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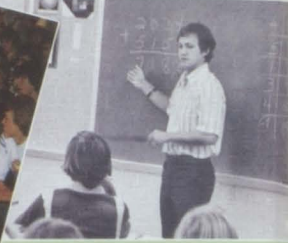
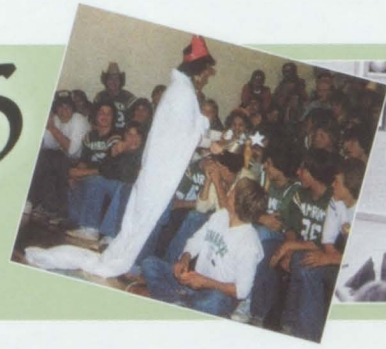
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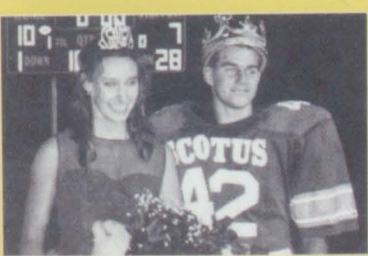
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faith & academics

Capadano allowing me to take pictures of notes in class, and him occasionally walking into frame mid-sentence. Getting to meet new people at JC camp. When my sister and I got into our car accident, and I got so much support from the Scolus community. Memories at JC camp and Quest when I really got to know God, others, and find out about myself. I got a 100% on my science test. I forgot my map for a map quiz, so I had to guess on all the answers, but I ended up getting a 30%, which was better than I expected! Fr. Capadano's homilies are really inspirational, and I really enjoy listening to them. My favorite subject is math. Going to Fun Day with my friends was very exciting, especially with the fun stories and games they planned for us. In geography with Mr. Ridder, almost every day we get off topic and start a conversation about something different. Last year was the first year I ever sang in the choir, and I loved it! In religion class, I was leaning over to my friend, and my desk slipped and fell, and so did I. Seventh grade retreat. Fr. Capadano running and dancing around the classroom. Mr. Petersen still can't say "easy peasy lemon squeezy". Alex Pandorf's random comments throughout the day. Hour of Power's on Sundays. Working St. Isidore's bazaar every year for living the faith hours. Performing chemistry experiments for the first graders last year in Chemistry. Fr. Capadano's laugh. Listening to Carly Cremers play her guitar and Elizabeth Preister play the piano during Mass. Sitting for twenty-six hours on a bus to go to the March for Life. Meeting with my godparent group every Wednesday and getting to talk about our faith. Getting to be more involved in Campus Ministry this year.

Each year for one day a class gets to skip school and go off to a retreat with their classmates. The students get to participate in different games and get a chance to learn more about each other. The point of the retreats is to bond as a class and have fun.

The seniors traveled to Camp Timberlake in Marquette while the juniors, sophomores, and freshmen rode over to Duncan. Each class was presented with many different activities that helped the class work together. Some games included tossing marshmallows into the mouth of another classmate, the John Dun quarters game, the mail game, and making sculptures out of Oreo cookies.

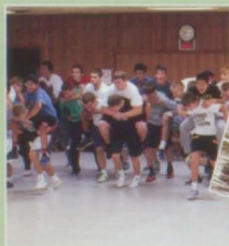
"I had the juniors and sophomores play the game 'work horse' where the only way to get to the finish is to be carried by another classmate," Father Matthew Capadano said.

Other activities helped some students to conquer their fears.

"I have a fear of heights, so climbing up the power pole was really scary for me," senior Sarah Slegl said.

The retreats ran similarly to years past, but one thing that was different was that Father Capadano lead the retreats instead of Father Andrew Roza. Capadano decided to switch things up, and instead of having the students take place in a class discussion, he led them in a meditation experience.

"I decided to do the meditation because I heard these discussions were often called 'gripe sessions' and usually ended in more drama than healing. I thought this was a more helpful and effective way because there is no way praying together does not bond a group together," Capadano said.



growing
closer



Juniors Anna Wickham, Tanner Spencer, Sarah Schumacher, Alec Foltz, Kelsey Wiehn, Brandon Johnston, Savannah Robertson, and Caleb Ostdiek share a laugh while competing in the game 'work horse'. (right) Senior Jaimee Beauvais flies through the air after being launched from the blob.



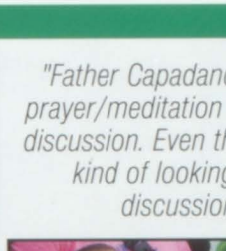
Senior Noah Schacher gets a hand on the trapeze bar after jumping from the power pole. The power pole was an activity seniors could take part in. To participate, it required climbing up 25 feet to the top of the pole, turning around, and jumping for the trapeze. Five senior boys were able to jump and actually hang on to the bar.

Retreat Memories:



Trevor Placzek, 12

"Mac climbing the pole and then trying to work up the nerve to jump. He finally did, but his feet just didn't follow."



Megan Meyer, 11

"Father Capadano had us try a new prayer/meditation instead of our class discussion. Even though everyone was kind of looking forward to the discussion, I liked it."



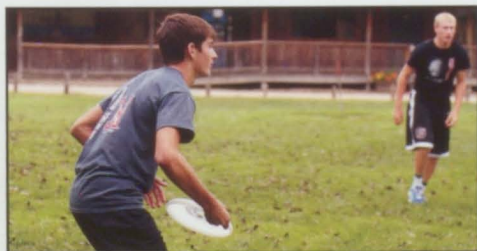
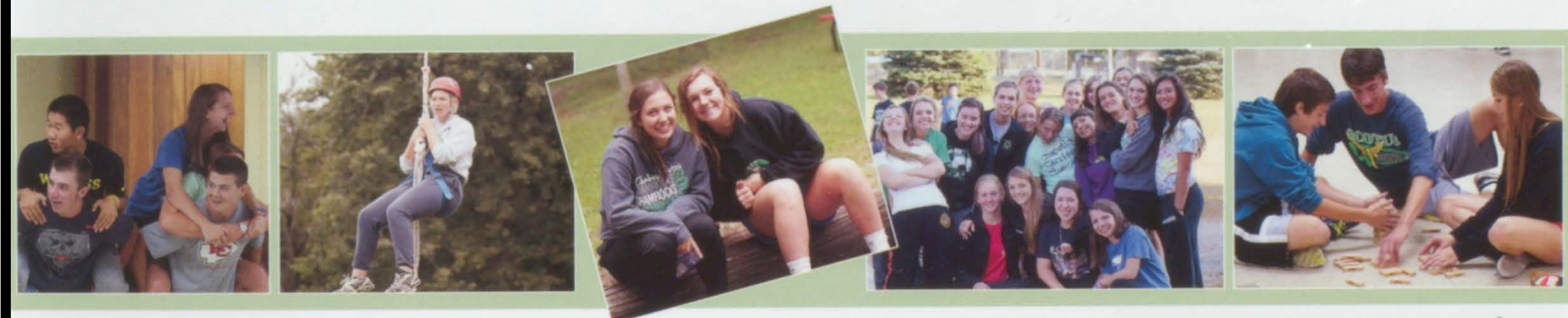
Tate VanCannon, 10

"Bonding with people from different social groups. It seems like every year, for one day, everyone forgets about all the social stigmas and popularity classes, and we just treat people with respect. That's the best part of the retreats."



Morgan Rinkel, 9

"Playing frisbee with Father Capadano and my class was really fun."



(top left) Senior Joe Sonderman tosses the frisbee to another classmate.
 (bottom left) Seniors Carly Fehringer and Riley Gilson try out the blob.
 (left) Seniors Jessica Schaecher and Kelsey Kessler wait to tackle the obstacle ropes course.

The senior retreat is different from all the other retreats. It still consists of team building activities, Mass, and the new meditation, but it contains much more. Not only do the seniors stay four hours longer than the other retreats, but they participate in many more activities. The seniors can sail into the water on the blob, canoe, rock climb, take on the power pole and many other options. It gives them the opportunity to try something they never would have otherwise been able to do. "I played human foosball with several people. It was a game I have never played before, and I thought it was very fun," senior Riley Gilson said.

Catholic Schools Week



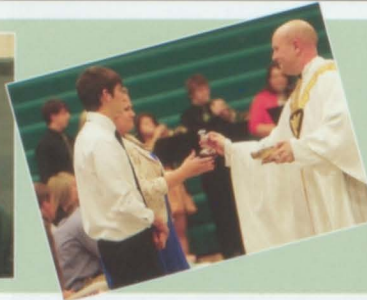
Ellie Book, 9

"It was fun and very interesting to learn how to swing dance. It was really fun when my dance partner knew the swing dances, and I could just follow and let them lead."

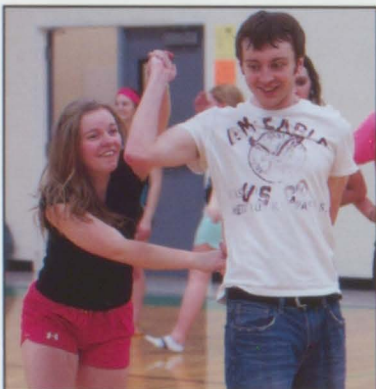
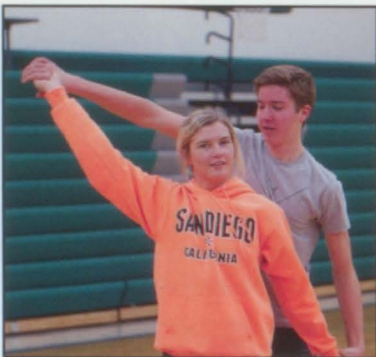


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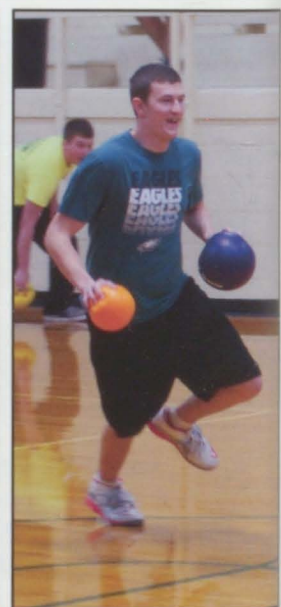
"It was really fun being able to get people out, and dodge ball is always a fun thing for us to play."



Senior Noah Schacher and junior Morgan Thorson, juniors Sarah Schumacher and Dana Hoppe, and senior Theodore Paprocki and sophomore Maddie Sinovic work on mastering their swing dancing moves.



Juniors Brandon Johnston, Boston Goodrich, Mason Brandenburg, and Khang Nguyen, and senior Grant Lahm try to defend their territory against junior Bailey Braun and others in the dodge ball tournament.



Juniors Caleb Ostdiek and Carson Fuchser and seniors Fallon Case and Trevor Placzek work to help their teams advance in the dodge ball tournament.

Stations of the Cross

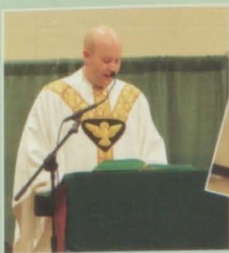
Allie Anderson, 12

"I was Veronica, who wiped the face of Jesus. I had to be part of the crowd and kneel in front of Jesus when he fell. It was a very moving experience being able to act out Jesus' final moments on Earth."



Trevor Pandorf, 12

"I played the role of Simon. To portray my character, I sat in the crowd and was chosen by a soldier to help hold the cross for Jesus. I had to stand very still in the process."



faith focused

Throughout the year, there were various events that took place where the students could demonstrate their faith. There were the traditional events such as Mass and prayer where students offer their time to read prayers throughout the school days.

This year, Scotus Central Catholic was assigned a new priest. Fr. Matthew Capadano took on a new role not only as a priest but as a teacher as well. He helped out and supported all the events Scotus has to offer.

"The first year has been a year for learning with a lot of trial and error. However, it's been a lot of fun, and I will be sad to see this senior class graduate," Capadano said.

There were many other events planned during the year, one being Catholic Schools Week. Multiple events took place during Catholic Schools Week, and the week ended with the options for students to watch a movie, participate in swing dancing, or play in a dodge ball tournament. The swing dancing class had numerous students sign up.

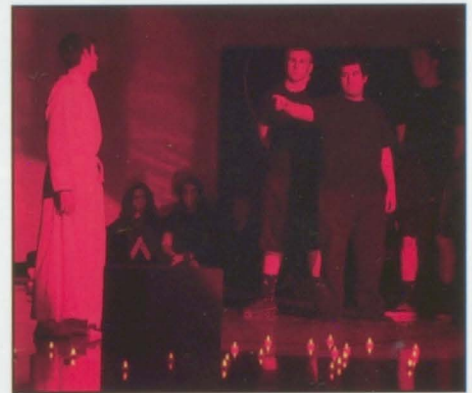
"My favorite swing dancing move is the pretzel because it is fast and fun to watch people's arms twist," sophomore Mitchell Halligan said.

Dodge ball was a new addition to the final day of Catholic Schools Week activities.

"Dodge ball was a good addition because it was a cool new way of dodge ball that I have never played before, and it was fun," senior Fallon Case said.

Over the past couple years, students from different classes have participated in the making of the Stations of the Cross, but this year, seniors organized the event.

Senior Jaimee Beauvais, who portrayed Mary, concluded, "It was a great way to end my last Lenten season at Scotus. After watching stations for years, it was finally our turn to participate."



Fr. Capadano survived his first year at Scotus Central Catholic. He took on many different tasks during his first year. Whether he was in the classroom teaching, hanging around in the hallways, on the sidelines at Scotus events, hosting Mass, or talking to students about their day, he did it all.

