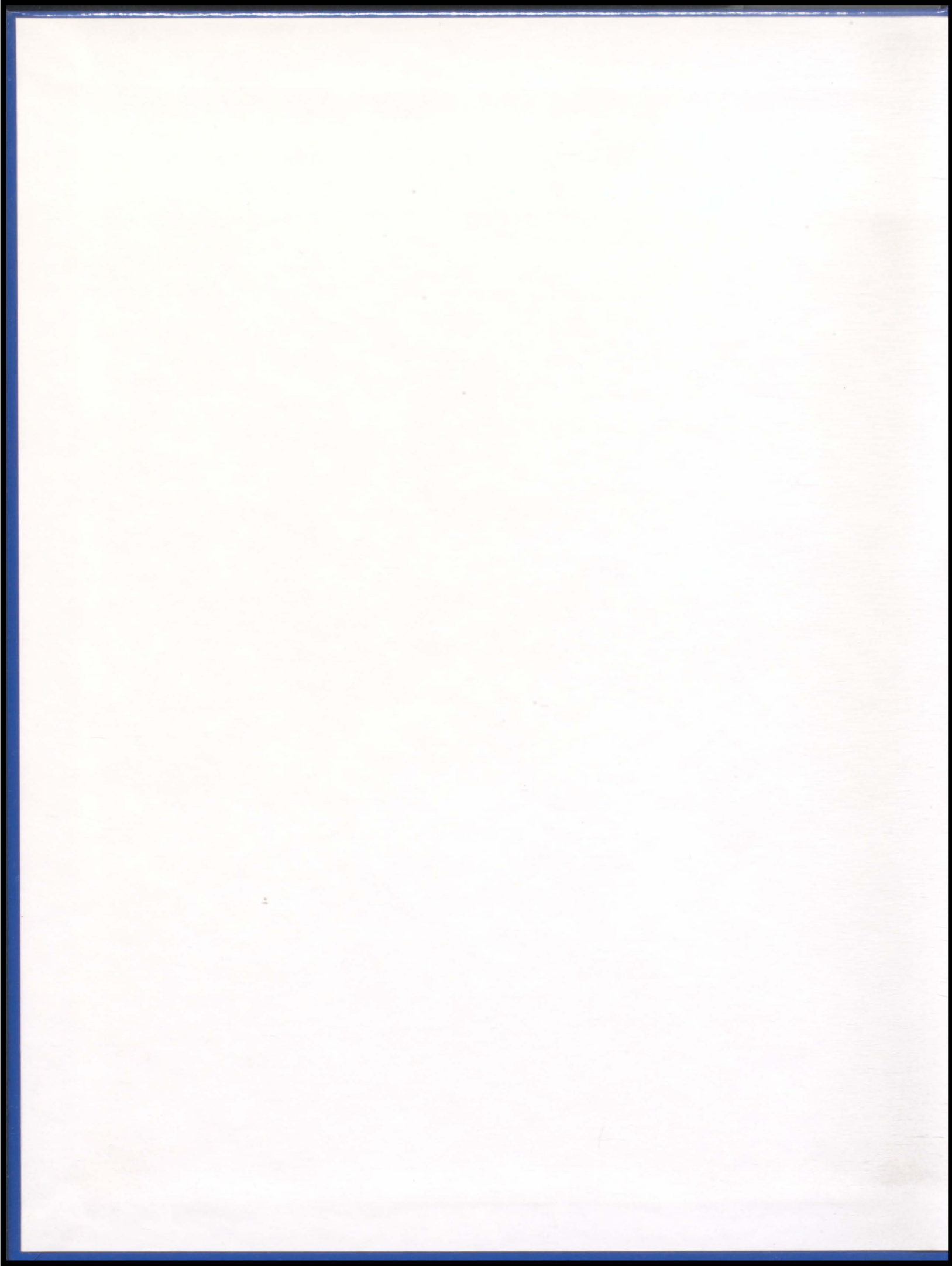




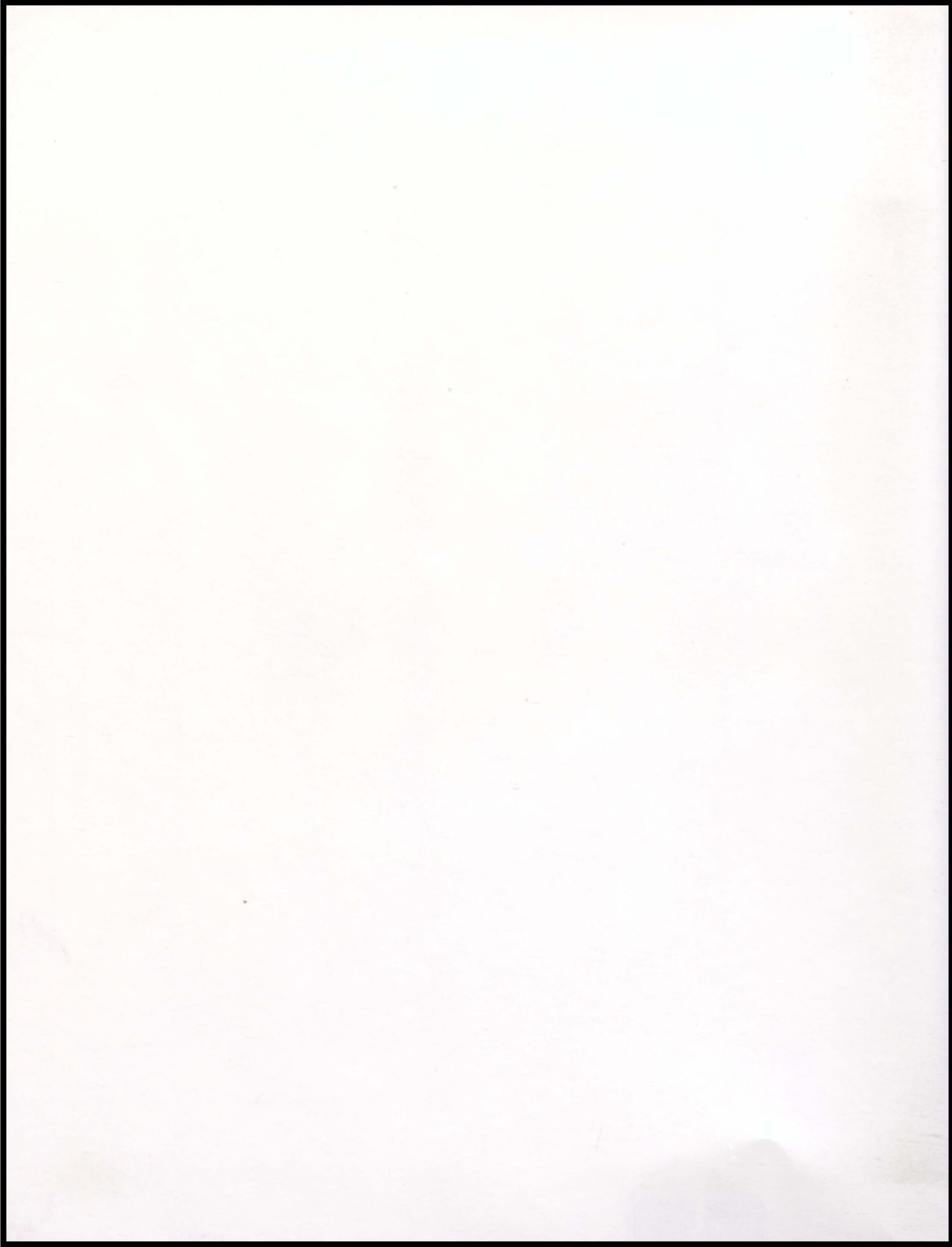
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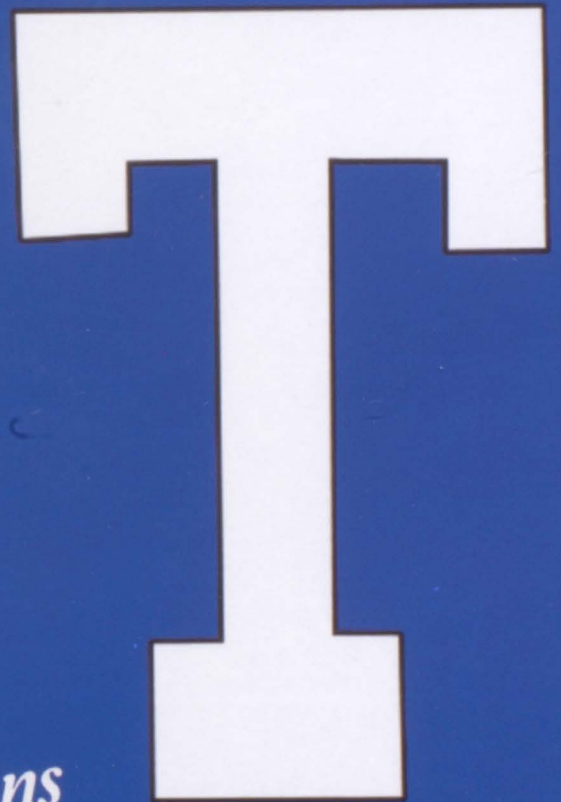
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Above: The pep band cheers on the Trojans during a sub-state basketball game. Photo by Brittany Klaus

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Our theme was influenced by the recent renewed trend of having a letter jacket. On each division page, there is a pin that ties to the theme.

So as you move through the sections of the book, pretend you have a Trojan letter jacket, and acquire the many pins for this year.

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**Above Left:** Cheerleaders Lizzie Schultz and Alanda Jamvold cheer at a home basketball game against the Doniphan West Mustangs. **Photo by Mady Guffy**



**Above Right:** Junior Blair Weishaar dances with the Kiddie Clinic which was held during a home basketball game against Axtell. **Photo by Brittany Klaus**



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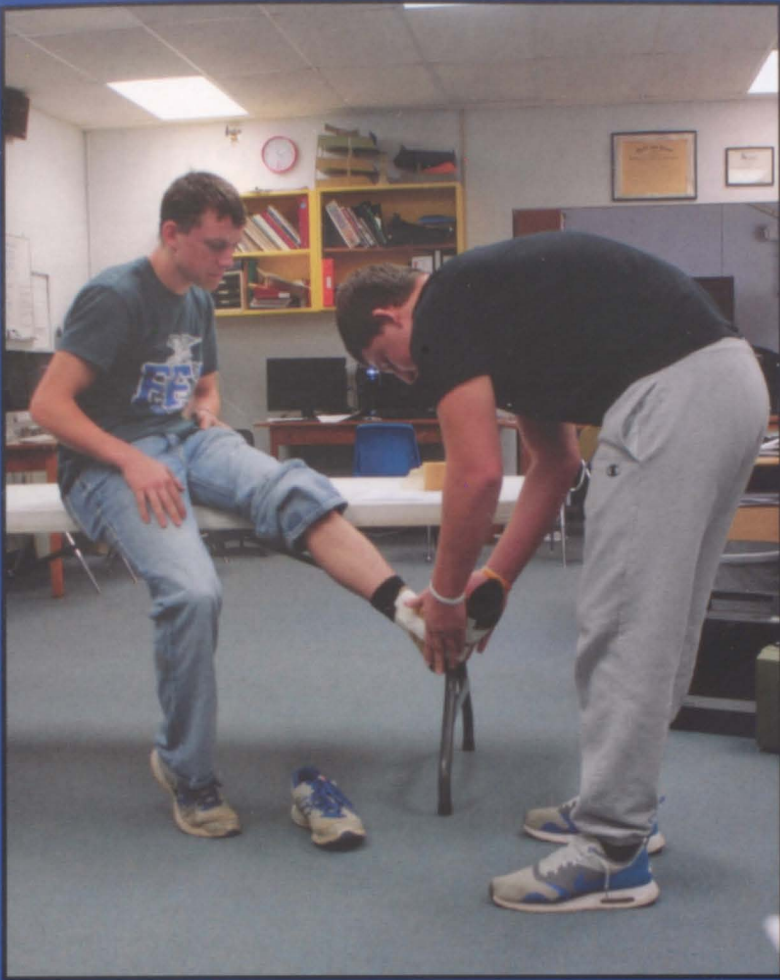
# *Academics*

Academics are important for achieving success and more opportunities. Without academics there wouldn't be a reason for us to come to school.

Troy High School gained two new teachers. Mr. Richard Shaginaw was the mathematics teacher who worked part time. Mr. Tim Burns was the IDL geometry teacher; he taught in the mornings using a method of video conferencing. Mrs. Anita Long returned to be the special education teacher.

There were very few changes in the schedule. Instead of having three minutes in between classes, that was changed to four minutes, making seminar shorter.





**Far Top Left:** Alyssa Schmile looks through a microscope to examine cells for a Biology I experiment. Photo by Brittany Klaus

**Middle Top:** Chris Winkel wraps Taylor Scherer's ankle for public speaking as a demonstration speech. Photo by Nathan King

**Top Right:** Kassi Meng, Tyler Franken, Wil Smith, and Wyatt Huss work on a chemistry lab together. Photo by Lexi Norris

**Above:** Brody Winder paints the football field before the Homecoming game. Photo by Brittany Klaus

**Left:** Tyler Franken, Brittany Klaus, and Lauren Hill look at a reproduction of an early treatment used for psychological behaviors. It was on display at the Glore Museum. Photo by Kori Bennett

# Students continue to build

## Lifting and getting healthier

Weights was taught by Jonathan Rodvelt and freshman physical education and health was taught by Derek Jasper.

The weights class went to the weight room usually about three or four times a week, depending on when athletic days were. Their core lifts were squat, bench press, power clean, and hang clean.

Monday was "bench day"; Tuesday was "squat day." Core lifts were followed by auxiliary lifts such as calf raises, lunges, etc. They alternate with an upper-body workout one day and a lower body workout the next.

Each week those lifts followed a different number of repetitions, along with percentages. The days they were not in the weight room, they were in the gym doing cardio workouts.

Health consisted of learning about peer pressure, alcohol, tobacco,

marijuana, steroids, relationships, birth control, STDs, and body systems.

In PE, the freshmen played general games such as matball, volleyball, basketball, flag football, and golf. They also did weight lifting whenever the weights class wasn't in there.

The freshmen were required to take P.E./Health. Weights was optional for 10th-12th grade.

"We started out pounding the weights and then we started slowing down in the middle of the year. [Coach]Jasper really motivated us to really step it up in the last part of the year because we know football is right around the corner," said junior Tyler Franken.

**Right:** Freshman Tysen Williams bench presses in Freshmen P.E. as Owen Root spots him. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Above Right:** Senior Tucker Morris gets ready to power clean in weights class. **Photo by Mady Guffy**





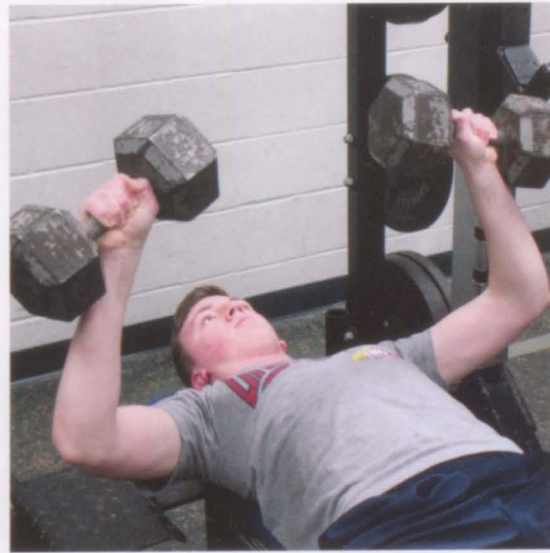
**Top:** Sophomore Megan Franken incline benches in weights. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Above:** Freshman Marcus Martinez dead lifts in Freshman P.E. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Middle Left:** Junior Reid Greaser power cleans during weights. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Far Left:** Senior Preston Robinson gets ready to start his reps of squatting in weights. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Left:** Sophomore Ike Morris dumbbell benches in first hour weights. **Photo by Lexi Norris**



# Math gains new teacher, new methods

## Science instructor returns for his last year

Math experienced many changes, first with the addition of Mr. Richard Shaginaw who came from Missouri Western as a college professor for the second half of each day. He taught Algebra II and college algebra.

He was in the U.S. Coast Guard for 20 years and started becoming a teacher when he was teaching military classes. He received his degree in math later in life and started teaching at a college level. He eventually taught at Missouri Western.

Mr. Shaginaw said, "I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Troy High School this year. The administration, staff, and students were great. I am really looking forward to next year when I will be teaching full time here, at Troy. GO Trojans!"

Mrs. Angela Johnson had Algebra I and the remaining math class, geometry, was taught using an interactive screen with instructor Tim Burns.

**Top Right:** Mr McNorton explains the instructions and precautions needed for the upcoming experiment. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

For the science classes, Mr. Kevin McNorton returned for a final year before retiring.

For his science classes, there were a variety of labs and assignments that were fun and educational. One of the labs included penny deterioration.

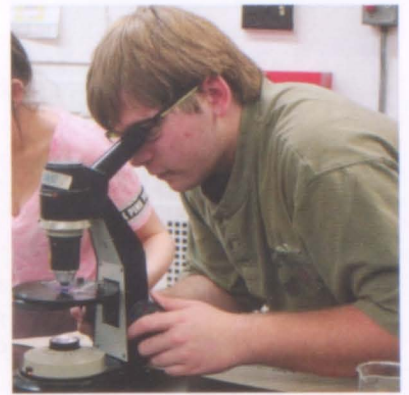
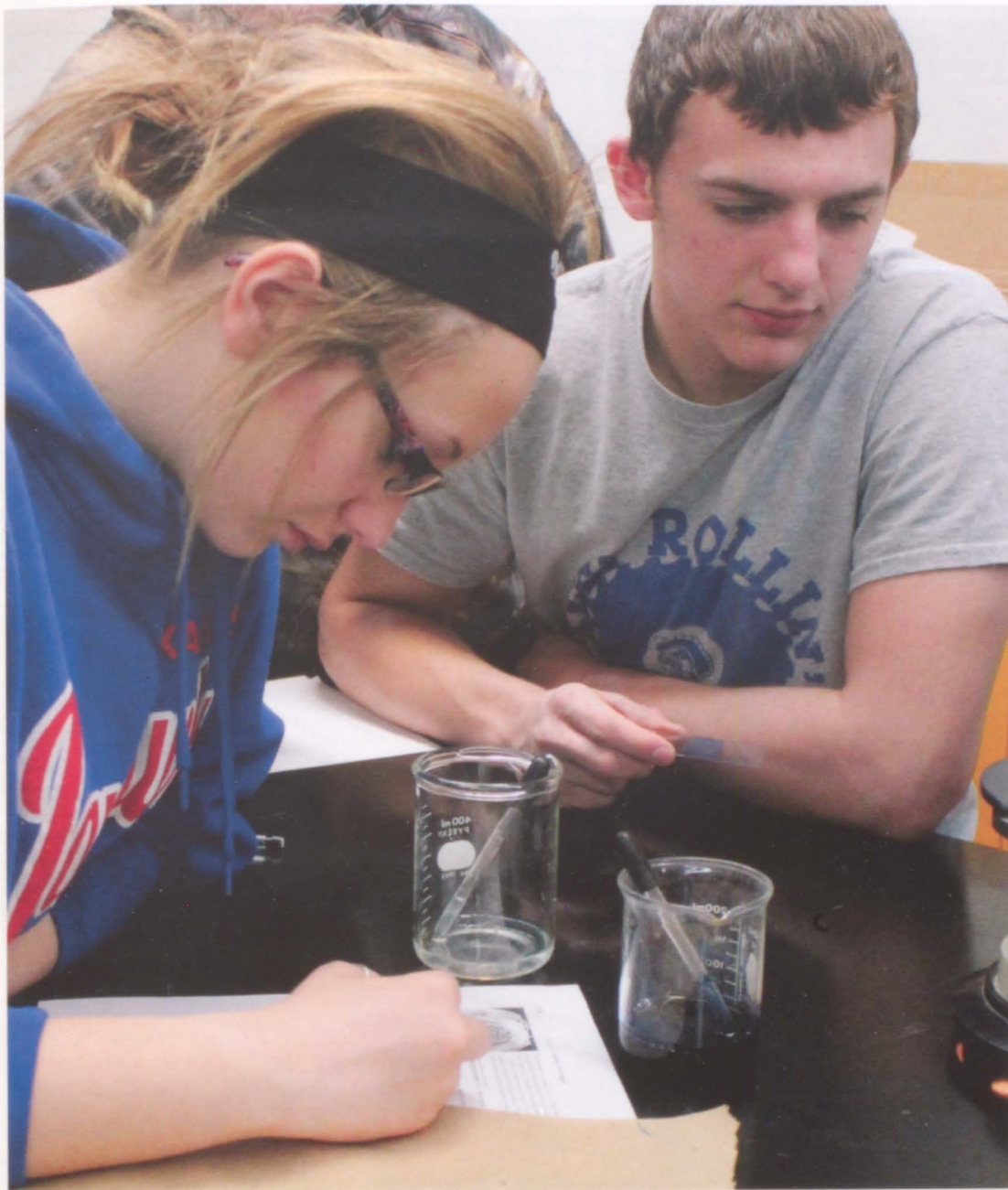
The classes that Mr. McNorton taught were chemistry, Biology 1, Biology 2, and earth and space science. All classes had a variety of students, from freshmen to seniors.

"Well, I'm glad I am retiring and it is my last year, but I will miss coming here and being able to have interactions with all of these fine young people," said Mr. McNorton about his last year before retiring.

The chemistry classes did experiments on mixing chemicals in order to see the variety of reactions. As this was Mr. McNorton's last year, the chemistry students also helped clean the lab, getting rid of "nasty dead animals, such as turtles, squid, and frogs," said Brittany Klaus.

**Right:** Brandon Schofield and Jeromy South work together on an Algebra I assignment. **Photo by Benton Slater**





**Top left** Alanda Jamvold and Tysen Williams work on a biology experiment together for group work. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Top right:** Jon Boyle looks through a microscope to examine cells for a biology lab experiment, **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Above** Preston Duncan wins a pie during the Pi Day competition, a special activity in Mr. Shaginaw's classes to celebrate Pi Day. Students had to recite the numerical of pi as far as they could remember. **Photo By Lexi Norris**

**Far left:** Tyler Franken and Kassi Meng do a chemistry lab together. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Left:** Kassi Meng, Kolbe King, and Tyler Franken work in Algebra 2. **Photo by Lexi Norris**



# English taught in traditional ways

## Spanish techniques change to dvd teaching

English classes were taught by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, Mr. Jeremy Prudden, and Mrs. Janice Bunck. Mrs. Rockey and Mr. Prudden taught juniors and seniors, and Mrs. Rockey had all of the sophomores.

She taught early American literature during the first quarter, followed by a quarter with seniors in which they created resumes and researched and job-shadowed a career. Early British and modern American literature were taught by Mrs. Rockey second semester.

