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Creating a unique and personalized yearbook takes long hours of work and dedication from members. Staff members collaborated ideas and worked to create and display the lives of students in the Augusta High School galaxy. We were privileged to have the art work of junior annual staff member Robbie Edwards paint the division pages and cover. Staff members divided pages and began production. Copy was written, edited, rewritten, edited, then written again. Photos were taken and edited/enhanced with the use of Adobe Photoshop. In order to launch, numerous hours were spent fine-tuning and double checking consistency and thoroughness. It was an enjoyable experience to be editors of this exciting production. The yearbook class is proud to launch what you are holding in your hands in 3...2...1...BLASTOFF!

Allie Nelson and Taylor Mayenschein Editors







The Augusta boys' and girls' varsity basketball teams jump at the opportunity to play at the Minnesota Target Center against Cadott.



MEMOIRS







The Miss Augusta contestants Jessica Simone Taylor and Mandi stand proud, shining like stars.

The newly Founded Archery club fires into their first season.





Chinese acrobats make an appearance on Friday February 24.



A Frac sand processing plant placed in the Augusta industrial park. Sand yielded went to oil and gas industries.





The Augusta sports department was very successful with many state appearances: Allie Nelson, a girl's golfer, and the Cross Country team made it to state. The boys basketball team was also named number one in the conference.









SPACE

Mrs. Peggy Anderson Ms. Kate Atkinson Mr. Kris Bertelsen Mrs. Sarah Brenner Mrs. Angela Brown Mrs. April Burback

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Mr. Lars Forseth Mrs. Jerrilyn Geiger Mr. Brent Gilles Mrs. Kay Goss Mr. Jeff Hadorn Mr. Paul Henrichs

Mr. Will Jacobs Mrs. Terri Johnson Mrs. Connie Kees Mrs. Linda Kragness



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MIDDLE SCHOOL



Jaylynn Albrecht Jenna Bauch Kylie Behrendt Natalie Belknap Drew Bong Lillian Brost

Avery Conner Shaylee Dekan Gavin Dickinsen Teaera Fabian Wesley Gerken

Jackson Going Cassandra Guso Poindexter Hakey Rachel Harriman Mason Harshman Muriel Hawking

Carter Jacobs Gatlin Joles Katherine Karstensen Abrianna Knutson









NEBULAS



















Molly McCormick Sydnie Paulsrud Robert Richardson Anna Schneider Nathaniel Severson Damon Shilka

Hunter Sommers Cordell Stanek Breanna Truschka William Truschka Alex Watenphul Seth Watenphul

Preston Waugh Austin Werlein



7TH GRADE

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Colton King Dylan Klindworth Kayne Korger Robert Krause Krista Kunz Nathaniel Larson

Tyler Lone Matthew Lyons Devin Malcein Kayla Martinson Kaitlin Nelson Marcus Newgard

Leo Plewa Zoe Plewa Jenna Priest Kaitlin Rikala Abby Schneide Silvia Severson

Evan Stensen Abram Tinker-Sackett Nicholas Wood Esme Ziehr









Adam Austin Sebestyen Bandol Zackery Bergman Carter Berlin Caleb Berthiaume

Megan Bertrang Payton Bethke Helen Black Jasmin Boettcher Gabriel Carrillo Kacie Conner

Destiny Daniel Felicia Deerin Amber Ducommu Annalise Goodel Skyler Hah Shantae Hark

Eric Huti Timothy Kunshie Isabel Land Karina Larsor









RED GIANTS



Andrew Lea Faith Martin Madalaine McConville Madeline Mortimer Seaann Nuetzmann Abby Randall

Catherine Renneke Bradley Ritger Alex Sobotta Jeanne Solie Alexa Stensen Donald Valois

Maryann Valois Briahna Vlcek Destiny Walker Mayzie Walker Dakota Walters Tyler Walters

Brett Werlein Nicholas Wiersgalla Elizabeth Wood



FUTURE STARS

What is a common good luck phrase to hear before a show? Break a leg! Cast members for the eighth grade play heard this considerably more, as it was the actual title of their play.

The entire show was based on theater superstitions. A play group putting together a show was suddenly bombarded by a fiend of unluckiness: the building owner's niece, Trudy, played by Devon Shilka. She committed a host of theater no-no's, including bringing in peacock pictures, watching rehearsals from behind the set, and wearing blue on stage. Comedy ensued as her clumsy antics of her and some of her closest friends, played by Carissa Melgaard and Danielle Nelson created chaos on the stage, up to breaking the leg of one of the stars of the show! Luckily, the actors, including Jordan Cerillo, Alexa Gutshall, Maryatt Karstensen, Michael Schroeder, and director Brandon Kimball realized what was happening and took action. A book on theater superstitions was found, specifying the many ways Trudy had jinxed them, and in the back of the book were instructions of how to clear the karma in the theater. Conning and convincing Trudy to perform those actions got her into the lead role, but the cast were overjoyed to be out from under the shadow of doom.

The class of 2015 cast commenced rehearsals in January with the elective class "Exploring the Theater." Daily practices were comprised of blocking scenes, memorizing lines, and mastering dances, in addition to growing together as a class. As the show date approached, the entire class came together, working on sets, costumes, and decorations. Directed by Mrs. Susan Maenner, assistant directed by Taylor Mayenschein, Break a Leg was presented at the Community Center on Thursday, April 27 and as a dinner theater presentation on Saturday, April 29.

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Trudy (Devon Shilka) seeks comfort from her "Runty Boom-Boom", Beth Marino,



Cast members Alexa Gutshall, Brandon Kimball, Michael Schroeder, and Brian Schick appeal to their Book of Theater Superstitions to solve their Trudy problem.



Row 1: James Lengger, Nateign Kandan, ugran duse, bevon sinika, sam wirte, Kachaer Ledarion, banas nawkins, sinawn sader s Row 2: Hunter Hoffman, Kyle Priest, Carissa Melgaard, Alexa Gutshall, Dani Nelson, Maryatt Karstensen, Halle Luedtke, Chelsie Anger, Brian Schick, Troy Zimmerman, Jamie Brown <u>Row 3:</u> Beth Marino, Bryanna Huset <u>Row Four:</u> Jack Schneider, Brandon Kimball, Michael Schroeder, Jordan Cerrillo, Jazmin Jones, Ariel Adams, Andrew Zebell, Logan Green <u>Row Five:</u> Connor Larson, Blake Solie, Calvin Mayer

FORENSIC FLYERS

Krista Kunz, Madison Harshman, and Taylor Jensen make time For a quick picture beFore they practice Readers Theater.





The Middle School Forensics Team had a very successful orbit this year. They started selecting and cutting pieces for their performances back in November. Students had fun perfecting their selections and preparing for competition. They participated in four tournaments this season where they earned ribbons and received feed back on their performances. Students considered the judges' comments and made changes to improve for the next tournament. There are 14 events for students to choose from, so there is something for everyone. Some of the categories include demonstration speaking, play-acting, four-minute speech, readers' theater, poetry, news reporting, and storytelling.

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Olivia Herold reviewing her work before it is her time to perform.



Jackson Goings previews a play, in preparation to compete in "Play Acting" at the next Forensics meet.

Dylan Klindworth relaxes before his performance of "Click Clack Moo."



<u>Row 1:</u> Lilly Brost, Seth Watenphul, Josh Lane, Jackson Goings, Katie Karstensen, Dylan Klindworth, Anna Schneider, Isabel Lane <u>Row 2:</u> Krista Kunz, Molly McCormick, Avery Connor, Natalie Belknap, Lauren Lea, Kylie Behrendt <u>Row 3:</u> Taylor Jensen, Megan Bertrang, Jeanne Solie, Kacie Connor, Madison Harshman <u>Not Pictured:</u> Riex Watenphul, Olivia Herold, Andy Fenner, Andy Lea, Forest Karstensen, Felicia Deering

SONGS IN SPACE

Under the direction of Miss Powell, the Middle School Choir perfected songs and filled the space above with galactic music.

Typically, the choir is split in two: 6th grade choir and 7th & 8th grade choir. However, this year the choirs were put together to make one. 7th and 8th graders met every day to work on music while the 6th graders met on Fridays.

Throughout the year, the band had four concerts: Fall, Christmas, Pops, and Spring. The Fall concert, held on November first, included the song "This Train", which Gatlin Joles likes because "the beat kept everyone energized and wanting to continue singing." "You're A Mean One Mr. Grinch" and "Snow Day" were a couple songs the choir performed on December 19 for the Christmas concert. The Pops concert, held on March 5, is considered the majority's favorite because the songs are more popular and fun to sing. Destiny Walker's favorite song was "Firework" by Katy Perry. She admits it was easy to remember.

Isabel Lane, Shaylee Dekan, Austin King, Annalise Goodell, Cassie Guse, Abby Randall, Jasmin Boettcher, Amber Ducommun, Destiny Daniels, Faith Martin, and Jeanne Solie participated in the Middle School Solo and Ensemble Festival. Typically, middle school students perform a Class C or Class B song, a beginner and intermediate level, respectively. This year, the festival date was postponed to February 18 from November 5. On March 6, the choir listened and critiqued other bands from neighboring schools at the Choral Clinic.

The Middle School Choir once again starstruck the audience with their heavenly voices.

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<u>Row 1:</u> Jackson Goings, Kylie Behrendt, Cassie Guse, Teaera Fabien, Abri Knutson, Kacie Conner, Annalies Goodell, Krista Kunz, Kaitlin Rikala <u>Row 2:</u> Molly McCormick, Avery Conner, Billy Truschka, Josh Lane, Austin King, Shaylee Dekan, Paige Lodahl, Destiny Walker, Taylor Jensen, Destiny Daniels <u>Row 3:</u> Miss Powell, Katie Karstensen, Lauren Lea, Brookelynn Barnett, Isabel Lane, Abby Randall, Amber Ducommun, Jeanne Solie, Faith Martin, Jasmine Boetcher, Olivia Herold, Lily Brost, Gatlin Joles.

Solo/Ensemble Participants Row 1: Destiny Daniels, Faith Martin, Jeanne Solie Row 2: Annalise Goodell, Cassie Guse <u>Row 3:</u> Isabel Lane, Austin King, Destiny Walker, Abby Randall, Jasmin Boettcher, Amber Ducommun







The chcir explodes in song For their audience at their Christmas concert.



Bth grade girls prepare For band class.

Isabel Lane performs "I Wonder As I Wander" at a concert, the solo she sang for Solo/Ensemble.



SPACE JAM



Row 1: Kayla Martinson, Kaitlin Nelson, Abby Randall, Alexa Stensen, Catherine Renneke, Megan Bertrang, Jenna Priest, Abby Schneider, Madeson Harshman <u>Row 2:</u> Krista Kunz, Olivia Herold, Seaann Nuetzmann, Shantae Harke, Madalaine McConville <u>Row 3:</u> Mrs. Zastrow, Matthew Lyons, Evan Stensen, Dylan Klindworth, Jeffrey Breaker, Ryan Dorf, Mayzie Walker, Skyler Hahn, Andrew Lea, Forest Karstensen <u>Not pictured:</u> Gabriel Carrillo





Solo/Ensemble Participants Row 1: Jenna Priest, Mayzie Walker, Katie Nelson, Alexa Stensen, Kayla Martinson, Kayne Korger <u>Row 2:</u> Babriel Carrillo, Skyler Hahn, Maddy McConville, Cathy Renneke, Abby Schneider, Matt Lyons, Dylan Klindworth The 6th Grade Band stars transitioned from Nebula to Protostars in their experience, heating up with frequent rehearsals; their musicianship started to glow. The players were given an opportunity to play a solo or small ensemble piece for their first concert of the year, the Christmas concert, which was held on December fifth. After that, they joined the Middle School Band in concerts. However, they still had their own music. "I really liked the Addams Family song we played in the Pops concert," stated 6th grader Natalie Belknap, "the tune was very fun!"

Unlike the 6th Grade Band, the Middle School Band, which consisted of 7th and 8th graders, had a lot more to work on. Every day they rehearsed their music in band class. To launch the year off, they learned a marching song to play at the Homecoming parade. Although many students admit they don't like marching, Matt Lyons, an 7th grader, says his favorite part of band is marching because they get to interact with the community.

After taking care of marching, they started concert band music for the Fall concert, held on November first. They had four concerts in total: Fall, Christmas, Pops (popular music), and Spring concert. Besides concerts, students were able to participate in Solo/Ensemble, where they can play a song alone or with a group in competition. The festival was held on February 18. On March 22, the band attended the Large Group Band Festival at Lincoln High School in Alma Center, where the band had the opportunity to watch other schools perform their concert pieces and critique them.

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Katie Nelson, Kayla Martinson, Jenna Priest, and Abby Schneider gets ready to warm-up For their concert.

> Anna Schneider plays a solo.





The 5th and 6th band etarstruck the audience with their performance in the Winter concert.

Rocketing Around the Track

Expectations of the middle school track season included teamwork, a positive attitude, and a willingness to try new things. That potential, shot to the moon, was met, according to Coach Forseth. Members talked through any struggles they had, and different events were finally accepted and participated in.

The season progressed well, the team performing better with every meet. With a big bang, many records were broken over the season. Dylan Guse broke records for the boys' 100 meter, 200 meter, 400 meter, and 800 meter dash; Dani Nelson broke the girls' 800 meter dash and mile records; Blake Solie with the shot put record; Sam Witte with a high jump of 5'2"; and Halle Luedtke, Dani Nelson, Katelyn Randall, and Devon Shilka broke the middle school record for the 4x200 meter relay.

Intensive workouts coalesced to make meets into a successful shine. Practices included calisthenics, plyometrics, speed, strength, and hill exercises. At meets, members came together as a team, cheering each other on in their events. "As a runner came up on the finish line, we'd be waiting and yelling for them to keep going faster," said Dani Nelson. Seeing the kids' excitement was one of the highlights of the season for Coach Forseth.

In meeting their soaring expectations, the team met success, which built over the season. Pulling together, middle school members grew as a team and brought enthusiasm to their track universe.