"The greatest memory of my first year at Scotus was when students came into my office to talk, hangout, and ask for advice. I especially enjoy when the seniors cram into my office between 4th and 5th period."



Seniors pose as their characters during the live reenactment of the Stations of the Cross. Seniors Joseph Sonderman portrayed Jesus, Jaimee Beauvais portrayed Mary, and Alex Pandorf portrayed Peter.

JC Camp members sit and watch the bonfire at the end of the last night at camp. (bottom right) Jr. Camp counselors are blindfolded during an icebreaker outside. (bottom middle) Freshmen Grace Wickham and Grace Odbert share a laugh in the mud together. (below) Freshmen McKenna Spencer and Natalie Brutty pose for a picture during the mud fight.



finding God



(left) Juniors Baeley Pelster and Jacob Wright pick out Christmas gifts at Wal-Mart for the St. Bonaventure Church Advent tree. (above) Juniors Jake Bos and Allie Johnson share a laugh during social time at one of their Godparent nights. (right) Freshmen Grace Wickham and Natalie Brutty pick out gifts for the Advent Tree.



Aside from being a Catholic school, Scotus provides multiple opportunities for students to have faith experiences. Mission Trips, Youth Group, JC Camp, and Godparents are just a few ways that students can get closer to God and explore their faith a little deeper.

The mission trips travel across the United States lending a kind hand to anyone in need. The trips give the participants the opportunity to see how other people live when they don't have everything they need. It puts things into perspective.

"It just feels good to help," senior Spencer Lechner said.

Of all of the different faith events, the most common one is JC Camp. JC Camp campers are sent to Tintern for four days to live in their faith and open up with new people.

"JC Camp is something we are lucky to have," junior Marcus Dodson said.

Students come back home on an all-time God high. It creates many friendships and even more memories that can be shared in the future.

Although youth group and godparents aren't the most common faith activities, they have similarities. Both groups happen weekly and give students the opportunity to take a break from their weekly schedules and focus on just one thing.

"All of us friends gather around and read verses about the Bible and relate to that topic for the day," Lechner added.

Why should students participate in a faith event?

Spencer Lechner, 12

"Students should participate in Youth Group because it is like having a second family. It's a group of people that want to get as close to God as you do."



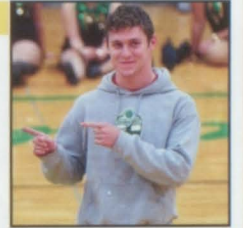
Alysen Stuart, 11

"They should go on mission trips because they would be able to meet new people, see different cultures, and work with the unwealthy. It really puts things into perspective when you take a close look."



Marcus Dodson, 11

"I really encourage students to go to JC Camp. You get to be yourself and talk with some pretty cool people. It's undoubtedly just an all around good time."



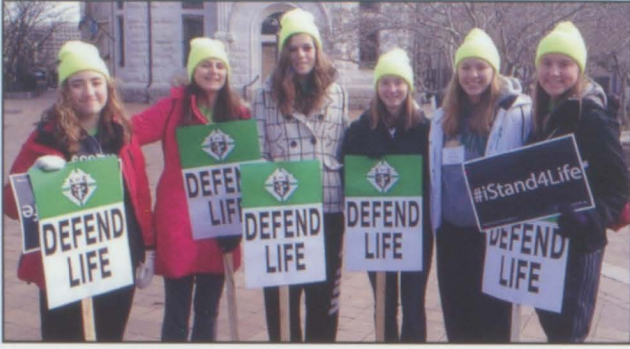
Grace Wickham, 9

"Godparents is fun, and you get to socialize with your freinds, get closer to some people you never would have thought you would be close to, and eat really good food!"



(top left) Senior Spencer Lechner poses for a picture with a mission trip counselor from Chicago.
 (bottom left) Senior Jaimee Beauvais shows off a colorful pair of winter gloves.
 (left) Seniors Jaimee Beauvais, Spencer Lechner, and junior Leah Engquist take a picture with the rest of their mission trip group.
 (above) The youth group takes a picture in their Santa hats after Christmas Caroling at the Golden Living Center.

Sophomores Naomi Kosch, Natalie Schaecher, Crystal Rinkol, Tatem Vance, Emma Ruskamp, and Alison Zoucha show their support to end abortion during the march.
 (bottom) Juniors Lydia Schaecher, Mikayla Nienaber, Rachel Miksch, and Megan Parker smile for a photo.



A group of Scotus students and teachers joined thousands of other pro-life individuals at the National March for Life in Washington, D.C in January. The march marks the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. The students not only go on the march, but they are able to see and experience important sights along the way.

"We visited Gettysburg, the National Mall, the Holocaust Museum, and several other places in and around Washington, D.C. My favorite place to visit was Gettysburg because I love Civil War history, and I really enjoyed learning about Gettysburg and seeing where the battle took place," senior Abby Allen said.

The students were able to enliven their faith and meet other people that share their same beliefs.

Freshman Brock Kracman concluded, "I feel more involved in the Mass, and my prayer life has been impacted. The march was such an amazing experience, and it was so fun."



Would you recommend these religious experiences to a friend?



Alyson Stuart, 11

"Yes! The March for Life is very fun and shows you how big this issue is and how many people care about the unborn."



Shannon Spulak, 12

"I would recommend [Ignite] to others because it's an opportunity to meet parish members, new members, and members from other places who have participated at events like Quest and JC Camp."

Marika Spencer, 9

"Yes, I would recommend Ignite to anyone! It is so fun to participate in, and we learn so much about God."

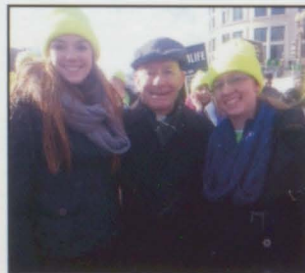


Tatem Vance, 10

"The March for Life makes you really appreciate what you have. It is worth missing all the homework even though we still have to do it."



Joining the students on the March for Life was Archbishop Lucas. He took the time to pose for photos with many different groups of students: (left to right) juniors Mikayla Nienaber and Gabby Middendorf; sophomores Tatem Vance, Alison Zoucha, Emma Ruskamp, and Natalie Schaecher; and freshman Brock Kracman.





Freshmen Kayla Hall, Kendra Wiese, Anna Swope, Grace Wickham, and Shania Borchers attempt to make the hula hoop go around the circle without unlinking arms. (below) Juniors Alyson Stuart and Amy Heusinkvelt participate in the bean bag toss. (bottom) Sophomore Kaylee Tonniges focuses on not dropping her egg from the spoon.



living like Christ

Ignite is a group consisting of teens and adults that gather to celebrate their faith in Jesus Christ.

"The activities have helped our community grow closer together. The people I have spent time with have pushed me to be better. We have a lot of fun together," junior Megan Parker said.

Ignite the faith is run by Brenna Prem, who is new to the Columbus faith community this year. She is the youth director at St. Bonaventure Parish for all three parishes.

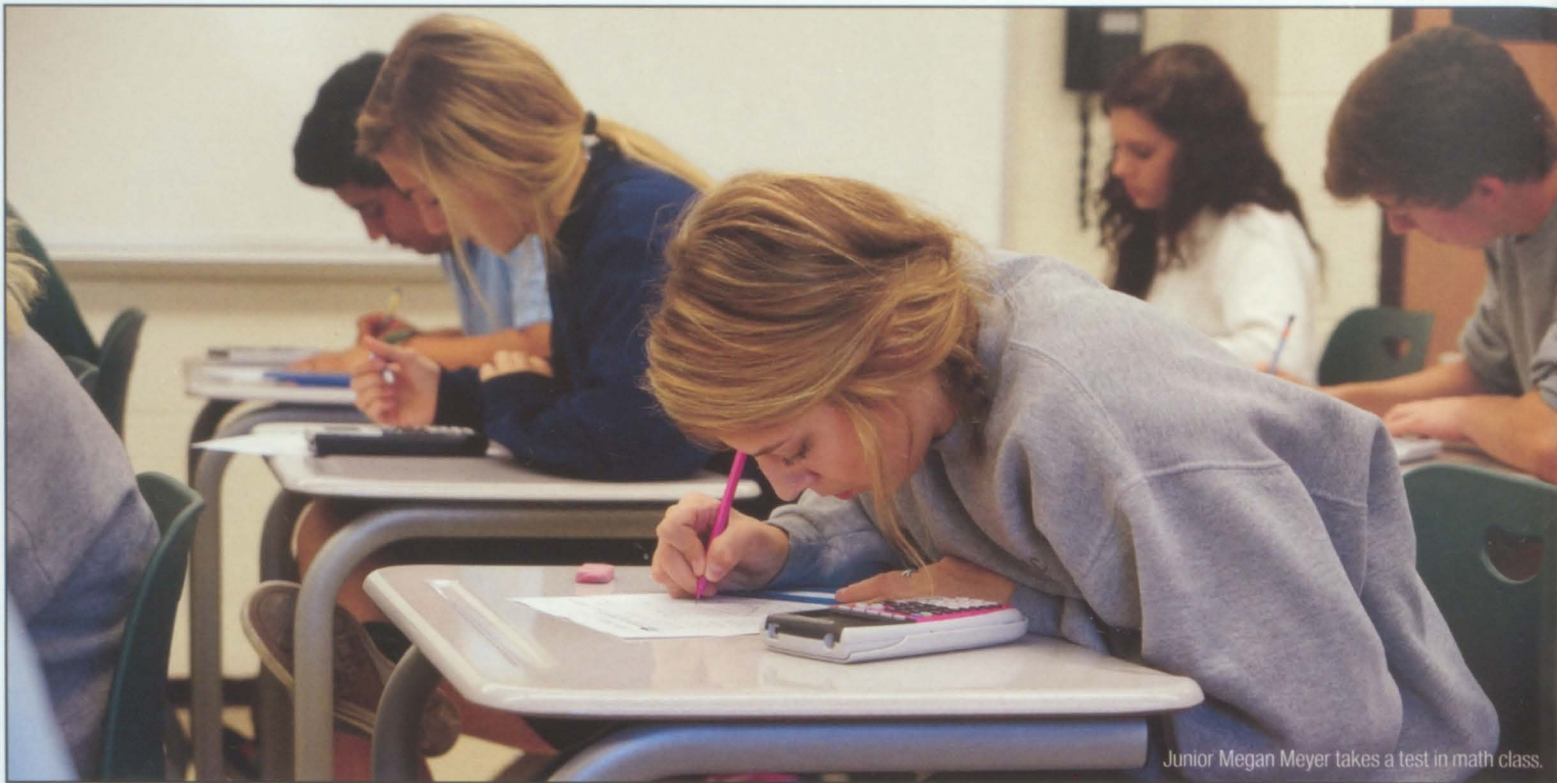
"Anytime Brenna Prem has ever put any activity together, I've always attended! I always want to attend!" junior Hannah Thomazin shared.

The Ignite group has been responsible for Glowfest, Hour of Power, and a bonfire.

Eighth grader Hallie Parker concluded, "I have learned so much! Ignite the faith has gotten me so much more excited to learn about my faith."



Freshmen Anna Swope, Shania Borchers, and Maddie Neville enjoy the bonfire hosted by Ignite. (left) Ignite volunteer Mark Swope lights the bonfire.



Junior Megan Meyer takes a test in math class.

Every year juniors and seniors across the United States have the opportunity to take the ACT. To help students increase their scores, Scotus has included ACT prep in classes for many years. However, no longer does this just apply to juniors and seniors, after moving from the Plan Test to the Explore Test, which is similar to the ACT, freshmen and sophomores are now taking part in the prep lessons. Because the Explore Test is written closely to the ACT, the prep sessions are similar. This allows Scotus students to take part in prep sessions in all high school grades.

Not only is Scotus teaching the ACT prep in classes, but this year science teacher Joan Lahm organized for two men from Omaha Westside to come in and teach ACT prep on a Saturday morning.

"The session was excellent. 53 of the 58 students who signed up came," Lahm said.

Principal Wayne Morfeld agreed, "I thought the session ran very well, but ultimately it matters more how the students felt."

Students all had positive things to say about the class.

"I really enjoyed the class because it gave me a lot of helpful hints I could use on the ACT," sophomore Eastyn Klink said.

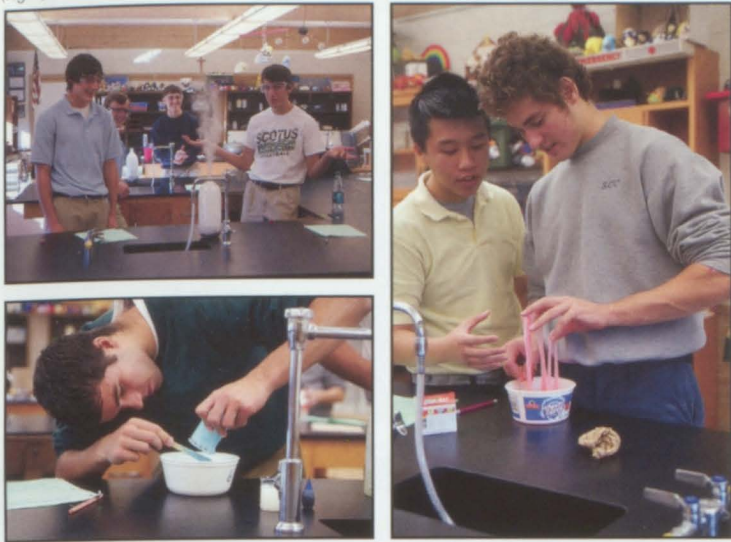
"I found the class to be very helpful because it provided me with strategies that I would have never thought of. It also showed me how to pace myself with each test," sophomore Tate VunCannon said.