Mrs. Rockey also taught public speaking for both junior and senior classes, as a concurrent class with Highland Community College. The students gave a series of speeches, from a power point to introduce themselves to a 10-minute persuasive speech.

Due to Mrs. Rockey's retirement at the end of the year, this would be the last year for public speaking to be offered.

Mr. Prudden taught advanced composition, research papers, high school vocabulary, and science fiction for his English classes. Juniors and seniors were both in those classes. Mr. Prudden gave the students spelling tests regarding to the vocabulary he taught along with research papers involving citing sources and argument papers over today's topics.

Mrs. Bunck taught freshman English, which included folk literature. Freshmen learned about drama, poetry, fiction,

and nonfiction. Tests were given to the students at the end of each unit.

Mrs. Rockey, Mrs. Bunck, and Mr. Prudden all shared a student teacher, Laura Romaine, from Benedictine College. She did the most long-term teaching with Mrs. Rockey's sophomore English class. She finished the year with them with drama and poetry units. Mrs. Rockey taught fiction, non-fiction, and mythology in the first semester.

Mrs. Bunck was also in charge of the Spanish class. The class was taught by a DVD player with 30-minute sessions from Kansas State professor, Chuck Thorpe. Thorpe discussed subjects for the students to learn. At the end of the unit, he interacted with the students by making a phone call with the class where they had to have a conversation in Spanish. Mrs. Bunck helped the students with their assignments and with the DVD player, but did not teach the students about the language.

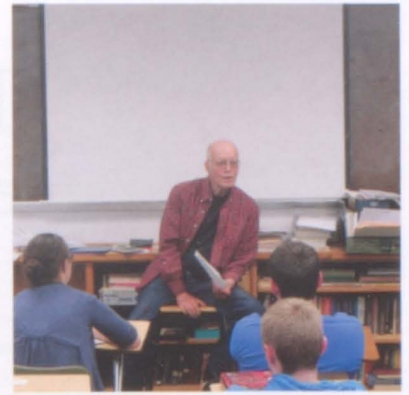
"When they first asked me if I would like to teach Spanish, I thought 'Omg' because I knew nothing about Spanish, but now I'm glad that I did it because I get to see the students learn the language and sometimes learn myself Spanish." said Mrs. Bunck.

This was Mrs. Bunck's second year teaching Spanish. Not very many students took Spanish last year, but numbers were up slightly this year.

**Top Right:** Freshman Jeromy South writes vocabulary for his English assignment. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Right:** Junior Kourtney Davies and sophomore Haley Wells look up answers for their worksheet in Spanish class. **Photo by Nathan King**





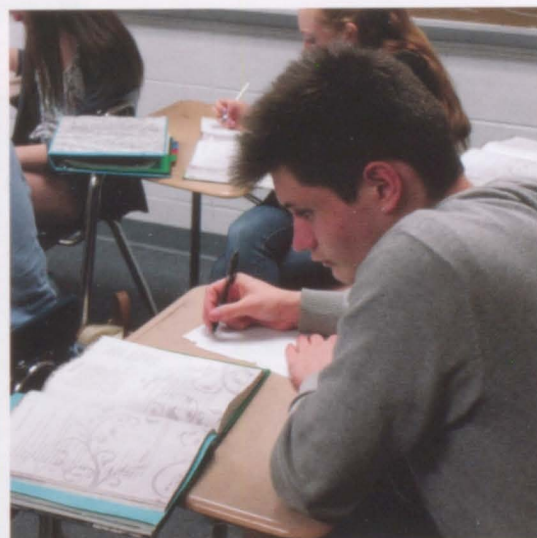
**Top Left:** Senior Luke Smith demonstrates to his public speaking class how to make no-bake cookies. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Top Right:** Retired psychologist, Dr. Ron Ruhnke, shares his favorite poetry with the sophomore English class. The class had been studying poetry with Miss Romaine. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Above:** Sophomores Lane Etherton and Austin O'Connor perform a silent absurdist skit they created as part of the drama unit during English class. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

**Far Left:** Sophomore Isabella Miner reads aloud to her classmates in Spanish. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Left:** Freshman Owen Root studies for an upcoming English test. **Photo by Lexi Norris**



# History takes students back in time

## Computers use higher technology programs

Social science classes were taught by Mr. Jonathan Rodvelt, Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, and Mr. Jeremy Prudden. Mr. Rodvelt taught U.S. history, world geography, and world history. In world geography, students studied continents, and maps, and watched videos. In world history, they learned about the early world and ancient Greece and Rome. This was Mr. Rodvelt's second year teaching the history classes.

Mrs. Rockey taught general psychology as a concurrent dual-credit class with Highland Community College.

Mr. Prudden taught American history and American government for the juniors and seniors. In those classes, the students talked about the presidents, wars, and political debates.

"History is important because it teaches us life lessons and the psychology of human behavior," said Mr. Prudden.

American government was mandatory for the seniors, and American history was mandatory for juniors.

General psychology students progressed from discovering how each student best learned to studies of various mental disorders and their treatment. They also discussed what each part of the brain controls, as well as eating disorders. They kept a sleep journal.

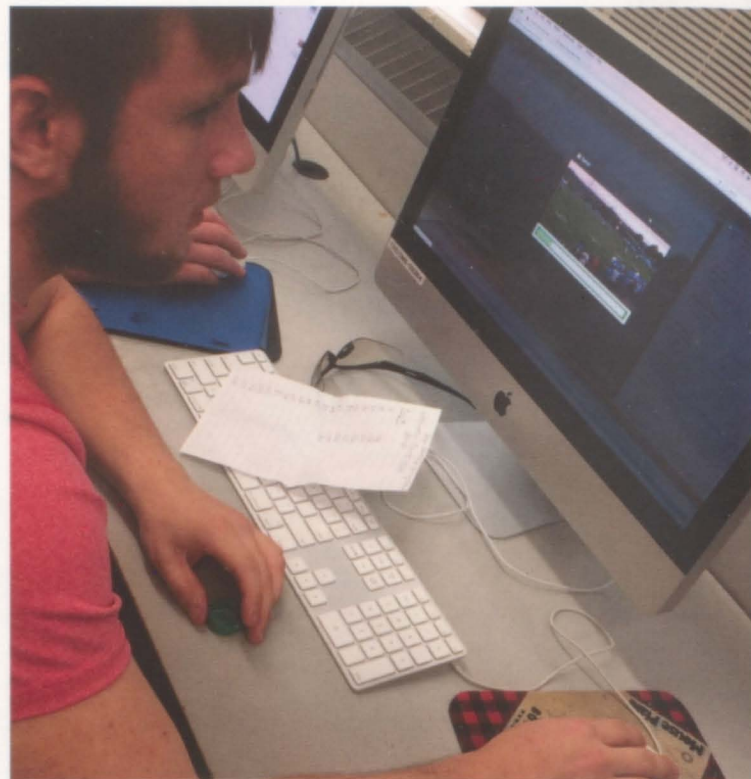
**Top Right:** Junior Jarren Frump edits video footage of football games played throughout the season. Frump was in Mrs. Brown's media tech workplace class. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

Mrs. Jene't Brown taught the computer classes for the high school and middle school. She taught computer applications and personal finance, eighth grade computer class, media technology workplace experience, graphic design, photo imaging, and computer graphics. Media and technology workspace experience was the newest class for Mrs. Brown, and was based on working on real-life projects brought in by people who needed help with audio-based projects. Students worked on transferring dvd movies to cd's by using media technology programming. Donations were received toward the class for their help with the projects.

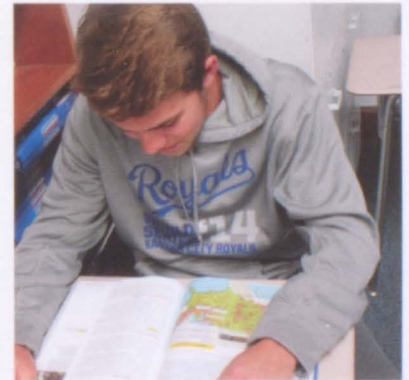
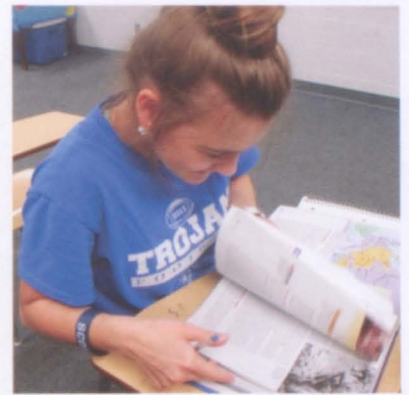
"I really enjoy seeing all of the projects that the students create; their designs are really interesting to see," said Mrs. Brown.

Throughout second semester, the media technology workplace experience class visited Atchison High School to see the different types of technology and advanced equipment their media classes had. The students also went to Rainbow Communications in Hiawatha, KS, to view the gadgets they use for doing tv broadcasts and sports events, and the types of software they use for working on computers.

**Right:** Seniors Preston Duncan, Luke Smith, Nathan King, Tucker Morris, junior Connor McNorton, and senior Megan Etherton observe a display at the Glore Psychiatric Museum in St. Joe, MO. The students took a field trip for their psychology class. While at the Glore, they also saw a video about the history of the treatment of mental illness, with models of many of the "machines" used for that treatment on display. **Photo by Kori Bennett**







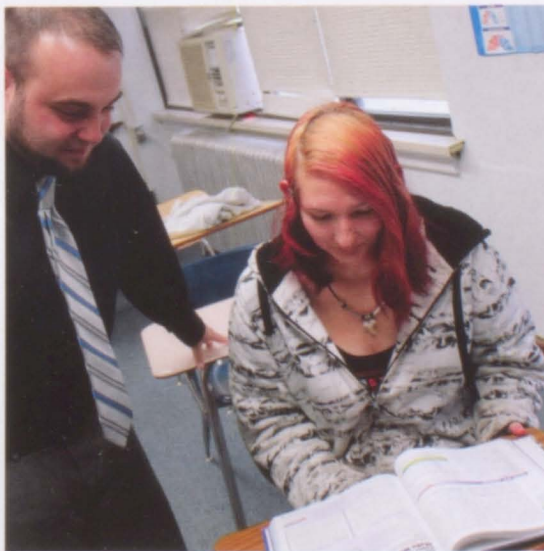
**Top Left:** Junior Kolton Constant presents awards to the winners of the Healthcare Department brochure cover design contest. (Left to right) Katie Nett, Macy Grable, and Emerson Weber were awarded certificates for their drawings. Students in the media trchnolgy class designed the brochure. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

**Top Right:** Sophomore Megan Franken studies her world history book while working on worksheets for her history class. **Photo by Gentry Duncan**

**Above:** Junior Brody Winder goes over his American history book to complete his assignment. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

**Far Left:** Sophomore Ike Morris takes notes for world history before an upcoming test. **Photo by Gentry Duncan**

**Left:** Mr. Prudden helps junior Bailey Schofield with her American government bookwork assignment. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**



# Students stay busy in class

## Many qualify for state in ag mechanics

Students enrolled in ag classes learned new things, did hands-on activities, and made their own projects. Mr. David Pottroff taught all the following ag classes: small engine, food science, ag welding, ag structures, and ag mechanics.

In the small engines class, they picked an engine and took it apart and had to put it back together by a certain date. They had to make sure when it was all together that it would start, and if it didn't, they had to start all over.

Food science class made many different kinds of food like fried chicken and cookies. They learned about many different ingredients and how to do hands-on things.

In ag welding, they learned multiple things about welding and made different projects of their own choice.

In ag structures, they made wooden chairs and clocks. Preston Robinson made a video game stand.

In horticulture, the students learned about different types of vegetable plants and flowers. They eventually grew their own in the greenhouse throughout the school year. Near the end of the year, they had a plant sale. Their goal was to make more money than last year, and they succeeded.

"It was a great year teaching all the ag classes and [advising the] FFA group; they all were as active as they could be, and I

dealt with a good group of kids this year," said Mr. Pottroff. They also participated in many contests, like dairy cattle judging, horse judging, food science, and ag mechanics.

Four students qualified for state for the ag mechanic contest in Manhattan, Kansas. Alex Martinez, Cole Thornberry, Kortin Blevins, and Kohlbe King received a bronze medal.

"I learned a lot of new things and enjoyed making different projects," said sophomore Haley Horner.

They also helped host an animal show for the grade school students. They had different types of animals for them to see and pet.

They also helped host the 4th of July tractor pull that was at the 4H grounds.

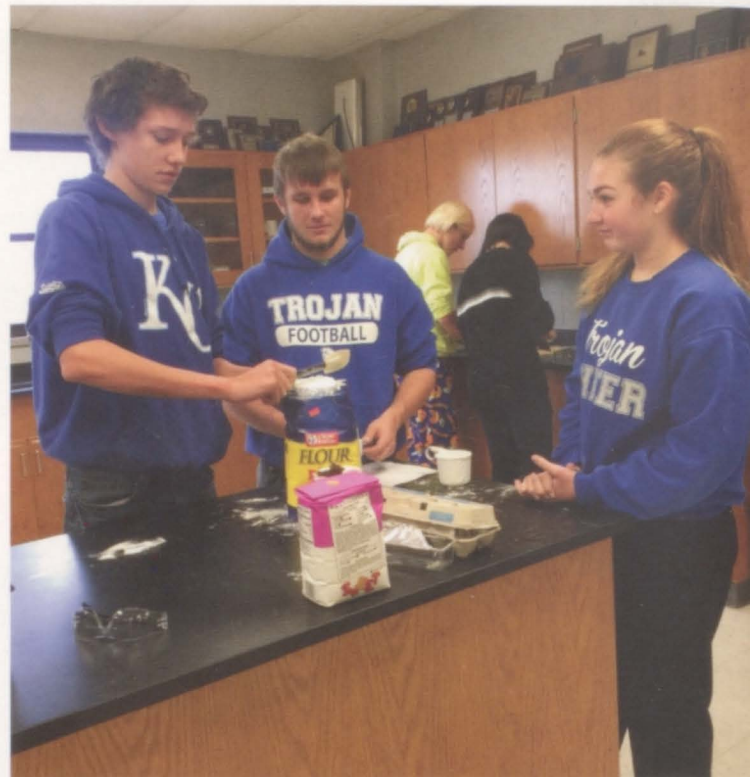
The students who helped set up the FFA blood drive handed out a snack and water to the people who gave blood.

They hosted cookouts for some of the football and basketball games.

This was Mr. Pottroff's second year of teaching ag classes. As Mr. V. was retired, he took over the wood shop and taught students how to make different projects in ag structures class.

**Right:** Sophomores Matthew Sharp and Brylee Wiedmer put frosting on the cookies they made in food science.

**Photo by Jennifer Keller**



**Top Right:** Juniors Brandon Schofield and Jarren Frump, and sophomore Isabella Miner start to prepare their recipe for food science class. **Photo by Jennifer Keller**



**Left:** Senior Jory Barnthson cuts up the chicken for the dish that he made in food science. **Photo by Jennifer Keller**



**Left:** Juniors Andrea Stock, Alexis Horner, and Kolton Constant hold up the plants they grew all semester to sell at the plant sale in the spring. **Photo by David Pottroff**



**Far Left:** Senior Tristin Horton ices the cookies she made in food science. **Photo by Jennifer Keller**



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# Clubs

Clubs were involved with many activities. FFA participated in many competitions from cattle judging to ag mechanics. They cooked breakfast for the members and the public, they continued to have their annual blood drive, and they had a plant sale at the end of the year.

SADD continued to check seat belts throughout the year. FBLA for the first time hosted the district conference and they went to the state leadership conference.

Publications students went to state to compete in journalism. T-Club held an alumni basketball tournament and continued to honor a super fan. Student council continued to decorate the gym for dances. Drama club continued to do the Trick-or-Treat So Tots Can Eat food drive. NHS continued to host a blood drive and decorate the gazebo for Christmas.



**Far Top Left:** The *Tied to the Tracks* cast sing "Welcome to Dakota" at the end of the musical. **Photo by Kori Bennett**

**Middle Top:** Lauren Wigger performs for the SLK. **Photo by Mary Winder**

**Top Right:** FBLA members Lauren Wigger, Sierra Christopher, Nathan King, Owen Root, Hannah Brown, and Caitlyn Johnson pose for a picture at the State FBLA Leadership Convention. **Photo by Jene't Brown**

**Above:** FFA members Alexis Horner, Andrea Stock, Kortin Blevins, Taylor Scherer, Jon Boyle, and Wil Smith get awards for having the most FFA points. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Left:** NHS member Connor McNorton decorates the Christmas tree in the gazebo on Main Street. This was part of community service by the organization. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

# Trojan FFA Wins Big Tradition of Excellence Continues

The students of FFA succeeded in all sorts of competitions. From cattle judging to ag mechanics they won big. In fact, the 2015-2016 Troy team for ag mechanics qualified for state contest. FFA seemed to be a big hit in this small community; there were 33 students in Troy's Chapter.

On the home front, Troy FFA spent many early mornings making breakfast, not only for students in their chapter, but for the public as well. They made pancakes, biscuits and gravy, and donuts from scratch. In the spring, they continued with their annual blood drive.

All of this was student based and student led by the chapter's officer team. The officer team was President Makayla Ross, Vice-President Alexis Horner, Secretary Kolton Constant, Treasurer Andrea Stock, Sentinel Jon Boyle, and Reporter Andrea Stock.

The involvement that FFA had in the school didn't stop there. Troy FFA had its own spirit week! There were THS and FFA trivia questions and prizes to go to those who knew the answers.

This organization involved children of farmers but also welcomed others. Students could run for an office, participate in competitive events, or just help out with planned activities.

Finally, Troy FFA ended their year with the annual FFA banquet. This was an opportunity to honor all the members who had earned awards. It also honored the current chapter officers. Then, at the end of the banquet they inducted a new officer team for the next school year.

The students of FFA not only pursued excellence in FFA but also in school and life. The club taught students the value of hardwork, kindness, respect, and perseverance. Following teacher David Pottroff, they learned to become leaders.

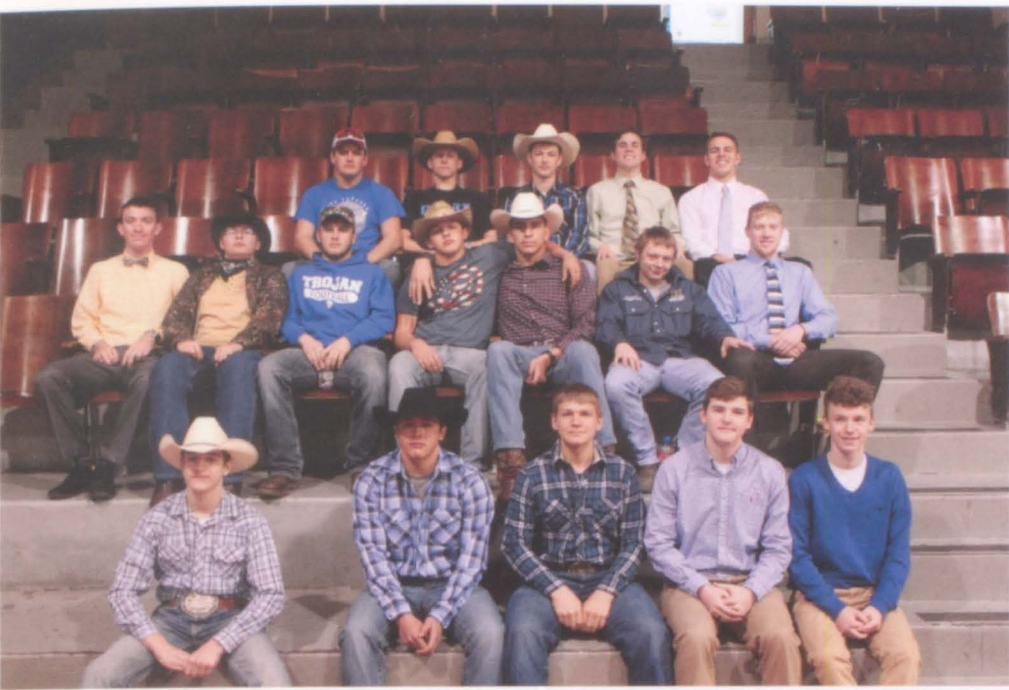


Above: FFA earns proficiency awards: Front row: Alexis Horner, Haley Horner, Gentry Duncan, Andrea Stock, Makayla Ross. Row 2: Reid Greaser, Alex Martinez, Jon Boyle, Wil Smith, Kortin Blevins, Taylor Scherer. Photo by Trey Jenkins

Above Left: Andrea Stock receives an award from sponsor David Pottroff for being the most successful fruit salesman. Photo by Trey Jenkins

Left: Wil Smith and Andrea Stock receive awards for being outstanding juniors in FFA. Photo by Trey Jenkins





**Left: Troy FFA: Front row:** Brayden Weidmer, Alex Martinez, Braden Hansen, Connor McNorton, Reid Jasper. **Row 2:** Reid Greaser, Jon Boyle, Jarren Frump, Marcus Martinez, Cadence King, Dylan Langford, Wil Smith. **Row 3:** Kohlbe King, Taylor Scherer, Kendrick Jeschke, Cuttar Huss, Brody Winder. **Photo by** Trey Jenkins

**Below:** Kolton Constant leads the Opening Ceremony at the spring banquet. **Photo by** Trey Jenkins



**Above:** Adviser David Pottroff begins the FFA banquet with a speech. **Photo by** Trey Jenkins

**Left:** Jon Boyle announces proficiency awards at the FFA banquet. **Photo by** Trey Jenkins

# SADD, FBLA active

## State Officer Tradition Continues

Once again Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) had a great year. The 2015-2016 officers were Lauren Wigger, president; Kori Bennett, vice president; and Sponsor Tanya Silvey.

The club continued encouraging students to wear their seat belts by having a monthly drawing with prizes. To enter, the students pledged to wear their seat belts every time they drove that month. Any student caught not wearing a seat belt would be taken out of the drawing.

There was also a continuation of seat belt checks throughout the year. Club members would come to school early and stand by the intersections near the school. They filled out surveys on how many people were and were not wearing seatbelts. They also took statistics on the types of distractions the drivers had.

Not only did the SADD club try to promote safety by wearing seat belts, but they also attended meetings with Doniphan County Draw the Line. At these meetings students from across the county came together to discuss what they could do to stop

underage drinking in the community. This focus group was led by Judge Roper and SADD sponsors from each school.

Troy FBLA started their year with the election of officers. Club officers were President Lauren Wigger, Vice President Nathan King, Secretary Sierra Christopher, Treasurer Andrea Stock, Historian Jon Boyle, and Adviser Jene't Brown. It was not a popular organization in previous years but has recently grown into a highly active organization within the school.