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Olivia Herold lands on Eleva-Strum soil

ump mark



<u>Row 1:</u> Kayne Korger, Andrew Fenner, Kyle Guntner, Hunter HoFFman <u>Row 2:</u> Destiny Daniels, Marcus Newgard, Evan Stensen, Kyle Gjerseth, Mayzie Walker, Megan Bertrang, Jenna Priest, Kaitlin Nelson, Olivia Herold <u>Row 3:</u> Danielle Nelson, Samuel Witte, Alex Sobotta, Andrew Lea, Sadie Solie, Payton Bethke, Jeanne Solie, Hunter Alix, Halle Luedtke, Forest Karstensen <u>Row 4:</u> Coach Dallas, Katelyn Randall, Alexa Gutshall, Michael Schroeder, Timothy Kunshier, Dylan Guse, Calvin Mayer, Jim Goings, Dallas Hawkins, Devon Shilka, Dylan Klindworth, Coach Forseth Not Pictured; Catherine Renneke, Blake Solie





position at the Eleva-Strum airfield. lengthy long jump

Neck and neck with competitors at a Fall Creek meet, Sam Witte (leftmost) hurdles toward the finish.



RACE THROUGH SPACE



3...2...1...BLAST OFF!! The gun goes off and 50 kids take off for a shot at first. Augusta took the lead in the Fall Creek Invitational, and finished second, the best meet outcome of the five season meets. For the first time in history, Augusta had a middle school cross country team. The team consisted of Jackson Goings, Carter Jacobs, Jenna Priest, Katie Nelson, Kayne Korger, Kyle Gjerseth, Andrew Lea, Matthew Lyons, Katherine Karstensen, Brooke Krause, and Lauren Lea. Andrew Lea, Matt Lyons, and Kyle Gjerseth were the top three star boy runners and Katie Nelson, Jenna Priest, and Lauren Lea were the top placing girls. The team was coached by Ms. Ashley Mason and assisted by Mr. Will Jacobs. Attending a middle or high school cross country meet, one could see Coach Mason screaming for the Augusta runners to push harder and finish strong. Even before meets, Coach Mason would give the runners words of advice to run their best.

"I think watching (the runners) work hard and seeing them do their best is my favorite part of coaching," Ms. Mason said of her team. "My definition of success is when you have that feeling of great accomplishment, and when you have done something successful."

-Copy by Aaron Herrick-





Ms. Mason gives a speech on the Middle

Katie Nelson rockets to the finish, blasting to beat a Fall Creek competitor.



The team lines up at the middle school pep rally to be congratulated on the victorious season.



<u>Row 1:</u> Jackson Goings, Carter Jacobs, Jenna Priest, Katie Nelson, Kayne Korger <u>Row 2:</u> Coach Ashley Mason, Kyle Gjerseth, Andrew Lea, Matthew Lyons, Katherine Karstensen, brook Krause, Lauren Lea <u>Not Pictured:</u> Molly McCormick







<u>Row 1</u>: Kayne korger, Eric Huth, Hunter Alix, Jeffery Breaker, Zackary Bergman. <u>Row2</u>: Justin Johnson, Payton Bethke, Bradley Reitger, Timothy Kunshier, Carter Berlin, Robert Krause, Alex Sobotta. <u>Row 3</u>: Mr. Rudolph and Mr. Sands



<u>Row 1</u>: Andrew Fenner, Devin Malcein, Marcus Newgard. <u>Row 2</u>: Carter Jacobs, Nathaniel Severson, Ethan Reitger, Hunter Sommers, Nick Kuehl, Seth Watenphul. <u>Row 3</u>: Mr. Rudolph, Cordell Stanek, Evan Stensen, Gatlin Joles, Scott Dickensen, Damon Shilka, Preston Waugh, Joshua Lane, Mr. Sands

PIGSKIN IN SPACE

Many light years ago, Augusta had its first middle school football team. The 8th grade team went 4-3 with a huge win over Eleva with the score 40-0, and a win over Cadott 38-32. The 7th grade went 0-7 but had some tough competition losing by mere points. The 8th grade team was coached by Mr. Sands and Mr. Rudolph; they were also the coaches of the 7th grade team. "We worked the players hard, but they worked even harder...it was impressive watching the players improve as the season progressed," reported Mr. Sands, "It was great seeing the players give 100% and seeing Carter Berlin pump up our team when we were down in the fourth quarter."

"My favorite game that we had was against Cadott. It was a close game and really exciting!" explained Carter Berlin. "My favorite part about football was knocking off someones helmet by tackling them and beating a team by 40 points," reported Payton Bethke, "The only thing I didn't like about football was when the referees didn't give us the calls we needed in those clutch moments, like when we had a 70 yard touchdown that was brought back because of a holding penalty. I had a lot of fun this year and I'm sure the athletes had just as much fun. I can't wait to see how the team does next year."

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<u>Row 1</u>: Kacie Conner, Cathy Renneke, Jasmin Boettcher, Dakota Walters, Jeanne Solie, Alexa Stensen. <u>Row 2</u>: Coach Renae Zimmerman, Maddie McConville, Amber Ducommun, Seaann Nuetzmann, Abby Randall, Shantae Harke, and Isabel Lane.



<u>Row 1</u>: Teaera Fabian, Krista Kunz, Breanna Truschka, Abri Knutson<u>, Row 2</u>: Kayla Martinson, Katie Nelson, Olivia Herold, Natalie Belknap, Amber Heller. <u>Row 3</u>: Coach Brittney Honadel, Abby Schneider, Anna Schneider, Rayanne Brock, Lauren Lea, Jenna Priest, Avery Conner.

DIGGING THE LITTLE DIPPER



Bump, Set, Spike! Fundamental skills were focused upon with the Middle School Volleyball team. Middle school was the time to learn basic skills, learn to play as a team, and prepare for the future. 27 young athletes telescoped the Middle School Volleyball team; twelve 8th graders, seven 7th graders, and eight 6th graders.

"Being able to pick each other up is an important part in learning to play together as a team," reflects first year 8th grade coach Renae Zimmerman. Alexa Stensen, Amber Ducommun, Isabel Lane, and Shantae Harke "set" the way to the 8th grade teams' galactic journey. Learning a 6-2 rotation in preparation for high school volleyball provided a new galaxy for the team to explore. "Conquering new positions and improving back row passing was a significant part of my season," commented Kacie Conner. A memorable highlight was the match Shantae Harke served 18 straight points. Amber Ducommun's memories included killer spikes from Cathy Renneke, Maddie McConville, and Seaann Nuetzmann. "It was a great feeling to give them a good set and know they would score points," she reminisced. Renae Zimmerman summarized with, "It was rewarding as a coach to watch the girls improve their volleyball skills and grow together as a team throughout the season."

The focus of the combined 6th and 7th grade team this year was also to improve on and learn basic volleyball skills. Partnering up for drills "Big sister/ little sister" style helped first year 6th graders learn from more experienced teammates. Concluding the season with a conference tournament held at Eleva-Strum was the most exciting part for the team members. The girls worked hard all morning and advanced to play Black River Falls in the championship game. Jenna Preist, Katie Nelson, and Kayla Martinson reflected, "We placed 2nd in the tournament, and it was fun to end the season by beating all of the teams in our conference."

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8th grade boys <u>Row 1:</u> Andrew Lea, Bradley Ritger, Carter Berlin, Timothy Kunshier Row 2: Alex Sobotta, Payton Bethke, Hunter Alix, Gabriel Carrillo



7th grade boys <u>Row 1:</u> Kyle Gjerseth, Ryan Dorf, Matthew Lyons, Justin Johnson, Tyler Lone <u>Row 2:</u> Kayne Korger, Evan Stensen, Austin King, Dakotah Guilette

What do the middle school boys basketball team and the NBA both have in common? They both have players highly dedicated to the game. Even though The Beavers lost their first four games, the fifth game was against Eleva-Strum. Right away in the game, the Beavers took the lead, ending the first quarter with a score of 11-3, but Eleva was still in the game. Eleva started to make some big runs and caught up to the Beavers, but the Beavers were too fast and tough, making some key plays and forcing Eleva to turn over the ball. With thirty seconds left, Payton Bethke was able to run down the time, earning the Beavers their first win. "It was an intense back and forth game," said Blake, "They would score, and it kept going throughout the game, but we made some really important free-throws at the end of the game that put us up by 5 with thirty seconds left. It felt good beating Eleva for our first win of the season!" After the Augusta tournament, the team went to Cadott for the next game. At the start, Augusta fell into a slump and by the end of the first half; they were down 13-23. When they got back on the court Carter Berlin and Kayne Kroger tried their best to get their team fired up and get back in the game. They played harder, and ultimately won against the Hornets. "I'm so excited for next year to play as a freshman," said Payton Bethke. "It's going to be way different next year, but it's going to be a great experience." Added Alex Sobotta, "I hope the same people go out for basketball next year because we had a good team and I liked playing with all of them." Like the NBA the middle school basketball teams finished with a successful season.

FLY BOYS



6th grade boys <u>Row 1:</u> Nikolai Cerrillo, Ethan Ritger, Gatlin Joles, Preston Waugh, Hunter Sommers <u>Row 2:</u> Jackson Goings, Nathaniel Severson, Mason Harshman, Carter Jacobs







Row 1: Alexa Stensen, Maize Walker, Megan Bertrang. Row 2: Cathy Renneke, Maddy McConville, Faith Martin, Shantae Harke, Coach Ashley Mason.



Row 1: Kayla Martinson, Olivia Heroid, Katie Nelson. Row 2: Coach Renae Zimmerman, Jenna Priest, Rayanne Brock, Brooklyn Barnett, Abby Schneider.



Row 1: Sydnie Paulsrud, Lauren Lea, Abri Knutson. Row 2: Coach Renae Zimmerman, Amber Heller , Katie Bell Karstensen, Anna Schneider.



Sonic Swishing

Beginning in January, the middle school girls' basketball blasted off into some unknown galaxies of competitive basketball and discovered some new skills to help with future intergalactic battles on the basketball court. The middle school season consisted of 14 total games for both teams. There were three long nights of double headers. First year middle school coach Ashley Mason led her small team of seven 8th graders to a 3-11 season. "This group of girls was extremely coachable and always came with an attitude to learn and want to do better" reflects Coach Mason. The biggest highlight of the season was getting their first win together as a team against Chippewa Falls: Holy Ghost. "It was really exciting that our hard worked paid off" commented Maddy McConville. Second year coach Renae Zimmerman handled the controls of the 7th grade space shuttle. The missions were completed with a 7-7 record. Seven girls made up the 7th grade team. The girls improved throughout the season and learned to see the floor better and play as a team. "My favorite game was when we played Osseo for the second time at our Fall Creek double header", commented Abby Schneider. "We lost to them by one the first time, and beat them the second time." added Katie Nelson. The sixth grade girls did not have school games of their own, but were asked to join practices and fill in when numbers were short. The middle school wrapped up their season with a team party held February 28. With a season lasting two months, the girls learned many new things and had a season of hard work and great improvement.

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YOUNG SKYWALKERS

The Middle School Student Council took on a responsibility of student government at their young age. Middle School Student Council held regular meetings throughout the year and planned fun activities, such as the Halloween Dance for middle school students, and various class trips, including Bruce Mound. The Student council consisted of sixth graders Cassie Guse, Kate Karstensen, and Nathanial Severson; seventh graders || Breaker, Kayne Korger, and Abby Schneider; as well as eighth graders Carter Berlin and Destiny Daniels. through a year of hard work, student council showed they can take care of business. -Copy by Zach Williams



The Middle School Student Council members. Cassie Guse not pictured.



Kayne Korger, Vice President



Abby Schneider, Treasurer



Kate Karstensen, Secretary



TU4T stands for Teaming Up For Tolerance. The group is oriented toward coming up with activities to encourage tolerance. One such recent activity involved teaching about bullying. The TU4T team visited each middle school classroom individually, and gave every student a piece of paper. Each student was asked to crumple up and then flatten out their piece of paper, and were told that the paper was representative of a person's emotions each time bullying takes place. TU4T used quotes such as "Broken bones heal faster than a spirit" to exemplify its anti-bullying campaign.

Thanks to the help of the TU4T team, it has been a year of good behavior in the Augusta Middle School. Combining speeches, activities, demonstrations, and vision, TU4T has made a positive contribution to their school in encouraging tolerance and combating the ongoing problem of bullying.

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UNDERCLASSMEN



Isabelle Bensen Mickayla Berger Benjamin Berthiaume Jamie Brown Jordan Cerrillo

Kaitlyn Dehnke Dakota Dlamatter Rachel Dorf Jordan Dusick Kayla Erdman Samuel Goberville

James Goings Logan Green Dylan Guse Alexa Gutshall Kataryna Hawkins Maryatt Karstensen

Brandon Kimball Quinn Kirchoff Connor Larson Christopher Lato Rachael Lebarron James Lengyel





RED DWARF



Halle Luedtke Beth Marino Calvin Mayer Carrisa Melgaard Michael Nehring

Clare Nelson Danielle Nelson Bryce Peterson Noah Plewa Kyle Priest Katelyn Randall

Shawn Sauers Brian Schick Jack Schneider Michael Schroeder Devon Shilka Blake Solie

Matthew Stanek. Samuel Witte Andrew Zebell Emerson Ziehr Troy Zimmerman







10TH GRADE

Haven Allard Ayla Bandoli Trevor Barka Colton Barnhardt Blake Bethke Sophia Black

Adrienne Brock Brooklynn Bruder Mareano Carrillo Timothy Dickinsen Crystal Dodge Alynzia Fenske

Nathaniel Goodell Bradley Grunewald Damin Hadorn-Papke Audrey Harriman Dylan Haubrich Kaitlynn Herold

Amber Herrick Adam Hitts Gina Huth Autumn King Desyre Klindworth









WHITE DWARFS





















Alex Knutson Katelynn Myers-Stobb

Shelby Rios Kyle Schmitt

Kerry Stensen

Nathan Wood







11TH GRADE

Shane Anderson Nikita Barka Michael J Barton Riley Berry Brittney Bertrang Esau Casetta

Lydia Deering Austin Denzine Molly Dexter Jerry Dopson Robert Edwards Jackson Forseth

Aaron Gutshall Ashley Heath Aaron Herrick Peggy Hoffman Jeanne Hudson Kayla Huse

Jesse Joles Johnathon Kauer Roman Knez Jessica Kunz Kylee Lebarron






















SUPERNOVAS



























Teresa Pritzl Andrew Robinson Sarah Rosenquist Teddy Sauers Seth Severson Catherine Shaffer

Jaime Sieg Isaac Siegel Naomi Sobiech Chelsea Spear Samantha Tuttle Tanner Walker

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Joe Whalen Cora Wheeler Candace Wiese Steven Wolf Nathaniel Ziwisk







ALIENS IN AUGUSTA

Junie Wang was 18 years old and from Norway. She enjoyed going to school in the USA because something happens every week. She found it hard to say anything bad about going to High School here; she considered everything to be much better than what she was used to. One of the differences Junie noticed between America and Norway was the food. She thought people here ate more junk food than back home. Apart from that, she could not see any major differences between American and Norway, and she had adjusted well to the new way of life. A small detail that she had noticed was that people in America burp out loud when they want, which was considered impolite in her country. Neli Baghdoshuili came from Georgia, and was 17 years old. She liked the USA and Augusta High School very much. She thought American schools were better than the schools in Georgia because students had more opportunities to study and got a better education here. She especially liked the teachers because they were so friendly and helpful. The one thing she did not like was that school began so early in the morning.