The average ACT scores from Scotus have always towered above the state and national averages. In 2014 the average composite score for the state was 21.7, for the nation it was 21, but for Scotus it was 24. Although the average Scotus scores are consistently above the average state and national scores, Morfeld wants to take it a step further.

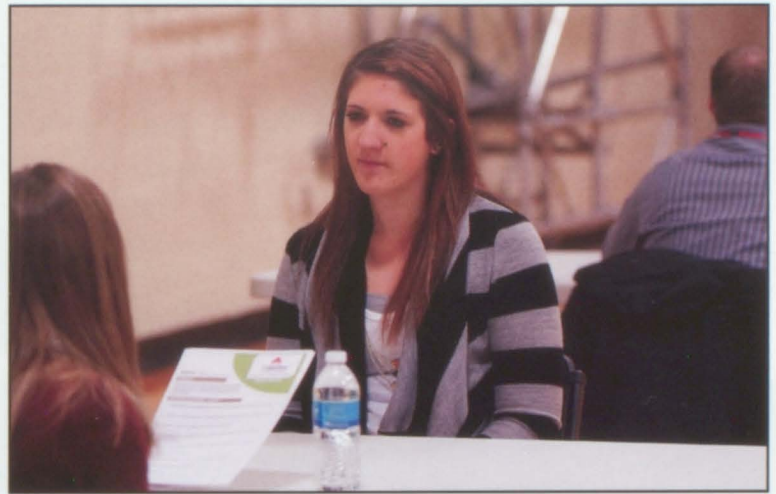
"I want our school's scores to be the highest in the area while continuing to have most of our students take the test. I would also like all students who will take the ACT to prepare properly and not just go take the test," he said.



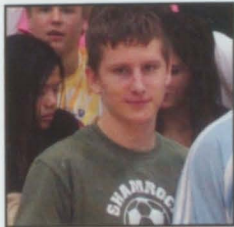
(top left) Juniors Darin Rinkol and Justin Brockhaus watch as their pop bottle releases gas.
 (bottom left) Junior Brady Przymus scoops his mystery putty out of a beaker.
 (right) Juniors Khang Nguyen and Jackson Kumpf play with their mystery putty.



This year the seniors and the juniors had the opportunity to be taken out of their history and government classes to participate in mock interviews. About 25 people from different businesses across Columbus came in to Scotus to act as interviewers. The interview consisted of each student speaking with two different interviewers and answering each of their eight questions. These mock interviews were used to help prepare students for future interviews. (below) Seniors Tori Rinkol, Joe Sonderman and Noah Schacher speak with their interviewers.



Study Habits:

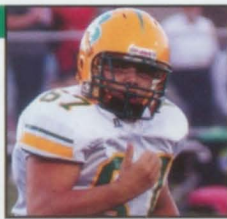


Alex Pandorf, 12

"My best method of studying is going to the track and running a mile for every question I get wrong."

Nathan Tworek, 11

"I study by using flash cards on Quizlet the night before the test, and by saying a prayer."



Megan Parker, 11

"I normally am tired after school, so I take a break. Then I work on homework after I get done eating supper. I read through everything quite a bit, and sometimes I make note cards."

Charles Case, 9



"I usually just study right before I take the test."





Spanish teacher Ms. Perez helps Maddie Sinovic on an assignment.

What's your favorite snack-time snack?

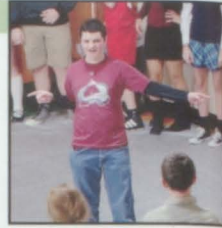


Falion Case, 12

"I like eating fruit snacks."

Isaac McPhillips, 8

"Everyone in the eighth grade knows I'm a big jerky freak. Beef jerky, turkey jerky, deer jerky, you name it!"



Eli Merrill, 10

"Whales because they are tastier than gold-fish."

Spencer Lechner, 12

"I don't bring a snack because I forget to bring one."



preparing for the future

There are many classes at Scotus that help students apply their newly learned skills into the future. These classes include accounting, personal finance, modern technology, speech, and Spanish. Many of these classes involve business skills.

"Since everyone needs to know how to handle finances, business classes help students prepare for life on their own," accounting teacher Patti Salyard explained.

Students often find that taking the classes prepares them for what they need in the future as they begin to go to college.

"Accounting and personal finance have prepared me to make important investments that may help my financial standing in and out of college," senior Spencer Lechner said.

Senior Lucas Cox also added, "Spanish has taught me many things that I will need for college; I now have some understanding of the language. Most importantly it has taught me how to learn material even if it seems like a 'foreign language'."

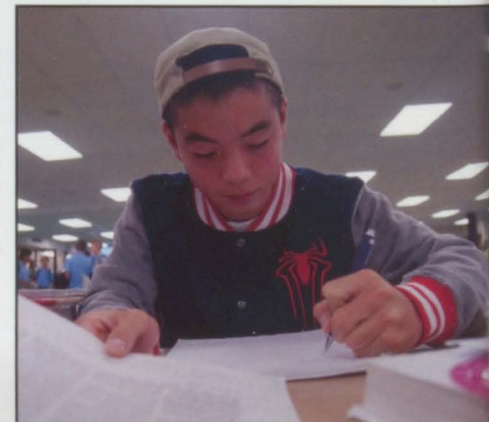
Classes like these differ greatly from all the other regular classes at Scotus.

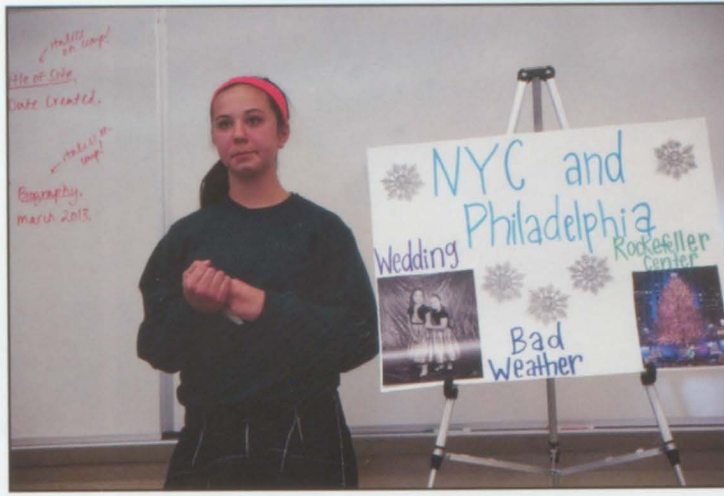
Modern technology and personal finance teacher Tyler Swanson concluded, "The classes I teach are not as standard based as math, English, science, etc. We have standards we stick to but can also teach them in many different ways. I also give the students more freedom to choose what they want to learn based on businesses they choose."



Senior Toby Tooley works on homework before school in the cafeteria.

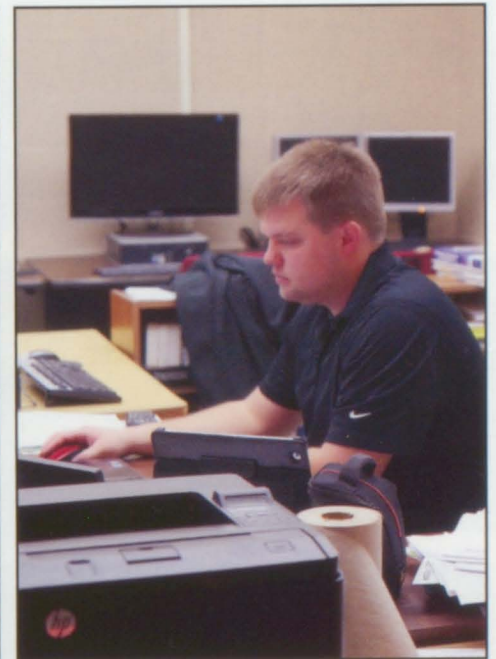
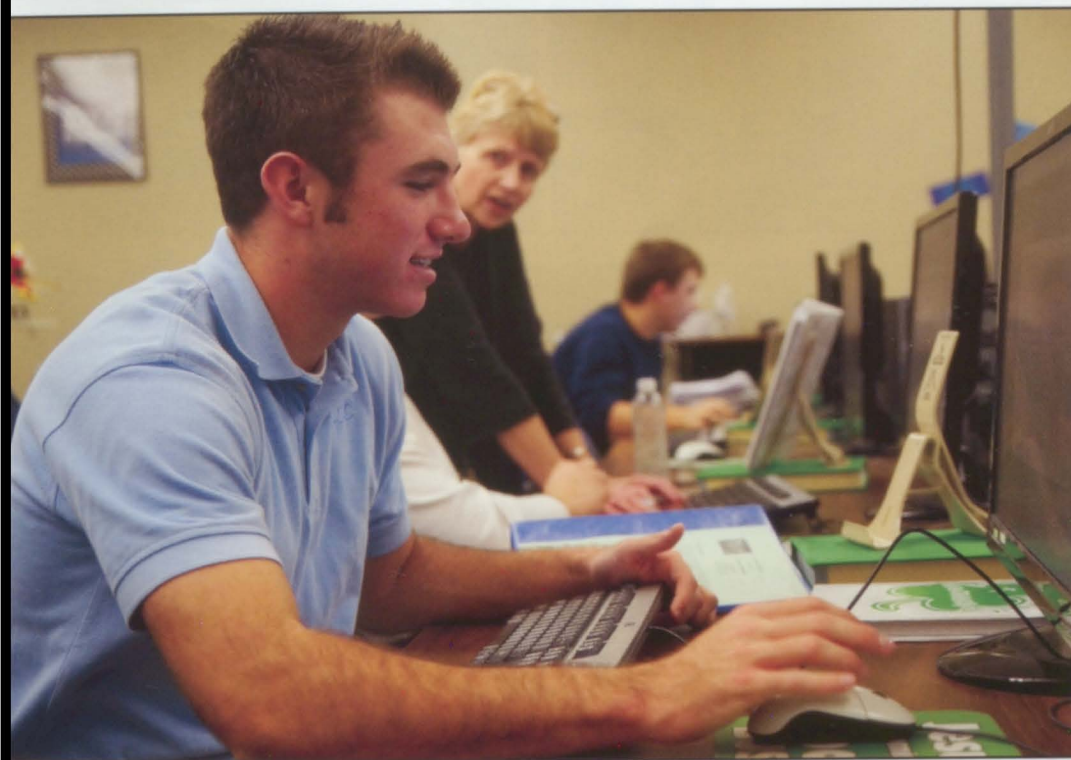
(above) Juniors Kelsey Wiehn, Brady Przymus, Quinn Blaser, and Victor Corral work together on an assignment in Spanish.



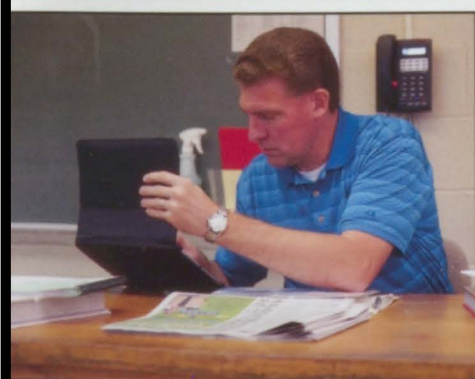


Sophomore Hannah Mielak uses a poster to help present her speech to the class. (far left) Junior Mikayla Nienaber reads her sentences to the class during Spanish.

There are many classes that students are required to present in front of the class. Many times they have to use a visual aid to help their classmates understand their ideas.



(above, counterclockwise) Personal finance teacher Tyler Swanson works on his computer. Junior Miles Putnam uses his computer in accounting class. Study hall teacher Pat Brockhaus is busy using his Ipad. Juniors Boston Goodrich, Jon Lovell, and Austin Svehla work on their computers during modern technology.

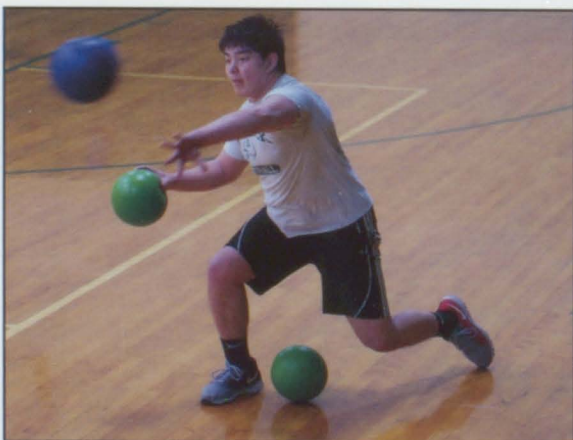




Freshman Anna Swope equips a machine for sewing her shorts in textiles and clothing class. (top right) Freshman Maddie Neville secures pins to a pattern in preparation for creating her pair of shorts. (bottom right) Seniors Sarah Slegl and Abbie Alt mix donut batter in culinary arts class.



engaged learning



(left) Junior Nathan Tworek throws a dodgeball while playing Advanced Warfare during strength training. (middle) Sophomore Tate VanCannon bench presses during his P.E. class. (right) Sophomore Maddie Sinovic jumps on the VertiMax. The VertiMax is one of the newest additions to the weight room.

Although it is essential to have core classes in the course of a school day, the more "hands-on" classes allow students to learn by doing the projects that correlate with the class they are taking.

Family and consumer science teacher Carmen Johnson said, "Not everything is going to be textbooks and writing when you get out into the real world; there is going to be a lot of hands-on involved."

P.E. classes are also providing students with knowledge that will benefit them for the rest of their lives.

"I want the students in my elective classes to understand and utilize the material they've learned so that they can be healthy and enjoy a great life full of challenges and adventures," physical education teacher Janet Tooley stated.

