## A WHOLE NEW DIRECTION





## Support Staff




Imagine waking up in the morning and getting ready for school. You finally get there around $8: 00$, open the doors . . . and it's completely dark. There are no lights on, garbage is all over the floor, and no humming is coming from the computers in the office. This is what would have happened everyday if not for our wonderful support staff. What would we have done without Linda reminding us about our lunch money over the P.A., or if there was no Harvey to help us get into locked rooms? In fact, one teacher was quoted saying, "Without Harvey and Kay, nobody would know what they're doing." The supporting staff members keep things running smoothly and the school squeaky clean. What teacher could survive without having Ed Mayer around to fix things? Lunch just wouldn't be the same without our lunch ladies chatting with us while we get our lunch. Without all of these fine people, we would be lost.

Administration. School Board: Back Row: James Beasley, Rodger Hahn. Front Row: Carol Peuse, Richard Berg, Garnet Shong. Secretaries. Kay Goss, Linda Flick. Principal Ken Stahl. Superintendent Fred Brown.


$P$ool . . . check. Water . . . check. Pool users . . . check. What's missing in this picture? LIFEGUARDS! Without them, using the pool would have been impossible. It wasn't all fun and games, though. They spent a lot of money and time to learn the tricks of the trade and to improve their swimming abilities. Much time was used on aqua aerobics and lap swims which occurred in the early morning. Although most of these brave lifeguard's action happened when they yelled, "Quit splashing," and "Don't go out that far," at least we knew that if disaster ever struck, our swimmers were safe.

Lifeguards: Peggy Anderson, Erik Brown, Kacy Warner, Casey Jo Tripp, Sara Forcier, Chloe Gabler, Greg Hazard, Kimberly Steele.


Answer: Some of them get up very early to come to work, and some of them work very late. Question: Describe our custodians. Unjamming lockers multiple times daily, constantly sweeping, cleaning up, and keeping everything repaired, shiny, and in working order, kept our custodians hopping in many directions. These five men and a lady had what it takes to do their awesome tasks.

Custodians: Len Ball, Ed Mayer, Bill LeBarron, Harvey Schwoch, Gary Eckel, Lori Norton.


Believe it or not, bus drivers are very courageous. Not only do they drive through the rain, snow, sleet, and hail to get students to school, but these fearless chauffeurs also put up with the good and the bad. Besides all of that, they do it all again late at night hauling the sports teams, activity groups, club members, and field trip participants. Our bus drivers are veteran drivers, a retired teacher, a "bumper," lead-footed, and devoted.

Bus Drivers: Theresa Seufzer, Bill Englesby, Dave Balliet, Dayle Sell, Ron Bowe, Jeff Gerike, George Stanek, Julius Henning, Diane Walker.

## Leading the Charge

20ithout Mr. Stutzman's intelligent lectures and Mrs. Crowe's fantastic personality, how would the students have made it without falling asleep? Indeed, the path to success begins with the relentless efforts of our cherished leaders. Several new additions were committed from the start to pave the road for student success. These new additions were: our lovely lady chef, Kari Thorpe; our main mechanical man, Roger Johnson; our captivating counselor, Jean Christenson; the marvelous Middle School special education teacher, Stacey Randall; and the spunky spark of sixth grade teacher, Jaime Radtke. The newcomers, along with the other teachers we all have grown to love, made Augusta School a great place to be and in which to learn.

Anderson, Peggy Barrett, Mike Christenson, Jean Clark, Karen Crossman, Gloria Crowe, Kris Crowe, Tom

Cullen, Sara Damrau, Jeff Dekan, Judy Diehl, Larea Forseth, Chuck Johnson, Roger Jones, Jim

Kaiser, Natalie Kragness, Linda Madsen, Pat Maenner, Susan Peterson, Mary Pettis, Marjorie Radtke, Jaime

Randall, Stacey Rieder, Sharon Rugotzke, Marty Salisbury, Todd Sell, Kristine Severson, Kymm Smith, Karene

Stensen, Cynthia Stutzman, Randy Thorpe, Kari Tweed, Paul Vance, Bonnie Vandehey, Mickey Zastrow, Kelli


Not Pictured:
Hadorn, Jeff Skifstad, Roger

Anderson, Marilyn Anderson, Susan Bailey, Kimberly Barbosa, Amber Becker, Jennifer Bergman, Douglas

Bergman, Trinia Boettcher, Stephanie Bogart, Amy Bogart, Richard Buss, Michael Buttke, Cassandra

Buttke, Kenneth Dickinsen, Andrew Fitzmaurice, Roberta Gabler, Grant Gray, Sarah Grimm, Kristopher


"てしhich direction do we go now?" The confused and lost expressions on their faces proved it was their first year in high school. As they flipped more and more pages in Romeo and Juliet in Mrs. Sell's English class and made more rubberband and garbage bag projects in Mr. Barrett's Physical Science class, they became more accustomed to high school life. Over the first hurdle of adjustment, this promising group of teens began to enjoy high school and get involved. Extra-curriculars became a big part of life for many. Junior varsity football finished their season with the spectacular record of 7-0. From volleyball to one-act-play the freshmen showed their shining, happy faces all over the place outside of regular school hours. The whole class showed their spirit at Homecoming by winning the yelling contest and coining the term "Urmobile" in their skit which featured senior citizen football coaches played by Nick Jacobs and Branden Strauch. With their foot in the door, next year they will take a further step in.

Heath, Amber Horrell, Emily Jacobs, Nicholas Johnson, Alan Kangas, Katria Kapitz, Andrew

King, Jessica Klatt, Randall Krista, David Larson, Tracy LeBarron, Amy Lewis, Keneth



Opposite page: Jordan Sell prepares for Hollywood with the humble beginning of the role of Cowardly Lion in the Eighth Grade Play. Above: Freshman class officers: Susan Anderson, Branden Strauch, Nick Jacobs, and Katria Kangas. Left: Teri Schulz and Amy LeBarron enjoying an All-Sport.


Strauch, Branden
Swatzina, Kent
Torres, Nicole
Trescher, Amanda
Watenphul, Zachary
Williamson, Brian

Zellmer, Jesse
Not Pictured:
Daniel Guntner
Leslie Motzko
Branden Pederson
Cherie Thomas
Matthew Wiese

Aichele, Conrad Bailey, Kevin Bergman, Lacey Borchert, Jason Brantner, Jason Brown, Adam

Campbell, Ashley Chinn, Liz Dickinsen, Shannon Dowiasch, Stacy Erdman, Brooke Flick, Jacob

Forcier, Sarah Forde, Emily Gabler, Chloe Gerdes, Jeremy Hahn, Amy Horrell, Jonathan




Sophomore year! The year of Josten's, Mecca, and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. They took the road by storm, led by the new Drivers' Education car, with the chunk of cheddar on top, while wearing their not-yet-broken-in letterman jackets and shining class rings. While their parents worried about the cost of all of this and the risks, they made it through the year without any real tragedies. In fact, they found safe ways to amuse themselves, such as putting together the creative and impressive "Under the Sea" hallway for Homecoming. As the year progressed, they were able to escape the social exclusion that is part of being a freshman to really become part of the high school community. These sophomores came together as a group of friends, looking forward to the years ahead when they will get to choose which direction they will go.

Irvine, Lara Johnson, Paula Kaeding, Jamie Lange, Jennifer Lewis, Erin Lone, Kevin

Marcheske, Daniel McConnell, Dennis McMahon, Matthew Moseley, Amanda Motzko, Tiffany Nelson, Callie




Nimmer, Katrina
Parker, Jennifer Parkinson, Todd Pettis, Nicholas
Pfeiffer, Barry Schmitt, Paige

Seichter, Jade Severson, Jen Spores, Jennifer Spores, Samantha Spurbeck, Joshua Steele, Kathryn

Stubbe, Denver Stutzman, Jed Sudbrink, Joseph Waggoner, Heather Warner, Cody Wiese, Aimee


Opposite page: Abbie Zank in need of improved dental hygiene. Left: Lacey Bergman preparing for a memorable night at Prom. Above: Sophomore class officers: Adam Brown, Brooke Erdman, Callie Nelson, and Cody Warner.

Williamson, Scott
Zank, Abbie

Not Pictured:
Kendra Bohl
Jenny Hall
John Lighthizer
Jenny Lone
Jason Squires

Baader, Chanda Bergman, Jewel Berlin, Joshua Buse, Kristi Buttke, Leatha Canaday, Nicholas

Cousin, Molly Crawford, Erin Crowe, Julie Dickinsen, Alexis Dickinsen, Scott Dowiasch, Brenda

Gabler, Natalie Gerike, Scott Gilbert, Richard Gray, Nicholas


Uarsity sports, ASVAB, ACT's, college preparation, and much more responsibility were all part of being a junior. Whether they were experimenting in Chemistry, finding symbolism in The Great Gatsby, or seeing into the depths of their classmate's minds through an alphabet description book, everyone had things to do. These kids seemed to handle it well, though, making enough time for friends and other activities. Led by a Junior "Spice Squad," they went on to be the victors of Homecoming. With a cost free hall filled with Hollywood magic, and Matt Foley "motivating" the school, everyone had their eyes on these winners. Direction is the Class of 2000 's middle name, and they seem to be headed in the right one!

Hadorn, Charity Hahn, Paula Heath, Michael Hill, Joni Honadel, Christine Ives, Kevin

Johnson, Jacob Kangas, Kara Kinser, Jenny Klatt, Jessica Koch, Rita Krauz, Charity



Luedtke, Jesse
Marion, April
Mazur, Evan
Nelson, Brian
Pederson, Peter
Pelkey, Anna

Peterson, Farrin
Pettis, Derrick
Pettis, Jaclyn
Pieper, Katie
Poettker, Steffaine
Risberg, Lacey

Rugotzke, John Schulz, William Sylvester, Alicia Veenendall, Bradley VonHaden, Christina Weiss, Jessica


Opposite page: Chanda Baader trying to be a mad scientist. Left: Kelsey Lee tracking bear. Above: Junior Class Officers: Christine Honadel, Julie Crowe, John Rugotzke, Alicia Syivester.


Welter, Shana
White, Brian
Yule, Dustin
Zempel, Jamie

Not Pictured:

James Bogart
Tisha Bonick Kelsey Lee Michael Lone

Justin Osborn Andrew Potts
Todd Staves Tushanuna Thomas
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## On The Gop

0.9..8..7..6...5..4..3..2.. 1 Right down the line these 'bright spots' have proclaimed their places whether s be in the Top Ten or as an Honor udent. Each Honor Student had to ve a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher qualify. What does it take to achieve s accomplishment? Hard work, perrerance, and intelligence are just ne of the personal traits needed to n this elite group. Success did not e overnight for these students. y had to balance extra curricular jivities with their studies, which oved to be a challenge. These young dults, however, put the difficulties aside and concentrated on their academic achievements.

# Most Likely 



Cutest Couple: Alan Smith and Jake Krueger

## Best Personality

Kia Bauch and Joshua Schroeder
To Be Arrested
Sarah Hinojosa and Nicholas Brevik

## Best Hair

April Peterson and Jason Pettis

## Class Clowns

Kimberly Steele and Kacy Warner

## Biggest Traffic Violaters

Amee Williamson and Dennis Bergman

Best Body
April Peterson and Jason Pettis
Best Car
Casey Tripp and Nicholas Brevik
Class Party Animal
Nicole Carlson and Nicholas Brevik

To Be Confused
Deanna Davidson and Benjamin Pelkey

## Biggest Procrastinators

Melissa Korger and Joshua Schroeder
Biggest Mouth
Kimberly Steele and Kacy Warner
Argues Most
Michelle Greer and Jeremy Gilbert
Coolest Clothes
April Peterson and Steven Stensen
Best Dancers
Sara Moseley and Damien Osborn
To Be Late
Melissa Korger and Damien Osborn
Most Talkative
Mary Lund and Damien Osborn


Most Athletic: Jason Clark and Casey Tripp


Teacher's Pets: Jenny Shilts and Erik Brown


Above: To Be Wealthy / Succeed: Kimberly Steele and Erik Brown

Below: Most Artistic: Elizabeth Fitzmaurice and Alan Smith


Above: Most Musical: Melissa Korger and Jason Pettis

Below: Biggest Flirt: Jessica Hilmanowski and Jason Clark


Above: To Remain Friends: Amee Williamson and Kia Bauch


Steven Paul,
The years have passed so quickly and before our eyes we now see a wonderful young man. May you always keep your positive outlook on life and never lose your great personality. The best is yet to come.