Neli chose to became an exchange student because she wanted to do something different from what she was used to. She wanted to experience new things and meet new people. She decided to come to the USA because it's a country where you can experience everything that interested you. She liked the diversity of the people you could meet here.



































Organizations

SPACE-CULTURE

Members boarded a rocket ship filled with leadership, agriculture, and community service. FFA was an organization for everyone, with many opportunities and fun events to attend. With 84 FFA members, Ms. Shlough mentioned "This is the highest membership we've had in a while, I am really glad." You can join FFA when you were in middle school, and it costs \$15, plus you received an exotic Neon green t-shirt. President Anissa Thompson said, "FFA is so awesome, it should stand for, Fun For All". To be an FFA officer, members filled out a packet, completed an interview process, and attended an officer retreat during the summer. The key events for FFA officers included the National FFA Convention at the end of October held in Indianapolis, Indiana. The members who went were Tanner Walker, Andrew Robinson, Desyre Klindworth, Shelby Rios, and Kerry Stensen. President Austin Stensen said, "The best part of this year is that I enjoy being the president and running the club," "I am looking

it included the events that happened monthly, like team building trips to places such as Action City or the rodeo. The FFA members have a special week called FFA week. It is filled with fun events. The first day the members competed in a calf bottle chug, and a potato sack race. The second day the FFA officers put on a carnival for the members to win prizes like candy and chips. The third day Ms. Shlough ordered pizza for lunch, for FFA members. The fourth day there was a pedal tractor race for all members, and one member from each grade had to compete. The final day, there was a snorting contest of ice cream, and lard bowling. The team participated in building activities, and planned chapter activities including community service events for the food pantry in December, and Valentines for the Augusta Area Nursing Home. Members boarded the ship again to take off home, wearing exotic green T-shirts.

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Aaron Herrick watches Joe Whalen and Brittney Bertrang inject oranges with Food coloring in Small Animal Science.



Keats King inspects water For the fish tank.



forward to the Eau Claire County Fair this

summer". The FFA members could attend, and

FFA officers smiling during officer retreat.



Aaron Herrick gives a thumbs up during his own time while making Valentines For the Nursing home.



Augusta's men officers looking professional at the Sectional Leadership Workshop.



Austin Stensen strikes a pose during the ice skating trip at Eau Cliare Hobbs Ice Rink.



FFA members after their trip to The World toughest Rodeo in Minneapolis.



Members competed in the District Speaking Contest at Memorial High School.



Row 1: Brookelynn Barnett, Desyre Klindworth, Tanner Walker, Andrew Robinson, Kerry Stensen, Shelby Rios, Kyle Berlin, Austin Stensen, Anissa Thompson, Jason Kelnhofer, Jordan Beenken, Raron Herrick, Bradley Grunewald. <u>Row 2</u>: Ryan Dorf, Alex Sobotta, Hunter Alix, Evan Stensen, Denise Bustamante, Jesse Joles, Cody Reetz, Troy Zimmerman, Autumn King, Olivia Herold, Rayanne Brown, Madeson Harshman, Austin King, Isabel Lane, Shante Harke, Dakota Walters. <u>Row3</u>: Jeanne Solie, Sebestyn Bandoli, Carter Berlin, Gina Huth, Trevor Barka, Nathaniel Goodell, Neil Baghdoshuili, Junie Wang, Megan Bertrang, Kyle Guntner, Andrew Fenner, Abby Schneider, Amber Ducommun, Kayla Martinson, Cathy Renneke, Maddy McConville, Abby Randall. <u>Row 4</u>: Alexa Stensen, Mayzie Walker, Payton Bethke, Marshall Mayer, Damien Hadorn-Papke, Riley Berry, Katelyn Randall, Chelsie Anger, Brandon Kimball, Rachel Dorf, Halle Luedtke, Logan Green, Jamie Brown, Michael Schroedar, Jordan Cerrillo, Brice Pederson, Devin Malcein, Marcas Newgard, Seaann Nuetzmann

Kin Cosmos







FCCLA is a dynamic and effective national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders and address important personal, family, work, and societal issues, through Family and Consumer Sciences Education.

Participation in national programs and chapter activities helps members become strong leaders in their families, careers and communities. Our chapter went to team training at UW Stout in October. They had a pizza and movie night in November. FCCLA members also participated in STAR events (Students Taking Action with Recognition) in which each student chose and completed a project, then presented it to judges. STAR events were competitive events in which members were recognized for proficiency and achievement in chapter and individual projects, leadership skills, and career preparation. They promoted the FCCLA mission to focus on the multiple roles of family member, wage earner, and community leader. Each event was designed to

help members develop specific lifetime skills in character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge, and career preparation. For example Chelsea Spear, Jeanne Hudson, and Naomi Sobiach completed a Focus on Children project. They have been working with the after school program and have taught five Food and Fun sessions with first and second graders. They presented information to the judges about the planning and preparation for their classes. They wrote a speech and created a board to help them talk about their project.

Jessica Kunz and Teresa Pritzl competed in the Life Event Planning category. They explored items and their want and need list for prom. They researched pricing and discussed the key factors involved in making decisions for this event. They prepared a portfolio with their information and shared it with the judges.

Allie Nelson and Amy Schick also competed in the life Event Planning category. As seniors who are college bound next year, they explored the items they would need for living in a dorm room. They comparison shopped to find the best value for their wants and needs. They prepared a portfolio with key facts they learned as they explore their first year of college needs. The groups will attend the State Leadership Conference. The Augusta FCCLA chapter is proud of the work these members put into their projects. -Copy by Katy Myers-



STAR Events Crew <u>Row 1:</u> Chelsea Spear, Teresa Pritzl, Jessica Kunz, Naomi Sobiech <u>Row 2:</u> Allie Nelson, Amy Schick, Jeanne Hudson

ON A BUSINESS MISSION





The Future Business Leaders of America had a membership of 21 students, one of the largest FBLA groups Augusta since the charter year in the 2002-2003 school year.

To launch this year off, members voted for officers and chose committees. Denise Bustamante and Allie Nelson were elected as co-presidents, Teresa Pritzl as secretary, and Taylor Mayenschein as treasurer.

Every month, the Presidents conducted meetings and discussed with the members the state of the committees and plans for future events. Trending topics in meetings included competition, recruitment, and committee activities. Committees included educational activity, fun activity, and community service.

After careful training, on February 4, 17 astronauts boarded the ship and made their way to Superior High School for the FBLA Regional Leadership Conference. Participation options our chapter members chose included taking a test, creating a presentation, and presenting a speech. Riley Berry, Denise Bustamante, Rachel Dorf, Nate Goodell, Alexa Gutshall, and Jessi Kunz advanced to the State Leadership Conference, held at the La Crosse





Center, on April 2 and 3.

National FBLA week was the second week of February, but the week of February 13-17 was declared Augusta's "unofficial" FBLA week. Members dressed up in red and pink for Valentine's Day, wore blue and gold, FBLA's official colors, and dressed up in their business attire. The high school was given clues to find fake checks, money, and coins that were hidden for a financial fitness scavenger hunt. To celebrate Mr. Catt's birthday, which fell on the Thursday of that week, he made brownies for the crew to which Zach Williams asked "Why can't we have more meetings like this?"

"FBLA is much more than just 'Future Business Leaders of America'. It's an opportunity to not only know more about the business world, but also be provided with benefitting life experiences for the future," asserted copresident Denise Bustamante.

From meetings, to FBLA week, to RLC... the FBLA crew had a successful mission.

-Copy by Denise Bustamante-



FBLA state qualifiers Denise Bustamante, Rachel Dorf, Alexa Gutshall, Jessi Kunz, Nate Goodell, and Riley Berry





FBLA mission crew <u>Row 1:</u> Aaron Herrick, Jamie Sieg, Chanel Ludwig, Allie Nelson, Jessi Kunz, Denise Bustamante, Taylor Mayenschein, Dani Nelson, Halle Luedtke, Alexa Gutshall, Rachel Dorf <u>Row 2:</u> Zach Nelson, Seth Severson, Zach Williams, Molly Perkovich, Daniel Gjerseth, Riley Berry, Nate Goodell, and Maryatt Karstensen









BUILDING THE ROCKET

"VICA is the technical education version of The VICA chapter focused on technical education; According to Mr. Sands "VICA is the club for people who like working with their hands so basically the techies." The VICA organization met once a month and would attend Drag races and other similar activities with it. Anissa Thompson said "VICA is radical chilling with Mr. Sands, making stuff in the shop. It's way fun."

Twelve students participated in VICA enjoying the many opportunities in hands on projects. VICA was also part of the archery club this year. Mr. Sands said, "We have worked on the Mud Bogger for a while now." VICA helped fund the archery club; that blasted off from the start.

The Technical Education department received a metal lathe from CVTC this year. The lathe was put to good use for both VICA and the metals class. This year the exploring power and energy class built trebuchets and catapults to get a better understanding of kinetic and potential energy.

-Copy done by Robbie Edwards-







The VICA group had a great amount of people this year as you can see but this is only a couple of people of the entire group.

SAVING THE UNIVERSE

Students Against Destructive Decisions was a positive influence to the high school, the Augusta community, and Eau Claire County. Members attended the annual SADD training, held at The Plaza Hotel and Suites in Eau Claire on October 11. Other participating high schools were Altoona, Fall Creek, Memorial, North, and Regis. For the first half of the day, the students learned the importance of the four A's: why alcohol is Acceptable, Affordable, Attractive, and Available to youth.

At the training, the students had their first official activism of the year. Over 50 students lined up on Clairemont Avenue holding a letter to form "Too many youth drink alcohol in Eau Claire County, but why?!" Many drivers slowed down to read the human billboard. That's when they knew they had already made an impact on the community, and it was only the beginning. Keeping the four A's in mind, the AugustaSADD chapter conducted their first activism in October. The group brainstormed ideas and put them all

together.

By wearing beer and liquor ads, the students showed their peers how they were being targeted by alcohol companies. On February 3 and 7, and the high school boys' and girls' basketball games, the students placed stickers on popcorn bags with the "It's Just Not Worth the Risk" logo, stamped the programs, and handed out flyers, regarding underage drinking and parents hosting, to fans as they came into the school. New this year was the silhouettes with speech bubbles. They were set around the school "telling" everyone the dangers of underage drinking and hosting using stats.

"The first and most important purpose of SADD is not to divide the 'drinkers' and 'non-drinkers,'" asserts Denise Bustamante, "We want to educate teens and the community how tobacco and alcohol companies target us and make us think it's acceptable, affordable, attractive, and available."

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SADD members <u>Row 1:</u> Teresa Pritzl, Denise Bustamante, Allie Nelson <u>Row 2:</u> Kerry Stensen, Shelby Rios, Jessi Kunz, Amy Schick Row 3: Gina Huth, Desyre Klindworth, Beth Marino, Alexa Gutshall

TWINKLE TWINKLE LITTLE STAR





Cloverbelt All-ConFerence Choir Members <u>Row 1:</u> Candi Wiese, Jessi Kunz <u>Row 2:</u> Naomi Sobiech, Shelby Rios, Jessica Schiller, Riley Berry



Solo/Ensemble Participants Row 1: Brittney Lee Row 2: Denise Bustamante, Jessi Kunz, Crystal Dodge, Ayla Bandoli <u>Row 3:</u> Devon Shilka, Shaun Sauers, Riley Berry, Jessica Schiller

<u>Row 1:</u> Mrs. Clark, Denise Bustamante, Courtney Voorhies, Jenna Hoekstra, Samantha Tuttle, Candi Wiese, Naomi Sobiech, Jessi Kunz, James Lengyal, Autumn King, Riley Berry <u>Row 2:</u> Miss Powell, Lydia Deering, Maryatt Karstensen, Alexa Gutshall, Crystal Dodge, Jazmin Jones, Ayla Bandoli, Brittney Lee, Jessica Schiller, Shelby Rios, Devon Shilka <u>Row 3:</u> Shawn Sauers, Alex Knutson





It was nice to see the high school choir back in orbit after a couple years struggling with quantity. The choir members attended the Large Group Choral Festival on October 26 at Eleva-Strum High School. Some singers attended regular class while others took independent choir. On November 11, the choir sang the Star-Spangled Banner at the Veterans Day Ceremony. Early winter was the time for students to choose a piece to perform at the annual Solo and Ensemble Festival, held on March 31. Singers participating were Jessica Schiller, Riley Berry, Devon Shilka, Shaun Sauers, Brittney Lee, Denise Bustamante, Jessi Kunz, Crystal Dodge, and Ayla Bandoli. On January 21, 6 students were selected to participate in the Cloverbelt All-Conference choir, this year held at Regis High School. Candi Wiese, Naomi Sobiech, Jessi Kunz, Riley Berry, Jessica Schiller and Shelby Rios joined other singers from other schools to put together a large concert.

The Choir sang four performances throughout the year. Their first concert was the Fall concert on November 1. Following the Fall, everyone got their carols out, including the Alfred Burt carols, for the Christmas concert. On March 5, the choir sang "Need You Now" by Lady Antebellum, "We Go Together" from the musical Grease, and "Seasons of Love" from the musical Rent for the Pops concert. The Spring concert, held on May 7, was the final concert, but not the final performance. The singing stars' final performances were at the Seniors' Baccalaureate ceremony and Graduation night.

The choir had an astronomical year. Although small, they proved that quality does beat quantity.

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NOCTURNE NOTES







With volleyball and football seasons active, the year blasted off with pep band gigs. "It's fun to play for sports," says Maryatt Karstensen, "and I like the music!" You could also find the pep band at basketball games filling the space with school spirit and excitement, but it didn't stop there.

The band took part in the Large Group Band Festival, held on November 8 at Osseo-Fairchild High School. They got the opportunity to listen and critique other bands from neighboring schools. On November 11, the band played "American Heroes" in honor of our veterans for Veterans Day. Some musicians chose to apply and participate in the Cloverwood Honors Band. Students also got the chance to show off their talents at the annual Solo/Ensemble Festival on March 31.