The art classes that are offered allow students to be creative and express themselves.

Junior Dana Hoppe stated, "Art is like an escape for me. It puts my mind at ease."

The benefit of classes that allow students to learn by creating is extensive. They allow students to be innovative and original.

"These classes allow you to have fun while learning instead of always having to worry about homework and tests," senior Abbie Alt said.

My favorite project/activity was...

Laura Mourreau, 12



"...my first painting—a girl with an umbrella. It wasn't the best painting at all, but I still liked it because it was the first time I actually painted something."

Amme Walnofer, 12



"...cinnamon donut drops because they were easy to make, and we did them together."

Marshall Dreifurst, 11

"...the pajamas that I made. I made a pair out of polka dot pattern cotton fabric. With this fabric, I had to sew it a little more than a less thick fabric, so naturally, my project took a bit longer than expected. As a whole, my favorite part of the project was sewing the two legs together. I now have a wider range of skills and have created a bond with people I thought I would never speak to."



Ross Bonk, 11



"...playing Advanced Warfare because my strength training group has created so many memories and playing it is fun."



(left) Senior Trevor Pandorf works with plaster in Art IV. (top left) Sophomore Naomi Kosch intently finishes her wire sculpture. (bottom left) Senior Karsta Stieglitz focuses on mixing her paints for her project in art class. (above) Senior Adam Starzec paints one of his creations.

My favorite part of taking a journalism class is...

Allie Andersen, 12

"...being able to see the yearbook before the rest of the school does."

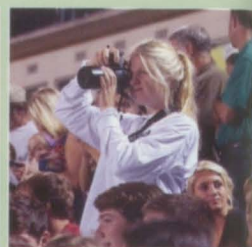
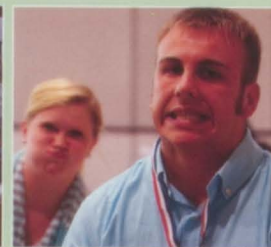


Justin Zoucha, 11

"...having a laid-back class to come to in the middle of the day that is relaxing."



Senior Callyn Larsen looks through pictures to put on the school website. (far right) Senior Karsta Stieglitz poses in front of the new backdrop and lights. These were only a few of the additions to the journalism department this year. (right) Senior Kelly Kamrath focuses on her computer while working on an article during newspaper.



Members of the Scotus Journalism staff that qualified to compete at State Journalism pose for a picture. (right) Junior Hannah Thomazin receives her state champion medal.



The NSAA changed the format of state journalism this year from an all-class competition to a two class competition. Because of this, members of the Scotus journalism staff made history by sending twice the number of students to compete at state journalism.

Angie Rusher, Scotus journalism advisor, said, "We had ten students participate in thirteen events, and we came home with ten medals, a state championship, and a state runner-up; I would say that is a very successful day!"

Junior Hannah Thomazin was the state champion in Newswriting, and senior Jessica Schaecher was runner-up in Sports/Action Photography.

"When I was called for first place, I thought my heart was going to jump out of my chest; I was so excited," Thomazin said.

Unfortunately, the state journalism competition ran four hours behind schedule, and many students had to rush back to make it to their other extracurricular activities.

Rusher concluded, "Because Scotus students are so dedicated to all of their classes and activities, most of the journalism students can only fit a journalism class into their schedules for one year, two if I am lucky, so none of the students who competed had ever been to an event like this before. I am proud of how they compete in everything they do. It was another great day to be a Shamrock!"

Kelly Kamrath, 12

"...getting to hand out newspapers during seventh period and seeing everyone reading them the rest of the day!"

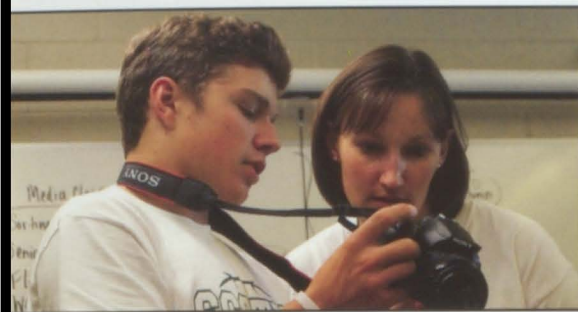


Julian Fritz, 12

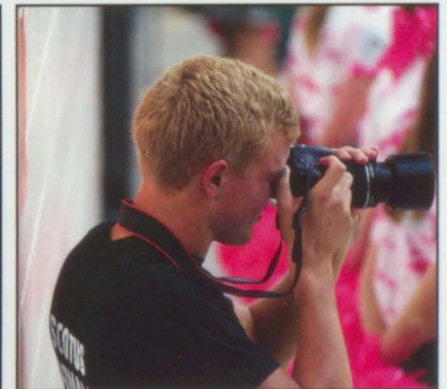
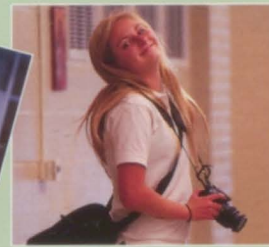
"...taking pictures of various sporting events like tennis, swimming, and soccer. I also really like doing my layout for the newspaper every month."



Senior Shannon Spulak analyzes pictures to put on her yearbook page.
(top left) Senior Carly Fehring works on a layout for one of her yearbook layouts.
(bottom left) Yearbook sponsor Angie Rusher helps junior Cole Harrington with adjusting his camera settings. The Scotus journalism department purchased all new camera equipment this year.



focusing in

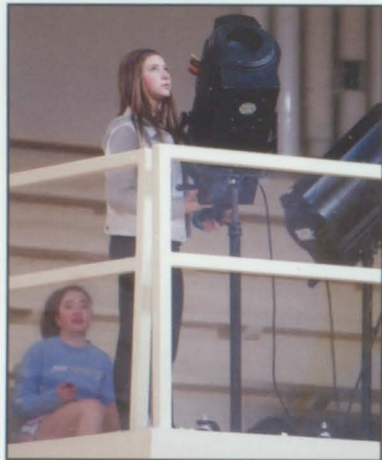


The newspaper staff counts and sorts newspapers to be handed out to students. They produce seven newspapers throughout the school year.
(above) Senior Jaime Gasper focuses in on a volleyball player at the Lincoln Christian volleyball game.

The Scotus student council is in charge of the Mr. Shamrock competition. Sophomore Amberly Parker adjusts the lighting for the competition.

(bottom right) Seniors Justina Wemhoff, Abby Allen, and Carly Cremers announce the candidates.

(top right) Junior Amy Heusinkvelt prepares the sashes for the candidates to wear.



Junior Paige Vance prepares the stage for the Mr. Shamrock pageant. This year marked the tenth anniversary for Mr. Shamrock.

The Scotus student council has worked hard this year to bring the voice of the student body to the Scotus administration. Student council members have a large agenda in helping to better the school.

"The students help with the Sweetheart dance, Mr. Shamrock, the buddy system, polo and sweatshirt orders, and contact with administration for handbook policies," student council sponsor Joan Lahm said.

Not only has student council served the students, but also people outside of the school walls.

"The students in student council help with the Holiday Spirit Coop by donating gifts," Lahm said.

With the Mr. Shamrock competition, the members aided with the set up and preparation, the announcement of candidates, and the crowning of the winner.

"I helped with the set up and decorations. Abby Allen, Shannon Spulak, and I choreographed and taught the contestants the dance. I also had to get dolled up in order to be a Mr. Shamrock hostess," senior student council member Justina Wemhoff stated.

The Scotus student council has started preparations for next year's schedule.

Junior student council member Jennifer Belsan concluded, "I enjoyed being able to give back to the school and community and have fun while doing it."



What can you take away from student council?



Abby Allen, 12

"STUCO has taught me a lot about being a leader and a proactive member in a community. I've had a lot of fun and have been able to participate in a wide array of activities in STUCO."

Elley Beaver, 9

"I learned how to become a better leader and be more involved in activities. Also, I learned how to be a better teammate."



Sophomores Zach Svehla and Kaylee Tonniges make their induction into National Honor Society. Students are invited to join NHS their sophomore year.



While focusing on their grades, the members of National Honor Society involve themselves in the lives of others.

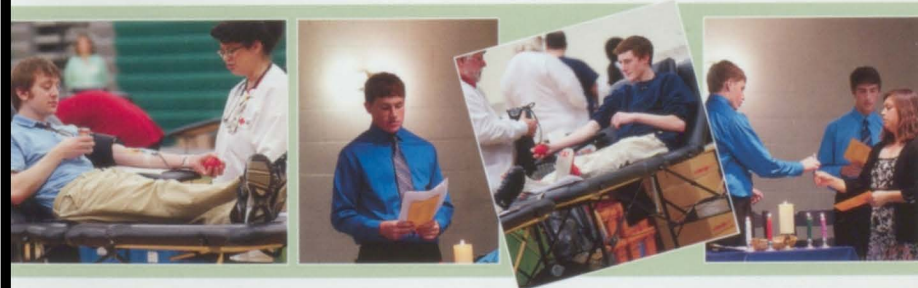
"Our major events are to fundraise at Christmas in order to contribute to the Holiday Coop in Columbus. We also sponsor the Red Cross Blood Drive at Scotus each year," NHS sponsor Jane Dusel-Misfeldt stated.

During Christmas time, the NHS members sell candy canes to raise money for Holiday Coop. Not only do the students sell the candy, but they also package the candy to be given to the receiver.

"Being part of candy cane sales helps me to become independent while benefiting others," sophomore NHS member Tatem Vance said.

NHS members also put on the blood drive hosted by Scotus each spring. This year NHS was able to donate 118 units of blood to the American Red Cross. This year alone, there were 17 sophomores, 35 juniors, 24 seniors, and 15 Scotus staff members who attempted to donate.

Dusel-Misfeldt concluded, "I want [NHS members] to lead by their example and make good, moral choices that show good character. I want that to continue outside of Scotus into their adult lives."



making a difference

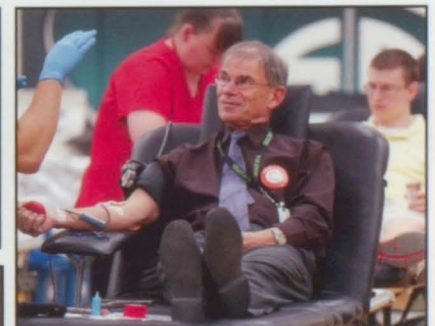
What can you take away from NHS?

Justin Brockhaus, 11

"It's not about what you get back from the community; it's what you put in it."

Justin Zouha, 11

"You need to stay motivated to maintain grades because grades are very important."



President Wayne Morfeld enjoys a conversation while donating blood for the Scotus blood drive in March.
(bottom left) Senior NHS president Jared Donoghue hands sophomore Jessica Buhman her candle.
(top left) Junior Justin Brockhaus fills bags with candy for the candy cane sales.

Every summer many students around Nebraska travel to Lincoln for Boys' and Girls' State. Three Scotus seniors were selected to go: Abby Allen, Mac Mapes, and Alex Pandorf. Boys and Girls' State is a government simulation where students study local and state government. They set up their own city and state governments using Nebraska's laws to manage it.

"You had to work with people from many different walks of life and respect the way they think and respond to issues. At Scotus, we have very different views," Pandorf said.

While Pandorf experienced the different views people have, Allen's experiences gave her a glimpse of what she could do in the future.

"I was able to take a lot away from the campaign. It really proved to me that politics was something I could pursue as a career if I work hard at it," Allen said.



unique opportunities



Sophomores Nathan Hiemer and Nicole Hiner and junior Bailey Braun pose for the camera with the awards they received at FBLA State Leadership Conference.

(above) Senior president Samantha Braun and senior vice president Justina Wemhoff hang footprints around school during FBLA week.

(above right) Sophomore Ashley Foreman puts sticky notes on her head during a minute to win it game.



Not only does Scotus offer activities in fine arts, but it also allows students to join FBLA for those who want to pursue careers in business or business education. Many activities are hosted by FBLA including practicing job interviews, cupcake wars, secret santas, pumpkin decorating contests, concession stands, and food drives.

"My favorite activity this year was the job interviews. It's a real world skill you need," senior vice president Justina Wemhoff said.

FBLA also participates at the State Leadership Conference (SLC). SLC is a conference that consists of business meetings, workshops, test taking, and awards. This year sophomore secretary Nicole Hiner placed second in keyboarding knowledge and fifth in proofreading.