Love,
Papa \& Mama

Jennifer,
On January 14, 1981 God sent me an angel. Love always,

Dad



Alan,
Congratulations to our youngest. We are very proud of you and all your accomplishments you have achieved while in high school.

Watching you change from a little boy to the fine young man you have become couldn't make a parent more proud. We love you and will always be here for you.

Love,
Mom \& Dad


Mary,
I am proud to have a wonderful daughter \& granddaughter such as you. We are proud of your accomplishments already in life with your personality, determination and caring heart. We know you will be an achiever in all your goals.

Love,
Dad, Grandma \& Grandpa

Chris,
You have grown up to become everything we could have possibly hoped you would be. We are so proud of who you are and all that you have accomplished.

Mom \& Dad



Wade,
It's always been a joy to have you around, always so helpful at home, never complaining, working hard at school and at sports. The next few years are going to determine what you are going to be for the rest of you life; choose wisely.

Good luck and congratulations. Love,
Mom \& Dad


To My Dearest Friends, You all mean so much to me. Closer than family, we are united. Always remember the good times when things get bad. We can all depend on each other regardless of what future crises we face as individuals. May we be the best of friends throughout the rest of time. Always and forever, April


Nick,
You hold the key to your future. Don't be afraid to unlock the potential. Love always, Mom \& Dad
"Auntie Jenna," Thank you for al ways helping to take care of me, love you. Good luck after high school, and re member to still make room for me in your busy schedule.

Love,
Mariyah
P.S. Go Packers!

## I love you dada!

XOXO
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Alyssa
Dear Jessie,
I can't tell you how proud I am of everything you've already accomplished. You have already outdone my expectations. Keep up the GREAT work! I will miss you and Meghan as you go off to school and begin your own life, but it makes my heart sing to know you have grown up to be a very competent adult. Go girl!

All our love,
Mom, Sarah \& Becky



## Jeremy,

I thank God everyday that he blessed my life with you. You have turned from a little boy into a fine strong young man. I know that you are ready for what life is going to bring you. I know that you will achieve whatever you set out to do. But always remember that no matter where you are in life, your family will be there cheering you on.


## Amee,

The day you were born I thought I was the luckiest mom in the world. I still think so. You have made Dad and I very proud. You've grown from that sweet little redhaired doll into a fine young lady. Keep working toward all your goals and you will carry the world in your eyes. I hope your future as a mom, wife and career woman will be as full as you've made our lives.

Love you bunches! Mom


Jeremy
Congratulations to our little wild man! It seems like only yesterday that you were our little boy.
Today you are a young man ready to enter this wild world of ours.

Love, Mom \& Dad

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& \text { Mom }
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Congratulations! It's hard to believe your high school days are over. The years have passed too quickly for a Dad watching his little girl grow up. You've been a great kid. You don't hear it often enough - but we are very proud of you and we love you a lot. May all your dreams come true and your future be filled with happiness and success.
With love, Dad \& Patty
Elizabeth, We've watched you grow into a responsible young adult. You are now ready to enter another milestone in your life. Congratulations! You have worked hard to achieve your goals. We're behind you all the way!
Love, Mom \& Dad


Just as the waters are turbulent so is life. Likewise, the grains of sand are your endless opportunities to succeed. Our love is like the silent breeze being with you wherever you are.
Dad \& Family


## Dennis,

You are such a great son. We are so proud of you and for everything you do for us. So far in life you have been the greatest joy we could ask for, and we're sure that you can accomplish all your goals in life that you want to achieve. We're here for you whenever and wherever you would need us.

We love you,
Mom, Dad,
Lacey \& Dusty

I love you Auntie Suzie and Auntie Sarah!

Darbs


By the time you were walking and talking we called you "Miss Me-Do-It," as you insisted on doing everything yourself. Later, undaunted perseverance added the title "Miss Determinations." These were indications of the pattern of accomplishments we observed with pride and awe of your tenacity and spirit. Now, as you continue, carry with you always our sustaining love, forever tucked close within your heart.

With admiration, Grandpa Frank \& Grandma Mary


Jenny,
This time in our lives has come too soon you've grown up too fast. We're not ready to let you go yet. But remember we'll always be here for you. We know you'll succeed in any choices you make in life, because of your determination and spunk. Let your heart \& God be your guide. We love you very much!

Mom \& Dad


## Affectionate

Practical
Respected
Inspiring
Loving
That's our sister! We love you, Kathryn, Jennifer, Samantha, Ryan, Christina, Heidi, Robert, Ross, James \& Renae


You were always there for me night and day and you seemed to know just what to say, from little girls on the playground we played when we'd go to Grandma's on a cookie raid. We reached High School, it was quite the test and God knows it'd be nice to rest. Now in Tech. it's study, study, study, and we'll forever be life long buddies! Best Wishes! Love, Jessi


Suzanne \& Sarah, a separate message to each of you just doesn't seem right. You have always shared everything \& changing that now won't work. You are both beautiful \& unique individuals, but "twins" you will always be. I know each of you will go on to be the best you can be. I am proud of you for how far you've come and will be here supporting you in whatever you each decide to do. Remember I always have enough love for both of you!

## Love Always! Mom



Jessica, you are the ligh of my life. You are the most caring, compas sionate and understanding young girl. You are like a precious gem in all our lives. We love you dearly. May God

Bless You! Love,
Grandma Lois,
Jason \& Nicki on the bus for the First Day. I
wish

Sara, you were my pride and joy back then, now you make me proud to be called Mom. I know I've done my job well everytime look at the young lady you turned out to be. And I now know you will make it, and keep making us proud! With Love, Mom \& Dad P.S. Don't forget to call home.


Daughter, you are leaving us soon. Like a flower you are blooming. Soon the wind will carry you away. Just remember like stars shine down on us each night, so do the angels look upon you to help guide your way. You have become a beautiful woman and soon you will have your own home. Just remember we are always here.

Love, Mommy \& Sissy


Kia Lee, OK, here's the situation. It seems you made graduation. Even though we thought we never had a lot of doubt, We can still say we are very proud. And though we love to tease and pick, We're glad with your grades you did stick. So when all is said and done, We hope you had some fun. When it comes to a sister we would want no others, Cause no one loves you like your brothers. Love you Little Sis, Corey, Darin \& Adam
you all the luck in your future. You have been a huge part of my life and I want you to know I will always be here for you. Thank you for honoring me to be your Mother.


Dear Melissa, may all your dreams come true as you used to dream with Rainbow Brite. May you always be as caring as the Care Bears tried to show by example. You have always made us proud. You can succeed at anything you put your mind to. The world is there for the taking. Love from all of us!

Mom \& Dad, Matt, Luke, Chris, Liz \& Paul
 Love Always, Mom \& Dad


Jennifer, I know in the past you've gone through some hard times. I know you had to go through some hard adjustments. Even as hard as it's been you've come through on top. We're very proud of you and couldn't ask for a better daughter. Even though it's hard for us to see you all grown up and on your way out in the world. I have all the faith in the world you'll come out on top!

With all our love, Mom \& Butch
 Sara, it's hard to believe my "baby" girl is graduat-
ing. You have grown into a beautiful young woman
and I love you so. As you grow in your life, look at
the brighter side of things. Work hard at what you
want to achieve. Never lose your love of art and
pursue your dreams. Love, Mom
P.S. You will still always be my little "Sara Bear."


Kristy Lee, congratulations! You re member in Kindergarten when the teacher asked your name and you said, "Kristy Pumpkin Johnson." You have made us laugh and cry through these past 18 years, but most of all you have made us so very proud of you. May all your dreams come true. Love, Mom \& Dad


Jason, congratulations and best wishes to you always. You have grown up to be a fine young man, determined in your ways to achieve success, whether it be in school, sports or at work. Keep to your dreams of becoming a successful chef and you will do it. May God bless you and guide you.
 Love Always, Mom \& Carey



Suzanne,
Through all the days we've been together playing legos, watching Home Alone, or even fighting, I'll always be your twin sister no matter what we're doing.

Love,
Sarah

Sarah,
Remember our first communion? I remember when we used to be such great pals. I'd always come over and we'd play the dumbest games! Good luck in the future! Hope we meet up later on. Pals Forever, Liz



Prella, Remember the SS. Congrats, Shana

Erik, graduation is one of the many fond memories your Mom and I will cherish. You have provided a great deal of humor, entertainment, and for the most part, many more joys than worries, for both of us over the years. Thank you for embracing the challenges of education, for caring about others, and for your commitment to your family. We all wish you the very best and congratulations.


Kacy, Our Firstborn,
The first time we held you we thought...what a miracle! We still feel that. You're witty, charming, funny, compassionate, and love a variety of sports and music. You went from mowing the neighbor's lawn, "in the buff," with your plastic mower, to Scouts, sports, and now graduation. We love you and back you in whatever you choose.

Love, Mom \& Dad

## April,

We are so very proud of you! Good job! You did it! We wish you all the happiness in the world!

We love you! Mom \& Jeff
Way to go, Apey! Way to go! Love, Your Little Sister, Rosie (Fartface)


Sis, I know we've had our hard times, but we always came through. There's one more thing: I will always thank God that I have you for a sister.

Love ya, Jodi
Jessica, I'm so glad we met up in fourth grade! I don't know how I would've gone through certain things without you. I know that we'll be friends forever, because we've already survived so much as friends that we can get through anything. Whenever I'm feeling down, all I have to do is remember some of the dumb things we've done. I don't even need to say more than that! You work, have double the homework, and take EXCELLENT care of Meghan (and Dad!), regardless of what people may say. Good luck in the future! BFF, Liz


Mike, Congratulations! I love you!


Michelle, as the years have gone by, you've grown from a precious newborn to a beautiful young woman. Along the way, you have learned and experienced lot that life has to offer; the good along with the bad. You've be come such a strong person in so many ways. This strength and your caring ways will help you to achieve your goals as an adult. We're very proud of your ac complishments, and will continue to support you in your decisions in life. We love you very much!

All Our Love, Mom \& Dad

April, we haven't always seen eye to eye,
But then you're much taller than me.
And besides, wouldn't life be boring,
If we always did agree?
Although our views on life are different,
And it seems we've drifted apart.
I will always respect your opinion,
Because I know it comes from the heart.
I have no doubt you'll reach the top,
No mountain is too high.
With your strong will and determination,
You'll soar above the sky.
I am very proud of you!
Love you too much, Mom


Suz and Sarah, it's been said and done before and still holds true: Friends may come and go, but you'll always have your sisters. Good Luck! We Love You!



## From the East

Exchange Students. Picture 1: Laura Reinshagen, Jaana Riekkinen, and Jessica Maloney enjoy the before homecoming rush. Picture 2: Jaana having a great time at the homecoming dance. Picture 3 : Back Row: Ye Jie, Myong Ok, Jin Ju, In Hyuk. Front Row: Kwan Young, Bo Sam, Jittye, Bo Ram, Say An, Kong Seub, Gung Haeng. Picture 4: Awaiting the bonfire, Jessica, Jaana, and Laura take time to strike a pose.


Around the world in twelve hours and from four different countries came our brave young exchange students. Filled with terror and a bit of excitement, they left their humble abodes and jumped the nearest plane to the thriving metropolis of Augusta, Wisconsin. When asked what they expected to see when they finally arrived, Jessica Maloney said that she was thinking of a "Saved By the Bell" episode. Though certain things did seem to have a certain Bayside-ish air to them; like wearing football jerseys on game days and having lockers in the halls, most things were quite different. The one thing that impressed them above all was our school spirit. In their countries, no one really goes to school sports events or has a spirit week. After a couple of weeks, no one even noticed their cultural differences. All three of them just jumped right in and joined all the fun of homecoming and extra curricular activities. About a week before Christmas vacation, we were joined by a group of students from Korea. They sat in on our classes and tried to participate as much as they could. Overall, our exchange students were well liked and will definitely be missed.