Throughout the year, the concert band made many performances including the Fall, Christmas, Pops, and Spring concert. On November 1, the band held their first concert of the year. The Fall concert included the pieces "Marco Poco", a march style song, and "Southern Hymn", a slow lyrical piece. For the Christmas concert, the band performed "The Call of Christmas", "Winter Fantasy", "Twelve Days of Christmas", and "Go Tell It On The Mountain." Keeping the tradition of playing a Disney song alive, the band performed John Lennon's "Imagine" and a Lion King medley including the songs "Circle of Life", "I Just Can't Wait to Be King", "Can You Feel The Love Tonight", and others. Many students consider the Pops concert their favorite because the songs are more familiar. Taylor Mayenschein says, "Pops music is almost easier to play. You already have the beat of the music in your head; you can feel it better."

Their final performance landed at the graduation ceremony on May 25.

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Cloverbelt All-Conference Band Members <u>Row 1:</u> Denise Bustamante, Allie Nelson, Teresa Pritzl <u>Row 2:</u> Heather Soblech, Taylor Mayenschein, Aaron Pritzl



Solo/Ensemble Participants Damin Hadorn-Papke, Desyre Klindworth, Dallas Hawkins, Kerry Stensen, Taylor Mayenschein, Denise Bustamante, Allie Delson



<u>Row 1:</u> Blake Bethke, Shelby Rios, Catherine Shaffer, Chanel Ludwig, Allie Nelson, Taylor Mayenschein, Jessica Schiller, Kate Herold, Alexa Gutshall, Maryatt Karstensen <u>Row 2:</u> Kayla Erdman, Katelyn Randall <u>Row 3:</u> Mrs. Zastrow, Heather Sobiech, Aaron Pritzl, Denise Bustamante, Teresa Pritzl, Kerry Stensen, Halle Luedtke, Jessi Kunz, Devon Shilka <u>Row 4:</u> Robert Edwards, Samuel Witte, Dallas Hawkins, Desyre Klindworth, Courtney Shaffer, Rustin Stensen, Trevor Barka, Nathaniel Goodell, Courtney Voorhies, Jenna Hoekstra, Damin Hadorn-Papke

SOLAR SPOTLIGHT

Lights up... ACTION! The One-Act play group performed "Screenagers", an original play written and dedicated to the Augusta One-Act Play group by writers Jim and Jane Jeffries. Full of sarcastic humor, the farce comedy peeked into the lives of modern teenagers and their apparent dependency on technology. The star spangled cast included Seth Severson as an unfortunate teen forced into a week without electronics, Taylor Mayenschein as a passionate English teacher, Robbie Edwards as a strict father, and Jessica Kunz as a rebellious grandma. The thespians rehearsed for four weeks, in class and before and after school, memorizing lines and running through scenes and choreography. The group zoomed past Sub-District and District, then on to Sectionals, where, despite putting on the best performance yet, was stopped from advancing to State.

As a Christmas gift to their schoolmates, the team produced a collection of Christmas skits. The unnamed series of skits yielded many laughs, featuring scenes with Aaron Gutshall as an out-of-place cupid, Robbie Edwards as Judge Santa in Christmas court, Zach Williams as a living G.I. Joe, and Steve Bertram as a hulking Easter Bunny plotting against Santa.

Though they didn't make it to state, the theater troupe proved they could make the best of any situation and pull through smiling. They showed that with hard work and dedication to the art, no star is ever truly unreachable.

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Kunz fights back. her mugger realizing his mistake of the Feisty old woman







The One-Act Play group, performing their cosmic production: Screenagers For classmates in the Gymnasium.





Strict Father Robbie Edwards checks his "sun" Seth Severson's pocket For a hidden cell phone.



During the Christmas Skits, the holdiday icons plot against Santa Clause.



Zach Williams shows off the latest astronomy technology to an astonished Jenna Hoekstra.



Taylor Mayenschein and Jessica Kunz speaking during one oF the Christmas Skits

SPACEY SPEAKERS





Planetary Pitstops

February 4	UW-EC	Invitational
February 13	Regis HS	Sub-District
February 25	Durrand HS	Invitational
March 3	Regis HS	Invitational
March 12	Regis HS	District
April 12	AHS Library	Family Night
April 20-21	UW-Madison	State



<u>Row 1:</u> Kerry Stensen, Shelby Rios, Denise Bustamante, Anissa Thompson, Rachel Dorf <u>Row 2:</u> Candice Wiese, Brenda Dingler, Teresa Pritzl, Jessi Kunz, Autumn King, Naomi Sobiech <u>Row 3:</u> Scott LaRose, Gina Huth, Desyre Klindworth, Taylor Mayenschein, Robert Edwards, Alexa Gutshall



Not all is "Married Bliss" in this play acting piece, performed by Kerry Stensen, Shelby Rios, Desyre Klindworth, and Gina Huth, when the ex's oF a soonto-be-married couple come to visit.

Landing two new advisors, the forensics team launched into a fresh beginning. In the command center, Ms. Rebecca Sebelko and Mr. Michael Collins organized 19 apprentice rocketeers into action. Out of 15 potential categories, members chose to participate in solo or play acting, giving speeches, and presenting prose and farrago pieces. Regardless of their choice, commitment and hard work became a necessity.

Their next pre-launch step, after choosing a category, was finding, writing, and creating pieces to present. Included in this task, members created introductions and transitions, presented pieces, or gave speeches, timing and cutting



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each to fit their designated time limitations. Then practice commenced. As each competition date approached, forensics members could be found muttering to themselves with intense facial expressions and dramatic motions.

The entire team passed on at Sub-District, while all but two members advanced from the District to State competition. Landing at the UW-Madison campus, the season for these forensic students landed with a gentle thud, members moving to their next destination and bringing with them not only the metallic souvenirs of their adventure, but confidence in their public speaking skills.

-Copy by Taylor Mayenschein-

THE BRIGHT STARS



Robbie Edwards, Brett Lewallen, Daniel Gjerseth, Tanner Walker, Austin Stensen, Anissa Thompson, Allie Nelson and Jordan Beenken jump For Polar Plunge.



National Honor Society honors upper class students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of leadership, service, academics, and character. The NHS group consisted of 24 students, 12 senior members who welcome 12 incoming juniors. President Anissa Thompson said, "I'm leading the smartest kids in the school. It is totally awesome."

Throughout the year. NHS members completed various acts of giving tasks. The chapter hosted three community-wide American Red Cross blood drives, where they volunteered by ensuring donors were comfortable and helping set and clean up the gym. In addition, several members were able to participate in the annual Eau Claire Polar Plunge at Half Moon Lake on February 26, benefiting Special Olympics. "The Polar Plunge is my favorite NHS activity. Raising money and freezing my butt off to benefit the Special Olympics is definitely worth it," explained Anissa Thompson.

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Austin Stensen, a Senior NHS member hard at work brainstorming out of this world fund raisers to help the NHS program.





Augusta High School National Honor Society members plunge in Freezing cold water For a good cause.



Vice President Matthew Grunewald patiently waits For Ms. Selberg to finish talking so he can state his opinion.

<u>First Row:</u> Robbie Edwards, Jeanne Hudson, Jessica Kunz, Zach Nelson, Seth Severson, Kayla Lone, Naomi Sobiech, Tanner Walker, Catherine Shaffer Second Row: Daniel Gjerseth, Matt Grunewald, Taylor Mayenschein,

Amy Schick, Allie Nelson, Anissa Thompson, Austin Stensen, Zach Williams, Heather Sobiech, Molly Perkovich



President Anisea Thompson discussing an important topic at a NHS meeting.

Molly Perkovich, Catherine ShaFFer and Matthew Grunewald hand out Blood Drive permission slips to students during their lunch time.



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SPACE CADETS



Student Council President Daniel Gjerseth sets a good example by coming in early before school to do some homework.



Student Council member Alexa Gutshall deep in thought of plans For the next meeting.

Rocketing off the school year with homecoming just around the corner, student council members had to step up and take on their first challenge of the new school year.

The duty of the student council, a student government body of elected representatives, is to advocate for student causes in the high school. Placing the constellations in order was their first task, with each class voting for and electing their respective class officers and representatives. The students as a whole chose to be led by Daniel Gjerseth and Austin Stensen as student body copresidents.

Student council had many big decisions in

Student Council member Jessica Kunz brainstorms with classmate Teresa Pritzl on potential Homecoming activities.



order to make homecoming a great experience for everyone in school. Homecoming is considered by many to be the student council's most important responsibility. The council checked off their list: hire disk jockey, choose slogan or theme, ponder and implement dress-up days, choose a color scheme for the flowers and sashes of the attendants, order pizza for the staff, decide and design the competitions to be played during lunch, sell tickets, and decorate dance space.

For the remainder of the school year, the council met to address any important student issues that arose.

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Student Council President Rustin Stensen chats with class mates to get their opinion on a Halloween Dance.



Student Council Representatives Daniel Gjerseth and Austin Stensen present awards to the honor roll students.



Freshman student council members Rachel Dworf and Alexa Gutshall.



Sophomore student council members Amber Herrick and Angel Solie.



Student Council adviser Mr. Collins dedicates his Free time to set rules For the Homecoming competitions during Lunch.



Junior student council member Jessica Kunz and Raron Gutshall.



Senior student council members Simone Sommers and Riex Sell.

EDITING THE UNIVERSE

An annual staff of 12 astronauts worked hard to create this "Out of this World" yearbook. Producing the book consisted of exploring all the creative corners of the universe, such as taking explosive pictures, writing extraterrestrial copy, and zeroing-in on unique templates.

Making the yearbook was not easy; staff members put in countless hours of hard work and effort. Returning astronauts Jordan Beenken, Jason Kelnhofer, Taylor Mayenschein, Allie Nelson, and Molly Perkovich helped guide new annual staff explorers. "I enjoyed learning to work with photoshop and becoming a better writer," said Denise Bustamante, "Most imporantly, now I've had the experience of managing time in a more professional setting." When it came to being creative, there were no asteroids blocking our path; annual staff member Robbie Edwards created artwork used on the cover, end sheets, and division pages of the book. The yearbook staff invested in a camera in mid-November, allowing higher quality photos to be taken. Members then had access to two cameras to snap pictures with. Eager to take on the responsibility of taking photos with the new camera, the annual staff launched themselves upon all events of the high/middle school galaxy.

Taylor Mayenschein and Allie Nelson shared the challenging responsibility of being co-editors this year. Their mission: create the ladder, correct copy, examine pictures, make suggestion templates, and ensure deadlines be met on time. "The entire annual staff worked hard on their pages," said Mayenschein, "Allie and I helped keep them on track and make sure the book remained consistent."

Determination and diligence from the annual staff made the 2011-2012 yearbook truly "Out of this World."

-Copy by Molly Perkovich and Catherine Shaffer-



One of many "Out of this World" paintings created by Robbie Edwards with spray paint and self-taught techniques.







<u>Row One:</u> Junie Wang, Katy Meyers, Allie Nelson, Denise Bustamante, Molly Perkovich, Catherine Shaffer, Zach Williams <u>Row Two:</u> Taylor Mayenschein, Aaron Herrick, Jordan Beenken, Jason Kelnhofer, Robbie Edwards Not Pictured: Mr. Catt





Mr. Catt tests out the new camera before allowing yearbook staff snap pictures (or even touch it).



Katy Myers scans photos onto the website.



Raron Herrick logs into Lifetouch, the yearbook website.



Catherine ShaFFer creates copy.



Jordan Beenken and Jason Kelnhofer discuss their next move for the football page.



Robbie Edwards conFers with Zach Williams on photoshopping the cover art.

RETURNING ASTRONAUTS

Astronomical Co-Editors



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Jordan Beenken





Molly Perkovich







Jason KeinhoFer



Allie Nelson and Denise Bustamante correct "Out of this World" copy.



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ACTIVITIES

Λ Midnight Sky

From cutting out stars, hanging black tulle from the ceiling, and throwing glitter on every possible object, the Class of 2012 caught every star and put them together to create "A Midnight Sky."

On April 30, prom was held at the high school auxiliary gym. Girls put on their dresses and accessories, boys their formal attire, to take a midnight dance under the stars, glittering in the dark space above.

As ten o' clock approached, the junior class gathered outside the doors and the prom mix was prepared for the Grand March. Amanda Schneider and Jesse Fenner were crowned Queen and King of Prom. Chanel Ludwig and Matt Grunewald were named Princess and Prince. "I felt manly, kingly, and noble because it is an honor to get something like that..." said Jesse proudly, "I knew I was going to get it." Amanda, however, did not expect to be crowned Queen, but she too felt honored.

Due to a large number of nominees, Zachary Kirchoff and Amy Schick were Junior attendants. Senior attendants were Jaquelyn Gibson and Weston Huth, Sophomore attendants were Naomi Sobiech and Jamie Sieg, and Freshman attendants were Shelby Rios and Marshall Mayer.

The Grand March was only a break in the night. The DJ, Audio Adrenalin, continued playing songs and taking requests. Everyone danced the night away with dates, friends, or by themselves. After the clock struck midnight, they dispersed in different directions. The next morning, tired and glittering juniors returned to clean up the outfall of their earth-shattering night.





King Jesse Fenner and Queen Amanda Schneider



Gibson and Weston Huth



Prince Matt Grunewald

Sophomore Attendants Naomi

Sobiech and Jamie Sieg



Junior Attendants Amy Schick and Zachary Kirchoff



Freshman Attendants Shelby Rios and Marshall Mayer



Stensen









Shelby Rios and Danielle Davenport kiss Marshall Mayer on the cheek.



Jesse Fenner shows off his moves with the rest boys while they dance to "I'm Too Sexy" by Right Said Fred.





Austin Stensen Haunts his white tuxedo and baton.



The King and Queen in the Court Dance.



Anissa Thompson and Jessica Schiller take a breather from the energetic









EVENTS/CONTESTS

Monday: Tug-oF-war Tuesday: Jello eating contest Wednesday: 4 square volleyball Thursday: Powderpuff football Friday: Team building and Homecoming game Saturday: Homecoming dance

2011 senior royalty exhibit school spirit with dazzling smiles.





Zachary KirchoFF shows oFF his signature move in the traditional dance-oFF oF the Football team.



Homecoming King Allen Gingerich and Queen Simone Sommers, announced during the Grand March of the Homecoming dance.