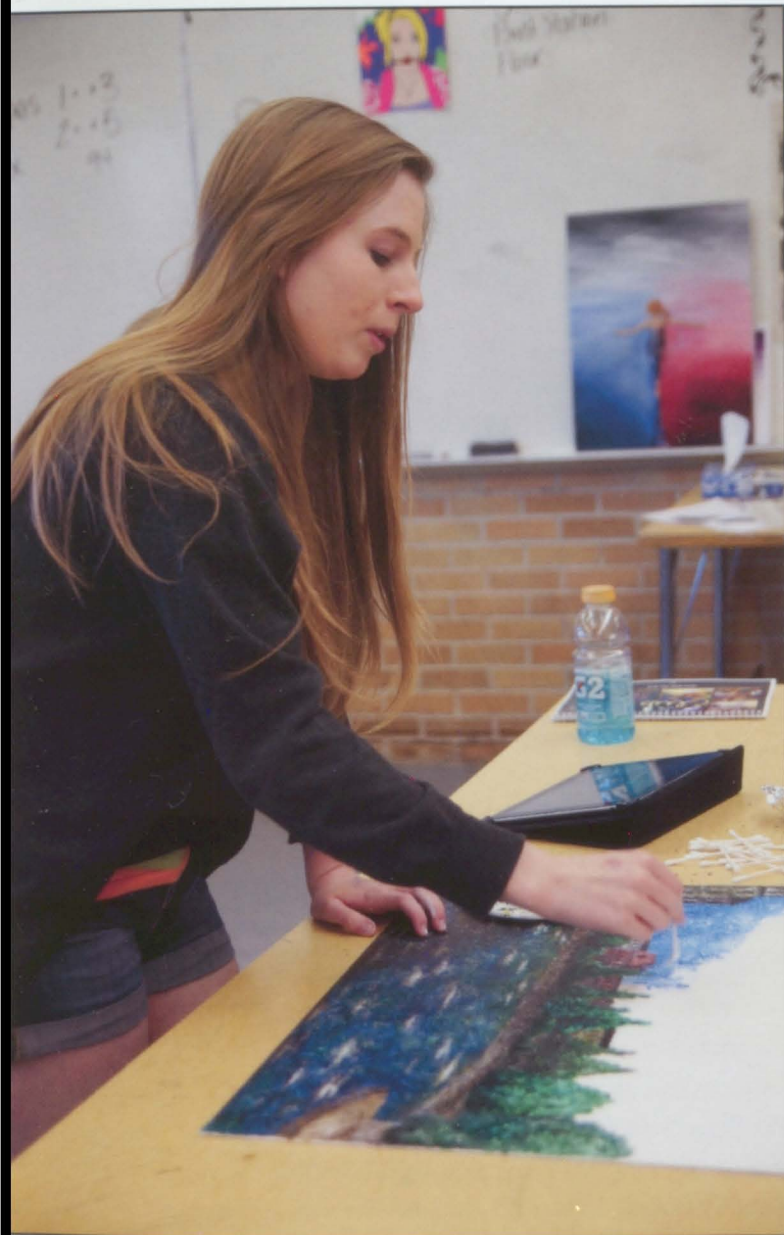
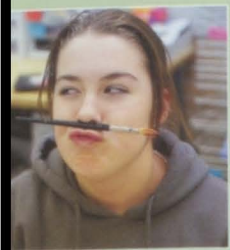
"I was totally shocked! There were about 350 kids taking these tests, so I was really happy with my results," Hiner said.

Also at SLC, junior Bailey Braun was Honorable Mention in Insurance and Risk Management and Management Information Systems. Sophomore Nathan Hiemer was also Honorable Mention in Management Information Systems. Honorable mentions are the top 4% of the number of people taking the test.

"SLC was a blast this year. I really enjoyed hanging out with the other officers," Braun said.



(far left) Seniors Alex Pandorf, Mac Mapes, and Abby Allen were all chosen to go to Boys' and Girls' State. Allen's work paid off as she was elected as governor at the event, the highest elected official. As governor, Allen was able to introduce Nebraska governor Dave Heineman, report on her visit to the capitol building, hand out diplomas at the graduation ceremonies, and give the farewell address to the delegates and their families at the end of the week. (left) Allen discusses politics and gives the farewell address.



Art club gives students a chance to continue using their art skills when they can't fit it into their everyday school schedule. Art has been involved in projects including calendars, backdrops for musical, hallway decorations, and posters for teachers. (left) Senior president Kelly Kamrath paints a picture using a Q-Tip to paint a landscape. (top) Senior vice president Shannon Spulak uses chalk to decorate the wall in the art room. (above left) Sophomore Cameron Swanson and freshman Tisa Kasik tape and paint a train backdrop. (above right) Freshman Kaylie Rocha picks out a paint color in Art Club.



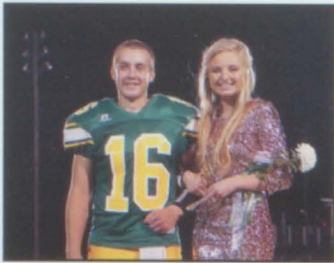
My sophomore year in mock trial, I got a witness to admit they were guilty on the stand; we got a verdict in our favor, but we still lost. Being a part of the boy/girl dance my sophomore year. Dancing with random kids at homecoming each year with Kelsey Kessler. Joined math counts in junior high for the food. When practicing for the flag and cheer production, I flipped my flag and it landed on my nose. On the bus coming back from a parade, the underclassmen bus almost got hit by a train and someone's wallet got thrown out the window. During mock trial, we had a tradition of McDonald's before our competition. When about eight of us got in a circle around Mr. Ohnoutka at homecoming and sang "Stay With Me" by Sam Smith. Becoming a senior leader and having the opportunity to help the younger generation by yelling at them...in a loving way. During drumline and band, when Mac and Eli silently and not so silently fight with each other. I played the trumpet this year, but I switched to tuba and got a lot of spit on myself every time I play the tuba. When I screamed so loud when I found out that High School Musical was the musical; I was so happy. Scotus activities allow me to find new activities I like and step out of my comfort zone a little. Activities also allow me to meet new people and grow closer in my friendships. Art club has made me more artistic, and I have gotten to know new people. Scotus is known for their great academics, sports, activities, and how smoothly it's ran. Mrs. Cox has made a world of differences at Scotus. Since the beginning of her career at the school, she has put in blood, sweat, and tears to transform the band into what it is today. Scotus activities have helped me to have a positive attitude when things look bad, taught me how important teamwork is, and what it means to love my school no matter what.



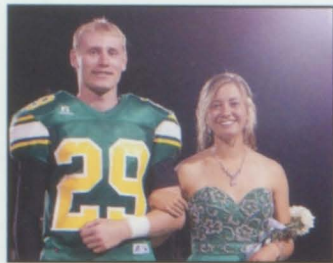
activities & fine arts

Scotus activities have influenced my life by learning to work together as a team and helping each other out. Scotus activities have shown me how well we can perform when we have such a great student section. We have a cheer and Shamrock Sugar. Our band and drumline are awesome. Scotus activities have made us all work harder instead of being lazy. What makes Scotus is those three flights of stairs! It couldn't be Scotus without them. Scotus activities have influenced my life by showing me who I am and what I like. I am a part of flag corps so that has shown me who I am and who my friends are and how we relate to each other. Catholic faith is alive at Scotus because of the events they let us attend, such as Steubenville and the March for Life. We are one of the only schools to have snack time. I love doing art and music at Scotus because we have great fine arts programs. Attending Scotus is important to me because it teaches me how to be successful and work hard. The best part about Scotus is the school desserts. It's like a party in your mouth. Scotus has taught me how to develop a good work ethic and apply that to regular daily life. Scotus is Scotus because of our awesome fan support in all extracurricular activities. I have been going to Scotus activities since I was really young to watch my sisters compete, so Scotus is a big part of my memories as a kid. Scotus is really involved together. We win awards as a team and as a student body. We are the only school in Columbus who is being haunted by nuns and kids who flush the toilets for you and sing for you in the hallways. I don't believe that there is any one person who makes a difference at Scotus. In my opinion all the coaches and people in charge of extracurricular activities have made a difference. Scotus is Scotus because everyone supports each other.

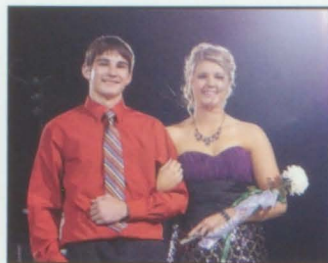
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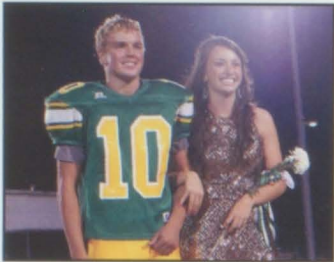
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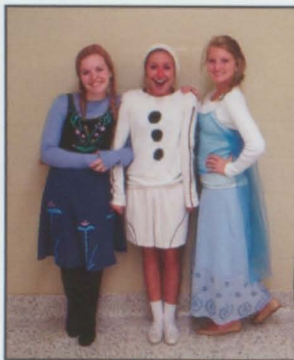


Lucas Cox
Allison Beiermann



Respect Your Elders
Seniors Queze Campos and Adam Starzec

Cosplay/Fictional Character
Sophomore Maddie Sinovic, freshman Ashley Jakubowski, and sophomore Alayna Wilson



Scary Movie
Seniors Shannon Spulak and Carly Cremers

Historical Figure
Freshman Austyn Follette



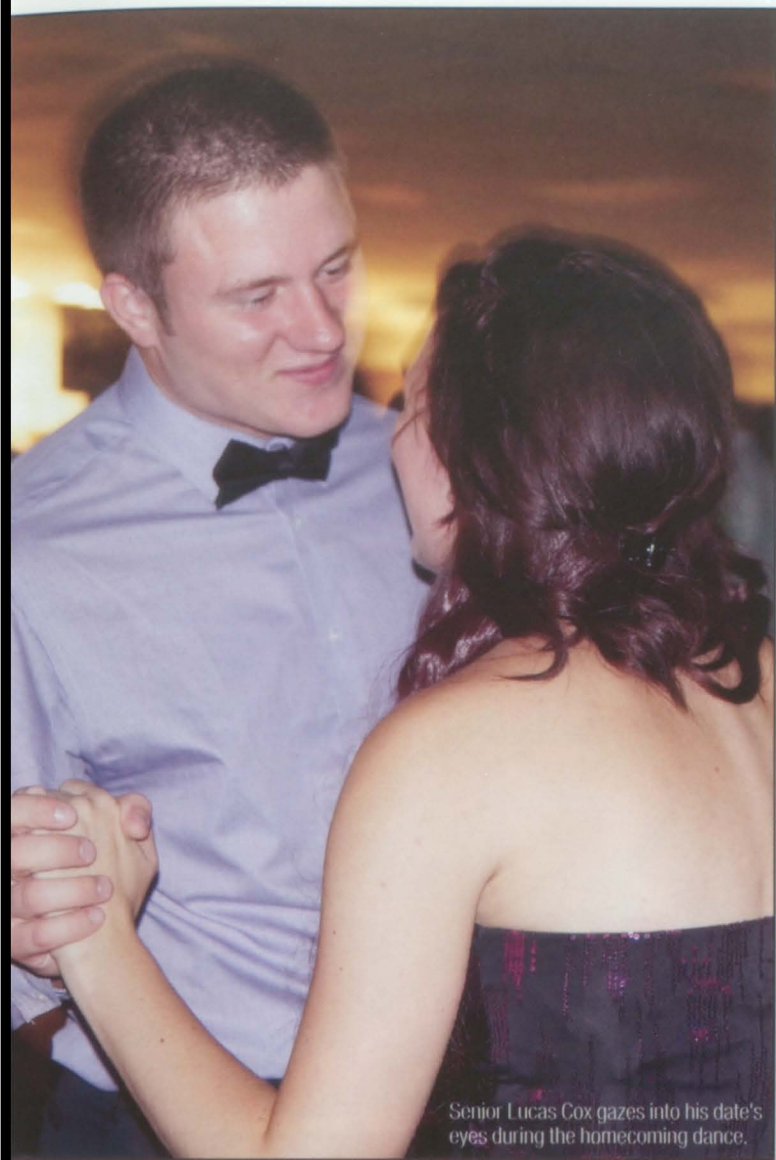
Spirit Day
Junior Brandon Johnston

historical homecoming



Students put a hold on their dancing to have their pictures taken. They crowded in with one another to pose for the camera. Students not only captured a picture with friends, but they captured a memory of Historical Homecoming. (top right clockwise) Junior Natalie Chappell and senior Sarah Slegl; sophomore Emma Strecker and Eastyn Klink and junior Sarah Schumacher; freshmen Jadya Larsen, Grace Wickham, Natalie Bratty, McKenna Spencer, and Kayla Hall.





Senior Lucas Cox gazes into his date's eyes during the homecoming dance.

History was made at this year's Historical Homecoming, and it started with spirit week and went all the way until the last moment of the homecoming dance.

Students kicked off spirit week by dressing to a series of themes. Not only were students dressing up according to the themes, but they were also acting the part.

"[I liked] getting to be mean and grumpy because people thought I was kidding," senior Queze Campos said during Respect You Elders Day.

Spirit week came to an end after the football team scored a victory over Pierce (28-14). Coronation took place after the game, and seniors Kelsey Kessler and Grant Lahm were crowned homecoming king and queen.

"Getting to stand next to Kelsey for pictures was one of the most memorable parts of homecoming," Lahm said.

Historical Homecoming made its mark as the first homecoming dance to be held on a Saturday instead of a Friday.

"I liked having it on Saturday; it was more relaxed, and we had more time to decorate. It started and ended earlier which was good because the students could go out for breakfast," student council sponsor Joan Lahm said.

Another event that made Historical Homecoming go down in history was the photos. While some students danced the night away, others were capturing the night as they posed in front of the backdrop for a photo-shoot.

"We took small group pictures that were super silly and had a lot of fun doing it. We took around ten photos," freshman Caitlin Steiner said.



The Homecoming Question:



Teri Rinkel, 12

What is your dream way of getting asked to homecoming?

"A bunch of balloons in my room with a poster saying 'will you float up to homecoming with me?' (like in the movie *Up*)."



Jared Hanson, 11

What is the most random way you would like to get asked to a dance?

"If someone sang the alphabet backwards to the tune of row-row-row your boat, I would go with them."

Justina Wemhoff, 12

What is the cutest way you have been asked to a dance?

"My boyfriend projected the invite really big onto the brick building of CHS after a band concert. It was super cute and romantic!"



Jessica Schaefer, 12

What is one way you would like to be asked to homecoming?

"Just buy me some chocolate, and I'll go."



Since it was Friday the 13th, did anything unlucky happen to you at the dance?