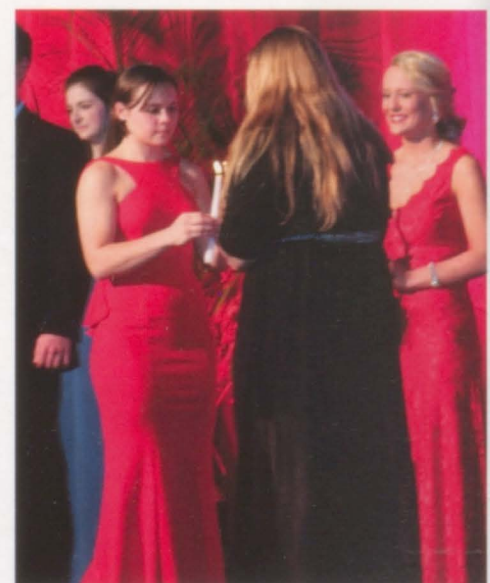
The club hit the ground running January 16 by hosting the Kansas FBLA District II Conference. At the conference, freshman Sierra Christopher campaigned and was elected to serve as the 2016-2017 Kansas FBLA District II Vice President. That office was currently held by senior Lauren Wigger. At the state Leadership Conference, Lauren Wigger passed her candle, representing her office in the organization, to Sierra Christopher. Christopher's first item of business was attending the 2015-2016 National Leadership Conference in Atlanta, Georgia.



**Above:** FBLA members **Front Row:** Jon Boyle, Owen Root, Nathan King, Alanda Jamvold, Sierra Christopher, Hannah Brown, Andrea Stock. **Row 2:** Alexis Horner, Jene't Brown, Lauren Wigger, Jeromy South. **Photo by** Trey Jenkins

**Above left:** Troy FBLA VP, Nathan King presents Lauren Wigger with an award for public speaking while Sierra Christopher officiates at the Kansas FBLA District II Conference. **Photo by** Alexis Horner

**Left:** 2015-2016 Kansas FBLA District II VP, Lauren Wigger passes her candle to the 2016-2017 Kansas FBLA District II VP, Sierra Christopher at the 2016 Kansas FBLA State Leadership Conference. **Photo by** Nathan King







**Left: Members of SADD: Front row:** Preston Duncan, Jon Boyle, Taylor Scherer, Alexis Horner, Lauren Wigger. **Row 2:** Blair Weishaar, Alyssa Schmille, Sierra Christopher, Tucker Morris, Lexi Norris. **Row 3:** Madeline Smith, Cassidy Ashworth, Brylee Wiedmer, Haley Horner. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Below:** Kansas FBLA district II VP, Lauren Wigger speaks at the 2016 Kansas State Leadership Conference. **Photo by Nathan King**



**Above:** Caitlyn Johnson swings at the park after lunch. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Above left:** Members of the Troy High school FBLA chapter take a break from their competitive events at the 2016 State Leadership Conference. **Photo by Jene't Brown**



**Left:** FBLA members from District II eat lunch at the Kansas FBLA District II Conference at Troy High School. **Photo by Lauren Wigger**

# Staff advances to state

## Publications students excel

Publications was taught by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey from 1974 to 2016. The staff was in charge of publishing the yearbook and the *Trojan Trumpet*.

Senior Nathan King was the newspaper editor, Trey Jenkins was the yearbook editor, and Brittany Klaus was the business manager.

All of the staff members and some non-staff members competed in the KSPA journalism contest regionals at Kansas State University in February. Everyone that participated in regionals made it to state in at least one category. There were on-site competitions and digital submissions. State was at the University of Kansas in May. Out of the 30 entries submitted, 13 earned places, earning the group third in class 2A.

At state, Lexi Norris took first in newspaper sports writing, and Ben Wardlow was first in editorial cartoon. Madyson Guffy took second in infographics, and Brittany Klaus was second in newspaper page design. Nathan King was third in yearbook copy

writing.

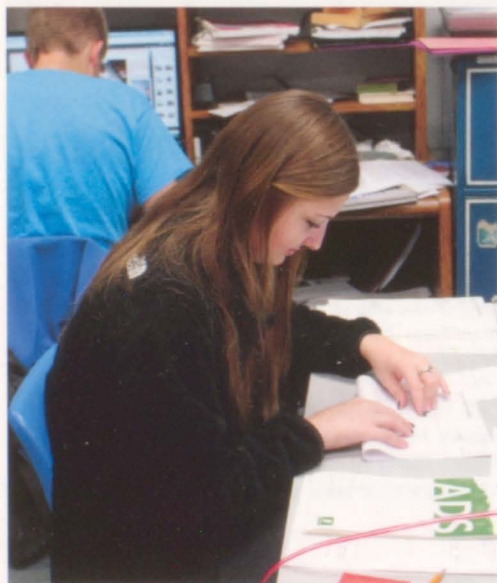
Eight entries earned honorable mention: Brenton Slater, in editorial cartoon; King and Kori Bennett, both in editorial writing; Bennett, in feature writing; Cole Thornberry, in advertising; Lauren Wigger, in infographics; Hannah Brown, in photo illustration; and Klaus, in student life photography.

Other students competing were Jory Barnthson, Trey Jenkins, and Jennifer Keller.

While the students competed at state, Mrs. Rockey spent time at an advisers' meeting where her upcoming retirement was recognized with a lovely floral arrangement.

"I really enjoy being in publications; sometimes it's stressful, but it's worth it. My favorite part is competing in regionals and state every year," said junior Brittany Klaus.

Lauren Wigger was inducted into Quill and Scroll by the current membership, Trey Jenkins, Nathan King, Lexi Norris, and Brittany Klaus.



Above: Quill and Scroll members. Nathan King, Lexi Norris, Brittany Klaus, and Trey Jenkins. Photo by Martha Jean Rockey

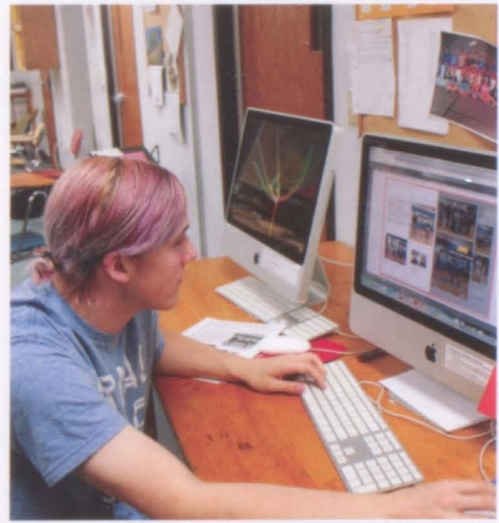
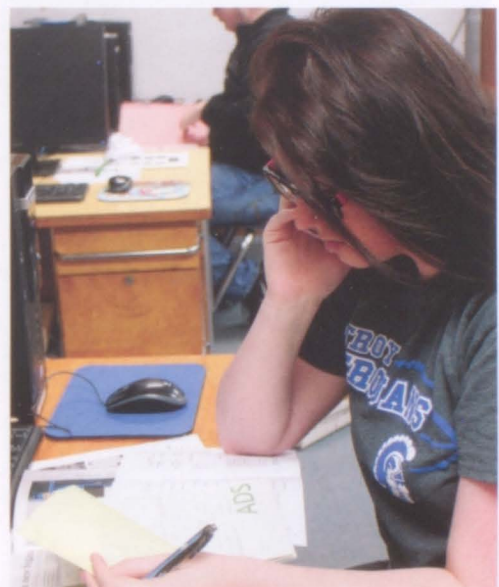
Top Left: Mrs. Rockey reviews Trey Jenkins' regional contest pieces after Manhattan to better prepare him for state at Lawrence. Photo by Kori Bennett

Left: Brittany Klaus bills local businesses who bought an ad for the yearbook. One of the primary sources of fund raising for publications was selling ads. The students also marketed the *History of Troy High School*, the books the staff had finished in the spring of 2015. Photo by Kori Bennett



**Front Row:** Jory Barnthson, Mrs. Rockey, Jennifer Keller, and Lauren Wigger. **Row 2:** Brenton Slater, Madyson Guffy, Lexi Norris, and Brittany Klaus. **Row 3:** Nathan King, Trey Jenkins, and Kori Bennett. **Photo by Juli Smith.**

**Below:** Madyson Guffy calls local businesses to ask them if they want to buy an ad for the yearbook. **Photo by Kori Bennett.**



**Above:** Brenton Slater works on his Queen of Courts yearbook layout. **Photo by Kori Bennett.**

**The Competitors for Regionals, Left: Front row:** Brenton Slater. **Row 2:** Nathan King, Lexi Norris, and Brittany Klaus **Row 3:** Jennifer Keller, and Kori Bennett **Row 4:** Connor McNorton, Lauren Wigger, and Ben Wardlow **Row 5:** Trey Jenkins, Mady Guffy, and Jory Barnthson. These students competed at Regionals and qualified for State. Not pictured: Hannah Brown and Connor McNorton. **Photo by Mrs.Rockey.**

# T-Club, stuco keep busy

## Students track lettering, host dances

T-Club had 30 members and was sponsored by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rocky. The officers were president, Nathan King; vice president, Holly Whetstine and secretary/treasurer, Cailyn Anderson. T-Club had a men's alumni basketball tournament in April, sponsored National Activities Week, and honored a super fan, Roger Whetstine.

In National Activities Week, students recognized the referees and the coaches and sponsors. Also, every year the club votes on a super fan of the school year. T-Club was in charge of all the plaques displayed in the school for sports, music, and speech and drama. They were also in charge of the medals and the pins for anyone who lettered. There were different methods in each activity to qualify for lettering.

"I was in charge of giving out pins and doing the spreadsheets to keep track of who all had lettered. We didn't do many fundraisers this year, but I still enjoyed it," said Cailyn Anderson.

Stuco had 10 members and was sponsored by Mr. Jonathan Rodvelt. Officers were Mackenzie Harbeston, president; Jacklyn Clary, vice president; and Makayla Ross, secretary/treasurer. Other members were senior Ben Wardlow, junior Kassi Meng, junior Andrea Stock, sophomore Ike Morris, sophomore Austin O'Connor, freshman Jon Boyle, and freshman Sierra Christopher.

Stuco was in charge of decorating the gym for the Homecoming and Queen of Courts dances. They were also in charge of planning Spirit Week activities. They came up with the theme for the weeks of Homecoming and Queen of Courts. Stuco sold suckers and crush pop around Valentine's Day. Students could send them to anyone in the Troy school district.

"We had a school decorating the gym and planning all the events. Planning the dress-up days was always pretty fun. I look forward to being the president in the fall," said junior Andrea Stock.



**T-Club, Above:** Front Row: Holly Whetstine, Nathan King, Madi Marriott, and Cailyn Anderson. Row 2: Wil Smith, Makayla Ross, Lauren Wigger, and Reid Jasper. Row 3: Taylor Scherer, Reid Greaser, Tyler Franken, Connor McNorton, Tucker Morris, Luke Smith, and Cuttar Huss. Row 4: Lauren Hill, Blair Weishaar, Jaren Frump, Brittany Klaus, Lexi Norris, and Andrea Stock. Row 5: Madeline Smith, Kassy Ashworth, Brylee Wiedmer, Haley Horner, Cole Thornberry, Kortin Blevins, Chris Winkel, and Brody Winder.

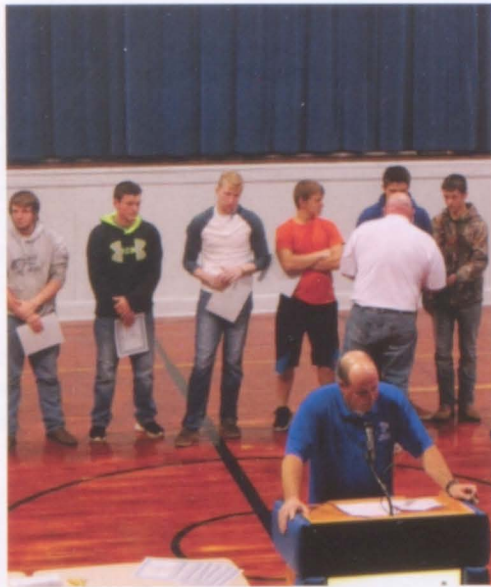
**Above Left:** Ben Wardlow accepts his letter at Awards Night for participating in knowledge bowl. Photo by Trey Jenkins

**Left:** Head Coach Julie Werner talks about the varsity volleyball team as Assistant Coach Emily Purdy hands out pins for lettering. Photo by Trey Jenkins



**Left:** Roger Whetstine with the shirt he received for being selected the "Fan of the Year." **Photo by** Trey Jenkins

**Below:** Assistant Coach Don Cash hands out letters to the football team at the Fall Athletic Banquet. **Photo by** Trey Jenkins



**Above:** Senior Nathan King accepts his letter in speech from Mrs. Rockey. He was also the top drama and speech student with points. **Photo by** Trey Jenkins

**Left:** **First Row:** Makayla Ross, Mackenzie Harbenston, and Jacklynn Clary. **Row 2:** Ben Wardlow, Austin O'Connor, Ike Morris, and Andrea Stock. **Row 3:** Jon Boyle and Sierra Christopher. **Photo by** Trey Jenkins

# Drama club gives back

## Members collect canned food for food pantry

The drama club for the third year in a row held their annual Trick-or-Treat So Tots Can Eat food drive. The food drive helps support local food pantries which have been hurting in recent years.

The drama club dressed up in various Halloween costumes ranging from Darth Vader from *Star Wars* to southern cowboys.

"It was so much fun dressing up as a little Yoda," said Lauren Wigger, "The green latex paint came off so nicely!"

The drama club officers were Nathan King, president; Megan Etherton, vice president; Lauren Wigger, secretary; Jory Barnthson, treasurer; and Brenton Slater, historian.

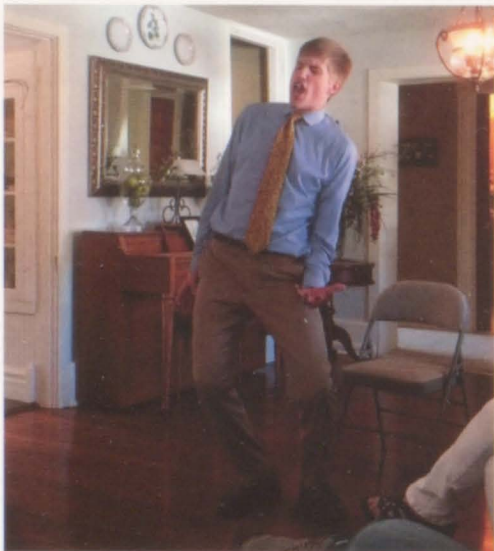
To raise money for their productions, drama club sold Yankee Candles from a fall/Christmas-themed catalog. The Troy drama department used the money they raised to pay for the production fees for the fall play and spring musical.

The drama club helped set up both the fall play and spring musical. To reward their efforts, the drama club went to Avila University to attend the college's showing of *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

"I thought it was really interesting," said junior Connor McNorton.

After the play, the students went to the Oak Park Mall for lunch and some students shopped.

The drama club also celebrated Shakespeare's birthday by performing several of his most famous death scenes from his plays like *Romeo and Juliet* and *Othello*. The drama club then celebrated further by eating cupcakes made by president Nathan King's mom Kathy King.



Above: The Troy High School Drama Club. Front row: Jory Barnthson, Nathan King, Lauren Wigger, and Megan Etherton. Row 2: Owen Root, Barbara Erzen, Holly Whetstine, Ben Wardlow, and Trey Jenkins. Row 3: Jon Boyle, Taylor Scherer, Cailyn Anderson, Madison Marriott, Connor McNorton, Luke Smith, Kassi Meng, and Austin O Connor. Row 4: Blair Weishaar, Alyssa Schmile, Sierra Christopher, Tucker Morris, Lexi Norris, Brittany Klaus, and Andrea Stock. Row 5: Isabella Miner, Gentry Duncan, Madeline Smith, Kassidy Ashworth, Brylee Wiedmer, Haley Horner, and Cole Thornberry. Photo by Martha-Jean Rockey, sponsor

Top Left: Senior drama club member Nathan King performs his humorous solo for the SLK group at the home of Lisa Twombly. Photo by Mary Winder

Left: The Drama Club sponsored a door-decorating contest. This was the second year that the drama club sponsored this Christmas activity. Photo by Nathan King



**Top Left:** The drama club members Lexi Norris, Holly Whetstone, and Nathan King act in the spring musical. **Photo by Madeline Smith.**

**Below:** Ben Wardlow performs for SLK, reading from "The Butter Battle Book" by Dr. Seuss. **Photo by Mary Winder**



**Above:** Sophomore drama club member Austin O'Connor holds his pistol up. Austin O'Connor played Mr. Clang, a Pinkerton man. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

**Left:** Drama club members Andrea Stock, Cailyn Anderson, and Luke Smith participated in the fall play. The drama club members helped set up for the fall play. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

# NHS, Scholars Bowl numbers increase

## Club members get more involved

Scholars bowl was coached by Mrs. Janice Bunck. The teams were split into two groups, junior varsity and varsity. Members of the varsity team were seniors Nathan King, Lauren Wigger, Tyler Christopher, Ben Wardlow, and freshmen Owen Root, and Sierra Christopher. Members of the varsity team also went to the junior varsity team due to not having enough players for both teams. Team members practiced during seminar and different days after school. Scholars bowl traveled to different schools to compete in meets.

Scholars bowl members signed up to join the teams. Students could participate if they attended practices, participated during the meets, and reached the grade-point average. Captain of the varsity team was senior Nathan King and captain of junior varsity was freshman Owen Root.

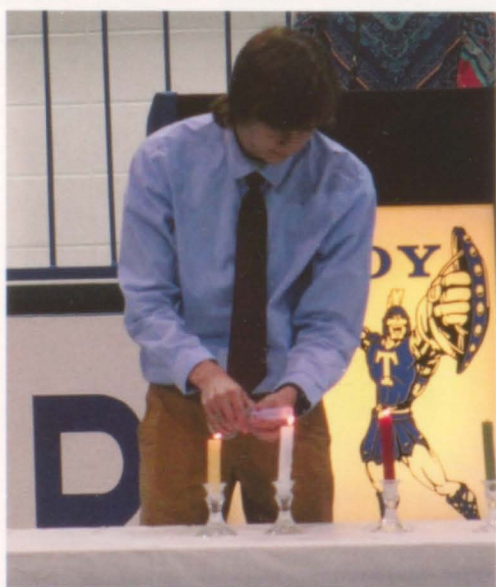
National Honor Society helped the community in more ways than the past few years. Students in NHS organized the blood drive that in the old gym, managed by the Community Blood Center, they decorated the gazebo at the courthouse at the beginning of the

holiday season, and they helped clean up the park by picking up trash and planting new flowers.

New inductees for National Honor Society were introduced at Awards Night. Newest members were inducted by the previous members.

Officers of National Honor Society were President Makayla Ross, Vice President Madison Marriott, Secretary Tucker Morris, and Treasurer Caiyln Anderson. The 2016-2017 officers will be Connor McNorton as president; Lexi Norris, vice president; Lauren Hill, secretary; and Tyler Franken, as treasurer. Introductions were given by the previous officers at Awards Night.

"This year we were more involved with the community. Eating breakfast with the grade schoolers [as Breakfast Buddies] was my favorite thing that we did. I hope we get more involved next year and have fun doing the activities," said Norris.



**Above: Scholars Bowl Members.** Sierra Christopher, Lauren Wigger, Nathan King, Tyler Christopher, Owen Root, and Ben Wardlow. **Photo by Janice Bunck**

**Top Left: Senior Megan Etherton** reads the speech she was given at the National Honor Society Induction. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Left: Senior Preston Duncan** lights the candle of Leadership at the NHS Induction. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**





**Top Left: National Honor Society Members. Front Row:** Kassidy Ashworth, Barbara Ernzen, Sierra Christopher, Lauren Hill, Makayla Ross, Lexi Norris, and Madison Marriott **Row 2:** Ben Wardlow, Amanda Stock, Chantel Duncan, Lauren Wigger, Cailyn Anderson, Megan Etherton, Blair Weishaar, Connor McNorton, Tyler Franken, and Reid Jasper **Row 3:** Owen Root, Lane Etherton, Cole Thornberry, Nathan King, Preston Duncan, Tucker Morris, Reid Greaser, and Cuttar Huss.  
**Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Below: Senior Cole Thornberry works on the lights that went on the Christmas tree at the gazebo.**  
**Photo by Lexi Norris**



**Above: Sophomore Isabella Miner and junior Lauren Hill tie a wreath to a side of the gazebo.**  
**Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Left: Sophomore Lane Etherton lights the candle of Character at the NHS Induction.**  
**Photo by Trey Jenkins**



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# Sports

Many sports excelled. The football team made school history by making it to state for the first time in 107 years. Many football players received post-season honors. Chris Winkel was selected to play in the Shrine Bowl.

Cross country and volleyball didn't do well as they had hoped. The KSSHA changed the length of the girls' course so that both boys and girls ran the same distance. The dance squad performed at the state football championship in Hays, KS.

The girls' basketball team fell short of making it to the sub-state game. Madison Marriott was selected to play in the Northeast Kansas All-Star game. The boys' basketball team had a good season. They won the TVL tournament. They fell short to JCN in a sub-state game. Many players received honors, and Luke Smith played in the Northeast Kansas All-Star game.

Amanda Stock was the only track member to qualify for state. She placed sixth in high jump. The softball team's season didn't go well as they had hoped. The baseball team had a good season. They won regionals for the third year in a row. Unfortunately, they lost in the semifinals and tied for third at state.



**Far Top Left:** Wil Smith goes up for the jump ball against rival Doniphan West Mustangs. **Photo by Brittany Klaus**

**Middle Top:** Alex Martinez runs the ball while Wyatt Huss blocks. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Top Right:** Cadence King and Reid Jasper run at the cross country meet hosted by Troy. **Photo by Mady Guffy**

**Above:** The volleyball players huddle before the start of a game. **Photo by Brittany Klaus**

**Left:** The Trojan baseball team are regional champions for the third year in a row. **Photo by Juli Smith**

# Trojan football makes history

## One point from state championship



"Our guys played their hearts out in our first-ever state championship game; unfortunately we came up one point short of bringing home the title. We can be very proud of what we accomplished this season," said Coach Jasper.



"It was an awesome season with a great group of guys. I'm proud of what we did to represent the town of Troy," said senior Chris Winkel.

The Trojan football team made it to state for the first time in 107 years. Head coach was Derek Jasper, assisted by Don Cash and coach's aide Cody Israel. Their record was 10-2 overall and 3-0 in district.

The Trojans were regional, sectional, sub-state, and district champs. The Trojans had a rematch against the Olpe Eagles for sub-state. The boys ended up getting revenge on the Eagles, advancing to state for the first time. The Trojans also beat the Centralia Panthers for the first time in eight years.

