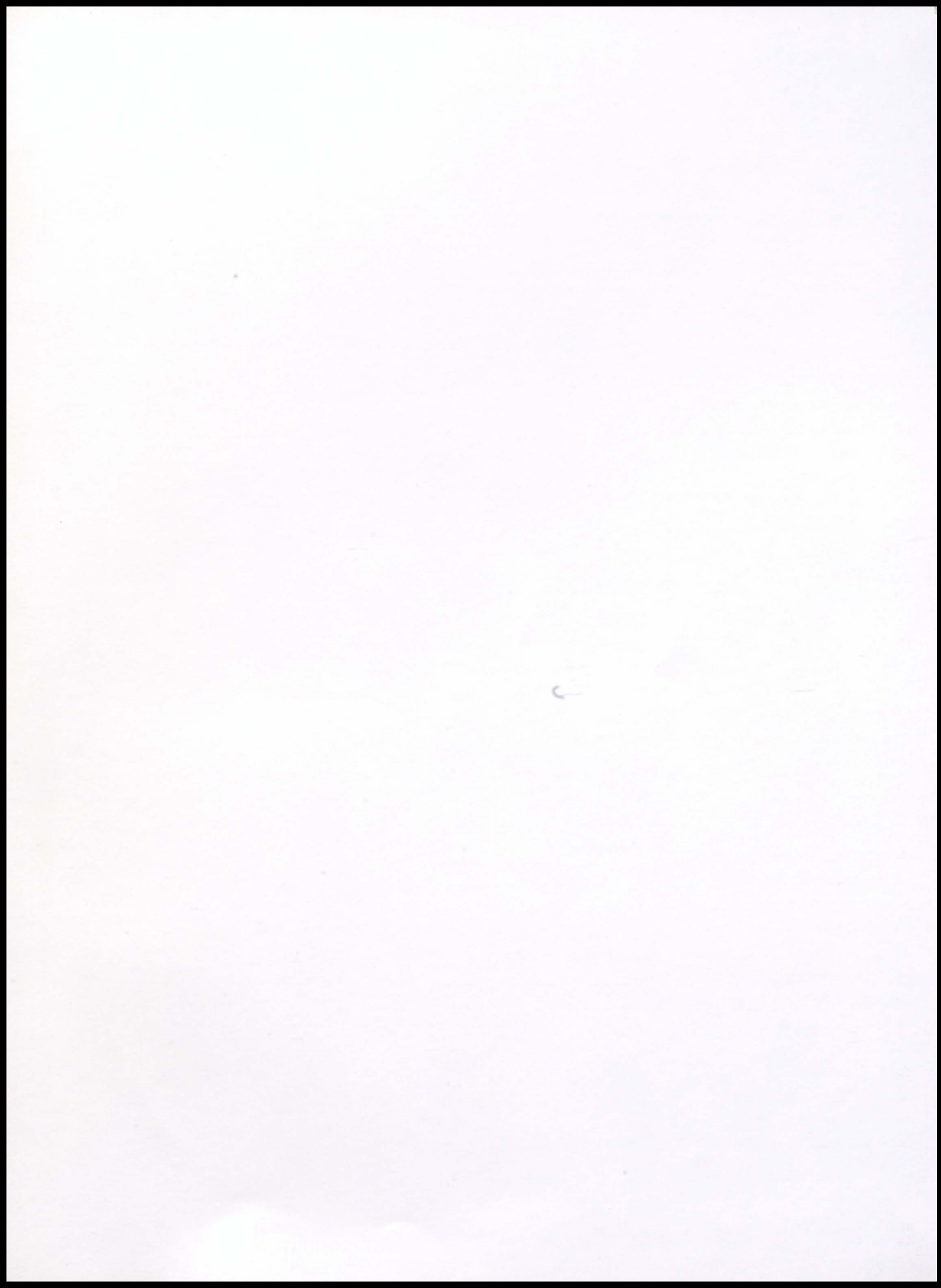


Top-ranked Lorena Ochoa became the fastest LPGA player ever to earn \$10 million.