Jaimee Beauvais, 12

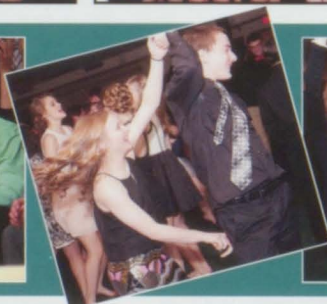
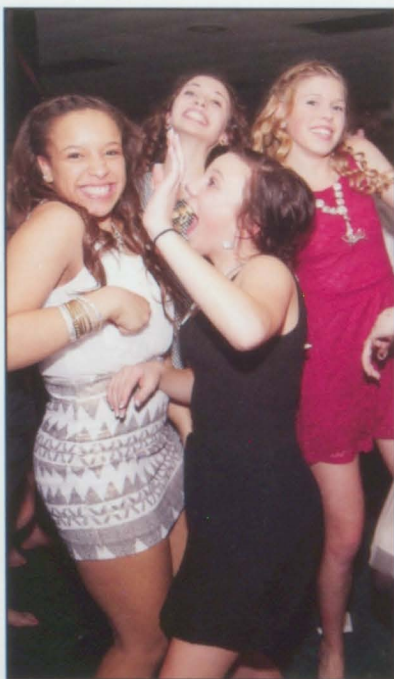
"I had a last minute dress switch because the zipper on my dress broke."



Bryan Littlefield, 9

"Mrs. Rusher gave my friends and me dancing tips."

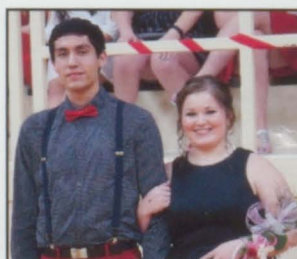
Scotus students dance together at the Sweetheart dance. (below) Freshmen Lizzie Hoppe, Natalie Brutty, Elley Beaver, and Shania Borchers jam out together. (bottom center) Senior Noah Schacher shows off his dance moves in the center of a circle of people. (bottom right) Anthony Sprunk and a group of girls show their moves on the dance floor. The Sweetheart dance was on Friday the 13th.



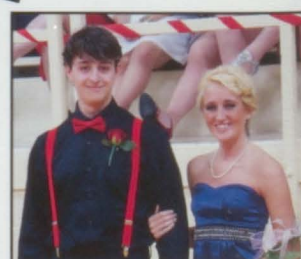
candidates



Chase Korger
Abbie Alt



Eduardo Lopez
Allie Anderson



Mac Mapes
Jaimee Beauvais

What was your favorite song to dance to?

Fallen Case, 12

"The Macarena' since everyone came in and had fun."



Nathan Hiemer, 10

"Thrift Shop' because the actions people were doing for this song were pretty funny."



Sweetheart landed on an unlucky date this year, so the theme was "Valentine's Day Gone Wrong".

The theme for the Sweetheart dance is always decided by the current sophomore class.

"We were sitting at the lunch table, and Mallory O'Hearn said that Sweetheart was on Friday the 13th this year. She continued to propose that our theme should be 'Valentine's Day Gone Wrong.' When we asked people if they liked the idea, everyone was happy, so it was settled," sophomore class officer Naomi Kosch stated.

Mainly, the sophomore class officers prepared for the dance. The sophomore class officers were Ashley Foreman, Mitchell Halligan, Naomi Kosch, Alayna Wilson, and Tate VunCannon.

Foreman said, "There wasn't a lot of planning, but we had a meeting and went from there. Mostly the officers just talked to each other and got it figured out. I had to pick out the crowns and pick them up. I also set up the decorations along with other people."

There was a photo booth again at the Sweetheart dance this year.

"I loved the photo booth. I was able to relax and be funny taking pictures with my friends," Halligan stated.

Since there were no activities going on before the dance, the dance ended around 11:30 p.m.

Foreman said, "I think the dance went well. Many people left after a little while, but they shouldn't have. They missed Mr. Coulter and Mr. Petersen's great dance moves!"

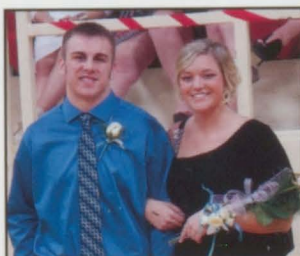


(top) Scotus girls pose for the camera with their props from the photo booth. (left) Seniors Cally Larsen and Hannah Krings take photos in the photo booth. (above) Senior Teddy Paprocki poses with his new hair-do with juniors Alyson Stuart and Paige Vance. The photo booth returned for the second year at the Sweetheart dance.

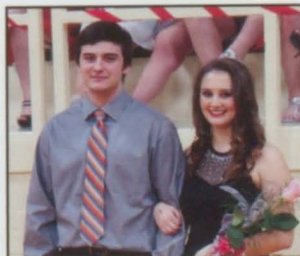
valentine's day gone wrong



Noah Schacher
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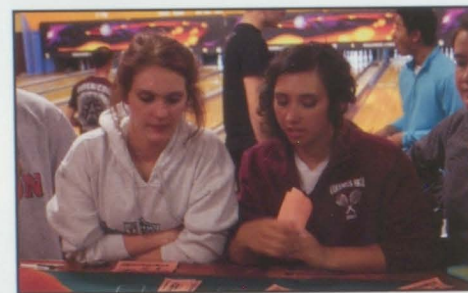
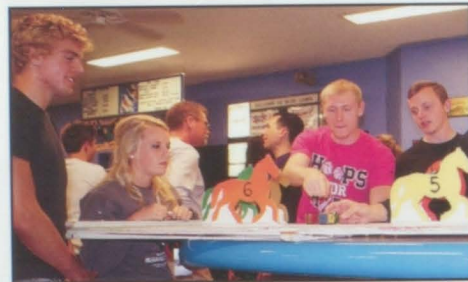
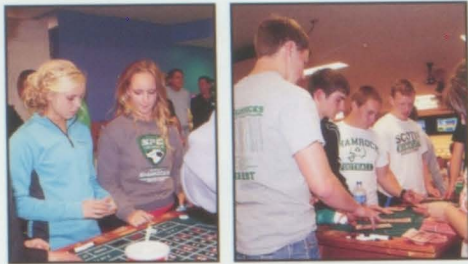
At post prom, students played various types of games to win tickets for prizes.

(bottom) Juniors Kimberly Stutzman and Savannah Robertson play blackjack.

(middle) Seniors Jaime Gasper, Jessica Schaecher, Grant Lahm, and junior Bailey Braun play horse races.

(below right) Seniors Jared Donoghue, Joe Sonderman, Jared Duren, and junior Sam Novicki play blackjack.

(below left) Junior Morgan Thorson and senior Allison Beiermann play roulette.



After threats of rain, this year's prom was still able to take place under a "starry night".

"People came up with different themes and during English class we voted on the top five themes. The winner ended up being "starry night", junior Megan Parker said.

There is a great amount of planning that goes into making prom a successful and fun night. There are lists of what needs to be done: decorations, making arrangements with the DJ, and setting up everything the night before. Although the entire class discusses what they would like to do at prom, it's the class officers' job to make the final decisions. This year the junior class officers were Kelsey Wiehn, Amy Heusinkvelt, Dana Hoppe, Jackson Kumpf, and Braden Przymus.

"What I enjoy most about being in charge of prom is getting to decide what certain things look like. I like being able to have things how I want them," Wiehn said.

This was the junior class' first year to attend prom. Many thought prom would be just similar to the other two Scotus dances, but it was different than what they thought it would be.

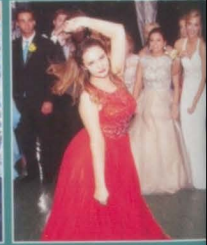
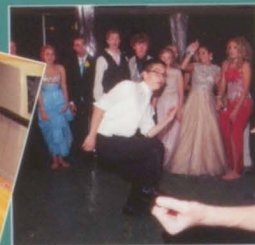
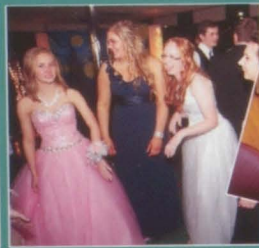
"I thought it was going to be pretty stupid, but prom was actually very fun! It turned out better than I planned, and the time flew by. Before I knew it, prom was over," junior Lydia Schaecher said.

Once the dance ended, students had about an hour to get to post prom. Post prom had many games for students to play and to win tickets. The post prom entertainment was a magician. Every time the magician asked for volunteers, he gave them a little prize.

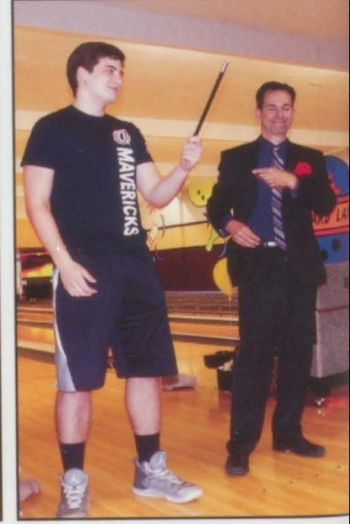
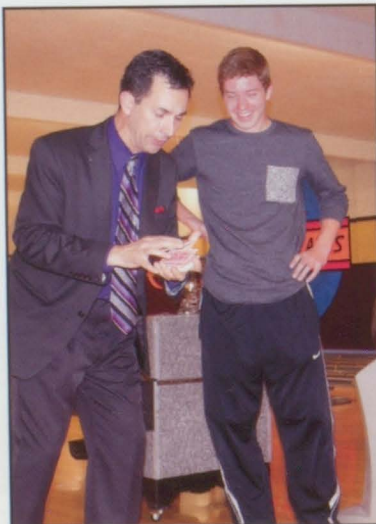
"I really enjoyed getting the balloon animals for me. I also enjoyed being a part of his insane trickery!" Hoppe said.

Overall, the prom night turned out to be a successful and fun night.

"It will be hard to top this year's prom. I have high hopes for next year's prom. It was a fun experience," Wiehn concluded.



(far right) Senior Adam Starzec holds the magic wand for the magician.
(middle) Seniors Alex Pandorf and Teddy Paprocki act as a police officer and Houdini.
(right) Junior Dana Hoppe helps the magician perform a card trick.





(top left) Junior couples Natalie Chappell and Cole Harrington, Quinn Blaser and Allie Johnson, and Megan Meyer and Braden Przymus join each other for a slow dance.

(top middle) Seniors Toby Tooley, Eduardo Lopez, and Grant Lahm show off their dance moves with each other.

(top right) Seniors Riley Gilson, Allison Beiermann, Jessica Schaecher, and Jaime Gasper live it up on the dance floor for their last high school dance.

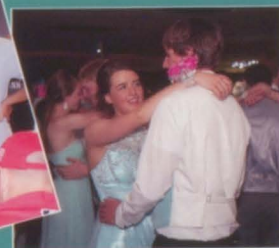
(below) Seniors Carly Fehringer and Kelsey Kessler, and juniors Sarah Schumacher, Emily Fehringer, and Jessica Lahm dance with each other.



Juniors Braden Przymus, Dana Hoppe, Sam Suoyi, sophomores Alayna Wilson, Maddie Sinovic, and junior Megan Meyer enjoy each other's company while dancing.



starry night



What was your favorite part of prom night?



Karsta Stieglitz, 12

"There were many favorite parts that I had. The party bus was awesome because I was with my friends, and we were dancing and listening to music. The actual dance was also fun because I love dancing with my friends. Lastly, post prom was fun because I liked the bowling and the money machine."

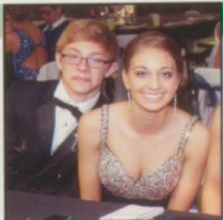


Keaton Swanson, 12

"My favorite part was when it ended because I got ditched by my date half way through since she had a headache."

Marshall Dreifurst, 11

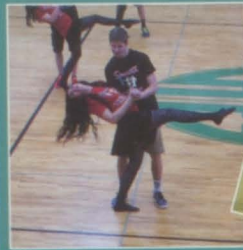
"My favorite part was the pictures with my beautiful date!"



Justin Shanik, 11

"My favorite part was post prom because you could just chill with your friends and have a good time."





(right) Senior Tori Ronkol and juniors Olivia Rath and Rachel Miksch do the windmill at a football game.

(bottom) Senior Amme Walnofer and juniors Rachel Miksch and Alyson Stuart shake their poles on the field.

(below) Walnofer and Miksch and Stuart do a soldier flip at a home football game.



What was your favorite performance?



Jenna Salerno, 9

"I loved the black and gold performance because I didn't have to worry about facials since we didn't smile."



Jaimie Beauvais, 12

"Hiphop always because it's easy to get into and is so fun to add personal flare."

Maddie Sinovic, 10

"We performed 'Blow' at the winter pep rally last year, and no one dropped their flag! Which was surprising because it had about ten big flips in it."



Savannah Robertson, 11

"Performing 'Wings' in Halloween costumes because it was different from any other performances and was a good idea since we performed on Halloween."



The flag team joined with the cheerleaders for a kick line performance.

(middle) Senior Jaimie Beauvais leads the team forward in the basketball half time performance.

(far right) Senior Amme Walnofer and junior Olivia Rath prep for a kick at the fall pep rally.



perfect performances



This year the flag team had seven different dances. They performed at the home football and boys' basketball games and pep rallies. They have a week in the summer when they learn all the dances except the guy girl dance and the little girl dance.

Freshman Jenna Salerno said, "I love performing at pep rallies best because I love the kids' reactions."