The boys were to play Phillipsburg for the state title. Junior Tyler Franken started the game with a safety, which put the Trojans ahead by 3. The Trojans were leading at halftime 17-16. In the fourth quarter, the two-point conversion pass was incomplete. They came short one point of the state title with a score of 29-30.

Everybody on the football team lettered. Junior Cuttar Huss led the team with 24 touchdowns. Junior Wil Smith had 82 tackles and received the Tom Keller Award.

C. Huss (wide receiver) and W. Smith (offensive lineman) were both first-team picks by *The Eagle* and *The Topeka Daily Capital*. Linebacker Tucker Morris (defensive line), Chris Winkel (wide receiver), Tucker Morris (defensive line), Reid Greaser (quarterback) and C. Huss (defensive back) were honorable mention picks by the *Wichita Eagle*. Morris, L. Smith, Winkel (at linebacker) and Greaser were selected as honorable mentions from the *Topeka Capital-Journal*.

Winkel was selected to play in the Shrine Bowl in the summer of 2016.

Receiving all-league first-team offense were L. Smith, center; W. Smith, guard; and C. Huss, receiver and returner. Receiving all-league first-team defense were W. Smith, end; Morris, tackle; Winkel, OSLB; and C. Huss, DB. Receiving all-league second-team offense were Greaser, back; and Winkel, receiver.

Many of the boys were chosen in the Kpreps Class 2-1A All-District Chosen. In District 1 Offense, Greaser was quarterback; Martinez, running back; L. Smith, line; W. Smith, line; Winkel, tight end; and C. Huss, receiver.

In District 1 Defense were Morris for line/ends, W. Smith for line/ends, Kortin Blevins for linebacker, Winkel for linebacker, and C. Huss for defensive back and return specialist.

C. Huss was overall MVP for offense and defense. Head coach Derek Jasper was Coach of the Year.

Receiving honorable mention were Blevins, Morris, Preston Robinson, and Brody Winder.

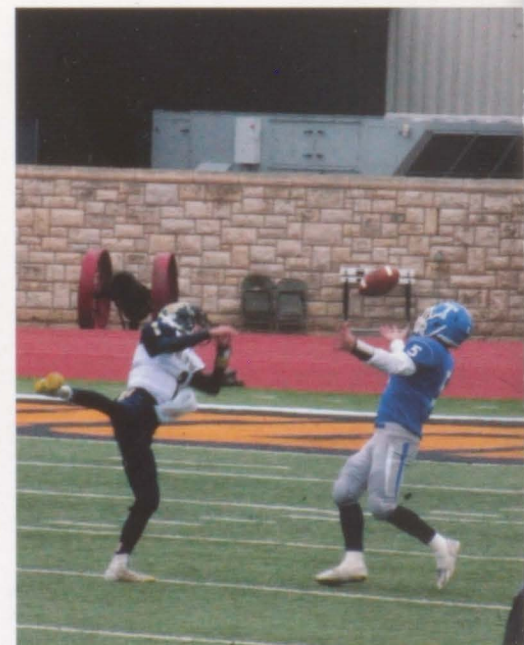
"It was a great experience that will never forget, but we can't rest on our laurels. Only one thing has been on our minds since November 28, 2015," said junior Cuttar Huss.



Above: The Trojan football team celebrates making it to state for the first time in Trojan football history.

Photo by Newspress Now

Right: Senior Wil Smith puts a hand out to catch a pass from quarterback Reid Greaser at the state football game in Hays. Photo by Trey Jenkins





**Left:** Senior Taylor Scherer leads the team through the banner against Wabauensee. The Trojans beat the Chargers 67-20 to advance to sectionals. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Above:** The offensive line gets down and ready to block against Onaga. They beat the Buffalos 34-12. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

## Trojan Football



**Front Row:** Reid Jasper, Gus Collins, Jeromy South, Alex Martinez, Tyler Franken, Marcus Martinez, and Brayden Wiedmer. **Row 2:** Jarren Frump, Brant Hamilton, Kortin Blevins, Jason Berry, Ben Wardlow, Tysen Williams, and Kendrick Jeschke. **Row 3:** Brody Schofield, Cuttar Huss, Preston Robinson, Chris Winkel, Connor McNorton, and Taylor Scherer. **Row 4:** Brandon Wiedmer, Wil Smith, Cadence King, Tucker Morris, Wyatt Huss, Luke Smith, and Reid Greaser. **Photo by Lifetouch**

## Record

Opponent	Score	Win/Lose
Washington Co.	18-36	L
Centralia	37-34	W
Onaga	34-12	W
JCN	51-16	W
Marantha/Immac	61-28	W
Doniphan West	46-19	W
Inman	47-20	W
<b>Regionals</b>		
Wabauensee	67-20	W
<b>Sectionals</b>		
Lyndon	58-21	W
<b>Sub-State</b>		
Olpe	30-21	W
<b>State</b>		
Phillipsburg	29-30	L

# Volleyball, CC numbers decrease

## Seasons didn't end how they hoped



"We had a small team this year, but it was a good group that liked to compete. We didn't always have results we hoped for, but we improved at every meet," said Roger Purdy.



"The season wasn't all we hoped for but we made the most of it," said Cailyn Anderson.

The Trojan volleyball team was coached by Head Coach Julie Werner and Assistant Coach Emily Purdy.

Players were seniors Madison Marriott, Cailyn Anderson, Holly Whetstine, and Makayla Ross; juniors Lexi Norris, Blair Weishaar, and Kourtney Davies; sophomores Cassidy Ashworth, Isabella Miner, Haley Horner, Haley Wells, Madeline Smith and Brylee Weidmer; and freshmen Amanda Stock, Skylee Myers, Alyssa Schmilke, and Lizzie Schultz.

The girls had an overall record of 13-22. In the Hiawatha Tournament, they won two out of their four games.

In the Riverside Tournament, the girls played six games. They beat St. Joe Christian, North Platte, and St. Joe Christian again. They lost against North Platte, Jefferson County North, and Mound City. The girls ended up getting fourth.

"Overall we had a pretty good season. Our record doesn't show it but there was a lot of competition this year. We held our own on a lot of our games. We had four seniors and they will be hard to replace. I will miss the seniors very much," said Julie Werner.

The cross country team was coached by Roger Purdy for the second year in a row.

Members of the team were seniors Cadence King and Holly Whetstine; and freshmen Reid Jasper and Alyssa Schmilke.

For the first time in years, KSSHA changed the length of the girls' course. They had to run three miles just like the boys had to.

For the TVL meet, Whetstine, King, Jasper, and Schmilke all went. Schmilke ran 28:48 and took 20th, Whetstine ran a time of 28:51 and received 21st, King ran with a time of 22 flat and got 27th, Jasper took 32nd with a time of 23:14.

Regionals took place in Bellville, KS. King, Whetstine, Jasper, and Schmilke all went. King ran with a time of 22:48, Jasper had a time of 22:28, and Schmilke had a time of 28:26. But none of them qualified for state.

"Cross country went pretty well this year, as everybody medaled at a meet. I'd have to say some cross country meets were harder than others, but I can't wait to see how next year's cross country goes," said Alyssa Schmilke.

## Trojan Volleyball



Front Row: Madison Marriott, Makayla Ross, Holly Whetstine, and Cailyn Anderson. Row 2: Haley Horner, Brylee Wiedmer, Elizabeth Schultz, Alyssa Schmilke, Skylee Myers, and Kourtney Davies. Row 3: Cassidy Ashworth, Lexi Norris, Blair Weishaar, Amanda Stock, Isabella Miner, and Haley Wells. Photo by Lifetouch

### Volleyball Stats

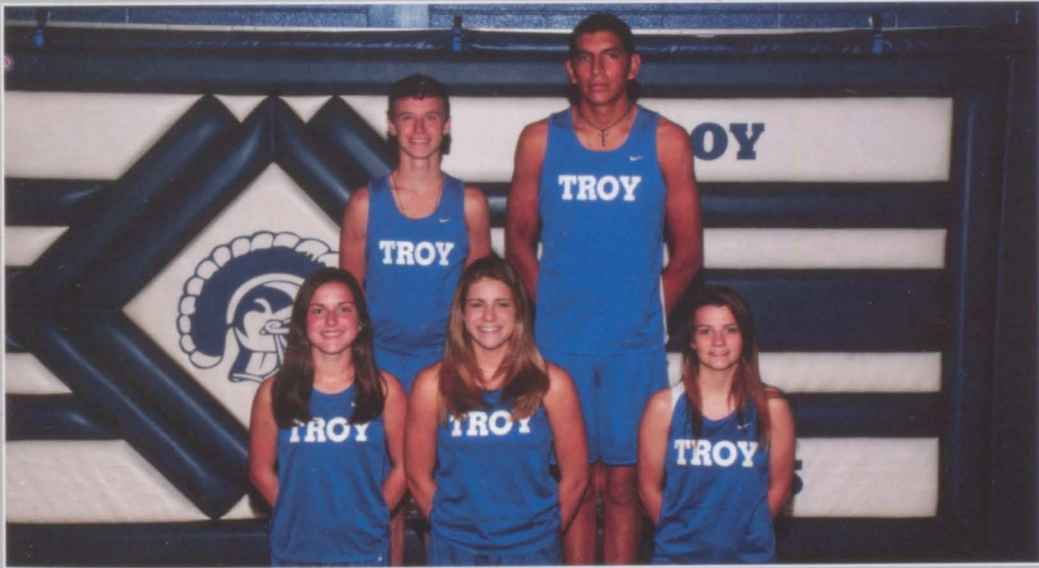
Opponent	Win/Lose
Hanover	L, 13-25; 16-25
Axtell	L, 23-25; 15-25
Washington County	L, 22-25; 26-24
Riverside	W, 25-18; 25-18
Axtell	L, 21-25; 23-25
Valley Heights	L 23-25; 20-25
Doniphan West	W, 25-23; 25-22
Linn	L, 15-25; 23-25
Onaga	W, 15-25; 25-18; 25-13
Centralia	L 17-25; 7-25
Clifton-Clyde	L 19-25; 18-25
Frankfort	L 19-25; 11-25
Valley Falls	L 9-25; 13-25
Horton	W, 25-18; 25-16
Jackson Heights	W, 25-12; 25-15
Linn	L, 25-22; 19-25; 12-25
Blue Valley	L, 18-25; 25-18; 19-25
Hanover	L, 9-25; 14-25
*North Platte	L, 21-25; 21-25
*St. Joe Christian	W, 20-25; 16-25
*North Platte	W, 25-12; 22-25; 25-21
*Mound City	L, 14-25; 25-21; 22-25
*JCN	L, 25-19; 25-10
*St. Joe Christian	W, 25-15; 25-21
**Clifton-Clyde	L 15-25; 18-25
**Axtell	L 21-25; 19-25
**Frankfort	L 17-25; 8-25
*Riverside Tournament	
**TVL Tournament	



Above: Blair Weishaar and Makayla Ross go up to block a hit as Madison Marriott and Holly Whetstine cover. Photo by Brenton Slater

Right: Holly Whetstine and Alyssa Schmille run in the cross country meet at Troy. Photo by Mady Guffy

### Cross Country



Front Row: Alyssa Schmille, Holly Whetstine, and Jennifer Keller Row 2: Reid Jasper and Cadence King Photo by Lifetouch

### Personal Bests

Runner	Best Time/Course
Cadence King	22:00/Axtell
Holly Whetstine	28:51/Axtell
Alyssa Schmille	28:16/Troy
Reid Jasper	22:46/Troy

# Trojan spirit squads stay proud

## Group performs at state football



"I really enjoyed my first year of high school cheer! It was an exciting experience," said freshman Alanda Jamvold.



"It was a fun season. It was fun to dance at the state championship for football! I will miss it next year," said senior Madi Marriott.

The 2015-2016 cheer squad was broken into football cheer and basketball cheer. Both squads started their season with the Troy High School annual "Late Night." The theme of Troy sports was Keep Rolling, so for late night the dancers performed their first dance to "Proud Mary" by Tina Turner. From there, the cheer and dance squads attended the Spirit Spreader at Highland Community College. At the Spirit Spreader the girls learned cheers, dances, side lines, and new stunts.

Upon returning from the spirit spreader they jumped into Homecoming activities, starting with the pep rally on Main Street. The cheerleaders led the grade school children as well as the rest of the community in cheers as they watched the Homecoming candidates sing and dance.

The Troy Cheer/Dance Kiddie Clinic was a success. The children learned dances which they performed at a high school basketball game. The Kiddie Clinic has been going on for quite a few years; not only is it a fundraiser for the cheer/dance department, but it also encourages children to keep cheering when they come into middle school and high school.

More than half of the football cheer squad was made of seniors who cheered all four years of high school. The basketball cheer squad was all underclassmen. Not only was this the last year for many seniors but it was also the last year for cheer/dance sponsor, Janel Anderson.

She said, "Thank you to the cheer and dancers! It was an amazing season filled with so many great memories--Late Night, Bonfire, Pep Rallies, and State Football! I have loved my time as the cheer and dance sponsor!"

She had seen the five senior cheerleaders, of whom four were also dancers, through all their years of high school. However, there were nine cheer/dance underclassman more than ready for their time in the spotlight.

Upon hiring a new coach for these eager underclassmen, the cheer and dance department is ready to keep the mighty tradition of spirit alive. The cheer and dance department has always and will "Keep Rolling."

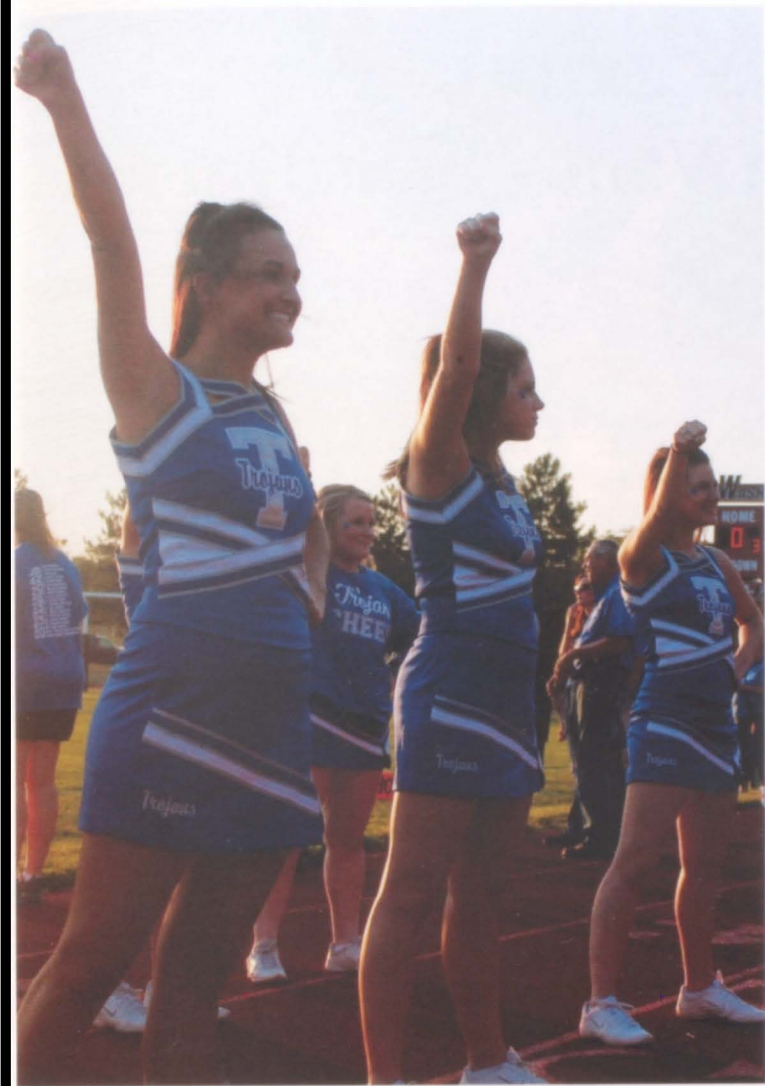


Above: Trojan Basketball cheerleading team. Front row: Alanda Jamvold Row 2: Kourtney Davies, Lizzie Schultz Row 3: Mady Guffy. Photo by Lifetouch



Above: Trojan Football cheerleading team. Front row: Madi Marriott, Isabella Miner Row 2: Cailyn Anderson, Alexis Horner Row 3: Makayla Ross, Gentry Duncan, Brylee Wiedmer, Lauren Wigger, Holly Whetstine. Photo by Lifetouch





**Above:** Trojan dancers perform their first dance of the year to "Proud Mary" by Tina Turner. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Left:** Football cheerleaders Madi Marriott, Holly Whetstine, and Cailyn Anderson lead the crowd in the cheer "Hey Fans" at the football game at Washington High School. **Photo by Nathan King**



**Above:** Trojan Dance team. **Front row:** Cailyn Anderson, Lauren Wigger, Makayla Ross, Madi Marriott **Row 2:** Amanda Stock, Blair Wieshaar, Lexi Norris, Andrea Stock. **Photo by Lifetouch**

# Short of State Once Again

## Girls fall to Valley Falls Dragons



"We had some tough games but accomplished our goal of a winning record," said Holly Whetstine.



"We had a season that exceeded the expectations many had for us. I am proud of our overall record of 11-11 and we won 7 of our 10 games at home," said Coach Jasper.

The girls' basketball team was coached by Head Coach Derek Jasper and Assistant Coach Emily Purdy. The manager was Andrea Stock; she videotaped all the girls' games.

Their record was 11-11 overall and 5-7 in league. They also went undefeated in the county.

The ladies ended their season with 855 points. They had 390 points in non-conference games, 465 in conference games, 426 when playing at home, and 274 when playing away.

The team had multiple girls who scored high in the season. Blair Weishaar led the team in scoring with 222 points. Following her was Madi Marriott with 216, Makayla Ross with 125, and Holly Whetstine with 100.

The team had a total of 532 rebounds, 148 offensive and 384 defensive. Whetstine led with 102 rebounds and Kassi Meng had 101.

They also had a total of 42 blocked shots and 182 steals. Weishaar led the team in both of those with 21 blocks and 51 steals.

The ladies had a total of 185 assists. The leaders were Weishaar, 44; Marriott, 35; Ross, 34; Lexi Norris, 34; and Whetstine, 27.

The ladies beat a new record of team records. They scored the most points in the third quarter (29) since the 03-04 season.

Weishaar received second team all-league Twin

Valley League and honorable mention all-state in the *Topeka Capital Journal*.

Marriott was selected to play in the Northeast Kansas All-Star Basketball Game at Highland Community College in April.

The JV team had a record of 3-6. The leading scorers were Amanda Stock, 30; Kassidy Ashworth, 18; and Alyssa Schmilke, 17.

The team has the ten club (making 10 consecutive free throws) and the five club (making five consecutive 3's).

Members of the ten club were Meng (32,10,35), Weishaar (10,10,10,13), Marriott (10,16), Norris (15), Whetstine (10), and Ross (10).

Members of the five club were Weishaar (5,5,5,9), Marriott (5,7,5,5), Ross (5,8,6), and Norris (5).

The girls fell one game short of making it to the sub-state championship game. They played the Valley Falls Dragons. The girls were only down by one point at half time. They started getting worn out in the second half and ended up losing 22-44.

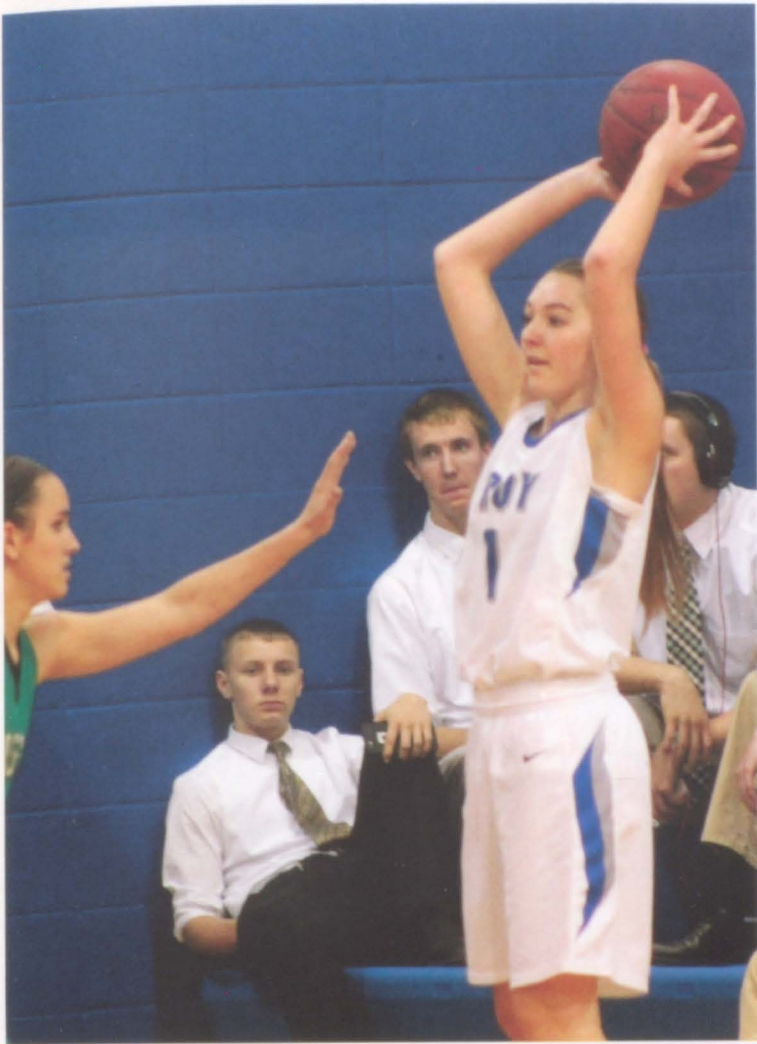
"I hated to start off being sick and not being able to play, but as soon as I got back on my feet and got in the swing of things I think it turned out to be a really fun and successful season," said Weishaar.



Above: Head Coach Derek Jasper talks to his players during a timeout at home against the Blue Valley Rams. Photo by Nathan King

Right: Senior Holly Whetstine gets ready for the jump ball against the Clifton-Clyde Eagles. Photo by Nathan King





Left: Junior Blair Weishaar looks for someone to pass the ball to during the game against the Jefferson County North Chargers. Photo by Madyson Guffy

Above: Senior Madison Marriott shoots a three during the Doniphan West game. Photo by Madyson Guffy

## Girls Basketball



Front Row: Makayla Ross, Holly Whetstine, and Madison Marriott. Row 2: Kassidy Ashworth, Amanda Stock, Sierra Christopher, Lizzie Schultz, and Alyssa Schmile. Row 3: Head Coach Derek Jasper, Kassi Meng, Blair Weishaar, Lexi Norris, and Assistant Coach Emily Purdy. Photo by Lifetouch

## Record

Opponent	Score	Win/Lose
Wetmore	35-34	W
Hanover	42-57	L
JCN	38-49	L
Blue Valley	53-38	W
Immaculata	41-20	W
Washington C.	34-56	L
Onaga	52-30	W
Maur-Hill	25-34	L
Wetmore	29-41	L
*D-West	55-31	W
*Blue Valley	49-31	W
D-West	30-29	W
Clifton-Clyde	48-33	W
Frankfort	44-45	L
Valley Heights	39-53	L
Centralia	24-52	L
Linn	34-38	L
Axtell	35-50	L
D-West	29-23	L
Riverside	55-28	W
**Heritage Christian	47-45	W
**Valley Falls	44-22	L

\*TVL Tournament

\*\*Sub-State

# Trojan's exciting season ends

## Many memorable moments made on the court



"Basketball was fun; it didn't end how we wanted, but we made memories. I will miss Reid Greaser yelling at me," said senior Luke Smith.