## Sprinting Ahead ee Chris run. See Rita throw. See Shana jump. At the

Sbeginning, Osseo-Fairchild outnumbered Augusta's girls' track team members, but in the end it was the tenacity and natural talent of the Augusta athletes that took the team further than Coach Velie thought they would go. From the dry wasteland of Melrose-Mindoro to the swampy mid-state city of Nekoosa, they traversed the state leaving behind a wake of destruction. Well . . . that may be a slight exaggeration. Ending the year with only about a dozen girls between the two schools put them at a certain disadvantage. Relay teams were hard to come by and Jessica Klatt even had to try her hand at shot put because there were not enough throwers. You know what they say about quality versus quantity, quality of the participants in the girls' track team was surely not lacking.


Girls' Track. Picture 1: Don't Shana Welter and Dustin Yule make you feel all warm and fuzzy inside? Picture 2: Back Row: Pam Larson, Sarah Remkus, Samantha Spores, Rita Koch. Row 3: Lacey Bergman, Coach Velie, Christina Jones. Row 2: Jessica Klatt, Crystal Wolf, Jennifer Spores, Chloe Gabler. Front Row: Fiona Garcia, Shana Welter, Tiffany Skoyen, Nicky Connett.


Picture 1: The whole team poses at the Father Mack Relays. Picture 2: What is Lacey Bergman scowling at? Picture 3: Chloe Gabler looking chipper. Picture 4: Jessica Klatt's good side captured. Picture 5: Would you like to do my Spanish for me?

## On the $\mathcal{H}$ omestretch

The wing-shoed footmen really had me speed underfoot as they head ed in a whole new direction! Although the quantity of the members was less than previous years, the boys' track team sure as heck knew how to have a good time, no matter how they placed in meets. On bus rides, pork rinds were the staple food, flatulating and taking credit for it was actually a GOOD thing, and yelling insults at pedestrians as they passed through Fall Creek was a rite of passage. Obnoxious sounds and phrases were the most common form of communication, to the point they had almost developed their own exclusive language. Without a track to call their own, these guys adopted nearby Osseo's for home meets. Although not quite the same, Osseo proved friendly and some of their best efforts were put forth there. This was a season to remember not only for the competitive participation, but especially for the raunchy, male-bonding, vulgar kind of good times.


Boy's Track. Picture 1: Ahoy Matey! Captains Wade Brost and Kyle Schwoch. Picture 2: Back Row: Coach Prochnow, Kyle Schwoch, Shaun Nelson, Conrad Aichele, Coach Skifstad. Row Two: Jeremy Gilbert, Derrick Pettis, Kacy Warner, Jesse Buttke, Jonathon Horrell. Front Row: John Rugotzke, Jason Pettis, Dustin Yule, Wade Brost, Greg Hazard, Scott Dickinsen, Denver Stubbe. Missing: Coach Mike Barrett. Picture 3: Jeremy Gilbert, Jeremy Gerdes, Dustin Yule, and Wade Brost having a little too much fun. Picture 4: Scott Dickinsen truckin' down the fast lane.


"Take me out to the ball game," was what the softball team said everyday as they went to practice on the Osseo field. Although this commute may have been time consuming, it was overall a thing to remember. Everyone, as well as the girls' track team who they shared the van with, passed the time by shooting the breeze and just relaxing before the work began. And, according to some members, it was a lot of work. The new coaches were more strict than in previous years, but also knew what they were doing. They gave a lot of good advice that helped in the long run. The season may not have gone as well as some would have liked, but it was still enjoy. able for the most part.


| Opponent | We | They |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Independence | 9 | 7 |
| Altoona | 3 | 13 |
| Stanley-Boyd | 1 | 11 |
| Cornell | 24 | 13 |
| Fall Creek | 3 | 5 |
| Cadott | 11 | 6 |
| Altoona | 10 | 14 |
| Stanley-Boyd | 2 | 8 |
| Cornell | 9 | 5 |
| Gilman | 3 | 7 |
| Cadott | 2 | 10 |
| Gilman | 6 | 16 |
| E.C. Regis | 5 | 15 |
| Independence | 9 | 13 |
| Fall Creek | 12 | 14 |
| PLAYOFFS | 0 |  |
| Altoona | 0 |  |



Varsity Softball. Back row: Kari Iverson, Amanda Sass, Katie Lauterbauch, Coach Jeff Damrau, Julie Rusinko, Emily Brown, Karla Lundburg Back row: Kim Breid, Staphanie Winkler, Lindsey Holiday, Alicia Sylvester, Jessica Weiss, Kimberly Steele. J.V. Softball. Back Row: Coach Koombs, Kristie Weiss, Kristen Sieg, Jessica Sass, Amanda Moseley, Jennifer Sass, Melissa Korger, Christine Honadel, Chanda Baader, Coach Olson Row 2: Jennifer LeGare, Kara Kangas, Sarah Forcier, Ashley Kittelson, Carmen Pettis Front Row: Erin Vaade, Tina Chase, Sarah Connett, Kasey Krueger



It was a whole new ball game with new coaches, new players, and new expectations. Coach Paulson and Coach Iverson were remembered as fun but strict. "One, two, three strikes you're out!" was heard plenty during the season, but not without a few hits prior. It seemed that they were always in the game until one or two innings of errors. These mistakes were not taken lightly, though. Coach Paulson and Coach Iverson held their high expectations throughout the season and the boys tried both individually and as a team to improve. What is a season, though, with only hard work and no play? Besides, this is a summer sport! With Kacy Warner leading the way, there were many jokes to tell and even more pranks to pull. One player remembers Chris Korger's famous phrase, "Ahh, come on blue!" Left field would not be left field without some perky, yet annoying, cheering. In the end it seemed the only thing to do was prepare for future years and try not to focus on lost games. Instead, this young crew will continue to work hard and gain a new, hopefully winning, reputation.


Baseball. Back Row: Coach Paulson, Kevin Bailey, Greg Hazard, Wade Brost, Jake Krueger, Shaun Nelson, Kevin Ives, Kyle Schwoch, Kacy Warner, Coach Iverson. Front Row: Kelsey Lee, Chris Korger, Danny Marcheske, Dustin Yule, John Rugotzke, Nick Gray, Andrew Potts, Adam Brown.

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Blair-Taylor Loss Win Loss Loss Loss Loss Loss Loss Loss Loss Loss Loss


## To the Mats

20hat takes a lot of quick thinking, strategy, and strength? Nope, not football, but close. It's the Augusta wrestling team, which did rather well this year. The team had many talented new comers as well as a few veterans. The captains included seniors Kacy Warner, Dennis Bergman and Jason Pettis. This year was different for the boys because they got to practice at their own school in a brand new facility. This brought about their own school spirit while making the rest of the school aware of their presence. With better morale and a more convenient practice facility, they were off to a great start. They were, however, still combined with the Osseo team, but the two seemed to get along great. The entire group only managed to meet on Wednesday nights every other week, but they definitely made the best of it. Traditional methods of intense workouts applied, but the swimming pool was also used! This gave variety to some very tough practices, which was a huge relief. Some activities included swimming races and carrying teammates on their backs across the pool. The team ended with a five hundred record which wasn't too shabby. Captain Kacy Warner commented by saying "Overall the team did good for a very young team." With that said, next year will bring bigger and better things... if that's even possible!


Wrestling. Back Row: Dennis Bergman, Douglas Bergman, Kacy Warner, John Rugotzke, Derrik Pettis, Jason Pettis, Grant Gabler. Second Row: Coach Jeff Larson, Eli Simion, Travis Knuteson, Casey Stein, Kyle Frase, Ryan Johnson, John Frelk, Josh Velie, Brent Johnson. First Row: Jarred Fitzarold, Luke Boortz, John Strack, Dick Odness, David VanGlarkum, James Oliver, Jesse Hogsted, Adam Koffman.

## Over Rugged Gerrain

 ard, Coach Mike Barrett. Row One: Samantha Spores, Jamie Kaeding, and Callie Nelson.


$\tau$he ever-encouraging Coach Barrett led this outstanding cross country team. Driven by the world's \#lcross country bus driver, George, they arrived safe (barely) and way before scheduled for almost every meet. During each meet they met some goals and had some adventures. The greatest adventure for them would have to be Homecoming Day. After starting the day with an adrenaline-flowing assembly, they took off for Greenwood. There they would start their mission - running 40 miles to Beaver territory. With the whole team painted up, including George, they ran in two's carrying the game ball tightly tucked to their sides. They still had much more excitement yet to come. Around four o'clock all the spirit-filled fans gathered at Coon Fork to have a tailgate party, which would be the most exhilarating time of all. With a police escort, they ran the ball back to Centennial Field to our very own Queen Sara Moseley. With many more events and jokes all around, this team was filled with much more than just spirit. $\qquad$

## Serve's up!

"L
et's get in the groove!" was the saying heard often by the Augusta girls' volleyball team whenever they felt the need to become more intense. Although starting off the season in high spirits, they ended up settling for 7th place in the Small Cloverbelt. There were some shaky moments; however, these ag. gressive players pulled together to play as a team after having worked on individual strengths to prove that they each had a valuable asset to contribute. Having Coach Chuck Forseth back, along with Coach Jean Radovich, and the new JV coach Melinda Logterman, also made for an exciting season as both old and new drills and ideas could be incorporated into enhancing the volleyball players' skill levels. These girls serve not only as an example to future volleyball participants, but also make a long lasting memory in Augusta volleyball history.

Volleyball. Picture 1: Varsity Team: Back Row: Coach Chuck Forseth, Sara Moseley, Suzanne Hinojosa, Casey Tripp, Natalie Gabler, April Spores, April King, Paula Hahn, Sarah Hinojosa, Coach Radovich. Row 2: Christina Jones, Julie Crowe, Jewel Bergman, Kimberly Steele, Shana Welter, Coach Melinda Logterman. Front Row: Alicia Syivester, Kristie Weiss. Picture 2: Where are your game faces Alicia Syivester, April Spores and Jewel Bergman? Picture 3: "Okay, next set is to you," says setter Julie Crowe to Natalie Gabler. Picture 4: Don't think too hard there, Coach!


JV team: Chanda Baader, Jessica Weiss, Christine Honadel, Jennifer Lange, Kendra Bohl, Abbie Zank, Chloe Gabler, Callie Nelson, Coach Melinda Logterman. Row 2: Cody Warner, Jade Seichter, Erin Lewis, Lacey Bergman, Sarah Forcier, Brooke Erdman, Steffaine Poettker. Front row: Alexis Dickinsen, Kathryn Steel, Jennifer Parker.

Freshman Team: Back Row: Coach Jean Radovich, Ashley Price, Jessica Smith, Kimberly Bailey, Cassandra Buttke, Stephanie Boettcher, Roberta Fitzmaurice, Amber Marion, Nicole Torres. Row 2: Teri Schulz, Jessica King, Trina Bergman, Katria Kangas, Brandi Pettis, Emily Horrell. Front Row: Amy LeBarton, Cherie Thomas.


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| Neillsville (Tri.) | 2 | 3 |
| Blair-Taylor | 3 | 0 |
| Stanley-Boyd | 1 | 2 |
| Altoona | 1 | 2 |
| Eau Claire | 1 | 2 |
| Immanuel | 3 | 0 |
| Fall Creek | 1 | 2 |
| Gilman | 0 | 3 |
| Cadott | 4 | 4 |
| Gilman (Inv.) | 3 | 0 |
| Osseo | 1 | 3 |
| Eleva-Strum | 0 | 3 |
| Cloverbelt |  |  |
| Conference |  |  |
| WIAA Regional |  |  |

Picture 1: Whadda we gonna to do? Beat 'em! Beat'em! Picture 2: These ladies, Kim Steele and Christina Jones are in tents!