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DRESS UP DAYS

Monday: Roll Out of Bed Tuesday: Nerd Wednesday: Celebrity Thursday: Western Friday: Purple Pride



Austin Stensen drives his powerhouse of a tractor tugging the senior float.

RETURNING TO EARTH

Denise Bustamante, Allie Nelson, and Amy Schick sit this song out but still have Fun giving a big smile to the camera.





The Football team huddles in For a pre-game cheer.



lordan Beenken and Mathew Grunewald exhibit the Homecoming spirit by dressing up as nerds. Returning to the home galaxy, the Beavers came to rejoice in their Homecoming. The excitement level was truly out of this world. In charge of Homecoming, the Student Council and Mr. Collins had a week of fun activities planned. The week started off with the annual class tugof-war competition, which the senior boys and girls took control from the very start. A number of other different activities were aligned for the Beavers such as the jello eating contest, powderpuff football, and boys' four-way volleyball. As the week went by, the each graduating class used their skills and wit to put together the best floats for the parade. On Friday, the Augusta Beavers put the final touches on their floats as everyone in the town gathered to see the galactic presentation. After parading down the streets, the classes took their respective corners and let out a cry that shook the stars. The football players gathered in the middle of the crowd to show they were ready to conquer the universe. To finish off Homecoming week, the Beavers held a dance. Elected by their peers, the court stood before the rest of the school; Allen Gingerich and Simone Sommers were elected 2011 Homecoming King and Queen. The school showed their true brightness, spinning, shimmering, and shining to celebrate homecoming. -Copy by Robbie Edwards-



The champion senior PowderpuFF Football team shows their enthusiasm.

Homecoming court stands in all their royal glory during the Grand March.



FRIGHT NIGHT

At the beginning of the year, the SADD and FCCLA Chapters joined together to host Augusta's first high school Halloween dance. The purpose of the dance was to encourage healthy decisions on Halloween night.

On October 31, volunteers set up decorations after school. Veronica Kauer was one of the many who spent three hours helping set up for the dance, but said that decorating was the best part. "It was super fun overall," said Kauer. The dance started at 7 pm. As you entered the dance, cobwebs, skeletons, and bloody hand prints were found everywhere. Shaun Green, the DJ, entertained the aliens dancing on the dance floor with songs, music videos, and karaoke. There was a fog machine that many thought added to the spooky effect of the night.

At last, there was a costume contest. John Kauer won one trophy for his hippie and Desyre Klindworth, Kerry Stensen, Trevor Barka, and Gina Huth for their Pac-Man ensemble.

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James Lengyel surrounds himself with ladies For a photo-opp after the dance.







Pinky, Mr. and Mrs. Pac-Man, and Clyde take a breather From running around.





Students are mesmerized by a laser show during the dance.



Brenda Dingler is showing off her costume in hopes to win the costume contest.





Scott Halverson's mom kisses him during a pep rally.



Fans embrace the Football players after winning their last home game.



The Cross Country state bound boys await a speech delivered by Coach Jacobs.



Basketball players are blind-folded by the girls basketball team, awaiting their "good luck" kisses.



SPACE SPIRIT



Students dress "Whiteout" For the Marshfield Columbus boys basketball game



Football captains Zachary KirchoFF, Kyle Berlin, Rustin Stensen, and Jordan Beenken lead the homecoming pep rally.



Football players show their Fellow students their cheer



Coach Henrichs leads the school in the "roller coaster"



n between ner an Bertrang.









Jordan Beenken relays progress of the wrestling team before sectional competition.

























FIELDING OUTER SPACE

Stepping out of the batter's box, getting a sign from coach, the batter waits as the pitcher begins her windup. The contest begins. Graduating three seniors and coming off a rough season, the returning varsity players were faced with a new coach and a new program. Welcoming Augusta native Jake Kruger to the program was the start to a new season. The first scheduled softball game was Tuesday, April 5, but with snow still on the field, the game was unplayable. The players, limited to practices in the gym, had not a day of practice on the field. The entire season was delayed due to lingering snow. Games were rescheduled later in the season; resulting in some long weeks with 5 games played. The Lady Beavs' opening week held a home game against Spencer and an away game at Osseo. Misse Vaningan hit an "in the park" home run to highlight the Osseo game. Some position changes were made during the season; the biggest between catcher and first base. "I tried catching one practice just for fun, and immediately Coach

saw a natural ability to be a catcher" stated Amanda Schneider, "After that, I caught the rest of the season." The Beavers received their first wins of the season hosting Marshfield Columbus on Tuesday, May 3. In the first game of the double header, the score was tied at two after four innings. Augusta scored one run in the 5th inning to take the lead and scored two more in the 6th, ending with their first victory of 5-2. In the second game of the double header, the Beavers' offense finally got their bats going by scoring 12 runs in the first two innings and holding Marshfield to only 1 run. "It was an exciting feeling to get our first two wins," commented freshman Amber Herrick. The team went on to finish the season 5-9 in conference. For regionals, Augusta traveled to Elmwood. Battling back and forth, the Beavers fell short in the last inning, and lost 2-3. Junior Allie Nelson received All-Conference 2nd Team, and sophomore Catherine Shaffer was awarded Honorable Mention.

-Copy by Allie Nelson-



<u>Row 1:</u> Caitlin Henke and Paulette Tompkins. <u>Row 2</u>: Simone Sommers, Anissa Thompson, Shelby Rios, Tayler Hess. <u>Row 3</u>: Head Coach Jake Kruger, Allie Nelson, Amy Schick, Amanda Schneider, Catherine Shaffer, Chanel Ludwig and assistant Coach Renae Zimmerman. <u>Not</u> <u>Pictured:</u> Amber Herrick



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Spencer	L, 2-17
@05580	L, 5-10
@Owen-Withee	L, 3-20
Greenwood	L, 1-19
Spencer	L, 0-22
Columbus	W, 5-2
Columbus	W, 21-13
@Gilman	L, 0-18
@Gilman	W, 3-1
Loyal	L, 14-2
Loyal	L, 11-1
@Colby	L, 1-11
Owen-Withee	W, 15-6
@Greenwood	L, 7-23
@Neillsville	L, 1-21
@Neillsville	L, 3-9
Colby	L, 3-1
@Elmwood	L, 2-3

Simone Sommers

Amy Schick

Catherine Shaffer

Caitlin Henke













Allie Nelson 2nd Team

> Catherine Shaffer Honorable Mention

STRIKE DOWN THE MILKY WAY

"It was a very enjoyable year with many positives," said head coach Luke Korger. Augusta made the switch to spring league baseball from the normal summer season, and were pleased with the results. Senior John Stabenow said, "We had a chance to win every game that we played in."

Weather created some early problems for the team. Snow covered the field for the first few weeks of the season, leaving the Beavers unable to practice outside. Stuck indoors, the players did their best to get the most out of practices, working hard in the batting cages and on proper fielding form, but splitting time in the gym with both the track and softball teams made this difficult. Once the field was cleared, the team headed outside and launched their practices into action; it did not matter how cold it was. Even with 30 degree weather, they were determined to do their best in a new conference.

The Beavers played Greenwood for their season opener at home. Although they fell short, many positive things, such as batting ability. could be taken away from the game, as well as knowledge of what they would need to work on. The Beavers got the first win of the season with a home victory against Granton and were able to keep the momentum from the win for the majority of the rest of the season. Augusta went on to have one of their most successful seasons in a long time, with a 7 and 11 record. Senior Weston Huth was awarded 1 st Team All Conference, finishing the year with a .333 batting average and hitting 2 home runs, and senior AJ Ortega earned Honorable Mention.

Augusta was ineligible to compete in the playoffs because the switch to spring league was completed too late. However, the season turned out well, with improvement all around. Players are looking forward to next season and the changes it may bring.

-Copy by Jordan Beenken and Jason Kelnhofer-

ScoreBoard

Greenwood	L, 1-12
Granton	W, 18-0
@ Loyal	W, 9-4
Owen-Withee	W, 10-6
@ Greenwood	L, 3-24
@ Neillsville	W, 8-3
@ Spencer	L, 3-13
Neillsville	W, 5-4
@ Granton	W , 12-4
Gilman	L, 4-14
Loyal	W, 6-5
@ Owen-Withee	L, 7-10
@ Colby	L, 5-15
@ Gilman	L, 1-9
Columbus Catholic	L, 5-16
Columbus Catholic	L, 5-10
Colby	L, 1-12
Spencer	L, 0-11



<u>Row 1:</u> Weston Huth, Trevor Barka, Jason KeinhoFer, Bradiy Gruenwald, AJ Ortega, Lucus Green, Nate Goodell, Zach Nelson, Raron Herrick.

<u>Row 2</u>: Coach Korger, Jesse Fenner, Matt Purdun, Kyle Berlin, John Stabenow, Cory Schmidt, Marshall Mayer, Jordan Beenken, Cory Hamman.





Catcher Jordan Beenken spots the ball as Pitcher John Stabenow throws a strike.



Raron Herrick awaits the pitch For a ground single.



Third baseman Jason Kelnhofer fields a ground ball for and out.



Row 1: Brooklynn Bruder, Taylor Zamora, Eric Taylor, Denise Bustamante, Adrienne Brock, Courtney Shaffer, Kaitlynn Herold Row 2: Seth Severson, Molly Perkovich, Gina Huth, Austin Stensen, Tanner Walker, Desyre Klindworth, Angelle Solie, Cody Melgaard Row 3: David Zimmerman, Zachery Williams, Daniel Gjerseth, Kyle Ellwood, Scott Halvorson, Robert Edwards, Brett Lewallen, Damin Hadorn-Papke, Taylor Mayenschein, Skyler Bertrang Row 4: Coach Will Jacobs, Coach Ashley Mason, Coach Brent Gilles Not Pictured: Raron Gutshall, Jessica Schiller, Zachary KirchoFF



launch their long jumps at the ConFerence competition at Colby.



FIRING TOWARD THE FIELD AND FINISH LINE

Spring was a long time coming, but as the snowy crust broke, out came the track and field athletes in full force. Enjoying the time to stretch their legs, runners orbited the track as those with field events warmed up their leaping legs and throwing arms. At meets at rival planets, tracksters flaunted their speed and strength. Throwing was the event for Sophomore Robbie Edwards. "I've always enjoyed discus over shot-put," said Edwards, "My discus throw has improved so much this season." Junior Taylor Zamora claimed to prefer running to field events. "I did both, but the running events just got me more pumped up," she said. Freshman Courtney Shaffer took a

shine to running events as well, PRing in many running events. At the conference meet, she exploded past her competition to secure a position at state. At UW-La Crosse, she ran the 400 meter dash, landing 10th place. "It was hot and nervewracking. There were so many people," said Shaffer.

With limber limbs and slowing adrenaline, the track season ended. One of the last practices was marked by extreme heat sandwiching a brief rain shower through which the team ran barefoot, dropping their shoes by the door; it really summed up the enjoyment of the season.

-Copy by Taylor Mayenschein-





Robbie Edwards and Molly Perkovich make their respective throws in the Thorp, Colby universes.



Coaches Mason, Jacobs, and Gilles with Courtney Shaffer as she waits For her race at the state meet at UW-La Crosse.

Daniel Gjerseth and Brett Lewallen explode ahead oF their Fall Creek competitors during the Thorp mission.



PUTTING TO PLUTO

Coach Rod Anderson had been the boys' golf coach at Augusta for 25 years. He expected his golf boys to learn the rules of the game and play to the best of their abilities, and he wished that they continue playing golf throughout their lives.

The golf team's strongest member was Lyman Smith. He finished the year placing 23rd overall in the conference and scoring 21 conference points. Other varsity returning members were Matthew Grunewald, Jesse Joles, Christian Larson and Shane Olson. Scott LaRose and Issac Siegal agreed that golf is a sport that requires a lot of patience. "Golfing in my home country of Brazil is only for high class people. It was a great opportunity to be a member of the Augusta Golf Team," commented foreign exchange student Renan Barbosa.

The boys' golf team did well overall, placing 9th out of 13 as a team in the conference.

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Prior to the start of the 2011-2012 school year, the Augusta School Board officially cut the funding for a girls' golf team because of lack of students to field a team. Although there was no school team, senior Allie Nelson was determined to continue competing in golf and representing Augusta as an independent individual golfer.

According to WIAA eligibility rules, to qualify for playoffs, a golfer must compete in four official meets. Coached by Rod Anderson, Allie Nelson competed in the required four conference meets, allowing her to qualify for regional competition. The Regional meet was held at Christmas Mountain in Wisconsin Dells. Allie shot a 102 and placed ninth overall, advancing to the sectional competition, held at Trappers' Turn in Wisconsin Dells. At sectionals, only the top two teams and top three individuals advance to state. Nelson was in the first group off the tee, and recorded a round of 93. "The wait was extremely nerve-racking and exciting at the same time," commented Allie. She had a volleyball game that night and needed to leave before the second round of golfers came in in order to make the game. The WIAA tournament official

promised to call and inform of the news when all golfers had reported scores. "It was hard to leave without knowing the scores of the other golfers. If one came in that tied her score, we would have to for-fit the tie breaker and lose the shot at state," recalls Coach Anderson. Midway through the volleyball match, it was announced that Allie was advancing to state. "The moment was surreal, it was an exciting feeling to be a state qualifier," remembers Allie Nelson.

State was held Monday, October 10th and Tuesday, October 11th at University Ridge in Madison, WI. A required practice round was Sunday, October 9th. Amy Schick and Mandi Raether joined Allie for the three days. "It was a fun experience to share with Allie, and the atmosphere was exciting," comments Mandi Raether. Allie did not shoot her best rounds; scoring a 97 on Monday, and 102 round on Tuesday. "Although I did not score well, golfing at state was a great experience," reflects Allie Nelson.

-Copy by Allie Nelson-

STAR RUNNERS



The Augusta High School Cross Country Team, on only its second season in recent years, experienced a cosmic season. The year began with one small boy's team, (Daniel Gjerseth, Brett Lewallen, Matthew Grunewald, Skyler Bertrang, Zach Williams, James Goings, and Samuel Goberville), and three girls (Catherine Shaffer, Courtney Shaffer, and Danielle Nelson), much more than the last year's team of four, which was inspired by former athlete Tim Nelson. However, success and hype quickly doubled the team size and spirit, bringing in additional runners. "Star" runners include seniors Dan Gjerseth and Brett Lewallen, and Sophomore Courtney Shaffer, who received All-Conference awards. Senior Matthew Grunewald, juniors Aaron Herrick and Catherine Shaffer, and freshman Danielle Nelson all received Honorable Mention Awards.