"I felt this season was a successful one. Winning 19 for the second straight year is a huge accomplishment," said Head Coach Dallas Keller

The Trojans finished the season with a 19-4 record overall and a 10-2 TVL record. This was the third year in the TVL (Twin Valley League).

The varsity top scorers were Cuttar Huss (449 points), Reid Greaser (243 points), Brody Winder (203 points), and Wil Smith (200 points).

The varsity top rebounders were Wil Smith (160 rebounds), Luke Smith (112 rebounds), Wyatt Huss (90 rebounds), and Brody Winder (86 rebounds).

The JV team finished the season with a 8-9 overall record and a 7-5 TVL record. The JV top scorers were Reid Jasper (244 points), Connor McNorton (168 points), and Tyler Franken (145 points).

Cuttar Huss was selected 1st Team All-TVL, 1st Team All-State, 2nd Team All-State (*Topeka Capital Journal*) and HM All-State (*Wichita Eagle*). Reid Greaser was selected 2nd Team All-TVL, HM All-State (*Topeka Capital Journal* and *Wichita Eagle*). Luke Smith participated in the Northeast Kansas All-Star Game.

The Trojans were coached by Dallas Keller, head coach, and Roger Purdy, assistant coach.

Camden Anderson and Cailyn Anderson were the managers.

"This basketball season was an exciting year for us. We didn't really know what to expect losing all 5 starters from last year. The first starters from this season haven't started at all until this season. But we knew we could fill the role and compete in the TVL. Even though we didn't quite make it as far as we wanted, we still had a great season and had nothing to hold our heads on," said junior Reid Greaser.

During a regular-season game against Immaculata, the Trojans made a double half-court shot. During the TVL tournament, Reid Greaser made a half-court shot to beat Washington County. Later in the season, Cuttar Huss made a three-pointer buzzer beater shot to win against rival Riverside at a home game.

"There was a ton of other memorable moments this year as well. We had buzzer beaters, half-court shots, and a TVL Tournament Title. That title was our first in the TVL and something that is so remarkably tough! This team was one of the best and was so fun to watch and coach," said Keller.



**Above:** Junior Wil Smith goes up for a shot during the sub-state game against Maranatha Christian Academy. The first sub-state game was at home. The Trojans defeated them, 69-56. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

**Right:** Junior Wyatt Huss goes up for a layup against the rival team player, Austin Taylor. The Trojans played a close game against the Doniphan West Mustangs defeating them, 72-65. **Photo by Brittany Klaus**





Left: Junior Reid Greaser goes up for a layup while a player from the opposing team tries to block him. The Trojans defeated the Valley Heights Mustangs 74-63. Photo by Brittany Klaus

Above: Junior Tyler Franken attempts to box out the opposing team player for a rebound against the Clifton-Clyde Eagles. The Trojans came out with the win, 78-68. Photo by Madyson Guffy

## Trojan Basketball



Front Row: Cuttar Huss, Connor McNorton, Skyler Joyce, Reid Greaser, Brody Winder Row 2: Jeromy South, Reid Jasper, Austin O'Connor, Tyler Franken, Nathan Boone Row 3: Assistant Coach Roger Purdy, Owen Root, Wil Smith, Wyatt Huss, Luke Smith, Head Coach Dallas Keller Photo by Lifetouch

Opponent	Score	Win/ Lose
Wetmore	81-41	W
Hanover	70-66	W
JCN	73-68	W
Blue Valley	75-29	W
Immaculata	66-40	W
Washington County	42-49	L
Onaga	56-40	W
Maur Hill	55-46	W
*Linn	66-33	W
*Hanover	66-59	W
*Washington County	47-44	W
*Valley Heights	66-63	W
Doniphan West	72-65	W
Clifton-Clyde	78-68	W
Frankfort	60-44	W
Valley Heights	74-63	W
Centralia	50-68	L
Linn	63-37	W
Axtell	73-49	W
Doniphan West	52-61	L
Riverside	53-50	W
**Maranatha	69-56	W
**JCN	41-52	L

**\*Tournament**

**\*\*Sub-State**

# Track team sends one to state

## Stock ties for sixth place



"We stayed strong up through regionals and were successful in returning to state with a Troy representative," said Coach Purdy.



"Track was fun! It was nice to have a bigger team this year," said Holly Whetstine.

The Troy High School track and field team was coached by Emily Purdy for the second year.

Coach Purdy said, "We came out with strong numbers this season, and had great potential to compete, not only as individuals, but as a team. Each meet we brought home handfuls of medals and once a girls' plaque."

Members of the team were seniors Holly Whetstine, Cadence King, Luke Smith, and Preston Robinson; juniors Lexi Norris, Connor McNorton, Braden Hansen, Brandon Schofield, and Kourtney Davies; sophomore Brylee Wiedmer; and freshmen Tysen Williams, Amanda Stock, and Skylee Myers.

The team had 119 placings during the regular track season. That included seven track meets.

The girls received a plaque for getting second overall at the Doniphan West meet.

At the Twin Valley League meet, they had 10 placings. Stock placed fourth in high jump, eighth in long jump, and fourth in the 100-meter hurdles. Davies placed fifth in high jump and Norris placed seventh in triple jump. Whetstine placed eighth in triple jump and fourth in the 400-meter dash. Wiedmer placed fifth in the 300-meter hurdles, and Williams placed seventh in the 100 and fifth in

the 200-meter dash.

At regionals, three people placed: Whetstine took 8th in triple jump; Stock, 8th in long jump, 3rd in high jump, and 7th in the 100-meter hurdles; and Schmille, 7th in the 200-meter dash.

Freshman Amanda Stock was the only member that qualified for state. She qualified for high jump by jumping five feet even. At state, she again jumped five feet even and tied for 6th place, which gained her a state medal.

"All of it is definitely memorable and just seeing everyone competing at that level was just really cool," said Stock.

State track, like baseball, had some major weather issues. Early Friday the remaining events for that day were postponed until Saturday. It was an unusual week, with severe weather nearly every day.

Luke Smith and Connor McNorton were on both the track and baseball teams but selected baseball as their primary sport. State contests for both were on the same weekend.



Right: Senior Preston Robinson and freshman Tysen Williams run against each other at the Frankfort meet in the 100-meter dash. Photo by Lexi Norris



Above: Sophomore Brylee Wiedmer runs in the 4 by 400-meter relay at Doniphan West. Photo by Lexi Norris



Left: Amanda Stock is the only track member and freshman who qualified for state. Photo by Emily Purdy

Above: Senior Cadence King runs the 1600-meter at the Hiawatha meet. Photo by Madyson Guffy

## Trojan Track



Front Row: Skylee Myers, Amanda Stock, Braden Hansen, Kourtney Davies, Brylee Wiedmer, and Alyssa Schmile. Row 2: Preston Robinson, Tysen Williams, Lexi Norris, Holly Whetstine, Jeromy South, and Owen Root. Row 3: Connor McNorton, Brandon Schofield, Cadence King, Luke Smith, Jarren Frump, and Head Coach Emily Purdy.

## Medals

Frankfort	29
Valley Heights	14
Atchison	16
Seneca	18
Doniphan West	22
Hiawatha	10
Lafayette	10
TVL	10
Regionals	5
State	1

# Trojan Baseball, Softball swing on Boys regional champs for third straight year



"Pitching was a great experience; it was cool to see myself get better and better," said junior Andrea Stock.



"It was a great season and I'm glad I got to spend my senior year with my best friends," said senior Luke Smith.

The Troy Trojan Baseball and Softball teams played on, just as they always have. The seniors kept their eye on the prize, never giving up. They taught the underclassman that one can have goals and hopes, but hard work is necessary to reach them.

Trojan Baseball was very successful in the past few seasons and they didn't stop this year. The senior baseball boys had won 65 games since their freshman year and only lost 15. They will go down as one of the most successful classes as far as winning records go.

Softball, however, had a different story to tell. Softball had only one senior, Cailyn Anderson. This didn't slow the season down for any of them. With her example and excellent coaching, the underclassman stepped up and the team drove on. They set their goal and practiced but struggled throughout the season, ending with a losing record.

The baseball team kept a state-qualifying tradition for the past few seasons and did not let up. Being ranked top 10 in the state fueled their fire and kept them pushing. This senior class was one of the most athletically successful for many years. They credited this to their ability to work as a team and to

staystay humble when the big shots need to be called. They also credited a large part of their success to the strong community backing, supporting them, and never giving up on them.

The Trojan baseball team were regional champions three years in a row. The experienced players knew what it was like to advance to state and they repeated that feat. The boys beat Doniphan West 10-0 to make it to state.

The boys were supposed to play in the state playoffs Thursday in the afternoon in Great Bend, but due to the dangerous weather situation, they played only two innings. They finished the game the next morning, beating Elkhart 10-0, moving them on to semifinals.

Weather remained an issue, but they played St. Mary's-Colgan for their next game. The boys ended up falling to them 2-14. This ended their state play-off run. Because of the weather the game for third and fourth place was not played so the championship game could be played before storms worsened. Thus the boys ended tied for third place with Salina-Sacred Heart. The boys ended their season with a record of 20-3.

## Trojan Baseball Team



**Front Row:** Brant Hamilton, Austin O'Connor, Gus Collins, Lane Etherton, and Alex Martinez **Row 2:** Taylor Scherer, Luke Smith, Cuttar Huss, Reid Greaser, Chris Winkel, Brody Winder, and Connor McNorton **Row 3:** Jayden Grier, Tyler Franken, Marcus Martinez, Brayden Wiedmer, and Kohlbe King **Row 4:** Assistant Coach David Pottroff, Head Coach Roger Purdy, Skyler Joyce, Ike Morris, Tucker Morris, Wil Smith, and Wyatt Huss **Photo by Lifetouch**

Opponent	Score	Win/Lose
Nemaha Central	4-9;5-6	L
Riverside	16-0;17-0	W
Doniphan West	14-3;13-4	W
McLouth	12-2;26-9	W
Oskaloosa	6-0;6-0	W
Pleasant Ridge	13-0;18-3	W
MHMA	15-4;8-1	W
Valley Falls	1-0;11-4	W
Atchison	9-0;14-3	W
*Maranatha	1-0	W
*Doniphan West	10-0	W
**Elkhart	10-0	W
**St. Mary's-Colgan	14-2	L

\*Regionals

\*\*State





Above: Andrea Stock pitches at a home game against Valley Falls. Photo by Lauren Wigger

Left: Luke Smith bats for the Trojans against Maur Hill-Mount Academy. Photo by Lexi Norris

## Trojan Softball Team



Front Row: Cailyn Anderson and Tristin Horton Row 2: Lizzie Schultz, Andrea Stock, Kassidy Ashworth, Kassi Meng, Gentry Duncan, Head Coach Matt Allison, Kori Bennett, Sierra Christopher, Haley Horner, Alexis Horner, and Lauren Hill Not pictured: Assistant Coach Abra Rush Photo by Lifetouch

Opponent	Score	Win/Lose
Riverside	8-4, 13-1	W, L
MHMA	no score reported	
Hiawatha	no score reported	
Atchison	13-12, 18-1	L, L
Oskaloosa	7-0, 7-0	L, L
*Burlingame	5-4	L

\*Regionals



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## Fine Arts

Many fine arts programs achieved success. Both productions performed by the drama department were seen by a large audience. The high school/middle school band received a I rating at TVL and they won the Hiawatha Halloween Parade.

The mixed choir received a II rating at TVL and a III rating at regionals. The men's ensemble received a II rating at TVL and at regionals. The speech team brought home seven state medals.

Many art students placed at the TVL art competition at Hanover High School. Some art students received honorable mentions at the Highland Community College Art Day, a competition involving many schools.



**Far Top Left:** The seniors and Mr. Allison pose with the new trombone they gave him. **Photo by Brittany Klaus**

**Middle Top:** The men's ensemble, consisting of Jon Boyle and Nathan Simpson, sing "The Auctioneer" at Fine Arts Night. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Top Right:** Austin O'Connor (Grandpa) lends Ben Wardlow (Lonnie) a dollar in the fall play *Meet Me In St. Louis*, while Tootie (Cailyn Anderson), looks on. **Photo by Kori Bennett**

**Above:** Band members Cole Thornberry, Lane Etherton, and Joey Parks perform at Fine Arts Night. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Left:** Sheriff Billy Bold (Nathan King) confronts the outlaws (Owen Root, Tucker Morris, Lexi Norris, and Taylor Scherer) who were going to rob the train. **Photo by Kori Bennett**

# Meet Me In St. Louis hits Troy stage

## Diversified cast carries on

This play had one of the most diversely talented casts. Director Martha-Jean Rockey said she chose this play because it was the first one she had directed at THS and it would also be her last--and she liked the play.

The cast for the fall play, performed November 12 and 14, had students from many different backgrounds. Three freshman joined the fall play cast. They were Elizabeth Schultz, Owen Root, and Jon Boyle. The cast also contained several athletes, whose season stretched far into the fall play schedule due to their achievements in football.

"Balancing drama club activities as well as football isn't that hard for me," said Ben Wardlow, "I've been doing it since freshman year."

There were also many seniors in the cast. Seniors who had been in previous productions were Lauren Wigger, Nathan

King, Ben Wardlow, Holly Whetstine, Madison Marriott, and Cailyn Anderson.

The cast was also busy helping design and decorate the set. This included hanging wallpaper, hanging paintings, and arranging the furnishing for the Smith home.

*Meet Me In St. Louis*, was a perfect fit for this cast. Since the play had mostly larger roles the underclassman were given a chance to shine. It was, however, ironic that the freshman cast members were playing older characters while the senior cast members were playing young characters. The cast enjoyed the play because the play represented how the cast is a lot like the Smith family.

"Sometimes we bicker and yell but at the end of the two-hour long practice we all get along with each other just like the Smiths do," said senior Lauren Wigger.



"Being a part of the play is something I've never done before, so it's different for me, but it has been a lot of fun hanging out with my other friends who are in the play," said senior Tucker Morris.



"It was really fun just to be a part of the play, even if I did only have one line. I've been looking forward to being part of the plays and musicals. I'm just happy to be a part of the big show," said freshman Jon Boyle

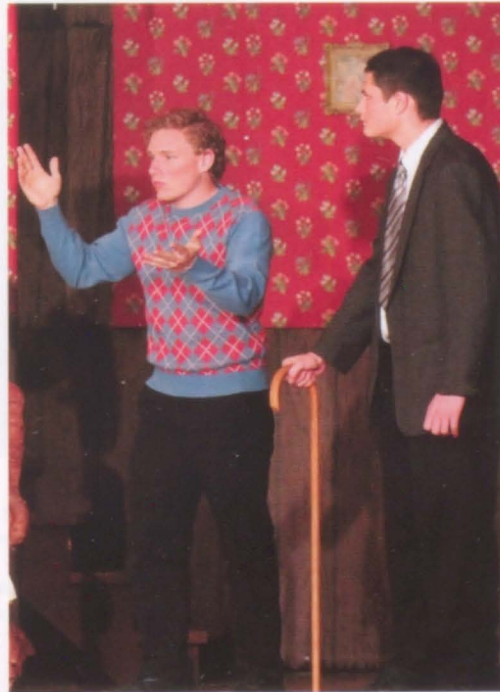


**Top:** Mr. Smith (Nathan King) firmly places his hand on a box of chocolates as he tells his son Lonnie (Ben Wardlow) that the chocolate, which was bought to sweeten the blow that Mr. Smith was preparing to tell Mrs. Smith that the family was moving to New York, is nothing for Lonnie to worry about.

**Photo by Kori Bennett**

**Above:** The cast and crew of *Meet Me in St. Louis*. **Front Row:** Trey Jenkins, Reid Greaser, Cailyn Anderson, Andrea Stock, Taylor Scherer, and Connor McNorton. **Row 2:** Jennifer Keller, Brittany Klaus, Lauren Wigger, Holly Whetstine, Nathan King and Alexis Norris. **Row 3:** Director Martha-Jean Rockey, Gentry Duncan, Elizabeth Schultz, Ben Wardlow, Owen Root, Austin O'Connor, Luke Smith, Madison Marriott, Tucker Morris, Brenton Slater, Jon Boyle and Jory Barnthson.

**Photo by Lauren Hill.**



**Top:** Tootie (Cailyn Anderson) and Mrs. Smith (Holly Whetstone) dream about the 1904 World's Fair that the Smith family may not attend. **Photo by Kori Bennett**

**Above** Trolley conductor (Jon Boyle) storms on stage throwing down the dummy that Tootie and Agnes made to derail the trolley. **Photo by Kori Bennett**

**Above Left:** Mr. Smith (Nathan King) stands sternly in front of three of his daughters begging for the family to stay in St. Louis for the World's Fair. **Photo by Kori Bennett**

**Far Left:** Agnes (Andrea Stock) licks the chocolate from her fingers as she eats candies bought by Mr. Smith for his wife. "It was really fun to get to eat real chocolate," said junior Andrea Stock, "especially since I love chocolate." **Photo by Kori Bennett**

**Left:** Lonnie Jr. (Ben Wardlow) throws his hands in the air in befuddlement because he had no clue that his family is moving to New York. **Photo by Kori Bennett**

# Music department inspired by movies

## Band wins at Halloween Parade

Mr. Matt Allison was the vocal and instrumental music director.

The Troy Marching Trojans, received a I rating at TVL, received a II rating at state large-group contest. and was the overall winner at the Hiawatha Halloween Parade.

The mixed choir was given a II rating at TVL and a III rating at regional solo/small ensemble contest. The men's ensemble was given a II rating at TVL and a II rating at regional solo/small ensemble contest.

All of the concerts that were put on by the band and choir were focused around movies.

The winter concert was based on the Polar Express movie. The students decorated part of the gym to look like a train where the audience was served hot chocolate and marshmallows and got

their tickets punched by Mr. Allison, dressed as the conductor. The show then moved into the rest of the gym where the audience gathered around the Christmas tree and all of the kids received presents.

The spring concert was composed of several different movie scenes. The high school choir changed outfits several times to match with whatever movie scene they were singing. The choir sang songs from the movies *Pitch Perfect*, *Shrek*, and *Oh, Brother, Where Art Thou*.

"This year was definitely the most successful year so far because the entire town was so involved. I think the *Polar Express* show got everyone excited to see what was next. It's really nice to have that kind of town support because that's what makes it all so rewarding," said Mr. Allison.



"My favorite experience in choir was definitely *The Polar Express* concert," said senior Tristin Horton.



"My favorite part of the year was making the videos for the spring concert because it was something fun for all of us to do and something that we could remake but also make into our own," said junior Blair Weishaar.



**Top:** Mr. Allison, dressed as a train conductor, punches a little boy's ticket for the *Polar Express* concert. **Photo by Trey Jenkins.**

**Above:** Skylee Myers, Nathan Boone, Blair Weisharr, and Jon Boyle perform the cup scene from the movie *Pitch Perfect* for the spring concert. **Photo by Trey Jenkins.**



**Above: Troy Marching Trojans. Front Row:** Breanna Smith, Kailer Barnthson, Dakota Sharp, Kourtney Davies, Sydney Vanway, and Taylor O'Connor **Row 2:** Caitlyn Johnson, Kyla Reed, Taylor Franken, Amy Clary, Sierra Christopher, Mackenzie Harbeston, and Madi Harbeston **Row 3:** Ben Wardlow, Morgan Masters, Lane Etherton, Andrew Nett, Cole Thornberry, Nathan King, Owen Root, and Nate Simpson **Row 4:** Lauren Wigger, Joey Parks, Isac Houghton, Camden Benitz, Kael Morris, Jacob Moore, Cale O'Connor, Macy Norris, and Holly Williams **Row 5:** Mr. Allison, Riley Shelton, Alanda Jamvold, Austin O'Connor, Tyler Christopher, Megan Etherton, Sydney Fleek, and Lizzie Schultz. **Photo by Lifetouch**



**Far Left:** Mackenzie Harbeston, Madi Harbeston, Kael Morris, Andrew Nett, Cale O'Connor, Camden Benitz, and Austin O'Connor play the Trojan fight song after a home game. **Photo by Madysen Guffy**



**Left:** Nathan Boone, Jon Boyle, and Hannah Griffin sing "Down to the River to Pray" at the spring concert. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

# Speech team down in numbers

## Students bring home 7 state medals

The speech team was a smaller group, but members continued to excel at meets. The team even came in third as a team at the JCN meet, and sent six individual entries and the one-act play to state speech festival in May.

The season began with the first meet of the season at Sabetha. There Nathan King took first in humorous solo acting. He went on to repeat his first place in humorous at JCN, ACCHS, and Riverside. His piece was "Accents, Inc.," in which he "taught" his audience a range of accents from Brooklyn to French to Italian. He also earned a I at state for that piece.

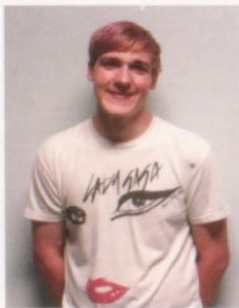
Senior Lauren Wigger earned a I rating at State Speech Festival in oration, with a speech about the failing foster care system in Kansas and a prose interpretation of "The Grump." She medaled at five

meets with the two pieces.

Senior Ben Wardlow qualified for state with a serious solo, but took a piece to state that he qualified later, the poetry reading of "The Butter Battle Book," for which he got a II at state. He and Nathan King also earned a II rating at State Speech Festival for improvised duet acting, for which they took first at ACCHS.

Other strong members were senior Megan Etherton, with prose interpretation; freshmen Owen Root, with an informative speech on George Washington and prose, and Jon Boyle with poetry, "Sergeant Joe," and a serious solo, "Bitter Death." Both Root and Boyle earned medals.

The one-act play, "A Game," starred King, Wardlow, Boyle, and Wigger, and earned a I at state, with Barbara Ernzen on lights.



"It was difficult to adapt a duet into a solo at the spur of the moment, but I managed to do it," said junior Brenton Slater.