# Steering Clear 



Football. Back Row: Coach Rod Anderson, Coach Tom Crowe, Coach Todd Salisbery, Coach Randy Stutzman Row 5: Jed Stutzman, Jason Pettis, Jesse Buttke, Jake Krueger, Dennis Bergman, Damien Osborn, Erik Brown, Jason Clark, Kacy Warner. Row 4: Jacob Johnson, Bradley Veenendall, Scott Gerike, Kevin Ives, Derrick Pettis, John Rugotzke, Dustin Yule, Kelsey Lee. Row 3: Richard Gilbert, Joseph Sudbrink, Matthew McMahon, Joshua Berlin, Scott Dickinsen, Denver Stubbe, Kevin Bailey, Brian Nelson, Jesse Luedtke. Row 2: Nicholas Jacobs, Andrew Potts, Scott Williamson, Richard Bogart, Matthew Wiese, Zachary Watenphul, Douglas Bergman, Brian Williamson, Nicholas Pettis. Front Row: Grant Gabler, Brandon Strauch, Kristopher Grimm, Randall Klatt, Richard Price, Andrew Dickinsen, Zachary Stensen, Matthew Schroeder, Jordan Sell, Jesse Zellmer, Jared

Superstitions. Everyone has them. But, they seem more prevalent in sports than anywhere else. The Augusta football team was no exception. Many athletes wore a certain outfit every game day to bring them luck. Among the coaches there were many talismans like Mr. Stutzman's lucky pack of Big Red or lucky purple underwear, and rituals like saying something encouraging to each of the linemen during varsity warm-ups and singing along with the national anthem. Does the color of the shirt or hat you wear really determine whether or not you win? No, good luck charms don't win or lose a football game, players do. The season began beautifully, with an initial record of 4.0 after beating Arcadia, Osseo-Fairchild, Loyal and Fall Creek. That part of the season was marked by some great moments, like the awesome triple overtime win over Fall Creek at their homecoming. This is also the first season in the memory of most that we beat both of our local rivals, Fall Creek and Osseo-Fairchild. The defeat of Fall Creek proved to be a turning point. Not a single game was won after that tooth-and-nail fight to the death. There were some especially dark moments, most found toward the end of the season. Many will remember the final game of the season versus MelroseMindoro when a $21-0$ lead slipped away and we lost by one point. The dreary, rainy away battle with OwenWithee when senior Dennis Bergman suffered a very frightening stinger, and fellow senior Jesse Buttke injured his knee was another bad time faced by the Beavers. That game was lost by a margin most players would just as soon forget. Our homecoming was a heartbreaking defeat by Greenwood 21-42. The final record of the season was 4-5 But, that losing record doesn't totally reflect the season for the Beavers. The junior varsity ended the season with a record of $7-0$, which was encouraging to the entire team, varsity included, and showed great promise in the players on the way up. Also, many of the losses were the result of a great starts that couldn't be followed through, especially against Thorp and Melrose-Mindoro. But what doesn't kill you makes you stronger, and our football warriors learned not only about the game, but also a lot about teamwork, commitment, and life.


Girls Basketball. Picture 1: Junior Varsity Back Row: Heather Waggoner, Jennifer Lange, Kendra Bohl. Row 2: Abbie Zank, Lacey Bergman, Coach Bill O'Connel, Jade Seichter, Erin Lewis. Front Row: Cody Warner. Picture 4: Freshmen: Back Row: Cassandra Buttke, Nicole Torres, Amber Bergman, Trinia Bergman, Amanda Trescher. Front Row: Amy Bogart, Katria Kangas, Leslie Motzko. Not Pictured: Coach Holly Morris. Opposite Page. Varsity: Back Row: Bill O'Connel, Casey Tripp, Jamie Kaeding, Natalie Gabler, Nici Claymon. Row 2: Jewel Bergman, Callie Nelson, Julie Crowe, Paula Hahn. Front Row: Alexis Dickinsen, Alicia Sylvester, Kara Kangas.

## Reach For <br> The

wwith new faces, a new gym, and many new attitudes, Augusta girls' basketball was barely recognizable. There were many adjustments to be made, but these girls didn't seem to mind the sacrifice. With only four returning letter winners, there was a great deal of practicing to be done. Many of these girls had never played basketball together, but they were up to the challenge. Coach Nici Claymon, a former college basketball star, drilled the ideas of team unity and hustle into these eager players, but it was up to the athletes to determine the outcome. The varsity squad got off to a great start, but realized quickly that the Cloverbelt Conference was no cake walk. The junior varsity felt the same, as they too were up to some tough competition and had to work just as hard with their new coach, Bill O'Connel. The freshmen, coached by Holly Morris, were off to a rocky start, but found quickly that they had the talent needed to be competitive. If there is one thing basketball is good for, though, it is the learning aspect of it. If nothing else, these girls learned how to work together and have fun. Spaghetti dinners and team trips let everyone get to know each other and become close as a group with one thing in common - the game of basketball.


## Shootin'

## em' Up

with many returning seniors, which included Jason Clark, Erik Brown, Jake Krueger, Jeremy Gilbert, Nick Brevik, and Steven Stensen, the team began with a large veteran segment. Coach Steve Petznick came in very excited about the $1998-99$ boys basketball team. With the talent the team brought they were sure to accomplish a winning season and maybe more. This team brought something that past teams didn't - determination, drive, and a new concept, a very physical side. The team definitely showed their aggressiveness and competiveness. These boys really knew how to hustle, whether it was scrambling on the hardwood for a loose ball or banging the boards with velocity. Hustle was their middle name. Being with a very competitive conference, the Beavers surely had a lot to handle. No doubt these future stars could "shoot the rock," but they also knew how to have a good time doing it. "We know we can play ball; it's just if we can put it all together," our senior star Jake Krueger said earlier in the season. No one wanted to miss a minute of true high school basketball action and adventure. There was never a dull moment.



## Swinging with Success

$\tau$
 $==$ ed fierce competition and a great environment for fun. While waiting for the snow to clear in late spring, the golfers were forced to practice with plastic balls and mats inside the allpurpose gym. This experience gave them a chance to practice their basic skills before they took to the fairways. Once they hit the course, they were on fire. Our senior stars and supporting cast gave their best effort to have a successful season. One player remembers the Black River Falls invitational where 90 degree heat affected golfing ability, "After 18 holes we were exhausted," said Erik Brown. The courses were both challenging and exciting. The seniors came up big in leading the squad, but the team holds promise with many returning golfers. If it's driving, chipping, or putting, 1998's golf team proved that golf is a serious sport and deserves some respect.

Some might say that girls' golf seemed to be one of the least important sports that Augusta High offered. The 1998 girls' team tended to disagree. The few lady golfers were filled with plenty of energy throughout the season. This energy was burned off during their endless matches in the fall sunshine. Many of the players remember the very entertaining rides to their matches, which gave them time to show their humorous sides. During the Homecoming pep rally the girls got a chance to show off their skills by sending their plastic balls soaring into the rambunctious crowd. In their second season as a girls team, they seemed to work together and golf well. The girls didn't back down from the challenge of performing and they definitely seemed to enjoy themselves in the process.


Boys Golf: Front row: Nicholas Gray, Nicholas Canaday, Kevin Ives, Luke Breid, Alan Smith, Kyle Brunzlick. Back row: Coach Rod Anderson, Tom Zempel, Bradley Klatt, Erik Brown, Joshua Schroeder, Adam Brown.


Picture 2: Molly Cousin and Kara Kangas on their way back from a successful meet. Picture 3: "I got a new low!" Jamie Zempel exclaims. Picture 4: Girls Golf: Jamie Zempel, Melissa Korger, Sarah Eckel, Molly Cousin, Kara Kangas, Coach
Mickey Vandehey.
 think about the great teachers and curriculum that schools have. English always helps us in the-fast paced verbal section of this world; history helps to understand where we all began; math teaches us problem solving, which is a daily factor in our lives; computer class prepares us for the technical world that has developed; science helps us understand how things work.

English-language, literature, or composition when a subject of study. This sometimes hated subject is one of the most valuable necessities that we have. Through it we learn the American language and how to speak like intelligent young adults. Increasing vocabulary isn't the only thing that has meaning in our lives, but also reading novels by brilliant authors, improving public speaking skills, the aspect of writing and creating our own papers, and researching and discovering parts to the unknown world of English. Communication is what makes us human, and English allows us to do it better.

$\mathcal{H}$istory-a branch of knowledge that records and explains past events. Modern World History, Economics, Global Studies, Social Issues, US Government, there are so many faces of history to choose from. History helps us understand who, what, where, when and why. Learning who we are, how America began, facts about war, and understanding how our economy works are just some of the opportunities presented by studying history. Like money? Five teams from our school alone are part of the Stock Market Game. Wanna go to India? France? Studying countries and learning about cultures that are so different from our own helps make us well-balanced people.

Science-such knowledge or such a system of knowledge concerned with the physical world and its phenomena. Cutting up baby pigs and experimenting with chemicals may sound like serious business and hard work, but our science teachers made it worth sticking with the class and also made it fun. Learning to be independent is something to be gained from science classes because we are allowed to develop and carry out our own experiments. Hands-on activities provide a unique way to learn, be it growing pop bottle biomes or collecting and classifying insects. Summer science allowed students to expand their science skills outside of regular school hours. Everything we have, see, or hear comes somehow from the natural world, and science provides an opportunity to understand it.

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Picture 1: "How far is it Mr. Damrau?" asks Jared Rouleau and Nicole Torres. Picture 2: Dazed and Confused . . . Jade Seichter and Jonathan Horrell. Picture 3: Jennifer Parker demonstrates how to mix up cookies. Opposite page: Dr. Atrophy's makes a new friend of Callie Jo Nelson.

©ath-the science of numbers and their operations. Math is not always the subject that is loved most, but we gain many valuable skills from it. There is a lot more to it than addition and multiplication, like statistics, geometric formulas, and factoring. A lot of different ways were available to learn about math like using graphic calculators, giving presentations, and tutoring other students. Math classes can expand other facets of your mind, like teaching you how to deal with other people through group work and tutoring. We had opportunities outside of school with math, such as the UWEC Math Contest. Though we may not like to admit it now, math is something we will definitely use in the real world.



Picture 1: What's up Peter Pederson? Picture 2: Jake Johnson, aren't you supposed to be in class? Picture 3: Paula Johnson and Jenny Kinser handing out everyone's favorite "going in the hole with your lunch money" slips. Picture 4: Whatcha' working on Brian White? Picture 5: Josh Plamp and Dustin Poirier working on another science project.

Computer Skills-a machine that is used to store, retrieve and process data; learned power of doing something competently. What could prepare us better to enter the 21st Century than Computer Skills? Whether we use these skills for personal use or school, what we have learned here and now will benefit us in the technological world we live in. With the many different programs that are available to us we are hardly limited: word processing, spreadsheets, data bases, Power Point, CAD, Photo Deluxe... where to start and where to end? No matter what you do or how you do it, computer skills will be a part of this fast-paced world.


## Focusing the Future



$\tau$he FFA began with high hopes, to not only excel in the agriculture area, but to do it with real class. Students involved in FFA got the distinct pleasure of participating in the FFA hayride and bonfire, or FFA volleyball or basketball for the more athletic type. Members sold a variety of fruits for a fund raiser, and a select few attended the FFA convention in Kansas City. A favorite memory was when they attended a rodeo where they had a really great time. Some students also par ticipated in World Dairy Expo. Several judged dairy cows, dairy food, and forages. If they were not busy selling dairy cattle at the fair or playing their favorite FFA sport, they were off learning more and just having a plain old good time.