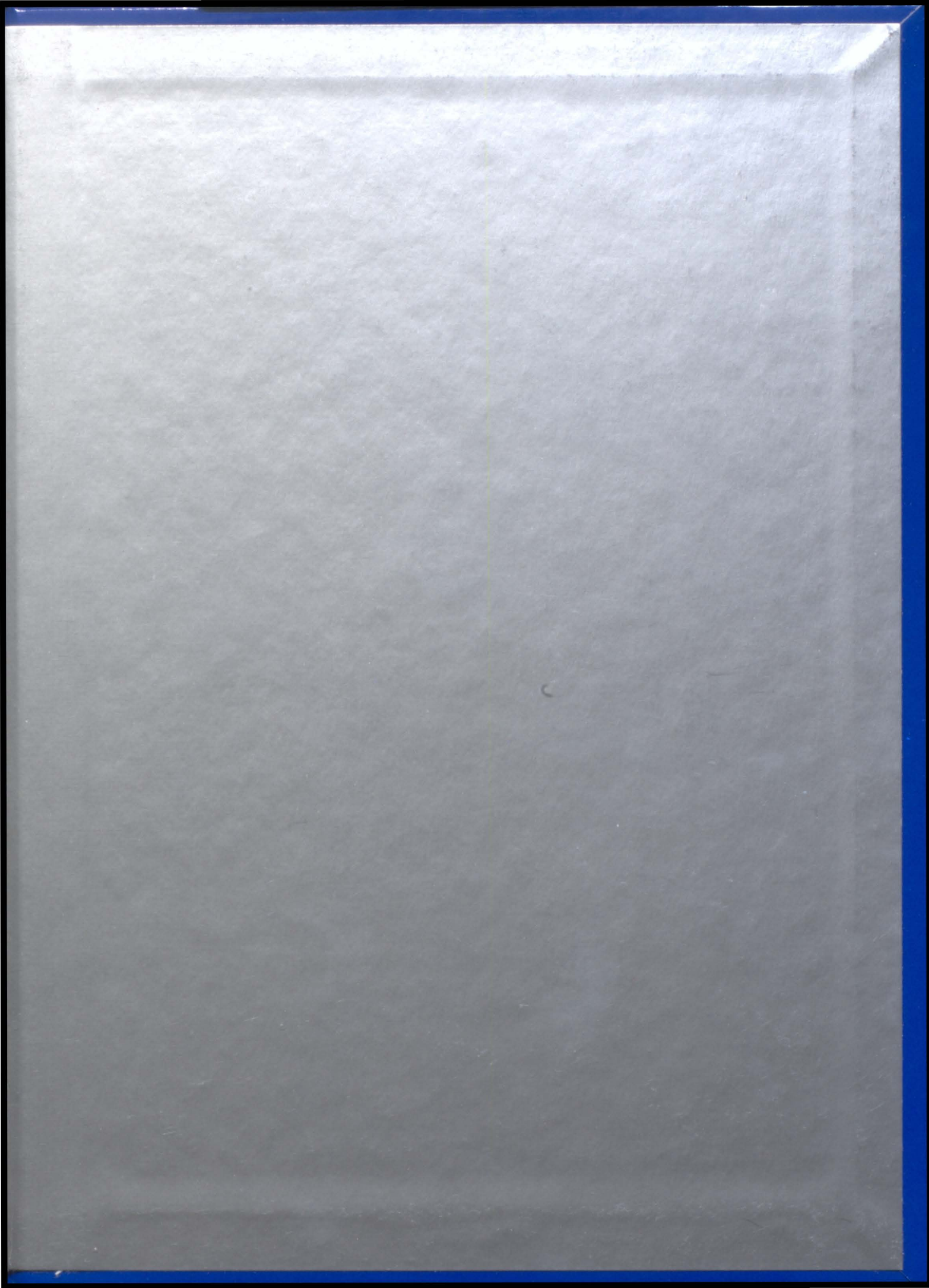
When the San Antonio Spurs swept Cleveland in an 83-82 finale, they became the fourth NBA team to win four titles. The Spurs joined the Boston Celtics, the LA Lakers and the Chicago Bulls at that level.



Roger Federer won his fifth consecutive Wimbledon crown in July, but not without drama. After his fifth set with Spain's Rafael Nadal, Federer clinched his twelfth Grand Slam title since 2003.









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