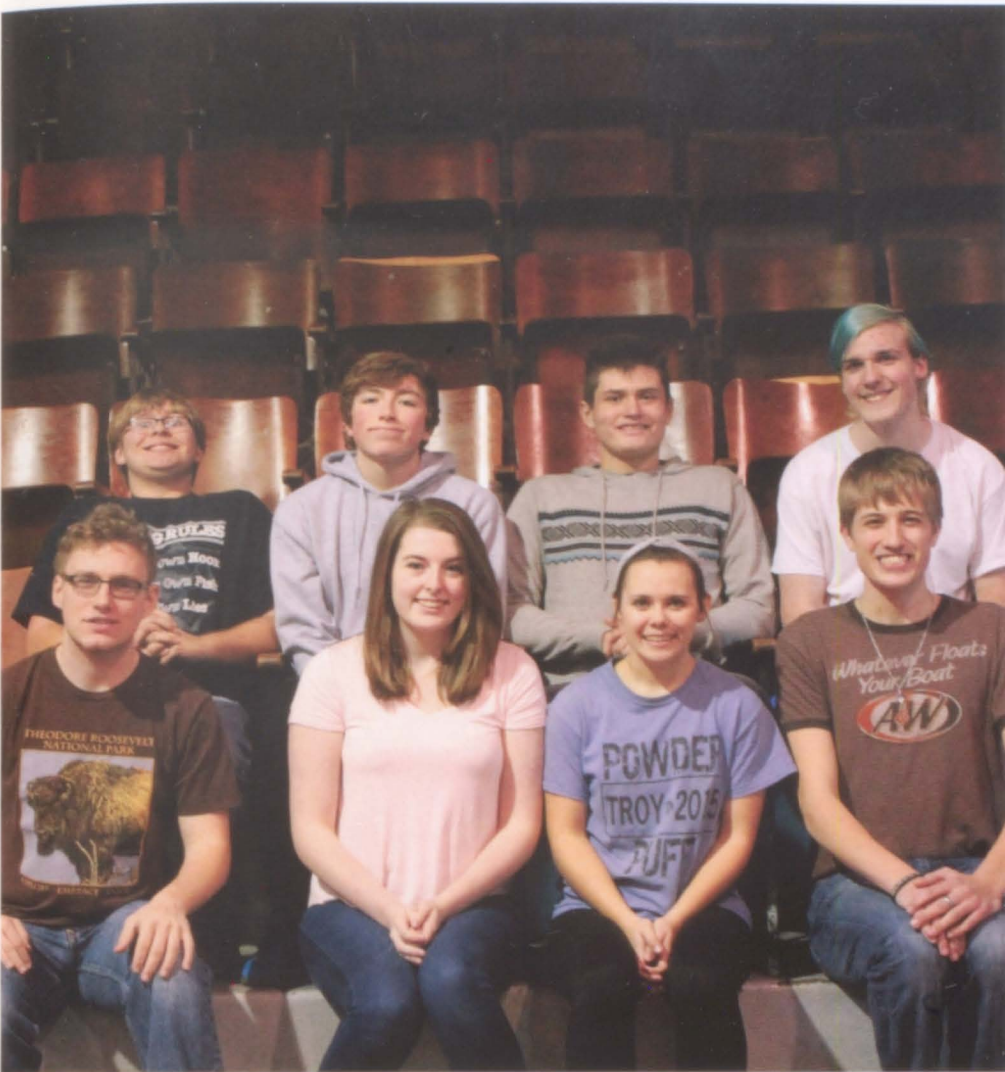
"It was fun to interact with the [one-act] cast," said freshman Barbara Ernzen.



**Top:** Performing his humorous solo at Fine Arts Night, Nathan King demonstrates the British way of speaking properly as one drinks tea. **Photo by Treyton Jenkins**

**Above:** Students happily show off state medals at Kansas City Kansas Community College. Pictured are Coach Martha-Jean Rockey, lighting effects person for one-act play, Barbara Ernzen; and one-act cast members Lauren Wigger, Nathan King, Jon Boyle, and Ben Wardlow. **Photo by Lyle Rockey**





**Top:** Megan Etherton performs at Fine Arts Night. Her piece was oral interpretation of prose, "Tell Me Why You Cry," about a girl whose brother dies of cancer. **Photo by Treyton Jenkins**

**Above:** In the one-act play, "A Game," three men, Nathan King, Ben Wardlow, and Jon Boyle, are conditioned to become possessive of their land, finally attacking the doctor, Lauren Wigger, who set up the experience. **Photo by Treyton Jenkins**

**Above Left: Members of the speech team: Front Row:** Ben Wardlow, Megan Etherton, Lauren Wigger, Nathan King. **Row 2:** Jon Boyle, Lane Etherton, Owen Root, Brenton Slater. **Not pictured:** Jory Barnthson. **Photo by Treyton Jenkins**

**Far Left:** Ben Wardlow introduces his poetry piece, "The Butter Battle Book." **Photo by Treyton Jenkins**

**Left:** The three men in "A Game," Nathan King, Ben Wardlow, and Jon Boyle, rehearse "This is my land. It is beautiful and it is mine." **Photo by Treyton Jenkins**

# Students excel in competitions

## Artists bring home 1st, 2nd, 3rd places

Art classes were taught by Mr. Roger Purdy. The class dealt with the basic drawing fundamentals, 3D perspectives, and line figures.

Art students competed in art competitions throughout the year.

Hanover High School hosted the TVL art competition where several students placed.

In first place were Amanda Stock and Brody Winder. Connor McNorton, Blair Weishaar, and Ike Morris placed second. In third place were Jennifer Keller, McNorton, and Chris Winkel. Tyler Christopher, Preston Duncan, Hannah Brown, Keller, Stock, Lauren Wigger, Kassy Ashworth, and Skylee Myers received merits at the competition.

The student also compted at Highland College Art Day. This is a much larger competition with hundreds of students competing.

Honorable mentions were awarded to McNorton and Christopher. McNorton received two honorable mentions.

Mr. Purdy's art classes participated in helping with school activities, designing the football field during Homecoming.

"My year with Mr. Purdy has been fun, said senior Holly Whestine.

Students went to both the HCC Art Day and to TVL to participate in on-site group competitions while their pieces were being judged. At HCC these included clay work, sidewalk chalk art, and a scavenger hunt.

"I'm not the best at art, but some of my projects turned out well this year, I liked taking the class." said sophomore Gentry Duncan.

Amanda Stock's art portait *wise man*, a winner at TVL, was on the Fine Arts Night program.



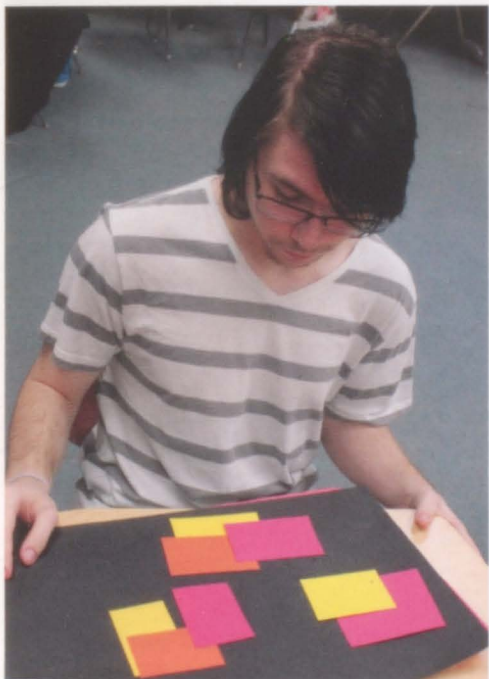
"We had a very successful year at art shows and other competitions. It was nice to have a good variety of students win awards," said Mr. Purdy.



"Art is fun, you can make some cool projects," said sophomore Megan Franken.

**Top:** Junior Wil Smith helps spray paint the football field for the Homecoming game against JCN. **Photo by Brittany Klaus**

**Above:** Junior Trey Jenkins folds colored construction paper for an artwork project called "World with Color" during his art hour. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**



**Top:** Junior Madyson Guffy cuts out construction paper for her art project. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Above:** Mr. Purdy's art students put together "Yellow Cow" by Franz Marc. Each student was given a square board, and they drew each pattern on each of the cardboard squares. This worked like a grid; the pieces put together made the whole picture. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

**Above Left:** A portrait of Star Wars characters Darth Vader and Yoda painted by senior Lauren Wigger. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

**Far left:** Senior Jory Barnthson organizes different colors of construction paper for an art assignment. Barnthson had to figure out ways art can work in math ways. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

**Left:** Juniors Brody Winder and Wil Smith spray blue paint onto the "T" for the Homecoming football field. **Photo by Madyson Guffy**

# Welcome to Dakota!

## Melodramtic *Tied to The Tracks* hits the stage

The wild west came to Troy, March 19.

The melodrama *Tied to the Tracks* made the audience cheer for the hero and heroine, Sheriff Billy Bold and Dakota Melody, respectively, and booed for the villain Professor Silias Scavenger.

Just as during the fall play, the cast had to postpone the first week of their practice due to the basketball team going to sub-state as well as the start of softball and track.

The matinee was performed in front of a slightly larger audience than recent years. Since *Tied to the Tracks* was appropriate for all ages, the grade school, middle school, and high school were in attendance. The audience size totalled around 250 people.

"It was stressful, but it was a lot of fun! I'm gonna miss the seniors next year; they always made the long practices fun for the rest of us," said junior Lexi Norris.

Norris played Wild Prairie Rose the bandit outlaw in *Tied to the Tracks*.

Many of the actors who participated in the spring musical were also in the fall play, but there were several students who joined the spring musical cast. They were Blair Weishaar, Taylor Scherer, Kourtney Davies, Isabella Miner and Haley Horner.

"The play was really fun," said senior Madison Marriott, "Getting to do my last musical with all my friends and Mrs. Rocky was really a special moment in my high school career."



"I really enjoyed interacting with the cast and crew. Through working with them, as well as Mrs. Rocky, we were able to pull off a really funny play," said junior Andrea Stock



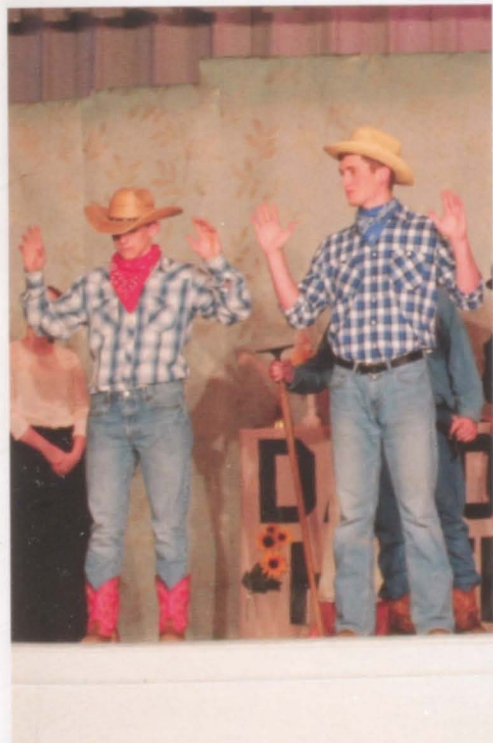
"My favorite part of the musical was trying it for the first time and doing several parts all right. It was also really fun working with the senior cast members. They were a lot of fun," said junior Blair Weishaar.



**Top:** Sheriff Billy-Bold, Nathan King, strikes Silias Scavenger, Ben Wardlow, in the face as the bystanders sing, "Knock Him Down Again, Sheriff Billy."

**Photo by Madeline Smith**

**Above:** *Tied to the Tracks* cast and crew. **Front Row:** Jon Boyle, Taylor Scherer, Owen Root, Tucker Morris, Lexi Norris, Nathan King, Holly Whetstine, Isabella Miner, Kourtney Davies, and Lizzie Shultz. **Row 2:** Madison Marriott, Brittany Klaus, Cailyn Anderson, Connor McNorton, Kassi Meng, Madison Marriott, Ben Wardlow, Luke Smith, Blair Weishaar, Lauren Wigger, Andrea Stock, and Austin O'Connot. Not pictured: Director Martha-Jean Rocky **Photo by Madeline Smith**



**Top Right:** Silius Scavenger dreams of getting phony bank loans, writing fraudulent checks, and robbing money from orphans and widows. **Photo by Madeline Smith**

**Above Right:** Isabella Miner, Haley Horner and Lizzie Shultz talk about whether or not they should invite Dakota Melody to come with them and become a Harvey Girl. **Photo by Madeline Smith**

**Top Left:** Medicine show troupe dancers Lauren Wigger, Andrea Stock, Madison Marriott, kassi Meng, and Blair Weishaar dance the "Can Can" during the medicine show act. **Photo by Madeline Smith**

**Left:** Outlaws Taylor Scherer and Tucker Morris put their hands up as they are being questioned about their wrongdoings the night before. **Photo by Madeline Smith**

**Left:** Silius Scavenger's right-hand man Chief Running Water, Luke Smith, beats his drum. **Photo by Madeline Smith.**



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## People

Troy High School gained a few new students. Freshman Jeromy South moved from Wathena to Troy; freshman Skylee Myers transferred from Riverside Middle School; freshman Hannah Griffin transferred from Riverside High School; sophomore Carl Young transferred from Riverside High School; senior Skyler Joyce transferred from Highland Park; and senior Preston Duncan returned to Troy. He and his family moved to Florida after his sophomore year.

The school population was still low compared to previous years. The students formed a pep club toward the end of the basketball season. The school continued with OPAA, a healthy food service. Class sizes still varied greatly. The smallest class was the sophomore class, consisting of only 18 students. The junior class was the largest class, having 32 students.



**Far Top Left:** Reid Greaser talks to Brody Winder about different plays. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Middle Top:** Kori Bennett poses with Mr. McNorton's door that she decorated for the door contest. **Photo by Brittany Klaus**

**Top Right:** Luke Smith poses with his prom date Amanda Wistuba. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Above:** Makayla Ross receives the Lyle Yingling Scholarship from Superintendent Brian Harris. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Left:** Students take a "selfie" at Prom. **Photo by Nathan King**

# A year of changes: new staff in fall

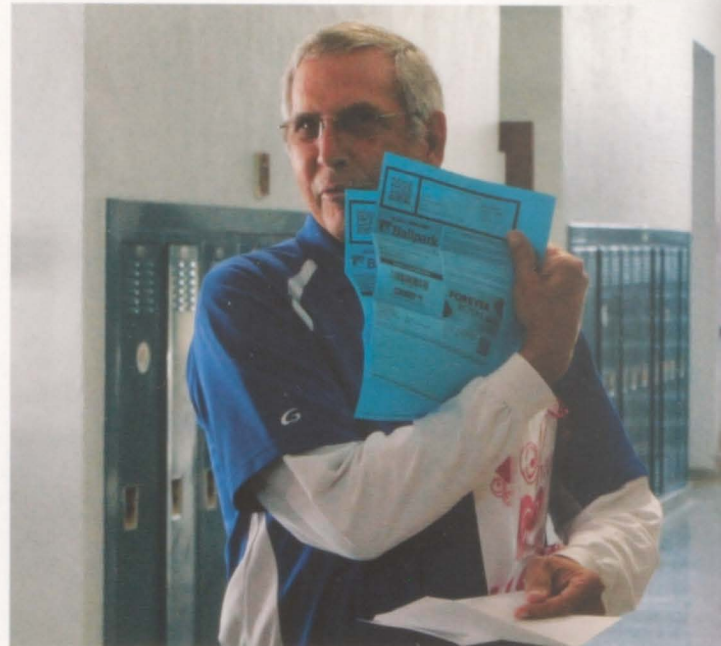
## Five leave district in spring

Troy High School gained two new faculty members. Mr. Richard Shaginaw was the mathematics teacher. A Coast Guard veteran, he worked part time because he taught at Missouri Western in the morning. Mr. Tim Burns was the IDL math teacher; he was a Greenbush employee who taught geometry in the morning through video conferencing.

Mrs. Anita Long returned to be the high school special services teacher. Mr. Kevin McNorton and Principal Don Cash came out of retirement to return. Mr. Cash came back due to the resignation of Mr. Jared Wigger. Mr. McNorton returned due to the science position's not being filled.

By year's end, five staff members were leaving the district. Mr. McNorton, Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, Mr. Cash, and Superintendent Brian Harris retired, and Mrs. Juli Smith left for another job opportunity.

On the last day, there was a reception in the high school cafeteria. The five departing educators were recognized. At graduation Board President Warren Grable announced that the district was naming the old gym The Lyle and Martha-Jean Rockey Auditorium, in honor of their years of service, his as a teacher and coach, hers as a teacher and theater director. Together they had been in education 88 years.



**Above:** 2015-2016 Board of Education. **Front Row:** Jennifer Luedke, Vice President Nikia Weber, and Jason Winder. **Row 2:** Nick Popple, President Warren Grable, Sherman Smith, and Nathan Geiger. **Photo by Janel Anderson**

**Above Right:** Mr. McNorton poses with the Royals tickets he received at the staff reception. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**

**Right:** Mr. Cash reads the card he received at the reception held by the high school for the staff who were retiring. **Photo by Trey Jenkins**







Above: Roger and Emily Purdy pose with their daughter Everlee, who was born at the beginning of track season. Mrs. Purdy was a track coach, and Mr. Purdy, high school art teacher, was the spring baseball coach.

Above: Mr. McNorton, Mrs. Rockey, Mr. Cash, Mrs. Smith, and Mr. Harris were the five educators leaving the district in the spring. They were recognized at a reception put on by the high school and later at a reception hosted by the board for the community to attend. Photo by Janel Anderson



Matt Allison  
Malinda Baskins  
Andrea Black  
Deb Becker  
Jene't Brown  
Janice Bunck  
Don Cash

Brian Clary  
Richard Grable  
Brian Harris  
Lorraine Huff  
Derek Jasper  
Angela Johnson  
Anita Long

Kevin McNorton  
John Murphy  
Jared Pickerell  
David Pottroff  
Jeremy Prudden  
Emily Purdy  
Roger Purdy

Martha-Jean Rockey  
Jonathan Rodvelt  
Abra Rush  
Richard Shaginaw  
Tammy Simpson  
Juli Smith  
Kathy Smith  
**Not pictured:** Julie Werner and  
Tim Burns

# Freshmen receptive to new things

## Some students experience activities

Becoming a freshmen is exciting, but yet it can make some students very nervous and stressed. There is much more to get used to, like trying to find all classes, getting used to the new teachers, and trying to fit in with some of the upper classmen.

Three freshmen decided to experience the drama aspect of high school. Jon Boyle and Owen Root both participated in the plays and were members of the forensics team. Barbara Ernzen did lighting for the contest one-act play, "A Game," and Boyle was part of the cast. The play went on to get second at an Atchison contest and a one rating at state.

During Homecoming week, the freshmen, participating in the float competition "For the Love of the Game," made a float centered on the game of Monopoly to show their support of the football team in its game against Valley Heights. In the Spirit Week Color War Day, their color was red.

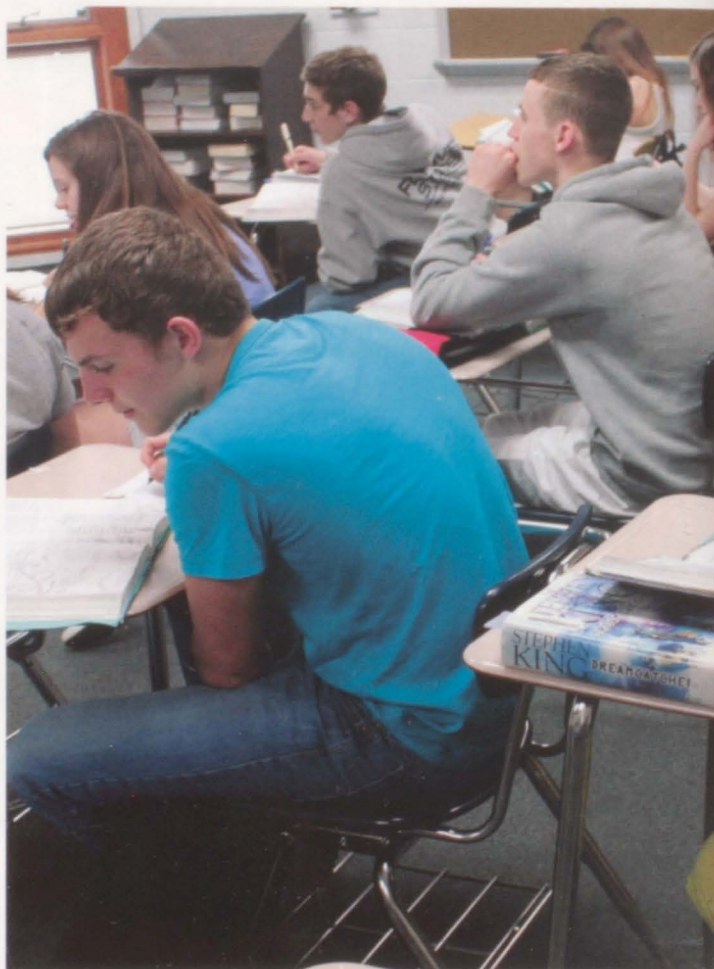
"My freshman year was another step closer to graduation. I felt excited and nervous about it at first, but then I got used to my schedule after the first week," said Alanda Jamvold.



**Above:** Officers of the freshmen class are President Owen Root, Secretary/Treasurer Gus Collins, and Vice-President Marcus Martinez.  
**Photo by Jennifer Keller**

**Above Right:** Alyssa Schmille squats in her first hour P.E. class. **Photo by Lexi Norris**

**Right:** The freshmen work on their homework in English I. This class was taught back in the middle school by Mrs. Janice Bunck. **Photo by Lexi Norris**



*"All things are possible through God who strengthens me." -  
Class Motto*



Left: Nathan Boone portrays the little elf of the movie *The Polar Express* in the winter music concert. Principal Don Cash played Santa. Photo by Brittany Klaus



Nathan Boone  
Jon Boyle  
Sierra Christopher  
Augustus Collins  
Chantel Duncan  
Barbara Ernzen  
Alanda Jamvold

Reid Jasper  
Kendrick Jeschke  
Marcus Martinez  
Jacob Mott  
Skylee Myers  
Andrew Nett  
Owen Root

Alyssa Schmille  
Elizabeth Schultz  
Jeromy South  
Amanda Stock  
Brayden Wiedmer  
Tysen Williams  
Not pictured: Hannah Griffin



Left: Amanda Stock looks through a microscope during Biology I. Stock was active in athletics and qualified for state track in the high jump. Photo by Kori Bennett

# Sophomores get involved

## Students find opportunities in sports

The sophomore class tried different activities in their second year of high school. Lane Etherton and Austin O'Connor were successful on the speech team in improvised duet acting. Several girls cheered on the high school spirit squad as well. Those were Gentry Duncan, Brylee Wiedmer, and Isabella Miner. In the winter season the class had one athlete, Kassidy Ashworth, participating in basketball.