Over the season, the team received three first place invitational trophies, two second place invitational trophies, a second place trophy at Conference, and a first place plaque at Sectionals. The team also attended the State Cross Country Meet on October 29, taking sixteenth place among schools of its division.

Ask any runner and they'll tell you it wasn't easy. "I didn't even join until almost the end of the season, and it was still the hardest, most physical thing I've ever done in my life," said Aaron Herrick. "We'd run until we puked, then ran some more, until we didn't even have anything left to sweat...that was a typical practice," said another, "hot sun, cold wind, or pouring rain, like Forrest Gump, we were running." The road to state was rough, but the team members came together one day and, upon a large white board, wrote their goal, followed by the words 'We Believe' and each of their signatures. A creative display of team pride came in the form of a Cross Country bulletin board in the cafeteria, which filled with quotes, pictures, achievements, and scores as the season went on. The board was actively monitored and improved, and remained untouched until well after the season ended.

Most of the runners remember the teamwork more than anything. Like any small team, there was always tension and disagreement. There were moments of frustration, exhaustion, and bickering on and off during most of the early practice season. However, the athletes always came together when it was needed most. For the cross country runners, finishing the race was only half the run. Upon crossing the coveted finish line, there was always just one more run: to go back and cheer on the others. The team building, co-ed practices, and casual snacks and dinners after long days set the tone of a star-written champion support system.

The runners pulled through long, continuous workouts, runs, and lectures, with one thing and one thing only in mind: success. The drive for self improvement shared by every team member, as well as the dedication and determination, is what the team credits to their various victories. Through planet sized devotion, a galaxy of hard work, and some inspiration from trainers and former one-man cross country athlete Tim Nelson, the small town Augusta Cross Country team surged into a big bang of success.

-Copy by Zach Williams-



Matthew Grunewald and Brett Lewallen race against top-dog schools such as Blair-Taylor in Wisconsin Rapids.



Senior Casey Reetz and junior Joe Whalen comet-tailing down the trail during one of the many competitive races throughout the season.



Daniel Gjerseth, Joe Whalen, and Aaron Herrick (From left to right) racing at the state level, and giving their all, too.



Freshman Danielle Nelson chases the shadow of her competition.



The girl's cross country team: Danielle Nelson, Courtney Shaffer, and Catherine Shaffer, Fresh at the start of the girl's race.



Junior Zach Nelson and Freshman Sam Witte orbit past the other racers, toward the solar finish line.



Right on the competition's tail. junior Zach Nelson races down the final stretch of trail, toward a star lit finish line.



Senior Zach Williams kicking it out down the final stretch of the race.



Senior Skyler Bertrang shoots past the competition, making them eat his stardust.





dedicated teammates come together For some reflection on their accomplishments, as well as their Future goals.

THE SCORES

Loyal	3rd Place
Marshfield	3rd Place
Stanly-Boyd	2nd Place
Fall Creek	6th Place
Neillsville	3rd Place
Colby	1st Place
Melrose	2nd Place
Spencer	1st Place
Arcadia	1st Place
ConFerence	2nd Place
Sectionals	1st Place
State	16th Place



Row 1: Danielle Nelson, Courtney Shaffer, Catherine Shaffer Row 2: Sam Witte, James Goings, Zach Williams, Samuel Goberville, Aaron Herrick <u>Row 3:</u> Skyler Bertrang, Joe Whalen, Zach Nelson, Matthew Grunewald, Daniel Gjerseth, Casey Reetz, Brettt Lewallen, Coach Will Jacobs <u>Not Pictured:</u> Alex Sell and Kyle Priest

KICKOFF TO SPACE

The football team was able to field one of the their most successful football seasons, winning the last two games to break the "curse," according to Coach Bygd. Augusta made the switch to the Dairyland Conference and started a week earlier; players began two-a-day practices on August 2nd. Seniors Jordan Beenken, Kyle Berlin, Austin Stensen, and Zachary Kirchoff were elected as captains and led the Beavers into every game.

Augusta hosted the annual scrimmage, facing Eleva-Strum, Abbottsford, Stanley-Boyd, and Elk Mound. Afterward, players were excited for the conference games to begin, because of the taste of intensity at the scrimmage. The Beavers were invited to play in the Gridiron Classic, held at UW-Stout in Menomonie on August 20th, where the team faced Lake Holcombe. Augusta was left with many positive things to build on, such as great play on the line and big runs from several running backs. Augusta brought high energy to their home field for the homecoming game, against Cochrane-Fountain City. "We played one of our most physical games," said Coach Tom Crowe. The team fought hard; big bangs were heard all around the field. The season did not launch off the way they expected, but the team was not about to give up. Mid-season, the Beavers experienced some turbulence, but prevailed with two impressive wins over Alma-Center Lincoln and Independence-Gilmanton to close the year.

Senior Kyle Berlin was awarded First Team All Conference defensive lineman and offensive lineman, junior Tanner Walker was awarded First Team All Conference fullback and linebacker, senior Jordan Beenken was awarded Second Team All Conference Offensive Lineman, and senior Jason Kelnhofer was awarded Honorable Mention offensive lineman.

-Copy by Jordan Beenken and Jason Kelnhofer-



The defensive line stops Lake Holcombe from scoring early in the game.





Augusta lines up against Eleva-Strum to punch the ball into the endzone.



Trevor Barka goes to the outside For the two point conversion, shaking off three defenders before diving in to the end zone.



Seniors Jordan Beenken, Austin Stensen, and Sophomore Marshall Mayer set blocks For the running back against Eleva-Strum.



Tanner Walker stretches the ball across the goal line For an early touchdown against Alma-Center Lincoln.


Kyle Berlin 1st Team All ConFerence



Tanner Walker 1st Team All Conference



Jordan Beenken 2nd Team All Conference



Jason Keinhofer Honorable Mention



The Beavers run plays against the scout team before the Whitehall game.



The senior boys celebrate their first victory against Alma Center Lincoln.



Row 1: Matthew Stanek, Matthew Schick, Nate Goodell, Jesse Fenner, Michael Schroeder, Jason KelnhoFer, Austin Stensen, Mareano Carrillo, Brandon Kimball, Alex Knutson <u>Row 2</u>: Cody Melgaard, Allen Gingerich, Jordan Beenken, Calvin Mayer, Kyle Schmitt, Tanner Walker, Dylan Guse, Bradley Grunewald, Trevor Barka <u>Row 3</u>: Zachary KirchoFF, Robbie Edwards, Quinn KirchoFF, Kyle Berlin, Blake Solie, Scott Halvorson, Marshall Mayer, Connor Larson, Scott LaRose, Matt Grunewald <u>Row 4</u>: Coach Bygd, Coach Gilles, Coach Zawacki, Coach Crowe

SCOREBOARD

@UW-Stout vs Lake Holcombe	L-8-28
Cameron	L-12-38
@Melrose-Mindoro	L-6-45
@Eleva-Strum	L-14-19
Cochrane-Fountain City	L-12-46
@Whitehall	L-6-56
Blair-Taylor	L-6-32
@Alma Center	W-50-14
Independence- Gilmanton	W-44-6

DIGGING THE BIG DIPPER

The serve, the pass, the set, the hit. The crowd went wild: a typical game among the Augusta Lady Beavers.

Allie Nelson, Amber Herrick and Molly Perkovich were the varsity team captains. "It will be tough to replace the six seniors. They all had a vital role to our team and have played with each other since fourth grade. It was a great opportunity to instruct them and watch them develop," said varsity coach Kris Perkovich.

The varsity and junior varsity volleyball teams of 2011 both launched off with three strong wins against Blair Taylor, Granton, and Loyal. Their next opponent was Spencer; the game was held at home on September 15. The varsity team pulled out one win against the Rockets who later went to the state championship. The junior varsity team worked hard and showed their excellent team work. Coach Perkovich believed, "Great teamwork and the will to win proved this team could play with the best."

With the outstanding girls came positive attitudes and heart. The players were not just teammates for two months, but family. "Wearing the same uniform doesn't make you a team. Coming together is the start; playing together is progress; working together is success; winning together is the result," was shown on the back of the team shirt; the motto for the season.

Each player was an individual star in a big constellation; they each brought a little uniqueness to the floor. Without one of the stars, the constellation would have fallen apart. It didn't matter the player's grade, each had an important role.

The junior varsity and C- teams worked very hard this year, with success in practices and games. Positions were liquid; players jumped around between the two teams. It was hard to divide them up into two teams due to extraterrestrial talent and team work. JV ended the season with a 4-6 record, and C-team with a 3-4 record. At the banquet Coach Korger said, "The score board didn't determine how talented our girls were. We may have played great and lost or played even greater and won. At the C-team level, it is impossible to base skill on a win or loss."

A highlight of coaching the varsity team for Coach Perkovich was taking a second place finish at the Nekoosa tournament with a 5-1 record. The only loss was against the first place team, Pittsville, and Augusta beat Colby for the first time in four years in a close match. "It was a great feeling to finally accomplish that defeat," she recalled. Coach Perkovich's advice to future players is, "Work hard in the offseason. Be ready to step on the floor in August, in shape, with skills defined and eager to achieve. You control what kind of player you are."

The end result was more than just what was shown on the scoreboard or in the records. Allie Nelson and Molly Perkovich received the all-Conference Honorable Mention award. The Lady Beavs' Volleyball Team had never had this much passion, friendship and love for the game and each other.

-Copy by Molly Perkovich and Catherine Shaffer-

ScoreBoard

Neillsville Triangular 1-1 (2nd) Blair 3-0 (W) Granton 3-1 (W) Neekosa Tournament 5-1 (2nd) Loyal 3-1 (W) Spencer 1-3 (L) Greenwood 0-3 (L) Owen-Withee 0-3 (L) Marshfield 3-1 (W) Gilman 2-3 (L) Fall Creek Tournament 1-4 Neillsville 0-3 (L) Colby 0-3 (L) Kickapoo Tournament 2-1 (2nd) Mondovi 0-3 (L)



Molly Perkovich and Allie Nelson recieve honorable mention For their last year of volleyball.



C-team girls Devon Shilka jumps up to smash the ball down hard while Dallas Hawkins covers her back.





The varsity volleyball team dive in the middle and pump each other up beFore take off.

Courtney ShaFfer, Chelsea Spear, Kayla Erdman, Dani Nelson and Desyre Klindworth clap hands after a successful play.





Coaches Jessica Korger, Kris Perkovich, and Kristen Kangas stand and pledge to the flag beFore they coach their team and dominate the court.



<u>Row one:</u> Simone Sommers, Coach Kris Perkovich, Chanel Ludwig <u>Row two:</u> Kate Herold, Allie Nelson, Taylor Mayenschein, Amanda Schneider, Courtney Shaffer <u>Row three:</u> Amber Herrick, Molly Perkovich, Catherine Shaffer



Junior Varsity Team <u>Row one:</u> Kate Herold, Courtney Shaffer, Chelsea Spear <u>Row two:</u> Desyre Klindworth, Katelyn Randall, Candi Wiese, Jeanne Hudson <u>Row three:</u> Kayla Erdman, Coach Kristen Kangas, Dani Nelson



<u>Row one:</u> Brooklyn Bruder, Shelby Rios <u>Row two:</u> Devon Shilka, Dallas Hawkins, Halle Ludekte, Kerry Gtencen, Carrisa Melgaard <u>Row three:</u> Chelsie Anger, Coach Jessica Korger, Adrienne Brock



The varsity volleyball members listen to Varsity head coach Kris Perkovich while she explains their next plan to defeat the Gilman Pirates.



The junior varsity girls share congratulatory smiles with each other after a win.

BALLIN' ON MARS

Twenty six years ago, 1986, was the last time the Augusta Basketball team champions of their conference until now. At the beginning of the season, Augusta went on a five game win streak. The Beavers had their first loss against Columbus. During the game, in the 3rd quarter, Joe Whalen suffered a dislocated shoulder. After the injury, the Beavers ended up in a slump losing 59-70. In the last three years, Augusta has not beat Marshfield-Columbus. The Beavers had a nuclear game against Granton with the score 100-27. The Augusta Beavers' varsity squad started the first half, but at the second half, the JV stepped up and scored 50 points to get the Beavers a huge win over Granton. On January 4 the Beavers played the 2nd place Marshfield-Columbus. It was the most anticipated regular season game of the year, hands down. Augusta needed revenge, and they got it. To cheer on the Beavers, all students and adults had a white-out and filled the entire gym. For every mad shot, jump ball, and three pointer, the Beavers fans were loud as possible, even getting the attention of Channel 13 and 18 news. With the Beavers cheering section the games hade a crazy loud atmosphere and stroke fear into the visiting team. The last regular season was against 2nd place Colby, on February 20, that game would determine the Eastern Cloverbelt Champion. The Beavers took the lead and never looked back, winning easily 64-58. "My favorite game we played had to be when we clinched the Eastern Cloverbelt championship," commented Joe Whalen, "There was so much at stake that game; if we lost we would have to share the championship, and we were not going to let that happen." Next game on schedule was the Cloverbelt Championship, first place Augusta in the Eastern Division would play first place McDonell in the Western Division.



Row 1: Calvin Mayer, Connor Larson, Cody Reetz, Noah Plewa, Samuel Goberville, Coach Schmitt. Row 2: Jordan Cerrillo, Kyle Priest, Brandon Kimball, Steven Wolf, Rustin Lewallen, Michael Schroeder



Row1: Coach Henriche, Marshal Mayer, Kyle Berlin, Scott Halvorson, Casey Reets, Bret Lewallen, Coach Korger, Coach Schmitt. Row 2: Daniel Gjerseth, Joe Whalen, Zach Nelson, Bradley Grunewald, Matt Grunewald, Raron Herrick, Jaime Sieg.