FFA. Picture 1: Jessica Weiss relaxing after a long day at the State Convention. Picture 2: Officers: Jenny Shilts, Natalie Gabler, Billie Bohl, Jessica Weiss, Kristi Buse, Molly Cousin, William Schulz. Not pictured: Scott Gerike. Picture 3: Back Row: Brady Dickinsen, Jonathon Bohl, Jenny Shilts, Brenda Dowiasch, Billie Bohl, Jessica Weiss, Heather Wag. goner, Molly Cousin, Bradley Veenendall. Row 2: Lacey Risberg, Kristy Buse, Jaclyn Pettis, Jessica Ripple, Natalie Gabler, Brooke Erdman, Jewel Bergman, Nicholas Pettis. Row 3: Jeremy Boettcher, William Schulz, Jake Krueger, Jason Pettis, Justin Groth, Jesse Buttke. Row 4: Jacob Flick, Steven Erdman, Kent Swatzina, Alan Smith.


## Into the Ulnknown



20hat made FHA club so special? First, the new leader, Mrs. Thorpe, and second, the first male president in a long time. President Jason Pettis had great success in running the group through the traditional Military Mail Call, Halloween haunted house, and other various projects. Mrs. Thorpe not only brought a positive attitude and a warm smile, but also new creative ideas. The fund for the FHA Chapter had been a little low and with her ideas they gradually rebuilt it by making and selling caramel apples at Homecoming, selling chocolates, and other various projects. "Grease on Ice" was where this group went to celebrate the 1998-99 year. "Mrs. Thorpe was a great addition to our staff," said her mentor, Mrs. Crossman.


FHA. Picture 1:Yum ... Jason Pettis enjoying spaghetti, rice, raisins, etc. Picture 2: Christina VonHaden at her scariest. Picture 3: Officers: Back Row: President Jason Pettis. Front Row: Nicole Carlson, Sara Potts, Jessica Hillmanowski, Jennifer Polinske. Picture 4: Back Row: Richard Gilbert, Kelsey Lee, April Peterson, Sara Potts, Jessica Hilmanowski, Nicole Carlson, Kacy Warner, Jennifer Polinske, Jason Pettis. Row 2: Jaana Riekkinen, Mary Lund, Amee Williamson, Samantha Smith, Kia Bauch, Abbie Zank, Cody Warner, Chloe Gabler, Brian Wililamson, Mrs. Thorpe. Front Row: Branden Strauch, Jessica Klatt, Michelle Greer, Erin Crawford, Christina VonHaden, April Marion, Tisha Bonick, Amber Marion.

# The Backbone 

"ていho's doing the grocery run today? Alan?" "Mrs. Crossman, is it going to be a late night again?" "DISCARD or die!!!" "The deadline is only two weeks away!?" "Come on guys. We can only listen to one at a time. Garth or *N SYNC?" These are the five most-asked questions at annual staff work nights. The head count of able-bodied workers seemed to dwindle as time wore on, but the committed few who remained always gave it their all. Though many had other activities to think of from athletics to mock trial to confirmation, they found a way to work around these commitments to put their time in for the sake of the yearbook. The book you now hold in your hands took a lot more blood, sweat, and tears than many realize. It required countless hours of hard work, cooperation, and dedication. Although lots of hard work went on, there were also some laid back moments such as when they took time to discuss school, movies, families, or life in general. They also ate lots of nachos and salsa... but contrary to what Mr. Jones says, they DID NOT eat ALL of the time. Even with the stresses of deadlines and lost pages and pictures, the annual staffers did manage to produce a yearbook, and I must say, "It IS nice! Don't you think?"


Picture 1: A typical annual staff feast. Picture 2: Annual Staff: Back row: Kara Kangas, Shana Welter, Rita Koch. Row 2: Mrs. Crossman, Alicia Sylvester, Julie Crowe, Alan Smith, Christine Honadel, Lacey Risberg. Front row: Christina VonHaden, Editor Christina Jones. Picture 3: Lacey Risberg enjoys a piece of pie. Not Pictured: Jaclyn Pettis, Jessica Ripple, Elizabeth Fitzmaurice, Assistant Editor April Spores.


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$\mathcal{L}$ed by Sara Cullen (Mrs. Madsen's intern) through first semester, 1999 was a busy year for Student Council! They had many, many big meetings where they discussed many very important issues. Anyone remember the Internet/e-mail episode? That was very stressful
for Student Council members. However, that hectic experience was coupled with many good times! I doubt anyone who attended the WASC Fall Leadership Conference will forget Patrick George, energizers, the $t$-shirt defeat, and that boy who played along with the Comedy Sportz performers. I guess the trials and tribulations go along with the saying, "When the going gets tough, the tough get going." When it was Ms. Cullen's time to bid us farewell, Mrs. Kimm Severson, Special Education teacher, took over. "Ms. Cullen was missed, but Mrs. Severson also did a great job!" said Liz Fitzmaurice about the new advisor.


Above: Kacy, Erik, and Ms. Cullen deep in discussion at one of the many meetings. Everyone, look productive! Left: Another look into a Student Council meeting. Kacy, Jake, Liz, Melissa, and Jordan take a moment to smile for the camera.

## On The Unsside

National Honor Society. Front Row: Molly Cousin, Margaret Guntner, Kimberely Steele, Kara Kangas, Rita Koch, Shana Welter, Chris Jones, Julie Crowe, LeAnn Wiess. Back Row: Alicia Sylvester, Lacey Risberg, Alan Smith, Evan Mazur, Paula Hahn, Kevin Ives, Natalie Gabler, Scott Dickinsen, John Rugotzke. Not Pictured: Nick Brevik, Christine Honadel, Jenny Shilts.



Peer Helpers. Front Row: Jennifer Becker, Jenny Shilts, Emily Horrell, Katria Kangas, Alicia Sylvester. Back Row: Alan Smith, Jake Krueger, Kacy Warner, Rita Koch. Not Pictured: Billie Jo Bohl, Jacob Johnson, Cassie Buttke, Julie Crowe.

$\checkmark$here are always those students who go above and beyond the call of duty, both socially and academically. These kids did just that. Although National Honor Society didn't do much as a group, their status as responsible, respected students remains. There are many characteristics that define these young people, and these students met every one of them. Not only do they have a GPA of 3.25 or better, but they also met requirements in the area of character, leadership, scholarship, and service. The best part is, there is no limit on the number who can be entered. Juniors seemed to use this to their advantage. With so many qualified, juniors made up over half of the group! nother awesome aspect of being a socially accomplished student was having the opportunity to lend some time and/or advice to other needy students. Peer Helpers took a new approach this year. Mr. Jones and Mrs. Christensen both worked hard to get mentors and students to get together more often and with better results. Their attempts were successful with scheduled meeting times and planned activities, but improvement is continuous and next year is bound to bring even more success. "Peer Helpers is a great way for students to interact and help each other out," said advisor Mrs. Christensen, "the interaction is the best part."

## On the Road Again



" $A$re we there yet?" These four words were often heard muttered on Saturdays by the girls on the forensics bus. Though the mornings were always earlier than they would have liked, the small group of dedicated individuals who went made the best of it. The time was spent sleeping, laughing, singing along to the radio, or practicing a few more times before they had to have an audience. When they finally arrived at their destination about an hour later, the show was on. They had to go through three gruelling rounds of competition, but it was all worth it. State was definitely within everyone's sights.

Forensics. Picture 1: Jessica Maloney and Rita Koch enjoy a break before the meet. Picture 2: Jessica Maloney, Lacey Risberg, Anna Pelkey, and Katie Pieper pose while they wait to perform. Picture 3: Back Row: Anna Pelkey, Lacey Risberg, Amiee Weise, Jessica Maloney. Front Row: Rita Koch, Katie Pieper, Chloe Gabler. Not pictured: Jaclyn Pettis, Jessica Weiss. Picture 4: Wait! Lacey Risberg and Rita Koch are just about to leave after a hard day's work. Picture 5: Congratulations! Amiee Weise holds up her second place
plaque.


## Overruled



objection! Sustained! Where were you on the night of February 13, 1999? Case dismissed. Law and Order? No, it's Mock Trial! What could be better than a group of young people battling out their differences in a courtroom with a judge to keep order? But, these weren't your average arguments, they were the closest thing a teenager could get to participating in a real trial without committing a crime. It took a great deal of rehearsal and preparation to be ready for the big event. From the star witnesses to the lead lawyers, everyone had a crucial role in the success of the Mock Trial team. The case was a waiver hearing that decided the destiny of Lee Nash, a fictional young man, who was accused of committing murder. Although the story was made up, many team members had very strong opinions about the fate of this child. .which wasn't a bad thing, because it gave them a lot of passion when arguing their side of the case. Julie Crowe begged for him to get a second chance while Chris Jones wanted to see him burn just like the garage he torched. Though the competition was of a serious nature, they found ways to have fun, especially breaking for hoagies at the Acoustic Cafe. Through the ups and downs, hours of effort, and sweating bullets during tough objections or difficult witnesses, the team pulled together and pulled it off, learning a lot along the way.


Mock Trial. Picture 1: Jed Stutzman at the Eau Claire County Courthouse on the big day. Picture 2: Mock Trial team: Back Row: Rita Koch, Lacey Risberg, Lara Irvine, Jessica Maloney, Jed Stutzman, Jordan Sell. Front Row: Sarah Forcier, Julie Crowe, Christina Jones. Picture 3: Jessica Maloney and Julie Crowe waiting to defend Lee.

## Stage Left

 Jessica Maloney, Denver Stubbe, Lara Irvine. Front Row: Kimberly Steele, Chloe Gabler, Julie Crowe, Jadyn Pettis, Lacey Risberg, Susan Anderson.

Y(ou're probably wondering why eleven well behaved kids would want to act like delinquents. It's fun, that's why! The one act play is a pretty recent addition to our extra curricular ac tivities list of choices and it is definitely one of the toughest. With everyone's busy schedule, practices are almost impossible to plan. Early mornings and weekends were sometimes the only solution. With only one boy in the production, Juvie was not your typical play. Not only did the gender difference affect the actor and actresses, but also the intensity needed for the production had to be great in order for it to come off smoothly and realistically. With only two weeks to practice before the first competition, expectations for advancement were low. Things went pretty well the first time around, though, and this crew was not going to go down silently. The next couple of weeks were very intense and demanding. Additions to the play were made and everyone seemed to improve individually. Many goals were met and everyone came away learning something about themselves and each other.

## Under The Sun

Under the direction of the misters Tweed, Barrett, Hadorn, and Forseth, twenty-one people defied their mothers and played in the mud all day... well, maybe not all day; they did manage to do some useful research to help the environment. During the summer these devoted science lovers worked on many things at Beaver Creek Reserve. Some activities included: testing water quality, categorizing plant life and tree species, and GPS (global positioning). Along with that research, a handful of students continued with bear tracking from previous times. With all of these activites, of course, was the unexpected and more entertaining and memorable moments such as inner-tubing, hiking long and bug-filled trails, Liz's tire-changing lesson, and the insect repellent trails that Mr. Barrett left so he could be tracked. It was a fun, unpredictable, and productive summer for the students who sacrificed their summers in the name of science and research.


Summer Science. Participants: Elizabeth Fitzmaurice, Jessica Snyder, Michelle Greer, Jennifer Lange, Zachary Stensen, Chloe Gabler, Rita Koch, Lacey Risberg, Julie Crowe, Shana Welter, Stephanie Poettker, Brian Williamson, Scott Williamson, Chanda Baader, Scott Dickinsen, Molly Cousin, Jacob Johnson, Kelsey Lee, Jesse Luedtke, Alicia Sylvester and Lindsay Sorge.

> Are we having FuN \% yet?

## E

Encore! Encore! This elite group of band and choir students went the extra mile to become better musicians. Endless practicing, class A solos and ensembles, and a glowing recommendation could find you a place in the Steven's Point Honors Band. The band teachers of our conference got together and lobbied for their band students to be members of the honors band or choir. The experience of being surrounded by the best musicians of our region gave a thrill to all those who participated. Nothing could prepare these rare talents for the big concert, but that doesn't mean they didn't try! Countless hours of rehearsal polished them for the big night, but nothing could compare to the real thing. Everything went as planned and these kids walked away knowing that they had been part of a wonderful experience.