In the spring two students in the class volunteered to help out with the spring musical. Isabella Miner, and Haley Horner performed as "Harvey girls," in the final drama production. The class also became more active in the spring by going out for sports. Brylee Wiedmer and Haley Wells joined the track team, Lane Etherton and Austin O'Connor joined the baseball team, and Madeline Smith, Kassidy Ashworth, and Haley Horner joined the softball team.



**Above:** In the center, Lane Etherton dresses in a cheer uniform to show off his school spirit at a Trojan basketball game. **Photo by Lauren Wigger**

**Above Right: Class Officers:** Secretary Kassidy Ashworth, President Kohlbe King, and Vice President Lane Etherton. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Right:** Brylee Wiedmer runs in a relay at the track meet at Highland Community College. **Photo by Mady Guffy**



*"What we are is God's gift to us. What we become is our gift to God." - Class Motto*

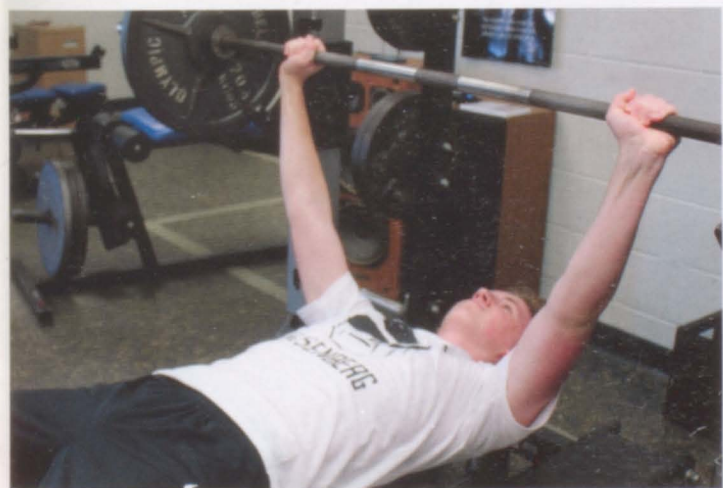
**Left:** Kassidy Ashworth catches for the Trojan softball team at a home game against Valley Falls. **Photo by** Lauren Wigger



Kassidy Ashworth  
 Brandon Boone  
 Silas Christian  
 Gentry Duncan  
 Lane Etherton  
 Megan Franken  
 Jayden Grier

Haley Horner  
 Nathan Keys  
 Kohlbe King  
 Isabella Miner  
 Isaac Morris  
 Austin O'Connor  
 Matthew Sharp

Madeline Smith  
 Haley Wells  
 Brylee Wiedmer  
 Carl Young



**Left:** Ike Morris benches 145 pounds in weights class. **Photo by** Lauren Wigger

# Juniors strive to raise money for prom

## Class holds many fundraisers

The junior class started the year without a teacher volunteer for their class sponsor. Luckily one of the the juniors' parents, Jeni and Kenny Huss, offered to be the junior class sponsors. The junior class fundraisers included a biscuits-and-gravy breakfast at the craft fair and chili for lunch. They also did a pop free-throw at every home game and the townspeople and businesses also sent in donations to support the junior class.

The after-prom was organized by Lindsay Norris and the junior class parents. They also had multiple fundraisers that included a chili soup supper at one of the home basketball games and a Trojan bench raffle and a volleyball tournament.

The juniors' main focus was organizing prom. The junior/senior prom was held at the community building and after-prom at the high school. The theme of prom was "A Night to Remember."

The class also worked on things other than prom, like building their float for the Homecoming pep rally. Their theme was Twister and the float consisted of three round hay bales with Twister mats hung on two and a banner with all of the class members hand prints on it in the Twister colors.

"My favorite part of this year was probably Christmas break, but planning prom and seeing it come together was also fun," said junior Lauren Hill.



**Above:** Andrea Stock pierces Kourtney Davies' ears for a "how-to-do" presentation in college speech. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Top Right:** Front Row. Wil Smith, Reid Greaser, Cuttar Huss, and Luke Smith;  
**Row 2:** Tyler Franken, Reid Jasper, Connor McNorton, and Brody Winder dress in beach attire to support the girls' basketball team at sub-state. **Photo by Janel Anderson**

**Right:** Wyatt Huss cooks chicken in broth to serve with a meal of steamed rice and cooked vegetables for food science. **Photo by Jennifer Keller**



*"It matters not what you  
are thought to be, but  
what you really are." -  
Class Motto*

Left: The junior class officers were President Kolton Constant, Vice-President Lexi Norris, and Secretary/Treasurer Kori Bennett. Photo by Jennifer Keller



Kori Bennett  
Jason Berry  
Kortin Blevins  
Hannah Brown  
Kolton Constant  
Kourtney Davies  
Tyler Franken

Jarren Frump  
Reid Greaser  
Madyson Guffy  
Brant Hamilton  
Braden Hansen  
Lauren Hill  
Alexis Horner

Cuttar Huss  
Wyatt Huss  
Treyton Jenkins  
Jennifer Keller  
Brittany Klaus  
Alex Martinez  
Connor McNorton

Kassi Meng  
Alexis Norris  
Bailey Schofield  
Brandon Schofield  
Nathaniel Simpson  
Brenton Slater  
Wil Smith

Andrea Stock  
Marissia Teague  
Blair Weishaar  
Brody Winder

# Seniors prepare for the future

## The class of 2016 looks back at their THS memories

The senior class of 2016 had a year full of memories and accomplishments. Seniors filled their schedules with required classes, concurrent classes, and cadet teacher positions.

Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey and Mrs. Juli Smith worked together to help prepare the seniors for their futures. Seniors researched their interests, created resumes, researched their desired career, and job-shadowed trained professionals in the career they desired to pursue. Another required class was American government taught by Mr. Jeremy Prudden.

Many seniors also took college classes from Highland Community College with Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey and Mr.

Richard Shaginaw. They were college psychology and public speaking and college algebra, respectively. Rockey and Smith also helped the seniors take the next steps towards college. These steps included filling out college applications, filing for financial aid, and applying for scholarships.

Senior year however wasn't all about academics. The class had to fund the senior trip to Clearwater, Florida. They sold magazines, worked concession stands, sold ice cream products, and held a chili/soup supper during the Troy v. D-West basketball game.

Many seniors accomplished lofty goals during their last year at Troy High. Lauren Wigger,

Nathan King and Ben Wardlow all qualified for state speech. Wardlow, Taylor Scherer, Chris Winkel, Luke Smith, Preston Robinson, Tucker Morris, and football manager Skyler Joyce all played at the football state championship at Fort Hays University. Wigger continued as District II Vice-President of Kansas FBLA; Jacklynn Clary participated at the Kansas BPA competition, taking 1st place in several events, which qualified her for nationals; Wardlow and Wigger received high marks at both the Highland Art Show and TVL Art Day.

Several students decided to compete athletically on the college level. Cailyn Anderson and Madison Marriott would be

dancing at Highland Community College. Holly Whetstine would participate in both volleyball and track at HCC. Lauren Wigger would be participating in rowing at Kansas State University. Nathan King planned on being active in the Kansas State University drama department.

When looking back on her senior year MacKenzie Harbeston said, "Senior year has been a whirlwind of emotions. I'm so excited to move on and experience new things, but I'm sad to leave behind all of the fun times I've had with my best friends."



**Above:** On senior trip some of the boys purchased an inflatable raft. Rowing was Preston Robinson. At the bow on lookout was Preston Duncan, Tucker Morris and Tyler Christopher pushed the raft out to sea. **Photo by Kevin McNorton**

**Left:** Cailyn Anderson and Skyler Joyce sang the song "Hello" by Adele during the Queen of Courts Pep Rally.





*Cailyn Anderson*



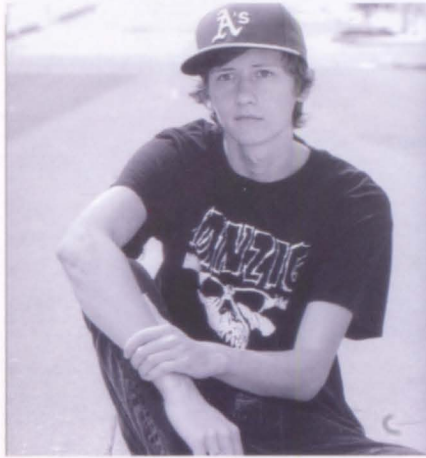
*Jory Barnthson*



*Tyler Christopher*



*Jacklynn Clary*



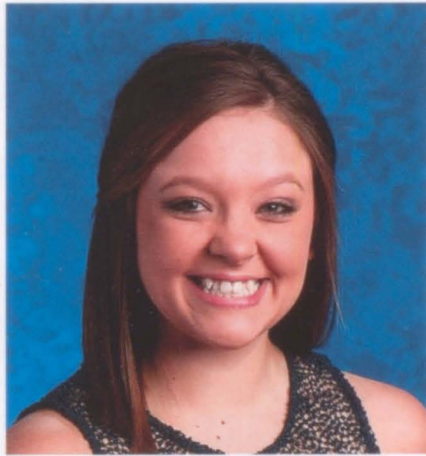
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Harbeston*



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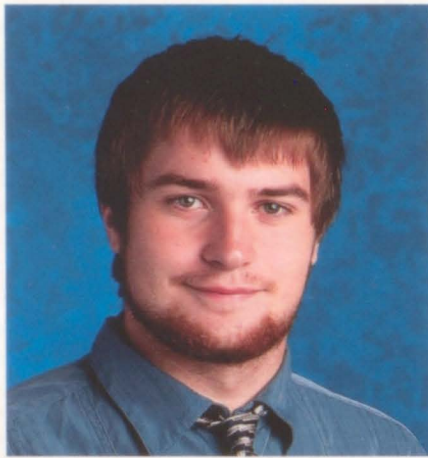
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*Nathan King*



*Dylan Langford*



*Preston Robinson*



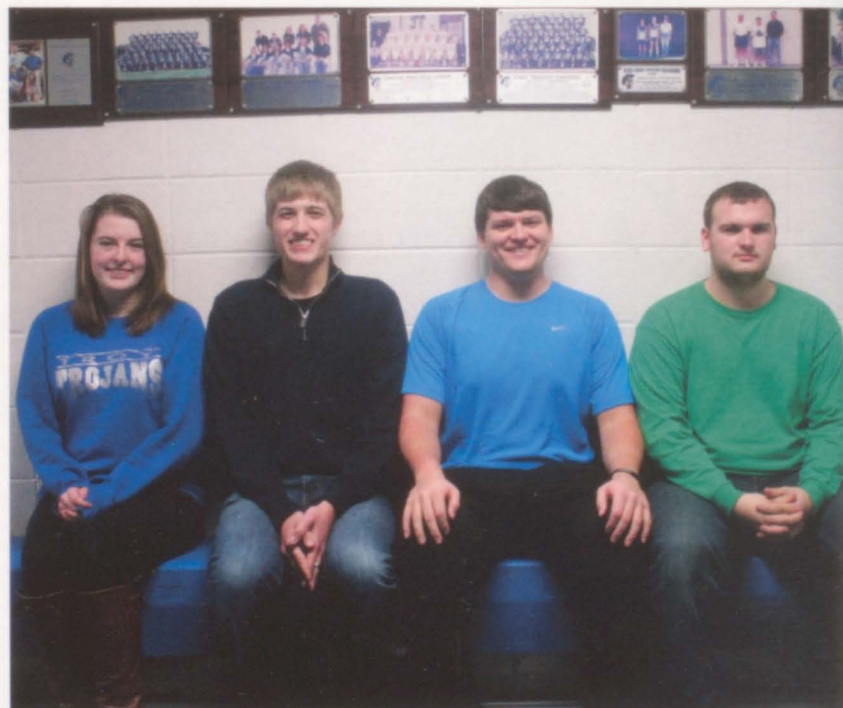
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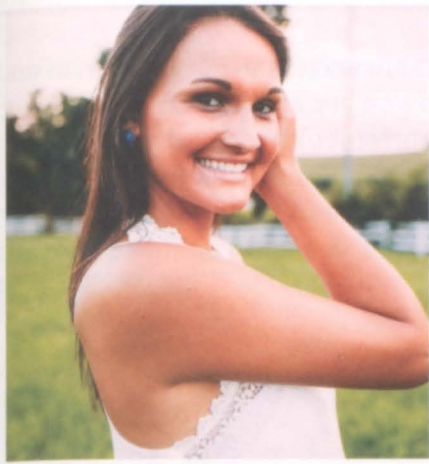


*Taylor Scherer*

*"If opportunity  
doesn't knock,  
build a door."  
- Class Motto*

**Right:** The 2015-2016 senior class officers. Secretary Megan Etherton, President Nathan King, Vice-President Luke Smith, and Treasurer Tyler Christopher. Photo by Treyton Jenkins





*Madison Marriott*



*Tucker Morris*



*Tabitha Porter*



*Luke Smith*



*Cole Thornberry*



*Benjamin Wardlow*



*Holly Whetstine*



*Lauren Wigger*



*Chris Winkel*

Cailyn,

We are so proud of the beautiful, sweet, and loving young lady you have become. There are not enough words to tell you how much we love and cherish you. Always know we are your biggest fans! "Enjoy the little things in life because one day you'll look back and realize they were the big things."

Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Camden

**Cailyn  
Anderson**



Preston,

You are a remarkable and talented young man and more importantly, who you are as a person is what makes you truly special. Never give up on your dreams. Life can be challenging and obstacle-filled, but your dedication and perseverance will make those dreams come true. We are proud of you and you make the world a better place.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Chantel.

**Preston  
Duncan**



Tater,

What a great girl you are; we couldn't have asked for more. You is kind. You is smart. You is important. Thank you for all the fun memories. You are the best. We look forward to your next chapter. Remember there is nothing you can't do.

We love you so,  
Dad, Mom, Jesse, Taylor,  
Bruce, Daisy, and Ruby

**Madison  
Marriott**



Tucker Jacob,

You have grown into an amazing young man. We are so very proud of your accomplishments, especially over the past four years. The state football championship game and the state tournament appearances in high school and Legion baseball will be things to treasure. Your life is truly just beginning, we are here every step of the way to love and support you.

Love,  
Mom, Terry, &  
your 4 crazy Brothers

**Tucker  
Morris**



Taylor,

I want you to know I am very proud of you for making it to KSTATE, even though I will miss you terribly. Thank you for helping me with my math, letting me throw apples at you, and fishing at the state lake. I will miss Friday night football games cheering on my big brother. Study hard at KSTATE and get home soon. I love you! You are the BEST brother ever!

Love,  
Hayden

**Taylor  
Scherer**



Luke,

There are no words to express how much we love you and how proud we are of you and all your accomplishments. You are an amazing young man with a big heart and a great personality; don't let anyone change that. You have the ability and determination to do whatever you choose to do in life. Remember we will always be here for you and love you no matter what.

Love always,  
Mom, DJ, & Tate

**Luke  
Smith**



Mackenzie,

We can't believe you're already graduating from high school! We are so proud of you and all that you've accomplished thus far! We love you and our prayer for you is that you will continue to seek the Lord and His desires for your life.

With lots of love,  
Mom, Dad, & Madi

**Mackenzie  
Harbeston**



Nathan,

We are very proud of all that you have accomplished at Troy High School. It has been very gratifying to watch you grow into an outstanding young man. Your future is incredibly bright and we ask for God's blessings for you. Your dedication, hard work, humor and attitude, while staying true to who you are is a beautiful gift. Love you!

Love,  
Dad, Mom, & Johanna

**Nathan  
King**



Preston,

We are so proud of your achievements and accomplishments you've made in your life. As you start your new journey always remember, never forget, and live your life to the fullest.

Love you,  
Mom & Dad

**Preston  
Robinson**



To my amazing, remarkable son Taylor,

Everywhere you journey in life, you will go with my love by your side. Forever it will be with you. Truly, joyfully, and more meant to be than words can ever say. You are the joy of my life, the source of my dearest memories, the inspiration for my fondest wishes, and the sweetest present life could ever give to anyone.

Very blessed to call you my son,  
Mom

**Taylor  
Scherer**



Holly Noelle,

We love you so much and are very proud of you. You have always been our "little girl with the curl in the middle of her head!" You have been a great surprise from the beginning and continue to be a gift from God. We know your future is bright; remember where your gifts have come from and always put Him first!

We love you,  
Mom & Dad

**Holly  
Whetstine**



***Seniors receive  
good wishes  
from family***



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# Activities

Activities kept students busy throughout the year. Homecoming and Queen of Courts had week-filled activities, Spirit Week, for the entertainment of the students. There was a fall powder puff game at the football field for the girls. After the powder puff game, students had a color war at the 4H grounds. The following night, there was a bonfire at the 4H for the football team.

The Queen of Courts candidates lip-synced during a pep rally in the gym. Tristin Horton and Cadence King were the crowd favorites with their song "Let it Go." After the game, the dance was in the old gym.

The seniors went to Clearwater, Florida, for their senior trip. The trip was filled with activities including deep-sea fishing, swimming in the ocean, and visiting Busch Gardens. A few days after the seniors returned home, they graduated in the C.W. Oliver Gymnasium with a total of 24.

Prom was held at the Troy Community Center with after-prom at the high school. The theme for prom was 'A Night to Remember.' There were games students could play at after-prom. The main attraction was a hypnotist.



**Far Top Left:** The boys' basketball team dances to a medley of pop songs at the Queen of Courts pep rally. **Photo by Kori Bennett**

**Middle Top:** Tyler Franken and Connor McNorton pose at Prom. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Top Right:** Homecoming candidate Cailyn Anderson poses with the car she will ride in to her football escort. **Photo by Janel Anderson**

**Above:** The graduates turn to be acknowledged by the audience. **Photo by Mady Guffy**

**Left:** Queen candidates Tristin Horton, Makayla Ross, Cailyn Anderson, and Holly Whetstine sing and dance to a pop song at the pep rally. **Photo by Kori Bennett**

# Smith, Marriott take the crown

## Spirit Week, pep rally support Homecoming

Homecoming week began with Spirit Week. Spirit Week was a competition to see which class had the most spirit. A powder puff game was held on the football field for the girls. The senior and freshman team won the game. After the powder puff game, the students went to the 4H fairgrounds for a color war.

The color war was an event where the students of all classes were allowed to throw colorful powder on their fellow classmates. The following night, a bonfire was held at the 4H for the football team. Students, friends, and families were allowed to attend. Dancers and cheerleaders rode into the bonfire on the firetruck. The football boys walked in together holding torches to light the bonfire. Dancers and cheerleaders performed, head coach Derek Jasper and senior football boys spoke, and the bonfire ended with the Trojan chant.

The pep rally was the day of Homecoming on Main Street for the student body of Troy High, Middle, and Grade schools. The high school classes participated in a float contest, with the theme of "For the Love of the Game." The seniors won with a Candyland float.

The game was held later on in the evening, and the Trojans played against the JCN chargers. At halftime, the crowning of king and queen took place. Senior Luke Smith was announced Homecoming king, and senior Madison Marriott was crowned Homecoming queen.

"It was an honor to be crowned Homecoming king, but winning the game was the best part," said Smith. The Trojans won the game against JCN 51-16. After the game, a dance was held in the old gym for the students and their dates.



**Above:** Dancers Cailyn Anderson, Madison Marriott, Andrea Stock, Lexi Norris, Blair Weisharr, Amanda Stock, and Lauren Wigger and Makayla Ross dance to "Rhythm Nation" by Janet Jackson during the Homecoming pep rally. **Photo by Kori Bennett**



**Above:** Seniors Taylor Scherer and Tucker Morris lead the football team into the fairground arena for the bonfire pep rally. "Boys of Fall" by Kenny Chesney played while the boys were entering. **Photo by Janel Anderson**



"Dancing on Main Street for the Homecoming pep rally is always one of the most fun things to do, I loved the support from the community and the entire Troy district," said junior Blair Weishaar.



"It was a hard-fought game that was closer than the scoreboard indicated. Their size put us to the test early, but we ended up running away with it," said junior Cuttar Huss.





**Left:** The football boys huddle together to say their chant before playing in the Homecoming game later in the evening. Senior Luke Smith leads the starting chant for the boys. **Photo by Janel Anderson**

**Below:** Head Coach Derek Jasper and seniors Luke Smith, Tucker Morris, Taylor Scherer, and Chris Winkel give an appreciation speech to the community and student body. **Photo by Kori Bennett**



**Above:** Homecoming King Luke Smith and Queen Madi Marriott pose for their crowning picture. **Photo by Janel Anderson**

**Middle:** Homecoming candidates play a game of stacking doughnuts onto their partner's head without the doughnuts falling. Winners were Taylor Scherer and Madi Marriott. Other candidates were Chris Winkel and Holly Whetstine, Makayla Ross and Luke Smith, and Cailyn Anderson and Tucker Morris. **Photo by Janel Anderson**

# King, Queen of Courts crowned

## February brings annual ceremony

The Queen of Courts dance and pep rally was held at Troy High School on February 4, with Skyler Joyce crowned King of Courts and Makayla Ross, Queen of Courts.

The Queen of Courts game ended 74-63 with the Trojans winning over the Valley Heights Mustangs.

At the pep rally the afternoon of the game, the candidates in pairs lip-synched a variety of songs such as "Let It Go," performed by Tristin Horton and Cadence King; "Love Is an Open Door," performed by Tucker Morris and Makayla Ross; "Hello," performed by Cailyn Anderson and Skyler Joyce; and finally "Breaking Free," performed by Holly Whetstine and Chris Winkel. Horton and King were the crowd favorites.

The dance of Queen of Courts itself was a highlight of the night because everyone and their dates and the few who went alone had some kind of fun whether it was dancing or just hanging out with friends.

"Queen of Courts was fun but sad; it was my last one," said Holly Whetstine.

"I was glad to participate on Reid Jasper's birthday," said Cailyn Anderson.

Spirit week was another big part of Queen of Courts. The two main days for dressing up were Wednesday and Friday. Wednesday was Color War Day with seniors in black, juniors in blue, sophomores in red, and freshman in green. Friday was Blue-and-White Day, where students could show their school colors.



Above: Tristin Horton and Cadence King perform of "Let it Go," from the movie *Frozen* for the pep rally. Photo by Kori Bennett



Above: The boy's basketball team showed some impressive moves in their choreographed version of a medley of pop hits. Photo by Kori Bennett



"I just want to thank everyone for accepting me into this community and I want to say the boys did a good job during basketball and I can't wait to see how baseball goes," said King Skyler Joyce



"It was exciting and the dance was fun," said Queen Makayla Ross



**Left:** The candidates pose after the crowning: Tucker Morris, Cailyn Anderson, Cadence King, Tristin Horton, King Skyler Joyce, Queen Makayla Ross, Chris Winkel, and Holly Whetstine. Their kindergarten attendants, Gavin Woodruff, Avery Kostman, Olivia Thomas, and Zaydon Keller, pose in front. **Photo by Brittany Klaus**

**Below:** The girls' basketball team with Coach Jasper lines up to be recognized at the pep rally. **Photo by Kori Bennett**



**Above:** Candidates Skyler Joyce and Cailyn Anderson walk to their places on the court as Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey reads about each. This was prior to the crowning itself. **Photo by Brittany Klaus**

**Left:** Makayla Ross and Tucker Morris show their moves at the pep rally. **Photo by Kori Bennett**

# Toes in the water; class in the sand

## Seniors travel to Clearwater, Florida

The 2016 graduating class worked hard all year to raise money for their senior trip. They had their minds set on going somewhere amazing. Then, with the money in hand they boarded a flight to Orlando, Florida. From there they loaded for a two-hour bus ride to the west, and their final destination, the coastline of Clearwater, Florida.