This year the flag team did two fun dances where they included other people. The little girls dance was in December and the guy/girl dance was in February. They take two days to learn the dances before teaching it.

Senior Tori Rinkol said, "Guy/girl is my favorite performance because it's always fun to watch the guys dance next to us and try to follow along."

The girls on the team had to come in for a half hour everyday at 7:30 in the morning to practice. They sacrifice the morning where they get help from teachers to practice and perfect their techniques.

"It's really hard to get help from teachers with practice from 7:30-8ish every morning," sophomore Maddie Sinovic said.

The flag team had many different styles of music. Most of the songs the flag team performed to were upbeat and happy songs, but they have the occasional deep, dark, mysterious songs.

Senior Amme Walnofer said, "Black and Gold was my favorite performance because it's different from our usual performances, and I like 'darker' routines best."



(top) Sophomores Courtney Flint and Anthony Sprunk flip the flags to get them the same way.
 (middle left) Sophomore Maddie Sinovic jumps while junior Braden Przymus lifts her.
 (middle right) Junior Olivia Rath and sophomore Cameron Swanson twist in for the final moves.
 (bottom) Juniors Rachel Miksch and Sam Novicki do a layout while performing at the basketball game.



(far left top) Junior Amy Heusinkvelt shows the little girls how to hold their poles. (far left bottom) Junior Olivia Rath helps two campers prepare for a turn. (left) Freshman Jenna Salerno does a drop spin with a camper during the performance. (above) Junior Rachel Miksch and sophomore Courtney Flint pose for the beginning of the little girl camp song.

This year's Columbus Days Parade took place on Sunday, August 17th. The band performed alongside the cheerleaders and the flag corps. (clockwise) Sophomore Cassie Seckel, seniors Fallon Case and Lucas Cox, freshman Tisa Kasik, and junior Justin Brockhaus play their instruments at the Columbus Days Parade.



marching to the beat

This year was a busy one for the Scotus Band. They competed in three parades, conference, districts, and had three school concerts. Also both the volleyball and basketball teams competed well enough to play on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at state.

"I was told by event planners at the boys' state basketball tournament that Scotus had one of the largest pep bands in our division," band director Kristen Cox said.

Not only did they play at every home football, volleyball, and basketball game, the band had competitions of their own. They marched at the Columbus Days Parade through the heat. They also played in the Melody Round-Up Parade in September where they received superior rating and also the Band Drum Major Award. In October the band played in their last parade, the Harvest of Harmony Parade. They received an excellent rating.

In November senior Elizabeth Preister was selected into All-State Orchestra. This was her third year being selected.

"Elizabeth being selected three times is quite an honor that not many people in the state can achieve," Cox said.

The success of the program continued through the rest of the year where all nineteen entered events scored either a superior or excellent rating at the District Music Contest.

"This year's band worked together so incredibly well, which made my job easy. Because of their positive attitude and good nature, we had a lot of fun in class, during pep band, and at districts. I will truly miss the 2014-2015 band. It was a fantastic year!" Cox said.

What is your favorite song that you play in band?

Joslynn Afrank, 12

"I don't really have one favorite; I like all of the pep band songs because they are faster and upbeat."

Teddy Paprocki, 12

"'I Want You Back', its a pep band classic, and it always created an upbeat atmosphere during sporting events."

Matt Quinn, 9

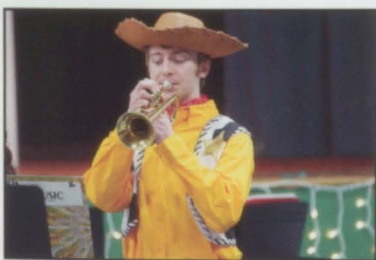
"Gimme Some Lovin' because the song is very fast and energetic."

Colton Koch, 9

"I like 'The Lion King' because it is a fun song, and the solos are cool."



Freshman Noah Greisen and Nathan Donoghue play their trumpets at boys' state basketball. (top middle) Sophomore Eli Merrill hits his drums during the pep rally. (bottom middle) Senior Fallon Case plays her flute at a pep rally. (far left) Sophomore Sam Schacher and senior Grant Lahm play their trombones at state volleyball. The band plays during pep rallies, volleyball, football, and basketball games.



This year the Band Dinner Concert theme was Disney. All senior band members dressed up as Disney characters to perform.

(top) Senior Teddy Paprocki plays his trumpet.

(bottom) Senior Nieve Johnson plays her saxophone.

(right) Band director Kristen Cox directs the show as Minnie Mouse.

(top) Senior Joslynn Afrank and science teacher Joan Lahm share a moment during the Christmas concert.

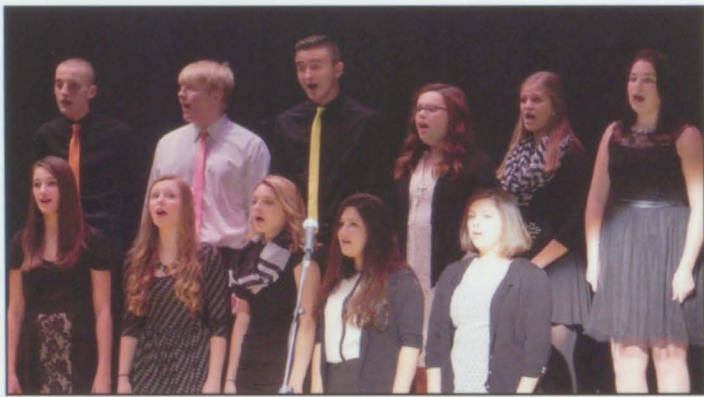
(bottom) Freshman Elley Beaver plays her trumpet.

(right) Senior Elizabeth Preister plays the piano.

During the Christmas concert guest members from Scotus faculty performed for one song.



Shamrock Singers sing for the first time as a group in front of an audience at the winter concert.



Miss Jolene Boesch has taught everyday in the classroom with her students along with the elementary students from other schools. She has helped with thespians, musical, one act, elementary students, and Scotus music students.

"Miss Boesch has been a great teacher. She was more than just a teacher though. She was a trusted adult who was there for someone and gave guidance if they were struggling," junior Braden Przymus said.

Unfortunately, Miss Boesch will not be returning to Scotus next year. She is moving back to the Omaha Metro area to be closer to her family.

Boesch said, "Some of the greatest memories this year have been seeing the growth of my singers, receiving such amazing scores, watching my 7th and 8th graders come out of their comfort zone, the success of a huge musical production, Thespian movie nights, and getting to know each of my co-workers and students have been the greatest memories of this year."

The vocal music department changed their ways after the departure of Miss Gardner when Jolene Boesch stepped in as the new vocal director.

"[Miss Boesch] came to class every day with a smile on her face, and nothing but good vibes came from her. She broadened the horizons of our choir, and she has helped me discover myself musically," junior Adam Smith said.

In the past, there were two different singing groups. There were Shamrock Singers and John Duns Chorus. Miss Boesch made the decision to combine the two groups because she wanted more students to help achieve a greater sound for the group. The group sang at Masses and participated in their winter and spring concerts where the group showed off the new group along with their new sound.

"The overall confidence of the choir was a great improvement. The students worked hard on blending, tuning, balancing, and unifying vowel sounds. By the end of the year, their sound helped add confidence to the choir," Boesch said.

Miss Boesch and the students began practicing for district music. They were given music that challenged them in new ways. Shamrock Singers received a one at districts. There were many other solos, duets, trios, and group ensembles that also received ones on their performances. The senior girls' ensemble received Honorable Mention for having close to a perfect score.

Senior Shannon Spulak, "I love working with the seniors. We worked hard and always found ways to practice our song. Getting a one along with Honorable Mention was a great reward for all our hard work. It's sad to think this was our last year, but it makes it easier knowing that we left on a high note."

First time Shamrock Singers:



Emily Carstens, 9

"I loved becoming closer with people I didn't know and expressing myself through singing and sharing my interests with someone else."

Olivia Rejo Vazquez, 11

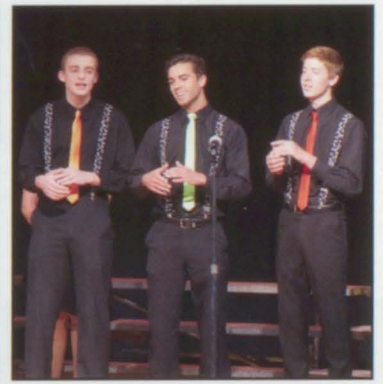
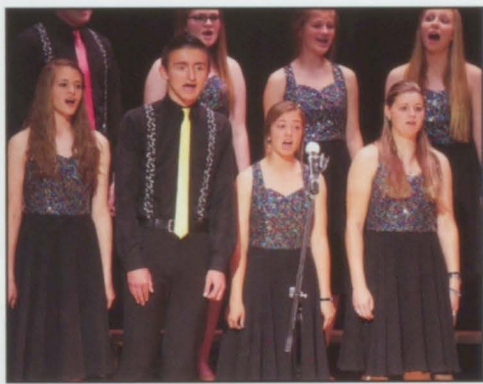
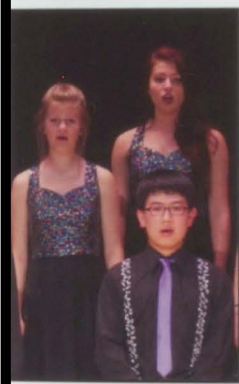
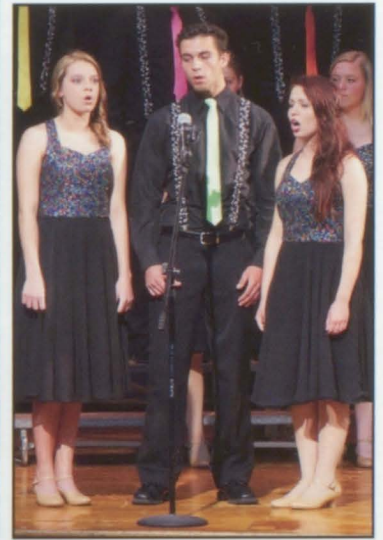
"I had a lot of fun in this class. I love singing, and the music Miss Boesch had chosen for us was a lot of fun to sing. I am going to miss this class."



united as one



The senior girls' ensemble sing their district music piece. (below) Senior Carly Cremers and juniors Megan Meyer and Braden Przymus sing their trio at the spring concert.



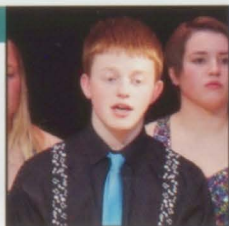
Districts:

Alyssa Merten, 9

"We did our work as a team. We all worked together and cooperated very well together to get things done, and it was worth it because we sounded great. We are such a good team."

Bennett Frewing, 10

"I practiced at home a lot. Also, we had a lot of practice time during class. We worked on the guys' ensemble almost everyday."



Junior Olaya Rojo Vazquez sings her Spanish solo for her parents who were in the audience visiting her from Spain. (above left) Shamrock Singers perform their district music pieces at the spring concert. (above right) The boys from the Shamrock Singers group perform their boys' ensemble.

One act has now been at Scotus for two years. One act sponsor Becki Zanardi opened it this year to the juniors and seniors. The script is important to the class because of the limited people in the cast and crew.

Zanardi said, "Having it as a class is great but adds problems. Zanardi of finding a great script and casting it, I have to find a script that fits the class list."

"Alice's Adventures with Poorly Cooked Cafeteria Seafood" was the one act that Scotus performed this year. The students who were involved in one act went to three different competitions, and they also performed it for the school.

Senior Carly Cremers, who played the role of Alice, said, "The team progressed extremely well. We improved greatly and did very well with our small cast and low budget."

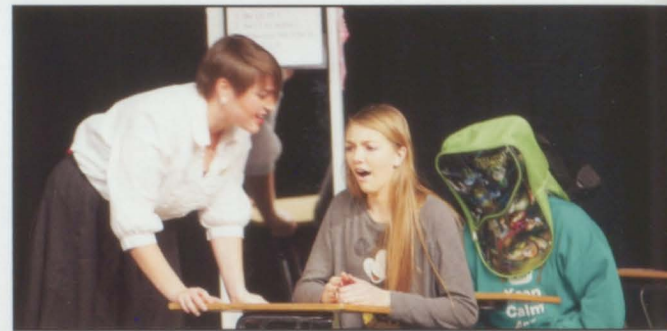
The students had to bring their own costumes and props to accompany the play. Zanardi and the students used materials that they found to hand-make all the sets.

The rabbit, junior Megan Parker, said, "[I like it as a class instead of after school] because in my already busy schedule it worked out better; I was able to fit it better into my school schedule than if I would have had practice at night. Plus it made sure we were all together at practice because we had to be in school."

They improved from the Norfolk competition, which they recieved sixth, their first performance of the season. The one-act cast tied for third at conference, and they received fourth at districts due to them going over time.

Senior Justina Wemhoff, who played the role of Alice's mother, said, "We improved a lot over a very short season! Over all [I'm] proud of our accomplishment!"

Junior Olivia Rath holds the ax while she debates about killing the queen. (below) Junior Mikayla Nienaber reads the charges against Alice. (middle) Senior Carly Cremers yells at junior Adam Smith and junior Jared Hanson while they try to play dungeons and dragons. (bottom) Senior Abby Allen screams at junior Mikayla Nienaber.



alice's dream



Senior Nieve Johnson explains to senior Carly Cremers where the Queen of Hearts is and how to get to her.



Best and worst parts of being in one act



Amy Heusinkvelt, 11

"Acting like a ninja because, believe it or not, I'm not actually a ninja."