Honors Band and Choir. Picture 1: Stevens Point Honors Band: Melissa Korger, LeAnn Weise, Christina Jones. Picture 2: AllConference Choir: Ms. Kuivenin, Kia Bauch, Derrick Pettis, Amy Williamson, Mary Lund. Picture 3: All-Conference Band: Back Row: Jaclyn Pettis, Christina Jones, Jessica Weiss, Melissa Korger. Front Row: Kristy Johnson, Casey Tripp, Christine Honadel.



# Accelerando 




B and members received many perks, such as getting out of class early to go to pep rallies and free admission to home games, but this all came with a great deal of hard work. As in other classes, students worked on their individual improvement outside of class and worked with classmates during eighth hour (which wasn't the easiest time to concentrate on articulation and dynamics!). Not only did the band practice hard, but they played hard, in the Windy City-Chicago! There they saw the sights and toured the Science and Industry Museum. Afterwards the travelers stayed the night in a motel, and awoke early the next day for a day of fun at Six Flags Great America. "It was a long bus ride, but riding in a coach bus seemed to have helped!"

Band. Picture 1: Back Row: Marilyn Anderson, Cassandra Buttke, Cherie Thomas, Kevin Bailey, Jaclyn Pettis, Paula Hahn, Denver Stubbe, Kara Kangas, Julie Crowe, Alexis Dickinsen, Natalie Gabler, Brenda Dowiasch. Row 2: Sarah Mock, Jamie Zempel, Margaret Guntner, Elizabeth Fitzmaurice, Christine Honadel, Laura Reinshagen, Kathryn Steele, Jessica King. Front Row: Kristy Johnson, Sarah Hinojosa, Casey Tripp, Suzanne Hinojosa, Zachary Watenphul, Susan Anderson. Picture 2: Back Row: Leslie Motzko, Stephanie Boettcher, Aimiee Wiese, Melissa Korger, Christina Jones, Chloe Gabler, Jed Stutzman, Jacob Flick. Front Row: April Spores, Jessica Weiss, Jeremy Gerdes, Leann Wiese, Tracy Larson, Jordan Sell. Picture 3: Jennifer Lange, Nicholas Jacobs, Jewel Bergman, Jason Pettis, Nicholas Gray, Samantha Spores.

## Morning Madness

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0nce again, a handful of sleepy, musically inclined students arose at the break of dawn to perform works of art that audiences would "ooh" and "ahh" over. Crowds pouring in, the gym being sold out, standing ovations . . . oh, wait-someone fell asleep, and it only was a dream; but who knows?! The jazz-banders were out to succeed, and that they did; early morning rehearsals were well worth it. It was sometimes hard to rouse certain people out of bed Wednesday mornings, but they all eventually limped in drowsily. They were even hired for gigs at such prestigious events as the A.A.R.P. Christmas party at the Black Bear, the Farm Bureau Christmas party and, of course, our school concerts. A new trend that began was Christmas lights for instruments, 7:15 a.m. rehearsals, and the use of a vibraphone. These new traditions were evidence of a forward-looking group of performers who made all of Augusta proud.


The Jazzy Jeffs and Jiving Janes Jazz Band. Back row: Jordan Sell, Aimiee Wiese, Melissa Korger, Jessica Weiss, and Zachary Watenphul. Row 2: Christine Honadel, Natalie Gabler, Chioe Gabler, Christina Jones, Jaclyn Pettis, Elizabeth Fitzmaurice, and LeAnn Wiese. Front row: Jason Pettis, Samantha Spores, Jennifer Lange, Kara Kangas, and Julie Crowe. Director: Mrs. Zastrow


# One Gwirl Ahead 

 their brandspankin' new Crushed Purple Velvet and white uniforms and flags, the twirlers were more snazzy than ever! They twirled up a storm at Homecoming, bog gying down with Janet Jackson's "Go Deep," and jammed through half times at football games. "It was a great way to spend my mornings," recalls rookie Natalie Gabler of the tedious, early morning practices where they went through each routine and repeated every move until they were about doing them in their sleep. "It was a lot of fun." "They (the Flags) found their own music and choreographed their own moves," Coach Zastrow explained. "It was another musical outlet for their creativity."

Flags. Back Row: Kara Kangas, Jewel Bergman, Natalie Gabler, Julie Crowe, Kristy Johnson. Front Row: Margaret Guntner, Alexis Dickinsen, Leslie Motzko, Kathryn Steele.


## Movin' On Ulp

"(1)om, will you come and see if this looks right?" These words were heard in the homes of many courageous students. Yes, that's right, Show Choir was rolling again. It took these young, talented people many practices and much patience to get it right. Starting barely three weeks before their first concert certainly didn't help. Many hours were spent in front of the mirror singing and swinging to music. These talented, tired people had to rise early to be in school by 7:15 a.m. for practices. Though it may have been hard work, it was definitely worth it. It was a lot of fun and they did wonderfully under the direction of director, Ms. Kuivinen.


Show Choir. Picture 1: Katria Kangas and Greg Hazard gettin' down. Picture 2: Susan Anderson sings her heart out, Picture 3: Show Choir: Jed Stutzman, Katria Kangas, Jesse Zelmer, Kara Kangas, Derrick Pettis, Shannon Dickinsen, Greg Hazard, Melissa Korger, Jeremy Gerdes, Brandon Strauch, Stacey Dowiasch, Susan Anderson.


## Back on Track



So many songs to sing, so little time. This was certainly the case for all the choir go-ers. After the '97•'98 school year choir disaster, everyone thought that things would go back to normal. Unfortunately, it didn't happen quite that way. Finally, halfway through the year things improved. The cheery, intelligent, and talented Elizabeth Kuivinen grabbed the baton with both hands. Choir members seemed to take to her well, and more students joined in the process. The re-introduction of Show Choir gave the "vocal wizards" a higher incentive to get involved again. The Augusta choir program has dealt with some rough times, but welcomed the opportunity to start on a new note.


Choir. Picture 1: Shannon Dickinsen and Susan Anderson sight read a new selection. Picture 2: Back row: Anna Pelkey, Charity Hadorn, Nicholas Pettis, Mary Lund, Kristie Weiss, Deanna Davidson, Jennifer Becker, Amee Wiliamson, Samantha Smith, Jessica Klatt, Amanda Trescher. Row 3: April Peterson, Sara Potts, Nicole Carlson, Christina VonHaden, Paula Johnson, Leatha Buttke, Kia Bauch, Michael Buss, Jennifer Polinske, Amber Heath, Stacy Dowiasch, Kimberly Steele. Row 2: Ms. Kuivinen, Erin Crawford, Kara Kangas, Jeremy Gerdes, Jed Stutzman, Derrick Pettis, Kenneth Buttke, Jason Branter, Shannon Dickinsen, Susan Anderson, Kimberly Bailey. Front row: Leslie Motzko, Ashley Schiller, Katie Pieper, LeAnn Wiese, Jessica Ripple, Jessica Smith, Brandi Pettis, Amy Hahn.

## Buy Low, Sell High

If there is one thing that school is good for, it's experience. That is exactly what the Young Entrepreneurs decided to take advantage of. With the recent addition of a school store, a few high school students decided to take it into their own hands. Led my Mrs. Crowe with a little help from Mrs. Crossman, a great deal of time was put into running a business like this. Selling candy, cappuccino, and the occasional fleece was only part of it. Counting money and ordering new items to be sold were also part of being organized and successful. Although there was profit, nobody became a millionaire by any means. "One of the greatest parts of this club is the idea that it isn't run just to make a huge profit, but to offer things to the students," said Alicia Sylvester. With the money that was brought in, the Young Entrepreneurs opened a scholarship fund that awards a future business person. "I think it is a great opportunity for kids to get involved in a real life situation," commented co-advisor Mrs. Crossman, "I only wish more of them would get involved." Only in its third year, this group has made tremendous accomplishments and are looking forward to building up this enterprise.


Young Entrepenuers. Back Row: Dustin Yule, Shana Welter, Julie Crowe. Front Row: Adam Brown, Lacey Bergman, Cody Warner, Alicia Sylvester.



## All Wy Life




$A$crowned and robed King Kevin Ives announced, ${ }^{\circ}$ I now declare the beginning of the first annual Mardi Gras celebration," as he kicked off Mardi Gras Day. The aroma of Cajun and Creole food wafted through the hallways while all were dazzled by Fanny Hill's executive chef, John Mazzei's, culinary expertise. Faces were gleaming and "spirit" was in the air. Students adorned in costumes caroused the various educational sites with their arranged groups called krewes. A fun-filled schedule had many participants going back and forth between the activities and their designated rooms where they constructed their floats, party masks, and costumes which pertained to a theme which they drew from a hat full of topics. At the end of the day all eyes were on each krewe as they paraded around the new gym -especially the gaze of Mrs. Kragness, without whose idea and dedicated efforts the celebration of the Mardi Gras Day might not have graced our school's history.



Mardi Gras: Picture 1: Jake Krueger modeling his party mask, Picture 2: Jason Borchert lookin' frighting. Picture 3: A colorful dragon making its grand debut.


## South to Rew Orleans



Picture 1: Rita Koch, Lacey Risberg, and Scott Dickinsen debuting their painted faces and hand-painted party masks. Picture 2: Fairies on parade. Picture 3: Sara Moseley, Melissa Korger, Erik Brown, and Kacy Warner displaying their toga costumes.

## In The '2ight

(1)en dressed like women, students wore togas, and tie-dye and big hair from the eighties were "in" again. You guessed it, Homecoming. Once again, it proved to be one of the most interesting, and hectic, times of the year. Everyone rushed to get their hallways decorated, scripts written, and windows painted. A break was taken on Thursday to enjoy a bon fire and a new tradition called a "snake dance". Led by Jason Clark and Jake Krueger, a large group went running through the streets of Augusta, making sure to stop at Coach's house to give him a little extra spirit. Back at the high school, a stroll down the halls revealed the Augusta version of the "Hollywood Walk of Fame", "Jamaica", "Under the Sea", and "Ghetto Superstar". Freshmen were a hit when they told stories of Mr. Crowe and his "Er mobile" in their skit. The ever-popular and ditzy cheerleaders were back in the sophomore skit, and Matt Foley made a guest appearance to motivate the football players of the junior class, and took the rest of the school along. Seniors tried to make us all laugh with lame, but in some twisted way still funny, jokes and finally succeeded when Damien got a few pies in the face. As usual, around 2:45 on Friday, you wouldn't have been able to go within half a mile of the gym without hearing the screaming of the yelling contest. The competition for the spirit award was close, but in the end it went to the juniors. That spirit followed through to the game. Even though we lost, we still cheered our hearts out and didn't let it spoil the dance. A Hawaiian theme helped with the enjoyment of the evening. Most everyone got down and boogied to everything from country to rap that the DJ played. At 12:00, everyone limped home on sore feet.




Homecoming. Picture 1 (opposite page): Junior Attendant Dustin Yule, Junior Attendant Jewel Bergmen, Freshmen Attendant Ashley Price, Freshment Attendant Jordan Sell, Queen Sara Moseley, King Damien Osborn, Princess Jenny Shilts, Prince Wade Brost, Sophomore Attendant Erin Lewis, and Sophomore Attendant Jed Stutzman line up for the Homecoming Court. Picture 3: Homecoming King Damien and Queen Sara dance the night away.

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Anderson, Megan Bartelt, Crystal Berg, Logan Berry, Chelsey Bethke, Renee Bonick, Samantha

Buttke, Nathan Buttke, Zachery Casanova, Anthony Dickinsen, Brittany Flick, Shaun Forde, Ellen

Fugett, Beth Gilbertson, Brandi Goss, Brandon Goss, Nathan Grams, Kasey Gregor, Sarah


20hat was a typical sixth grader? According to these energetic youngsters, they were Mountain Dew guzzling, basketball loving, math and science wizards. This, along with much more, was discovered by the "A Typical Sixth Grader" project, in which all participated. The surveys that were completed confirmed many of the beliefs that teachers already had. That is, the class was full of fun-loving, intelligent, and very social students who were checking out their new environment and ready for anything that was thrown at them. One thought echoed through most of their heads: Seventh grade, bring it on!