The class finally arrived at the Beach View Hotel near midnight May 7. Early the next morning the students woke to see that their hotel really was on a spot of prime coastline. No more than a step out of their rooms and they were staring into the deep blue ocean. They quickly downed their breakfast because sponsors Kevin McNorton and Abra Rush had planned an exciting activity for them that day.

The students walked to the pier. Waiting for them was the *Super Queen*, on which they would spend the next several hours' deep-sea fishing. The boat set sail but didn't stop until an hour out into the sea; then the fishing began. The students caught several fish, and some students even caught as many as nine. They caught sea bass, spotted bass, pigfish, and silver perch. After two hours of casting out and reeling in, they set off for land again.

Once on land the students were excited to get back and swim in the ocean. For some, this was the first time they had ever had the chance to do so. They lay on the white sandy beaches, played catch, built sandcastles, and met new people. Later that evening, they had an even larger surprise. When they went out to dinner at a restaurant named Crabby Bill's, the restaurant had cooked the fish they had caught earlier in the day for them to eat as appetizers! They also tried new things like alligator, mahi mahi, and grouper.

The next day, they woke up bright and early again. This time, however, they were headed inland. The theme park Busch Gardens in Tampa Bay was the destination. This was a hit for even those who did not like theme park rides. There were all sorts of shows and animals to look at. The park had everything from flamingos to rhinos. There were also rides modeled after the animals. One of these rides was named the Cheetah Hunt. This ride went up to speeds that a cheetah would run.

The third day of the trip the students were able to sleep in. When they woke, they got to throw on their swimsuits and head across the street to the beach. They also had time to walk around and visit the shops. Students bought all sorts of souvenirs, but they also bought a lot of sunscreen.

After three days in the Florida heat the students were all tuckered out. They set off for the airport at 4 p. m. May 10. Their flight from Orlando to Kansas City was delayed due to storms. The students arrived at Kansas City past midnight May 11 and arrived home an hour later, just in time to catch a nap before graduation practice.



**Above:** The senior class deep sea fished off the coast of Clearwater, Florida. The class caught fish such as pig fish and sea bass. The class then took their fish to a local restaurant called Crabby Bills where the cooks then prepared the fish and was served the class as appetizers. **Photo by Kevin McNorton**



"Senior trip was really awesome. The only bad thing was that I couldn't stay down there forever," said senior Tyler Christopher



"My favorite part about senior trip was hanging out with my friends on the beach, and the fishing charter was fun too. Even though I can't catch fish it was still fun," said senior Makayla Ross



**Left:** The senior class before entering Crabby Bills. The class decided on going to a class dinner which has become a tradition on senior trip. The class tried many different types of seafood ranging from Flaming Hot Alligator Bites to Mahi Mahi. After eating, the class went to the pier where several class members got Henna tattoos by local artisans.

**Photo by Kevin McNorton**

**Below:** Seniors Cailyn Anderson, Holly Whetstine, Madison Marriott, Lauren Wigger and Nathan King stand on the bow of the ship before the ship embarks out to sea.

**Photo by Kevin McNorton**



**Above:** Senior class sponsor Kevin McNorton holds the string of various fish that the class caught on their fishing charter.

**Photo by Abra Rush**

**Left:** The seniors were greeted by this view of Clearwater Beach from their hotel which was appropriately called The BeachView Hotel. The class frequently stopped at the McDonalds which was just two doors down from the hotel.

**Photo by Kevin McNorton**



# 'A Night to Remember'

## Prom celebrated at community building

The junior and senior prom truly lived up to its theme. The night began at the courthouse with friends and family gathering to take pictures with the prom attendants. The night then moved to the Leonard L. Clary Community Building where the night began.

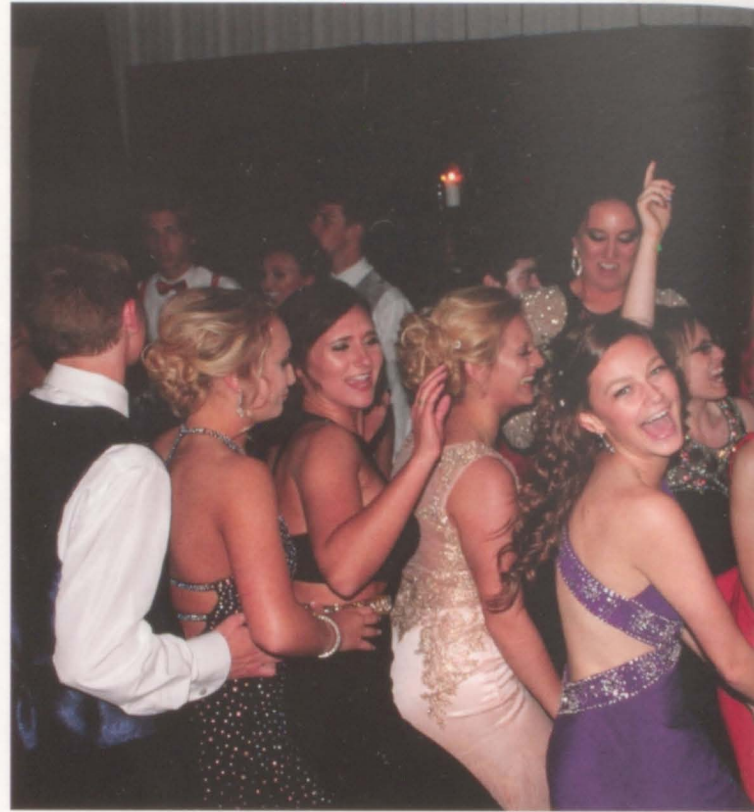
The community building was decorated by Linda Jeschke and the juniors and their parents. The color scheme consisted of gold and black with dark purple accents. The evening was lit up by a glistening chandelier that set the tone.

The meal was provided by Bea Koehler and served by the sophomores. First a salad was served as an appetizer, then the entree which consisted of roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans and a roll. When the students finished their meal they could help themselves to a sundae bar and candy table.

Kolton Constant, junior class president, welcomed everyone to the junior and senior prom. Next Nathan King, senior class president, thanked the juniors for all their hard work and making prom possible. The students were free to dance the night away and enjoy the photo booth.

After-Prom was then held at the Troy High School gymnasium. The main attraction was the hypnotist who called people to the floor and hypnotized them. He made them do silly things, such as making them play the piano in various ways and making them feel as if they were on a rollercoaster.

Other activities included pool tables, dart boards, selfie stations, and a free-throw game. Food like pizza, fruit, nachos, puppy chow and drinks were also provided for the students.



Above: Tyler Franken, Kallie Hawkins, Kassi Meng, Alexis Horner, Kourtney Davies, Mady Guffy, and Alanda Jamvold dance to "Yeah" by Usher. Photo by Nathan King



Above: Senior Tucker Morris and date, junior Lexi Norris, pose while waiting for their meal to be served. Photo by Nathan King



"The food was great and I really enjoyed being out on the dance floor all night," said junior Tyler Franken.



"Being with friends for the last time before we go our separate ways was nice," said senior Makayla Ross.



**Left: senior class, Front Row:** Tabitha Porter, Makayla Ross, Holly Whestine, Cailyn Anderson, Madi Marriott, Megan Eitherton, Lauren Wigger, MacKenzie Harbenston, and Jacklynn Clary **Row 2:** Ben Wardlow, Tucker Morris, Nathan King, Luke Smith, and Tyler Christopher **Row 3:** Taylor Scherer, Cadence King, Preston Duncan, Chris Winkel, Cole Thornberry, Preston Robinson, and Skyler Joyce **Photo by Janel Anderson**  
**Below:** Cole Thornberry decides what topping to put next on his sundae from the sundae bar. **Photo by Nathan King**



**Above:** Zeb Speer, Holly Whetstine, Amanda Wistuba, Luke Smith, Nate Simpson, Madi Marriott, Brody Winder, Wil Smith, Cailyn Anderson, and others wait for their meal to be served. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Above: junior class, Front Row:** Brittany Klaus, Jennifer Keller, Andrea Stock, Lauren Hill, Tyler Franken, Trey Jenkins, Brody Winder, and Brant Hamilton. **Row 2:** Kourtney Davies, Kori Bennett, Alexis Horner, Blair Weishaar, Kortin Blevins, Connor McNorton, Alex Martinez, and Braden Hansen. **Row 3:** Kassi Meng, Lexi Norris, Bailey Schofield, Mady Guffy, Wil Smith, Reid Greaser, Kolton Constant, and Nate Simpson. **Row 4:** Jaren Frump and Brandon Schofield. **Photo by Nathan King**

# Seniors say goodbye

## Co-valedictorians look back and ahead

Graduation was May 15 in the C.W. Oliver Gymnasium. The band performed "Pomp and Circumstance" by Edward Elgar, as the seniors walked in. Principal Don Cash welcomed everyone and the choir, under the direction of Matt Allison, sang "In These Halls" by Madilyn Bailey.

Martha-Jean and Lyle Rockey were presented a plaque honoring their combined 88 years of dedication and work in the high school. Board President Warren Grable presented them with the "Martha-Jean and Lyle Rockey" plaque, to show the school board's intent to rename the old gym in their honor.

Cailyn Anderson and Tucker Morris were co-valedictorians. Both were presented medals by Mr. Cash and each gave a speech. Anderson reminisced about past grade school, middle school, and high school memories with her fellow classmates. Some of the earlier ones were quite humorous. Morris discussed the different career paths the seniors would be taking, and how each path would take them in different directions. Each co-valedictorian took the time to thank the community of Troy, family, friends, and the high school staff and board members.

The senior video was made by Jene't Brown and students. The video consisted of individual and group pictures from the senior class. After the video, the seniors gave roses to their family members in honor of saying thank you for what they have done to help them throughout their high school years. The ceremony ended with each senior being presented a diploma. The graduating class of 2016 had 23 graduates.



Above: Seniors Preston Duncan, Jacklynn Clary, and Tyler Christopher wait in line to receive their high school diploma from a member of the USD 429 Board of Education. Photo by Madyson Guffy



Above: Seniors Tucker Morris, Tabitha Porter, Preston Robinson, Makayla Ross, and Taylor Scherer prepare to leave the gymnasium after being announced 2016 graduates.

Photo by Madyson Guffy



"It's been a long road, but I'm glad it ended the way it did," said Ben Wardlow.



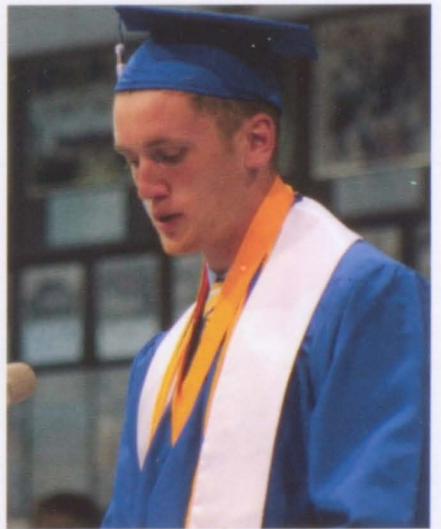
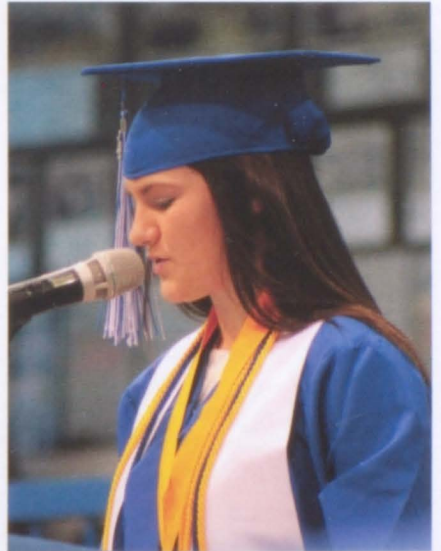
Jory Barnthson was active in the fall play, where he was Mr. Smith's boss, and he qualified for state in publications in writing headlines.





**Left:** Senior Holly Whetstine hugs her father Jason Whetstine while giving him a red rose during the ceremony. The roses were to symbolize the students' way of saying thank you to the parents for their love and support throughout their high school years.

**Below:** Senior Cailyn Anderson gives her co-valedictorian speech during the ceremony. Photos by Madyson Guffy



**Above:** Senior Tucker Morris presents his co-valedictorian speech at the ceremony. Morris discussed future plans for his classmates.

**Left:** Seniors Luke Smith and Cole Thornberry face the audience to be announced as Troy High School graduates. They have "turned their tassles." Photos by Madyson Guffy



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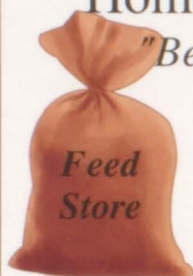
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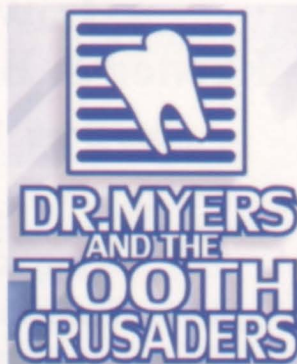


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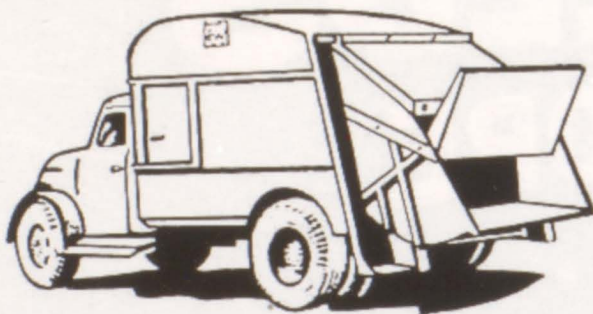
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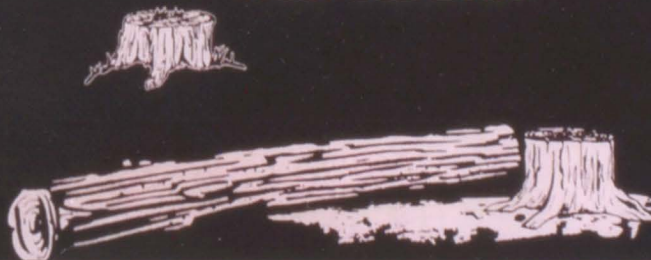
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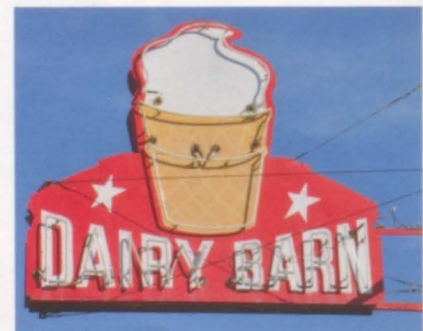
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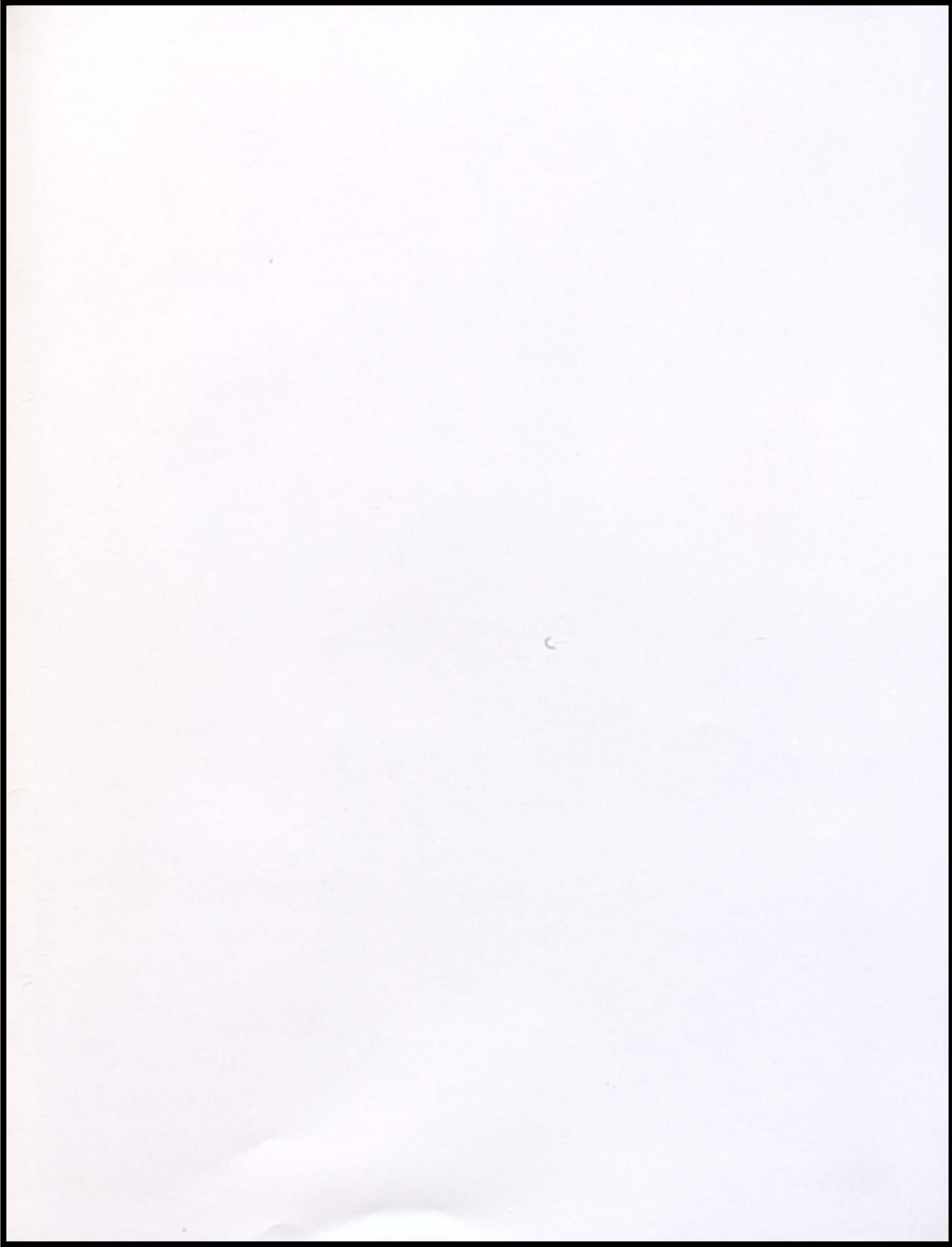
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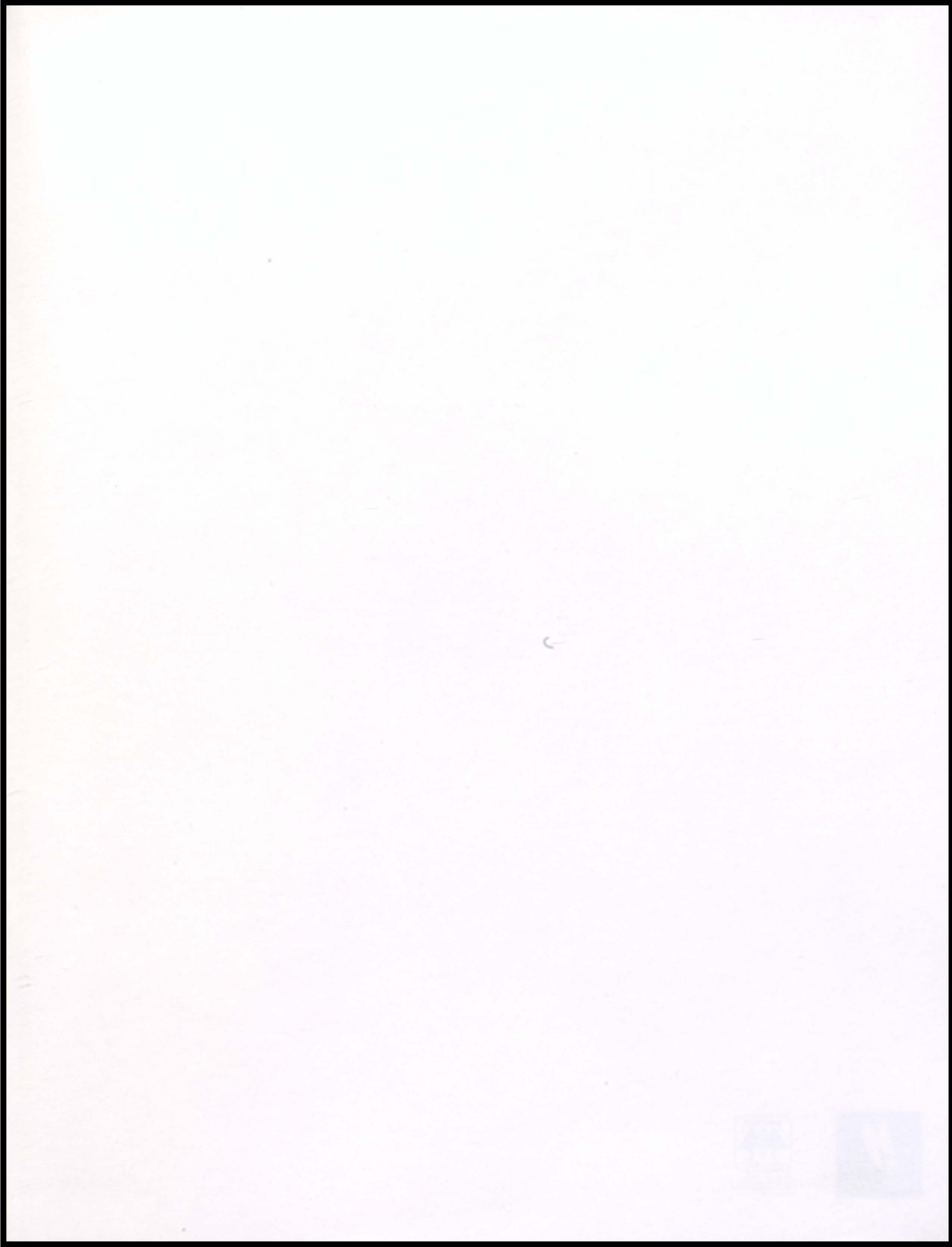
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