Row 1: Robbie EdWards, Damin Hadorn-Papke, Blake Solie, Marshal Mayer, Coach Korger. Row 2: Zach Nelson, Matt Purdun, Aaron Herrick, Jaime Sieg



The Beavers were not picked to win that game. Many news articles voted for McDonell instead of the Beavers. But the beavers didn't listen. They put that behind them and played their game. They would win that game 60-56. "My favorite game was when we beat McDonell for the Cloverbelt Championship," commented Matt Grunewald, "I was so overjoyed, it didn't hit me that we won until I was handed the trophy and a bunch of people swarmed me giving me hugs and congratulated me." After the game, All-Conference awards were given to the best players in the Cloverbelt Conference. Joe Whale was awarded first team All-Conference, but because of unfair voting by unprofessional coaches, Matt Grunewald and Scott Halvorson were awarded second team All-Conference. After the first easy win in playoffs, they battled Eleva-Strum for a second time. But the Beavers were too much for the Cardinals; the Beavers would end their season, winning 64-51. The very next day, after the win over the Cardinals, the Beavers rocketed to Royall for the Regional Championship game. 600 tickets were bought from the Beaver fans. How did all those Beavers get to Royall? It took two fan busses, two limos, and one coach bus, which was too much for that little gym at Royall. The Beavers took the lead right away, but Royall didn't give up. Matt Grunewald had a school record of eight 3-pointers. When the last horn went off, the Augusta Beavers were Regional Champions, winning 66-60. "This was the best season we had in a long time," replied Scott Halverson, "We met most of our team goals that we set out in the beginning of the season, like win conference."

-Copy by Aaron Herrick





Scott Halvorson rockets high above the atmosphere to get the tip to a Fellow Beaver.



A rare sight on the Augusta score board, Augusta scoring triple digits! Jaime Sieg stands and hopes For a win in the nail biter against Spencer.



SCOREE	OARD	
@ Athens	68-56	
Neilsvill	67-53	
@ Spencer	63-54	
@ Gilman	46- 45 (OT)	
Qwen Withee	62-36	
@ Columbus	59-70	
Granton	100-27	
@ Cadott	57-51	
Greenwood	63-48	
@ Loyal	70-49	
@ Colby	72-66	
@ Neilsville	65-41	
Spencer	64-63	
Gilman	70-48	
Eleva-Strum	61-48	
@ Owen Withee	67-47	
Columbus	62-44	
@ Granton	65-20	
@ Greenwood	68-69 (OT)	
Loyal	75-57	
Colby	64-58	
McDonall	60-56	
PLA90FF5		
New Lisbon	68-49	
Eleva-Strum	64-51	
Royall	66-60	
Mcdonall	48-59	





SWISHING SATELLITE

The high school girls' basketball season was an "out of this world" experience for everyone involved. With last season's resignation of head coach Sarah Brenner, this year was the start to a new coaching staff bringing a new program. Alien head coach Bill Perry and JV coach Tom Rudolph transformed the program with their extraterrestrial abilities. "They've made incredible progress since last season," Coach Perry said. "They're great kids. They're very eager to learn, which has been really helpful." This year's full-time varsity team consisted of seven seniors Chanel Ludwig, Allie Nelson, Molly Perkovich, Mandi Raether, Amy Schick, Amanda Schneider, and Simone Sommers, junior Catherine Shaffer, and sophomore Amber Herrick. Beginning in January, seniors Amanda and Simone attended a college class and were unable to attend basketball on Mondays and Fridays. Therefore, sophomores Desyre Klindworth, Kate Herold, Courtney Shaffer and freshman Dani Nelson, suited varsity and filled in when needed. "Starting the season with two big wins right away gave us momentum and confidence we carried through the season" reflects Amy Schick. On December 20, the girls were given the opportunity to play Cadott on the NBA Minnesota Timberwolves' court at the Target Center in Minnesota. This was an experience the girls will never forget. Following the game, the girls attended the Miami Heat and Timberwolf game. "It was unreal and extremely exciting to be playing on the very court that the Timberwolves (and my Idol Dwayne Wade) played on right after us!" shares senior Chanel Ludwig. On Feburary 2, in a battle against Spencer, Senior starting point guard Chanel Ludwig broke her hand while fighting

for a jump ball. This was a tragic loss for Augusta, as she would be out the remainder of the season. Catherine Shaffer stepped into the point-guard role and the girls continued in full force. On February 21, in a 46-45 victory over Loyal, senior Allie Nelson surpassed the 1,500-point mark in her high school career, and she will finish the season holding an all-time school record for both boys and girls scoring. The most exciting game was Friday, January 27 when underdog Augusta upset Colby 32-30, one of the top teams in the conference. The Beavers had a slight lead throughout the entire game, but Colby took their first lead with 2 minutes left. "We were in it the whole game, and we didn't want to give it up at the end. This was our chance to beat a good team" commented Allie Nelson to the Marshfield Herold. "It was so exciting to beat the number two team in our conference at that point!" added Molly Perkovich, "It is a game I will never forget -- and maybe my "good luck" hairstyle had some effect!" This group of girls made a statement finishing .500 in conference and 13-10 overall. Augusta has not seen a season over .500 in the past decade. Augusta, a member of the tough Eastern Cloverbelt conference, finished fifth. For the Conference crossover game against the fifth team from the Western half of the Cloverbelt, Augusta took on the Altoona Railroaders. This year was the first year that a fifth division was added to WIAA tournament play. Augusta fell within division 5 for enrollment. Finishing with their outstanding regular season 13-8 record, Augusta received a #7 seed for tournament and hosted #10 Eleva-Strum. JV Varsity finished the season with an 11-11 record.

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Scoreboard

@Athens	W 39-29
Columbus Catholic	W 37-24
@Owen-Withee	L 22-51
Colby	L 35-58
@Spencer	L 33-56
Eleva-Strum	W 58-53
@Greenwood	L 34-40
@Neillsville	L 20-71
@Cadotty *Target Center	W 45-37
Granton	W 5317
@Loyal	W 47-35
Gilman	W 45-25
@Columbus Catholic	W 43-43
Owen-Withee	L 39-79
@Colby	W 32-30
Spencer	L 23-48
Greenwood	W 51-44
Neilsville	L 24-60
@Granton	W 66-29
Loyal	W 46-45
@Gilman	W 49-28
Crossover: @ Altoona	L 50-56
Regionals: Eleva-Strum	L 47-68





CHAIRI LUUWIY



Katelyn kandal



Courtney Shaffer



Varsity members shooting around prior to beginning the second half in Owen-Withee on Tuesday, December 6.









Row1: Mandi Raether, Dani Nelson, Chanel Ludwig, Molly Perkovich, Allie Nelson, Simone Sommers. Row 2: Coach Rudolph, Catherine Shaffer, Amber Herrick, Amanda Schneider, Deserye Klindworth, Amy Schick, and Coach Perry.



Row1: Carissa Melgaard, Halle Luedtke, Devon Shilka, Kayla Erdman, Neli Baghdoshvili. Row 2: Dani Nelson, Chelsie Anger, Courtney Shaffer, Katelyn Randall, Dallas Hawkins, Kate Herold, Jue Wang, Coach Rudolph.





All-ConFerence Allie Nelson **1st Team**

Amanda Schneider



Catherine Shaffer



Senior members presented the American Cancer Society with \$1,644.70; raised by competing in coaches vs. cancer.









Kate Herold



Simone Sommers



GRAPPLING THE GALAXY

Augusta sent 2 varsity and 1 middle school wrestler to Osseo. The schools ran a co-op including Osseo-Fairchild, Augusta, and Altoona. Senior Jordan Beenken, 13 years of experience, and Sophomore Alex Knutson, 11 years of experience, represented Augusta on the Varsity Team, while JJ Breaker, 7 years of experience, represented the Middle School. The Dragons, short on numbers, focused their season on competing in tournaments and dual meets. "It's tough to compete as a team when you only have 9 wrestlers and the other teams have all 14, but we do very well as individuals" said Jordan Beenken. Head Coach Donnie Kuehn filled the wrestling room walls with inspirational quotes to motivate the team through intense practices. Dragon wrestlers were excited to host the 2012 Cloverbelt Conference Tournament. Jordan Beenken finished third and Alex Knutson took fifth.

The Division I Regional competition was held in Tomah, where the Dragons had success in the past, making them quite excited. 5 Dragon wrestlers advanced to Sectionals, by placing in the top four at regionals including both Augusta wrestlers. "It was a goal of mine to qualify for sectionals since the season began" said Alex Knutson. Hard work paid off as shown by the improved personal records of the Dragon Wrestlers. Jordan Beenken finished the season with 33 wins and 13 losses. Alex Knutson had 11 wins and 19 losses. The Dragons had three wrestlers surpass the 30 win mark this season, Senior Jordan Beenken, Junior Cody Kostka, and sophomore Tyler Henke. Seventh grader JJ Breaker finished his season with a 17 win, 8 loss record. He placed second in the Cloverbelt Conference and competed in regionals at River Falls. -By Jordan Beenken.



Jordan Beenken stands atop the podium at the Indee-Invite.



Coach Jeremy Poirier, Jordan Beenken, Coach Justin Poirier, ALex Knutson, Head Coach Donnie Kuehn.



Alex Knutson works to score a takedown against his opponent.



JJ Breaker pins his opponent at the Arcadia Invite.



Alex Knutson turns the corner to score a takedown.



Jordan Beenken cross-Faces his opponent during a match.





Jordan Beenken **Fights For wrist** control in the regional finals.















TWIRLING TO TWILIGHT



Row 1: Jessica Schiller and Allie Nelson. Row 2: Kayla Erdman and Dani Nelson. Row 3: Jessi Kunz, Taylor Mayenschein and Desyre Klindworth.



Flag squad performance during the Homecoming pep rally.



"Moves like Jagger"

This year's flag team included three seniors, one junior, one sophomore returning members. Freshman Kayla Erdman and Dani Nelson also made the team for their first year. Flag members were coached by Kelli Zastrow, who has been coaching the flag souad for 22 years. Flag practices were held before school. Over the summer the flag team marched in two parades -- the Bean and Bacon Day Parade held over the 4th of July, and the Memorial Day. This was freshmen Dani and Kayla's first chance to perform. Once the school year started, the first performance was a routine twirled to Katy Perry's song titled "Firework". Fourth year flag members Jessica Schiller and Allie Nelson, along with Ms. Zastrow, choreographed this routine. It was performed both in front of the student body during the homecoming pep rally and also at halftime of the homecoming football game Friday September 16.During the winter, the girls gathered at Ms. Zastrow's house and designed a routine "Moves like Jagger" by Maroon 5. Practicing mornings before school the girls worked to perfect and get the routine in perfect sync. At halftime of the boys' varsity basketball game on Friday, January 20 the girls showcased their performance.

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Sophomore Desyre Klindworth



Senior Jessica Schiller



Senior Taylor Mayenschein preforms at half time of the Varsity boys' basketball game.



Junior Jessi Kunz



Freshman Kayla Erdman

















Seniors



NELI DAVITI BAGHDOSHVILI Toss your dashed hopes not into the trash but into a drawer where you're likely to rummage some morning. -Robert Brault



JORDAN SAMUEL BEENKEN They say life is a joke; well, I hope they get it. -Lil Wayne



KYLE THOMAS BERLIN Just about a month from now I'm set adrift, with a diploma for a sail and lots of nerve for oars. -Richard Halliburton



STEVE ALLEN BERTRAM Wherever you go, go with all your heart. -Confucius



SKYLER ALLEN BERTRANG If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door. -Milton Berie



MADELINE MAE BLACK Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind. -Dr. Seuss



DENISE ALONDRA BUSTAMANTE They always say time changes things, but you actually have to change them yourself. -Rady Warhol



BRENDA LYNN DINGLER Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars.

-Les Brown



JESSE CLINTON FENNER

Jesse F baby, and the F ain't For flaw. -Jesse Fenner



DAVIEL EVERETT GJERSETH Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. -Matthew 7:7





ALLEN JOHN GINGERICH Time you enjoy wasting was not wasted. -John Lennon



LUCUS CHARLES GREEN Things that were hard to bear are aweet to remember. -Seneca



MATTHEW JAMES GRUNEWALD The breakPast of champions is not cereal, it's the opposition. -Nick Beitz



SCOTT MICHAEL HALVORSON Don't aim for success if you want it; just do what you love and believe in, and it will come naturally. -David Frost



JENNA MAE HOEKSTRA Hakuna matata - it means no worries. -The Lion King



LUKE ASHLEY JOHNSON Put your Future in good hande: your own. -Rnonymous



VEROMICA ELLEN KAUER I am both amused and annoyed that you think I will be less stubborn than you are. -Dr. Gregory House



JASON PAUL KELNHOFER Defeat is not the worst of failures. Not to have tried is the true failure. -George Woodberry





KEATS EDWARD KING All bad men need is for good men to do nothing. -Edmund Burke



ZACHARY GENE KIRCHOFF Every man dies. Not every man really lives. -William Wallace



SCOTT MICHAEL LAROSE Hard work is the price we must pay for success. You can accomplish anything if you're willing to pay the price. -Vince Lombardi



BRETT ALAN LEWALLEN It's all right letting yourself go as long as you can let yourself back.

you can let yourself ba -Mick Jagger



CHANEL LEIGH LUDWIG

Life is not measured by the number of breaths you take, but by the moments that take your breath away. -Maya Angelou



JOSHUA DAVID MARKHAM

A man sooner or later discovers that he is the master-gardener of his soul, the director of his life. -James Allen



MAYENSCHEIN

Excess on occasion is exhilirating. It prevents moderation From acquiring the deadening eFFect of habit. -W. Somerset Maugham



ALLISON DAWN NELSON Rever regret. If it's good, it's unorderful IF it's had it's experience

wonderful. IF it's bad, it's experience. -Victoria Holt



JACOB NICHOLAS NEVERIFELDT Believe you can and you're halfway there. -Theodore Roosevelt



ISAAC TURNER NITZ Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishment. -Jim Rohn



MOLLY ELIZABETH PERKOVICH

The road we have taken to this point has not been easy, but the road to change never is. -Barack Obama



It is difficult to say what is impossible, For the dream of yesterday is the hope of today and the reality of tomorrow. -Robert H. Goddard





MANDI JO RAETHER

You can't discover new oceans unless you have the courage to lose sight of the shore. -Anonymous



CASEY EDWARD REETZ Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds you plant. -Robert Louis Stevenson



AMY JEAN MARIE SCHICK I'd rather be hated For who I am, than loved For who I am not. -Kurt Cobain



JESSICA ALEXIS SCHILLER

Every charitable act is a stepping stone toward heaven. -Henry Ward Beecher



AMANDA CATHERINE SCHNEIDER You'll get mixed up with many strange birde as you go. So be sure when you step. Step with care and great tact and remember that life's a Great Balancing Act. -Dr. Seuss



ALEXANDER DUANE SELL

My lifestyle determines my death style. -James Hetfield



HEATHER LYNN SOBIECH Happiness resides not in possessions, and not in gold; happiness dwells in the soul. -Democritus



SIMONE LYNN SOMMERS

Life's a dance, you learn as you go. Sometimes you lead; sometimes you Follow. Don't worry about what you don't know. Life's a dance, you learn as you go. -John Michael Montgomery



AUGUSTA





AUSTIN JAMES STENSEN The greatest accomplishment is not in never Failing, but in rising again after you Fall, -Vince Lombardi



ERIC WILLIAM TAYLOR America is becoming so educated that ignorance will be a noveky. I will belong to the select Few. -Will Rogers



ANISSA LORRAINE THOMPSON Now all those feelings, those

yesterdays Feelings will all be lost in time but today I've wasted away For today is on my mind-Alisha Huff



COURTNEY ANNE VOORHIES Wanting to be someone else is a waste





ZACHERY JAMES WILLIAMS

l buy expensive suits. They just look cheap on me. -Warren Buffett



REBERAH SANDRA WOOD There are Four basic food groups: milk chocolate, dark chocolate, white chocolate, and chocolate truffles. -Anonymous



Jue Wright For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him.-Viana Hazelwood



JOSIAH WILL

l'd rather be hated For who I am, than to be loved For who I am not.-8.8. Clark



TAYLOR LEE ZAMORA

Take time to love, to hear, to see. But most of all take time to bel-Crystal Fannon



Alaina Memmer

Sheldon Rupp





TRIP THROUGH TIME

8th grade play and Keats falling off the stage







(Madison 4th grade, Minnesota Zoo 5th grade...)