Grimm, Kyle Hadorn, Chad Hawkins, Clint Horel, Reggie Horrell, Anna Irvine, Jamison

Johnston, Kenneth Klingbeil, Jordan Kmieciak, Andrew Lee, Minsung LeWallen, Michael Lone, Robert



Luedtke, Billy Luedtke, Trevor
Matthew, Joseph
Mossner, Matthew
Onarheim, Jonathan
Pecha, Alesha

Pettis, William
Restad, Joshua
Rosentreter, Amy
Rouleau, Jordan Schmidt, Bradley Schmitt, Katie

## Schroeder, Korey

Schulz, Brian
Sell, Courtney
Selz, Sarah
Smith, Matt
Solie, Alfred


Previous page: Smile Krystena VasquezSell! You're on candid yearbook. Picture to the left: Anna Horrell, Trevor Luedtke, and Josh Restad enjoying another project. Above: The three stoogeettes - Heidi Spores, Sara Selz, Reggie Horel.


Spores, Heidi
Strauch, Brett
Timmerman, Katherine
Trikas, Mark
Vasquez-Sell, Krystena
Villegas, Santana

Waskiewicz, Charles
Way, Valerie
Whaley, Amanda
Winters, Elizabeth
Yule, Jordan

Anderson, Mallory Arndt, Amanneda Barhyte, Matthew Bergman, Amber Brown, Nicole Buttke, Trisha

Carey, Daniel Cavazos, Amalio Czubakowski, Zackery Degner, Christopher Dehnke, Vanessa Donley, Sharon

Flick, Erin Gabler, Trent Gerdes, Caleb Gilbert, Keith Gilbertson, Mariah Haddeman, Hannah


Rambunctious. Friendly. Outgoing. What do all of these words have in common? They all describe the seventh graders! These miniature eager Beavers were ready to learn, participate, and try their best to achieve all their goals. Seventh grade was like a smorgasbord-they got a taste of an average high schooler's life, ranging from English skits, to oral presentations in history, more demanding activities in gym, and keyboarding in Information Processing. Academics were not the only high point in their lives, but extra-curricular activities took a step up also. Competition levels rose in sports, forensics, and music. Learning the tricks of the trade early will definitely help them in the years ahead. Although low on the "totem pole" in terms of grade level, their characteristics will elevate them to new heights.

Halvorson, David Heller, Somer Herrick, Stevie Honadel, Corey Indrebo, Cody Kaeding, Travis

Kangas, Kristen King, Matthew Kuehl, Allen Kuhn, Amanda Lebarron, April Lee, Minjoo



Lighthizer, Jeff Luedtke, Kami Luedtke, Kayla Markham, Trisha Matthew, Christopher Meyer, Danielle

Miller, Casey
Motzko, Alicia
Olson, Eric
Papierniak, Megan Peterson, Amie
Pettis, Amanda

Pettis, Richard
Quick, Sara
Schiller, Shaunna
Schulte, Kristin
Seichter, Michael
Sieg, Jenna


Opposite Page: Girl Power! Picture 1: Don't worry Casey, it's just a camera! Picture 2: Corey and Trent chillin' after a hard game.


Spores, Christina
Spores, Ryan
Stensen, Brandon
Stensen, Jessie
Stotts, Anthony
Trescher, William


Vesely, Savannah
Welter, Shane
Winters, William

Anderson, Lucas Arndt, Andrew Becker, Nlcole Bergman, Dusty Boettcher, Christian Bohl, Jonathon

Borchert, Nathan Brandt, Hope Buttke, Matthew Dickinsen, Brady Erdman, Steven Geiger, Kristopher

Gibson, Brodi Hawkins, Camille Herrick, Miles Hinojosa, Elizabeth Jones, Candance

Kapitz, Sara




てhey're good kids. They're going to be future leaders," Mr. Skifstad was quoted saying. Although one of the smallest classes to come through here, they have certainly left their mark. All athletics, from football to track, were well populated. While they may not have been as successful as they may have liked, they remained motivated and energetic. Acting was another extra-curricular activity of choice. Whether it was forensics or just doing skits in an English class, there was a long line waiting to participate. One highlight of the year was a trip to Beaver Creek Reserve at the beginning of the year where they played a series of games that were meant to build trust. They certainly proved themselves to be a team. Though having fun was definitely a priority out of class, the eighth graders realized that school hours were a time for learning. This insight, along with the many other skills they have picked up along the way, was an important tool to have when moving upward to high school. The only real adjustment they will have to make now is realizing that they are no longer going to be the top dogs - they're back to the bottom of the food chain. Teachers, as well as the students, seemed unconcerned. All had faith that they would succeed. These pre-teens were definitely on their way to the top.

Klatt, Kristie Klingbeil, Adam Koch, Craig Larson, Terri Lone, Benjamin Moseley, Christina

Papierniak, Adam Pedersen, Lindsey Pfeiffer, Ashley Plamp, Melissa Powers, Jennifer Sacia, Heather



Santa Cruz, Brandy
Schroeder, Joshua
Selz, Bradley
Shilts, Jodi
Starck, Joshua
Stoel, Nathan

Stotts, Deneshia
Stubbe, Carson
Walker, Stephanie
Weiss, Angela
Zank, Kathleen
Zimbauer, David

Not Pictured:

Ezekiel Cavazos
Trisha Guntner
Krystal Piel
Shane Taylor


Previous Page: Candy, where's your cane? Left: A penny for your thoughts Deneshia. Above: Brodi writing notes on the board.

Favorite Sport

## Football-32\% Waterboy-17\%-Science-23\%

 - Basketball- 24\% Volleyball-24\%Other-20\%

Favorite Movie Gitantic- $9 \%$ Other- $74 \%$
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Favorite Class History-31\% English-15\% Other-31\%

## Fast Forward



Can you imagine run ning in the wrong direction? Of course, one would want to run only in the right direction as members of the 1998 middle school track members know. The group possessed an energy and orig. inality that helped them to go forward faster than their competition. With many partici pating in three or more events, concentration was the directional key. These track kids had a strong showing of fans at every meet, and this no doubt helped them go that extra mile.

Middle School Track. Picture 1: Back Row: Andrew Kapitz, Jared Rouleau, Kristopher Grimm, Richard Price, Grant Gabler, Cassandra Buttke, Marilyn Anderson, Stephanie Boettcher, Nicholas Jacobs, Branden Strauch, Jordan Sell, Brady Dickinsen. Row 2: Carson Stubbe, Kristofer Geiger, Joshua Starck, Sarah Gray, Jessica King, Craig Koch, Matthew Wiese, Bradley Selz, Elizabeth Hinojosa, Brodi Gibson. Front Row: Zachary Watenphul, Andrew Dickinsen, Kathleen Zank, Stephanie Walker, Christian Boettcher, Lucas Anderson.


## We Be Swingin' <br> s the clubs swung, and the golf balls flew,

 this team knew what they were aiming for. Whether it was the cup or just getting under 100 strokes, they met all their goals. With fearless Mr. Petznick leading the way, these youngsters found their inner golfer, and were soon chanting the words "I am Tiger Woods." With this mantra so clear in their minds, they hit great shots, recieved lower scores, and even won McDonalds Monopoly a few times.

Picture 1: Jessie Zelmer and Randy Klatt anxiously await a golf meet. Picture 2: Grant Gabler heads out to hit the links. Picture 3: Back row- Jessie Zelmer, Zachary Stensen, Andy Kapitz, Randy Klatt Front row- Kristen Kangas, Jenna Sieg, Megan Papierniak, Sarah Gray, Nicole Brown, Amie Peterson


## Aiming <br> Forward

©iddle school volleyball seemed to be, more often than not, just memories of fun times. Fall sports seemed to go by fast, but with only a few games these girls took advantage of the time they had. They didn't do this alone, though. A Beanie Baby beaver followed them everywhere for good luck. The eighth grade team didn't seem to need any charms, however. With nine girls out, everyone got the experience needed to be a great team. Winning the Cadott tournament just proved that these girls knew exactly how to play as a team and win. The seventh grade team also had a lot of spirit, but seemed to fall a little short compared to their victorious elders. With close to twenty girls out, much of their time in practice was spent waiting in line rather than participating. Of course, this is only the first year and a good time to get better. In the next few years, these girls will be looking for more victories and hopefully gaining some respect as a great volleyball team.



Eighth Grade Volleyball. Back Row: Angela Weiss, Elizabeth Hinojosa, Kathleen Zank, Jennifer Powers, Stephanie Walker. Row 2: Candance Jones, Brodi Gibson, Jodi Shild. Front Row: Brandy Santa Cruz.

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Seventh Grade Volleyball. Back Row: Sara Quick, Nicole Brown, Savannah Vesely, Megan Papierniak, Danielle Meyer, Amie Peterson, April LeBarron, Amanneda Arndt, Jessie Stensen, Mallory Anderson, Kristen Kangas, Amber Bergman. Front Row: Vanessa Dehnke, Shaunna Schiller, Jenna Sieg, Minjoo Lee, Kristin Schulte, Hannah Haddeman, Kami Luedtke.

## Huddle Ulp

crunch! Bang! Boom! Ahh, the sounds of football, especially those made by these guys! Led by the fearless but fun-loving Coaches Hadorn and Mclllquam, these men were up for a successful season. They survived the cold weather and the rainy nights, and though both the 7th and 8th grade teams did not live up to their expectations, they put forth a great effort in order to reach their goals. Middle School football is the basis of forming new friendships with the other players from the variety of teams they encounter, along with creating rivals and preparing for exciting seasons to come. These experiences are only the beginning for the determined group of 7 th and 8 th grade athletes, and they are ready to


## What goes up



20hat happens when talented, young, ambitious girls get together with the love of basketball in common? Wonderful things! These gals achieved their goals and overcame rival teams, all while understanding what the game is really about...teamwork. During the season the two grades combined their skills and dominated a major tournament. "They have so much talent at such a young age, which will put them ahead of the game during their varsity years. Good luck in the coming years," one varsity player commented. This high praise was well deserved. There is more to a basketball season than just showing up to games. There are hours and hours of practice required to polish basic skills as well as coming up with a game plan and learning to outsmart, outrun, and outmove your opponents. This is no small commitment. And for those who stuck with it, congratulations are in order.

Middle School Girls Basketball. Picture 1:Huddle up! The seventh grade team gets some tips for the next play. Picture 2: Vanessa Dehnke sets a pick. Picture 3: Front Row: Kami Luedtke, Megan Papierniak, Jessie Stensen, Jenna Sieg, Va nessa Dehnke, Amber Bergman, Nicole Brown Row 2: Jodi Shiltz, Trisha Guntner, Deneshia Stotts, Kristie Klatt, Kathleen Zank, Angela Weiss, Ashley Pfeiffer. Back Row: Melissa Plamp, Brodi Gibson. Picture 4: Get ready, Kami Luedtke!


## Rebounding $\mathcal{H}$ ligh



20 hen you step into the Community Center, the first thing you may notice is the distinctive odor. But, if a middle school basketball game is in progress, you might also pick up on an intensity crackling through the air. These boys play with passion. One good example is Adam Klingbeil's habit of taking a steal personally and chasing down the culprit. Both the seventh and eighth grade had to stomach a lot of disappointment and heartbreak, including tough losses to rivals Cadott and Osseo. But, their victories against the Altoona "Tuna Fish" were bright spots in the season. Though missed free throws really hurt them, there was improvement for some as the season progressed. There was no lack of effort with these young men, because no matter how big the point differential may have gotten, they never really gave up. Through poked eyes, questionable officiating, and shots that just wouldn't fall they fought to the bitter end. Tenacity is an admirable trait, and they had it.

Middle School Boy's Basketball. Picture 1: Back Row: Amalio Cavazos, David Halvorson, Matthew King, Trent Gabler, William Trescher, Eric Olson. Front Row: Anthony Stotts, Travis Kaeding, Corey Honadel, Daniel Carey, Brandon Stensen, Corey Indrebo. Picture 2: Craig Koch and Brady Dickinsen set up a play. Picture 3: Back Row: Brady Dickinsen, Jonathon Bohl, Kristofer Geiger, Bradley Selz, Miles Herrick. Front Row: Chris Boettcher, Adam Klingbeil, Andrew Arndt, Adam Papierniak, Joshua Schroeder, Craig Koch.


Picture 4: Craig Koch scans the court. Picture 5: The eighth grade team huddles up for a strategy session.

## Behind the Curtain

II'll get you my pretty," exclaimed Emily Horrell, the Wicked Witch of the West, as she threatens the innocent Dorothy played by Susan Anderson. The 8 th grade class magnificently performed the Wizard of Oz , a well-known play, which became an instant success according to everyone who attended. Pretending to be their favorite movie star or wearing the dazzling makeup were a few of their favorite experiences. The lifelike scenery and props gave the play an excellent atmosphere. The main characters, along with the backstage workers, put forth a great effort in the play. Keeping the kids in line and on task were some of the challenges that Director Sue Maenner faced. With the help of the "Yellow Brick Road", the 8th grade class indeed made their way to the Emerald City.


## Aiming $\mathcal{H}$ ligh

First place ribbons, first time performing in front of strangers, and of course, the all important . . . first in fatuations. These are just some of the firsts that took place during the M.S. Forensics season. Of course, that's not all that happened. Rehearsing for an audience who consisted mostly of your peers and hoping you'll do well were major sources of stress. Worrying about the main entree, usually one of two kinds of pizza, was also a concern. But, if you didn't let the intimidating judges get to you, everyone went home happy. Having fun while learning was what this activity was all about.

Middle School Forensics. Picture 1: Eliza beth Hinajosa, Katie Zank and Angela Weiss take a break between rounds. Picture 2 : These girls take a bow after a wonderful performance. Picture 3: Practice makes per fect, Nicole Brown. Picture 4: Back Row: Carson Stubbe, Jennifer Powers, Nicole Beck er, Sara Kapitz, Alicia Motzko, Mallory An derson, Jessie Stensen, Kristen Kangas, Nicole Brown, Jessica Swetland. Row 3 Kasey Grams, Amy Rosentreter, Ellen Forde, Anna Horrell, Brandy Santa Cruz, Megan Papierniak, Jodi Shilts, Brittany Dickinsen, Vanessa Dehnke, Savannah Vesely, Amber Bergman, Elizabeth Winters. Row 2: Kathleen Zank, Angela Weiss, Samantha Bonick, Sarah Selz, Brandi Gilbertson, Min sung Lee, Christina Spores, Jenna Sieg, Kristen Schulte, Amie Peterson, Megan Anderson. Front Row: Stephanie Walker, Adam Papierniak, Candance Jones, Deneshia Stotts, Crystal Bartelt, Courtney Sell.



## On the Right Track

Pop quiz kids, what song goes with a Perfect 8 th? In case you've forgotten over the past few years, it's "Somewhere Over the Rainbow." This was just one of the things that the middle school choir members had to relearn since the new teacher stepped in. Though they may have been a bit rushed to get ready for their first concert, it didn't show. Beautiful notes were ringing through the air in that performance, as well as all of the others that followed. Yes, under the direction of Ms. Kuivinen these young sing. ers are certainly on the right track.

Middle School Choir. Sixth Grade Choir Picture 1: Back Row:Brandon Goss, Anna Horrell, Brandi Gilbertson, Brittney Dick insen, Jessi Luken, Katie Schmitt, Sarah Gregor, Renee Bethke, Heidi Spores, Krys tena VasquezSell, Ashley Sewell, Elizabeth Winters, Chelsey Berry, Robert Lone. Row 2:Trevor Luedtke, Amy Rosentreter, Sarah Selz, Jordan Yule, Clint Hawkins, Jonathan Onarhiem, Jamison Irvine, Bradley Schmidt, Matt Smith, Megan Anderson, Jordan Rou leau. Front Row:Andrew Kmieciak, Brett Strauch, Nathan Goss, Kenneth Johnson, Chad Hadorn, Alfred Solie, Billy Luedtke, Kyle Mitterling, Brian Schuiz. Picture 2 Seventh Grade Choir: Back Row: Megan Papierniak, Alicia Motzko, Amie Peterson, Kami Luedtke, Christina Spores, Amanda Kuhn, Amanneda Arndt, Shaunna Schiller, Vannessa Dehnke, Minjoo Lee, Trisha Mark ham, Amanda Pettis, Trisha Buttke, Jessica Swetland. Row 2: Nicole Brown, Kristen Kangas, Michael Seichter, Brandon Stensen, Amalio Cavazos, Anthony Stotts, Eric Olson, Matthew King, Jamie Bogart, Sharon Donley. Front Row: Kayla Luedtke, Erin Fick, Kelli Carlson, Allen Kuehl, William Trescher, Cody Indrebo, Travis Kaeding, Richard Pettis, William Winters, Jessie Sten sen, Mariah Gibertson. Picture 3: Eighth Grade Choir: Back Row: Nicole Becker Terri Larson, Brandy Santa-Cruz, Deneshia Stotts.Row 2: Elizabeth Hinojosa, Kathleen Zank, Nathan Borchet, Miles Herrick, Jodi Shilts. Front Row: Stephanie Walker, Sara Kapitz, Ashley Pfeiffer, David Zimbauer, Ezekial Cavazos, Kristie Klatt.
Not pictured: Jordan Klingbeil, Kasey Grams, Sara Quick, Keith Gilbert, Kristen Schulte, Danielle Meyer, Jenna Sieg.


# A Step Ahead 



(v)here else can you learn to keep your hands out of soda when serving it? Where else can you learn social skills like brushing up on manners and how to make a point politely? Middle School Student Council! Through the trials and tribulations of middle school, a certain bunch stands out as leaders. They took the initiative by organizing lock-ins, sponsoring dances, working concessions, and generally working to improve the middle school society. One especially neat thing that they did was organizing their Halloween Dance. Not only were the students really involved, but their parents also played a big part by decorating the cafeteria for the dance that proved to be fun for everyone. This world would be a scary and dangerous place without strong leadership. These kids learned what being good leaders is all about and made a positive impact on the junior high environment. Look out world, this group of future leaders is out to take over!

Middle School Student Council: Back Row:Adam Paperniak, Brady Dickinsen, Bradley Selz, Elizabeth Hinojosa, Angela Weiss. Row 2: Daniel Carey, Kristen Kangas, Vanessa Dehnke, Nicole Brown. Front Row: Courtney Sell, Reggie Horel, Megan Anderson, Anna Horrell.


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If there is one thing that can make or break a band, it's numbers. These musicians definitely weren't lacking in this area. They had all the components to make a great band and all that was left to do was rehearse. With half of the band practicing 5th hour while the rest practiced 7th, concentration and focus were key in bringing them together for two days a week. These kids didn't seem to have many problems with performing, though. They always put on a great show pleasing parents and friends alike: Sixth grade, although separate, also showed great promise and had many proud fans. They may not be ready for 16th and 32nd notes yet, but they are definitely headed in the right direction. When the eighth grade moves on up, the high school will be glad to have them. As for the next years middle school band, watch out! They are likely to start your toes tapping. You just may have to restrain yourself from getting up and dancing.

Middle School Band. Picture 1: Sixth Grade Band: Back row: Crystal Bartelt, Kelli Zastrow, Courtney Sell. Row 3: William Pettis, Korey Schroeder, Beth Fugett, Alesha Pecha, Ellen Forde. Row 2: Valerie Way, Brittany Dickinsen, Minsung Lee, Samantha Bonick, Santana Villegas, Anna Horrell, Shaun Flick, Charles Waskiewicz. Front row: Amanda Whaley, Brandi Gilbertson, Reggie Horel, Megan Anderson, Sarah Selz, Amy Rosentreter, Renee Bethke, Kasey Grams. Picture 2: Seventh Grade Band. Back row: Zackery Czubakowski, Caleb Gerdes, Nicole Brown, Jessie Stensen. Row 3: David Halverson, Daniel Carey, Trent Gabler, Christopher Degner Row 2: Alicia Motzko, Megan Papierniak, Mallory Anderson, Eric Olson, Corey Honadel, Kristen Kangas, Jenna Sieg, Kristin Schulte, Minjoo Lee, Savannah Vesley. Front row: Vanessa Dehnke, Shaun na Schiller, Stevie Herrick, Danielle Meyer, Hanna Haddeman, April LeBarron, Amie Peterson. Picture 3: Eighth Grade Band. Back row: Lucas Anderson, Bradley Selz, Adam Klingbeil. Row 2: Nicole Becker, Sara Kapitz, Brodie Gibson, Nathan Stoel, Andrew Arndt, Craig Koch. First row: Stephanie Walker, Jennifer Powers, Melissa Plamp, Camile Hawkins, Candance Jones, Kristofer Geiger, Braden Dickinsen, Angela Weiss.

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## Peace

 in the Midtle East In a deal brokered by President Bill Clinton and the late King Hussein of Jordan, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu sign the Wye River Memorandum, the first step toward a permanent peace in the Middle East.
## Embassy Barnhings

Embassies in Nairobi, Kenya and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, are ripped apart by terrorists bombs that exploofe almost simultaneously. U. US. officials suspect renegade Saudi ililionaire Osama bin laden in the attacks.


## Hurricane Mitch

Hurricane Mitch cuts a wide path of destruction through Mexico and Central America, causing millions of dollars in damage and leaving millions homeless.


## North Ireland Peace Accords

lrish Prime Minister Bertie Ahem and British Prime Minister Tony Blair shake hands after signing a historic peace agreement between

- Jesse Ventura Former professional wrestler Jesse "The Body" Ventura i s elected govemor of Minnesota in a Britain and Northem Ireland.


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## Dawson's Creek

Set in the small town of Capeside, Massachusetts, Dawson's Creek follows the lives of four teenagers trying to make sense of their future and the world around them.


## Jessie

Christina Applegate sheds her ditzy Kelly Bundy image by starring in the hit show Jessie.


## Drew

 CareyWednesday night has doubled the laughter as ABC's hit The Drew Larey Show is followed by Carey's new show, Whose Line is it Anyway?

## Felicity

WB launched another hit show in the fall of 1998 with the college drama Felicity. Keri Russell stars as Felicity

Porter, a young pre-med student who leaves home to face life in New York City.


## Friends

The cast of Friends continues to amuse audiences with a fresh approach to comedy and hilarious stories of everyday life.


## A/Iy McBeal

The hottest show on television stars Calista Flockhart as the lovable Ally McBeal, a young lawyer who is constantly entangling herself in humorous and touching problems that showcase the acting abilities of a first-rate ensemble cast.


## Spin City

Spin City's Mithael I. Fox once again proves he has the "spin" on things by winning the Golden Globe's Award for Best Actor in a Television Series - Musital or Comedy.


## SpartsCenter

With one-liners, funny commercials and total sports coverage, ESPN's Sportsfenter has changed the way people get their sports information. From slam dunks to sports bloopers, 5ports[enter gets the information out before the morning newspapers are off the presses.
 excitement as the Denver Broncos defeat the Atlanta Falcons to win back-to-back Super Bowls.


## Jana Novatna

Jana Novotna hugs her Wimbledon trophy after defeating France's Nathalie Tauziat in the women's singles final.


## NBA Lackaut

NBA Players Association Executive Director Billy Hunter and NBA Commissioner David Stern shake hands at a news conference in New York City. announcing a collective bargaining agreement to end the 191 -day NBA player lockout.

## Mark McGwire

St. Louis Cardinal Mark McGwire hits 70 home runs and breaks the single season home run record previously held by Roger Maris for 37 years.


## Jeff

 EordonJeff Gordon wins the 1999 Daytona 500. With three championships under his belt and a new video game, Jeff Gordon XS Racing, Gordon remains NASCAR's most popular driver.


Michael Jordan
After great success with the Chicago Bulls, Michael Jordan announces his $99.9 \%$ retirement from baskethall.

## World Series

The New York Yankees celebrate after winning the 1998 World Series. The win marked the team's 24th World Series title.


## World Eup

France defeats Brazil in a 3-0 upset victory in the World Cup Finals in July. France was the first host nation to win in 20 years.


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