The computer table in Mr. Henrichs' room falling

Indoor recess in elementary school

Track and Field day in elementary school





"A Midnight Sky" junior prom

Bomb threat and bused to Grace

Elementary Holiday Tea

Throwing pencils and scissors in Ms. Jensen's room and getting them stuck in the ceiling

Celebrating the 100th day of school







Suzie and Tom (GIRLS ONLY!)?

Preschool at Grace Lutheran











Keats and Zach breaking Mr. Sig's faucet

On January 8th, 2008 beloved classmate Malorie Liddell lost her three year battle with leukemia. Malorie started Kindergarten at Augusta with the class of 2012 and she touched many lives through the years she attended school in Augusta. She is a memory that will not be forgotten!



Getting lost at

Beaver Creek

Reserve

Breaking

glowsticks at

Beaver Creek



"Hands, feet,

objects to

yourself -

Don't touch

walls" music

Spearstad

class with Ms.



Allie's



MOST



To become the next Bill Gates Allie Nelson and Zachery Williams



Teacher's Pet Denise Bustamante and Daniel Gjerseth



Best choice to take home to parents Amanda Schneider and Austin Stensen

To embarrass themselves, Kid at heart, and Class Clown

Brenda Dingler and Steve Bertram



To know the local correctional officer Courtney Voorhies and Eric Taylor

To become a model Chanel Ludwig and Casey Reetz

To be on a reality TV show Taylor Zamora and Allen Gingrich To marry For money Mandi Raether and Jordan Beenken

To be late Taylor Mayenschein and Zachary KirchoFF

To get married first (not a couple) Amy Schick and Eric Taylor



Best Eyes Simone Sommers and Alex Sell

Craziest Driver Courtney Voorhies and Kyle Berlin

Brenda Dingler and Jordan Beenken

Most obnoxious laugh

Most Artistic Heather Sobiech and Keats King

Most Opinionated Anissa Thompson and Alex Sell



Best Hair Chanel Ludwig and Josh Markham



Molly Perkovich and Scott Halvorson

Quiet as a mouse Heather Soblech and Jacob NeuenFeldt





Bookworm Amanda Schneider and Aaron Pritzi



Gullible and ConFused Jenna Hoekstra and Skyler Bertrang



To be on ESPN Allie Nelson and Matt Grunewald

LIKELYS

Best Dressed Chanel Ludwig and Scott Halvorson, Matt Grunewald, and Casey Reetz





Best Car Jenna Hoekstra and Kyle Berlin



Car most likely to end up in a junk yard Taylor Mayenschein and Zachary Kirchoff



To get lost Jenna Hoeksra and Jason Keinhofer

Most Talkative Mandi Raether and Zachery Williams

To hit the jackpot at Vegas Alaina Memmer and Luke Johnson

To max our their credit card Jenna Hoekstra and Jordan Beenken



Least Changed Allie Nelson and Lucus Green

Best Dancer Amanda Schneider and Jesse Fenner



Biggest Flirt Jessica Schiller and Kyle Berlin



Sonic Boomers Mandi Raether and Alex Sell



Courtney Voorhies and Scott LaRose



"All about us!" Anissa Thompson and Zachery Williams

Biggest case of Senioritis

Class of 2012





SUPER SCHOLARS Top 16 Seniors Above 3.0



Allison Nelson UW-Superior Accounting



Anissa Thompson UW-Superior Chemistry



Heather Sobiech UW- Eau Claire Undecided



Taylor Mayenschien Coe College English





Amy Schick UW-Eau Claire Undecided



Matthew Grunewald UW-Oshkosh Athletic Trainer



Daniel Gjerseth UW-Eau Claire Kinesiology



Zach Williams UW- Eau Claire Civil Engineering



Jordan Beenken UW-LaCrosse Physical Education



Molly Perkovich UW-Barron Nursing



Denise Bustamante UW-Eau Claire Undecided



Aaron Pritzl Undecided



Jessica Schiller Undecided



Amanda Schneider Winona State Nursing



Brenda Dingler CVTC Business Management



















Anissa Lorraine,

It is an honor to call you our daughter and as difficult

as it will be to let you spread your wings. we know that you won't flutter but you will **SDAR!**

Just remember to fly home once in awhile! We love you more than words can express! Mom and Dick

P.S. Sorry about this picture but it's one of my Favorites since it always makes me smile. Love you always! Mom

Allie-

You are so amazing! You have made us so proud of everything you do. Love you Forever-Mom, Dad, Zach, Dani, Katie, Bree



Scott

Young man we are so proud of you, you Faced pain and loss with dignity, respect and understanding. You didn't let bullying destroy you, You know to use all you learned to make the world better, Your love For Candi shows in every way, your Future awaits, With our Love Forever, Mom, Dad, Bob, Heidi, Melissa, Ken Rachel, Jacob, and Grandma







Miss Molly.

It's amazing where life has taken you. From a little bundle to a beautiful young lady. How proud we were to watch you wear the purple and white, whether on the court or throwing shot. Even through the difficult times, you always stayed true to yourself and displayed amazing toughness to press Forward which will serve you on your new journey in life.

Love. Mom and Dad



Chanel

You have been such a blessing in our lives! To watch you grow into such a beautiful, Funny, compassionate, confident and truly genuine young woman has been tremendously rewarding. As you begin your journey and move Forward with your life, may the Future bring you all of the success and happiness that you deserve. Continue to believe in yourself and in your ability to achieve your goals and Fulfill your dreams. We are always here For you and we are so very proud of you and your accomplishments. Lastly, may you always have an abundance of laughter, Chinese Food, an assortment of chips and of course grape salad at your disposal. Love you to infinity and beyond.

Mom



Scott.

love was true, remember her in happy times Spend with her and you cherish her laughter and memories, each smile given is sent to heaven you send so many my Friends Love, Mom and Dad

Little bear no more, Grown so quickly From Loving Malorie was easy For you, knowing your loving Football and special Friends To Feeding alligators and cutting weeds in New Orleans Talking to us to kept our Family together in the tough times, Smiling and loving through everything. We love you and are so proud of you. With our Love Forever Mom and Dad





Mandi Jo,

I'm extremely lucky to have you as my sister. I've always admired the way that you are able to fit into any situation. You are a beautiful, smart and caring person. The Future is going to hold so much for you. Anything is possible. Love, Megan Jean Raether



Dear Amy Jean

I'm so proud of you! It has been an amazing ride to get to this point. Always remember hard work and diligence pays off. You are a wonderful person and I'm so glad I was able to be a part of this trip with you.

Love Mom



Amy.

You're the best daughter, a Father could ask For. I can't wait to see what your bright Future has in store. I'm so proud of you. I love you. Dad



Mandi,

Through the years, we have watched you grow, change, and become a beautiful young lady. We are so proud of the smart, loving, compassionate, fun-loving person you have grown to be. You have been such a blessing in our lives, and you have brought us so much joy, love and laughter through the years. As you begin this new journey in your life remember to always be true to yourself, never place limits on what you can accomplish, and always strive to do the best you can, and your dreams will come true. We wish you all the Love, happiness and success in the world, and know that whatever life may bring you we are right behind you win or lose.

Love Mom & Dad



Brett,

Wowl It doesn't seem too long ago you were our little baby. We can't believe it's graduation time already. You've grown into a young man. We love you very much and wish you the best in life. Whatever choices you make in life, we'll be there For you.

Love, Mom and Dad

- Good luck in your Future Brett!
- Love,
- Derrick, Colton, Austin, Bailey, and Kiley

Austin, You have given us so many things to enjoy and be proud of you For. But if I look back and reflect over the years the day I think most note worthy was you coming home after kindergarten one day with the biggest smile and telling me that Mr. Petznick had told your class that everyone could go to college. It made me sad because I knew you were definitely going someday. Well now i guess the time has come. We wish you nothing but the best...and remember if this job thing doesn't work out, you can always have one here. Love,

Mom and Dad



To my Wee One,

The day your dad and I brought you home from the hospital I opened the car door to put you in, the song Iron Man was playing on the radio, and I looked at your dad and said "We are in such trouble with this one!" Little did we know what an "Iron Man" you would become. You have been wrestling and playing baseball for the past 13 years, and playing football for 7 even though you have been involved with various Football teams since the 3rd grade. You have even tried basketball, golf and track, and if you had more time I am sure you would have tried others.

As good at sports as you are, you are a better student and never cease to amaze us with the classes you take and the grades you earn in them. Your dad and I are so proud that you have Found a way to combine the sports you love with your knowledge, and have chosen to become a teacher as well as a coach, we think that you will excel at both and that the students that you teach as well as coach will be better for having known you.

As your senior year goes on and your graduating becomes more of a reality, your dad and I are facing every day with both pride and tears. I made it through your last football game without crying because you guys won your last two games, but I was not so lucky with wrestling. I hugged you after your last match I cried like a baby because I was so proud of your accomplishments this year, and because I knew that I would probably never watch you wrestle again. Now it is on to baseball and all the emotions that will some with that season. I definitely know that I will cry as you graduate and take your first steps to college and the rest of your life.

"Boy don't you worry, you'll find yourself. Follow your heart, the lord, and nothing else. And you can do this if you try. All that I want for you my son is to be satisfied." We Love you, Mom and Dad

To my amazing son Jason Paul Keinhofer,

It wasn't that long ago you were running around in diapers chasing the dog. Now you are just plain running around :) no matter where you end up in life we will always be so very proud of you, and we will always be there for you. I know it's our job to teach you and to raise you, but some days I wonder who was really learning from whom. We couldn't have asked for a better son than you. You will always be our little boy, but I see now you are also an amazing young man. You make us proud every day, good luck with whatever it is you choose to do with your life, and follow your dreams. Your home will always be with us no matter where you are. We love you so very much! Love, mom & dad







To my other son,

We have watched you grow From a chipmunk cheeked little kid with amazing dimples, to a handsome and caring young man, (Who still has the dimples). You and Jordan have been best Friends since the day you met way back before in preschool. I can't remember a time when you weren't a part of our lives. Now your senior year is coming to an end and you will be going off to start your new life. I feel like I am letting another son go. Please remember that where ever your life takes you our door is always open to you. We love you

You're other parents, Chris and Nolan

Jason,

Although you are not really my brother you have always been so close to me. We have been through so much together. Your Family is my Family and my Family has and will always be yours. No matter what you decide to do in life I will always hold you close to my Heart. Go out and achieve your dreams For there is nothing that can hold you back. You are such a caring and kind sole and I hope that never changes about you. I love you Jason Paul. Kelly



Jordan, As your older sister I was able to watch you grow, secede, and mature in to a wonderful man. You have excelled in athletics, as well as academics. You have shown time and time again how dedicated you are to yourself, and that is something to be proud of! You will go off to college and continue to become great. I wish you all the best in life whatever you might do. I hope for nothing more than happiness for you. You can do anything mom has told us that since we were very young and I believe more than ever that you really can. Go off into the world and make first your self Proud and then I know all of us will be too.

Love Kelly.







Courtney.

Always have faith in yourself and be brave enough to become the one you were meant to be. It's not how long you live, but how you choose to live the days you were given. You can accomplish your dreams! Use your God given talents. He gave you many.

Love you.

Grandpa and Grandma

Courtney.

Courtney,

made it!

Remember when you volunteered your aunt Rhonda to make cheerleading outfite-then asked her? Well she did them and was so proud of you in It! I'm sure she is still smiling to see your outfits you wear now to cheer on the teams while beating the drums! Remember what she taught you always.

Kyle,

I am so proud of you! I look forward to all the Future holds For you. Congratulations Love, Mom



It's graduation time finally. You were little miss Fashioniesta From little on. The girl with so many clothes, but nothing to wear! Your life is going to change as will mine. I'd like to think the office ladies will miss us as we no longer will be meeting with items you Forgot! Use what you've learned to accomplish your goals in life. Be happy and remember your Family loves you. Love You!

Courtney.

Watch out For the little bumps in the road along the way, after graduation. Slow down and enjoy your journey through life. I'm proud of you, Corkie doodles! Love Dad

Mom



Heather,

You are such a great gift to us. Your strong will has pulled you through a lot of hard times. With your intelligence you can go a long way. Continue to work hard and reach Further, then one day you will have everything you want in the palm of your hand. Always remember we love you so much and are very proud of you.

Love Dad and Mom



Hey Courtney, it mel Your big sister. Listen up-we got to stick together! Well you listened some of the time. Always be yourself and congratulations,

Love Emily. AKA "Hi-e"



Jessica,

Congratulations graduate and we will always remember the encouragement you gave Courtney to keep trying. Keep smiling and enjoy your Future as well as the rest of your time as Miss Augusta 20111

Amanda,

Love,

The Voorhies Family







Our first born granddaughter, daughter, and the best big sister anyone could ask For. The last 18 years have been the best ever. We have watched you grow into an awesome young woman and

know you will do great things.

Flores, Mom, Jackie, Abby, Anna

Grandma & Grandpa

good times and bad times. Thank you For life with all of us. Congratulations graduate and best oF luck in the Future. Rozanne and Family.







Jenna,

You have been there For Courtney through being a wonderful Friend and sharing your









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