(top far left) Junior Olivia Rath chops senior Abby Allen's head off while Allen was prosecuting senior Carly Cremers.
 (bottom far left) Nienaber is scared in class when they get yelled at for one person having gum.
 (left) Cremers poses to act like she is innocent while senior Nieve Johnson tries to hide behind Cremers.



(left) Senior Carly Cremers rubs her throat as senior Abby Allen threatens to cut off her head.
 (top) Senior Nieve Johnson giggles as she gives senior Carly Cremers weird advice to get to the queen.
 (above) Smith sasses to Cremers after Wemhoff says he is smarter.



Megan Parker, 11

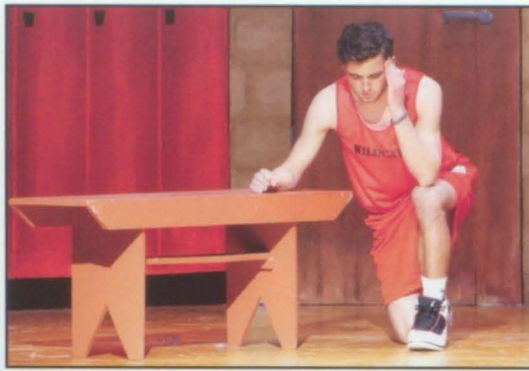
"The people, food, and acting! All the people in this class are my friends, and we have fun. We have snack break right before class, so we always bring our food with us. Lastly, acting is fun, and I feel like I have accomplished something great with my acting skills."



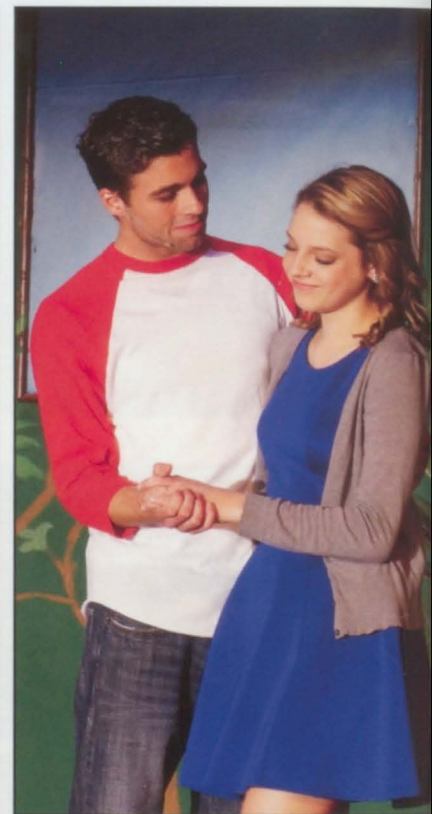
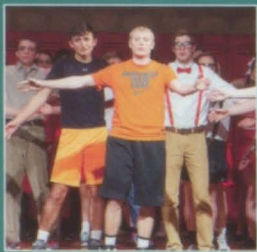
Justina Wemhoff, 12

"Moob! which is Jared Hanson because he is always in character and hilarious! I also like Mrs. Zanardi! She is an incredible director, and I know I'm going to miss her! We wouldn't have been successful without her!"





(top far left) The basketball team huddles around junior Braden Przymus and tries to persuade him to focus only on basketball. (top left) Przymus freezes after he punches the bench and thinks about what he is going to do. (bottom far left) Przymus holds the ball out while the rest of his team fans out behind him. (bottom left) The basketball team clicks as one clump and has Przymus's back as a team before the big game. (below) Senior Garrit Shanle gets the team together before the game starts and tries to get their heads in the game.



Junior Dana Hoppe, seniors Callyn Larsen, Abby Allen, Grant Lahm, sophomore Anthony Sprunk, and senior Elizabeth Preister huddle to make a plan for the lovers. (top right) Junior Braden Przymus looks into junior Megan Meyer's eyes and dips her as they dance in the green room. (far right) Sophomore Alayna Wilson plots with junior Adam Smith. (middle right) Junior Amy Heusinkvelt cracks a joke as she teaches her drama class. (right) Junior Dana Hoppe gives an announcement to the Wildcats.



What was the most exciting part of the musical?



Cally Larsen, 12

"When I got to pop, lock, jam, and break. That is my favorite scene in the movie, and she was the only character I wanted to be."



Mitchell Halligan, 10

"The audition scene, worm scene; it added depth to the entire show."

Amy Heusinkvelt, 11

"Mikayla and Courtney's audition scene because every time Mikayla went to stand up she went too early and head butted Courtney"



Megan Parker, 11

"We were ending our performance on Friday afternoon for the grade school students when a bat started flying around the gym. Everyone was screaming, high schoolers and grade schoolers! It was scary, but funny."



high school musical



The Memorial Hall filled up quickly this year again for the annual musical. This year's musical was *Disney's High School Musical*. High School Musical had a large cast and more choreography and scene changes. It was a little shorter but a lot more relatable. Musical Director Jolene Boesch was able to revamp the cast and get out of the old ways. She made practices longer and brought in a choreographer.

Junior Megan Meyer said, "[Miss Boesch brought] hard work, dedication, happiness, and zest. She had faith in every single one of the cast members when putting this musical together."

There were two performances on Friday, and one on both Saturday and Sunday. Everyone had their own favorite night and performance. On the Sunday performance every year the actors change up some lines or the choreography.

Junior Amy Heusinkvelt said, "Sunday was my favorite performance because we did the Macarena and made Brady and Megan laugh because they were not expecting it."

There were a wide variety of students who went out for the musical this year. Boesch allowed eighth graders to go out for musical for the first time. This year's cast and crew had about 90 people. Ms. Boesch allowed kids to go out and try to get out of their comfort zone.

Senior Cally Larsen said, "Don't be afraid to try something new. Even if you are a three sport athlete at least go out for the musical once because it is a great experience and you won't regret it."

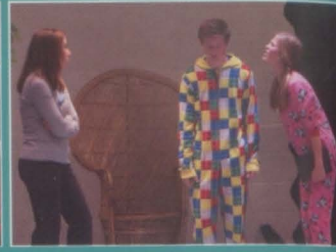
(top) Junior Megan Meyer works an equation while the nerds cheer her on in the background.

(middle left) Junior Adam Smith tries to take the spot light while sophomore Alayna Wilson pulls him back so she can shine.

(middle right) Sophomore Mitchell Halligan tries out while fellow Thespians watch and critique him.

(bottom) The cast waves and bows to the crowd at the end of the musical.

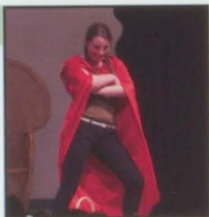
(far right) Freshmen Alaina Wallick and Emily Carstens act like two of the three little pigs in the play.
 (right) Sophomores Alayna Wilson and Maddie Sinovic steal the king's money and plan their evil plot.
 (below) Sophomore Cameron Swanson is attacked Red Robin in the play.



How do you handle mistakes during a performance?

Amy Heusinkvelt, 11

"You have to trust the other actors on stage with you. Most of them know the script well enough that they can usually smooth it over. No matter how it turns out, you have to shake it off; otherwise, it will affect your performance in the rest of the play."



Courtney Brockhaus, 11

"We play off of them, or we will improvise if someone forgets a line until we can get back on track."



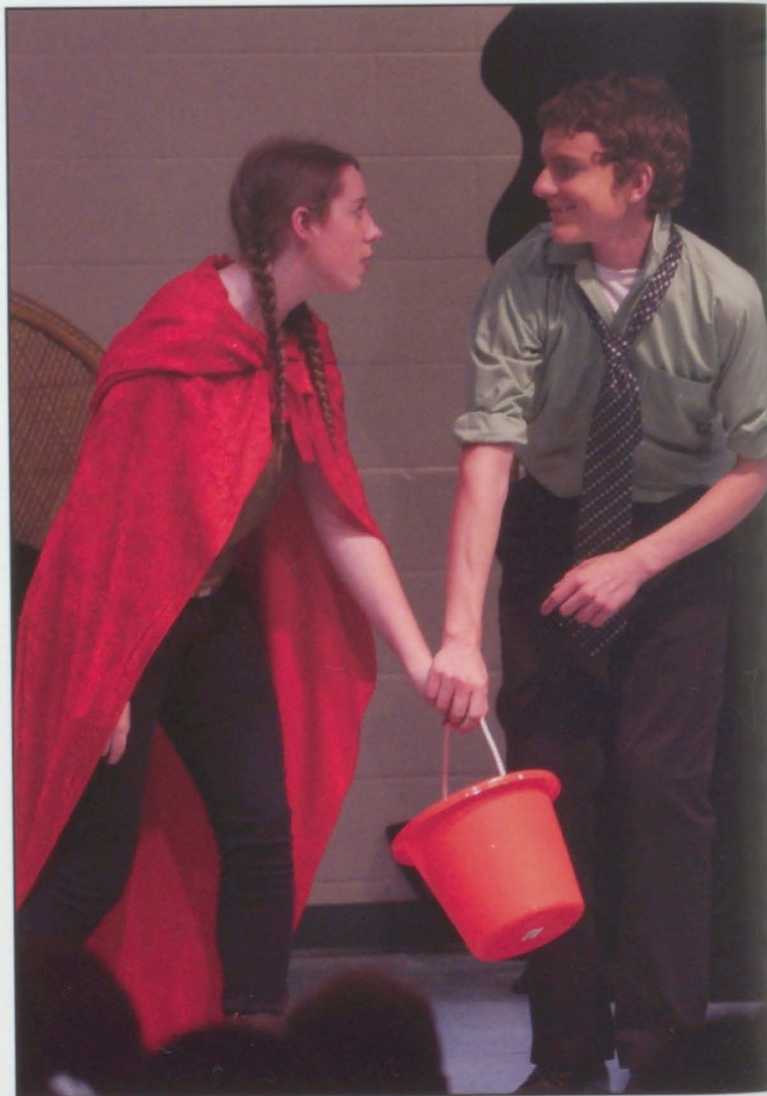
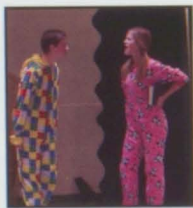
Naomi Kosch, 10

"I wait a second and then go to the next line. We didn't have that many mess-ups. The upperclassmen are good at covering."

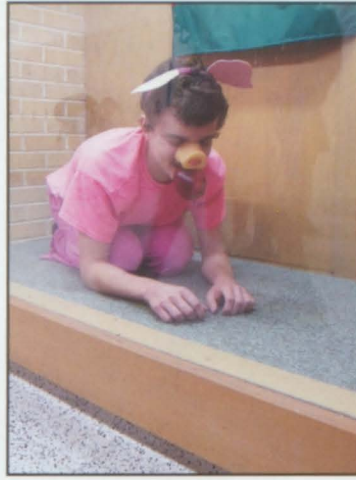


Jared Hanson, 11

"You just have to go with it. Make lines up as you go until you get back on track. Just make sure you stay in character."



Junior Amy Heusinkvelt and sophomore Zach Svehla share a bucket and a 'moment' during the play "Little Red Robin Hood".



Every year there are students who are inducted into a group called Thespians. It is an acting group that puts on the spring play and has different activities throughout the school year. They have movie nights, scavenger hunts, and skits. (far left) Junior Megan Meyer poses as a zebra in the boxes as everyone walks by during passing periods. (middle) Junior Courtney Brockhaus extends her neck to make it long like a giraffe. (right) Sophomore Zach Svehla freezes while eating an apple like a pig.



the show goes on

This year the spring play was "Little Red Robin Hood." The Thespians were the ones who put it on, and the directors of the play were students. They still had a teacher supervisor, but senior Teddy Paprocki and junior Megan Parker put the whole production together.

Paprocki said, "[My favorite part is] having to deal with the unexpected. After practices are over and the performances are the next days, you need to be accepting of the effort everyone puts forth, whether good or bad, and pray it'll go as planned."

This was a smaller cast compared to the normal theater production. There were 27 students and 3 alternates, which helped in the grade school productions. This year they performed three times: once at St. Isidore's and St. Bon's, and the third was at Scotus for the public.

Junior Amy Heusinkelt said, "Don't be [afraid of being on stage]. You are not on stage when you're acting- your character is. There's no need to be afraid of messing up or of what people will think of you... You mess up? Think of how your character would react, not you."

This year the spring play was put together in four weeks. The cast was dedicated, and they came in on the weekends. The play was about 45 minutes long, and by the time it came around, they were fully prepared.

Parker said, "[Being spring play director] was stressful but very exciting. Everything I had to do paid off in the end. Being a director was a lot of fun, and I'm really proud of the entire cast for all they did to make our show great."



(top left) Senior Carly Cremers, junior Amy Heusinkelt, and freshman Emily Carstens dance majestically down the freshmen hallway. (top right) Thespians members pose before they go out to "trick or treat so tots can eat". (above) Thespians initiate interpretive dance down the hallway so they can get into the group. (left) Junior and senior thespians freak out at junior Mikayla Nienaber for grabbing the can from the pyramid of food.

rock the mock



Sophomore Maddie Sinovic answers a question as she sits at the witness stand.



(bottom right) Senior Jared Duren argues his case in front of the judge. (below) Zach Svehla hands a paper to one of the opposing counsel members.



Public speaking, understanding the legal system, and playing different roles are mandatory requirements for a solid mock trial team.

Every year the four teams from Scotus compete against one another for a spot at state. The junior class made it through all three rounds at the district competition and went on to beat Howells-Dodge winning the district final to advance to the state round.

"We really put in the work this year. We knew we wanted to make it to state and had to work hard to get there. State was the main goal, and the team was happy to accomplish that," junior Brady Przymus said.

Although the junior team did not place at the state competition, they received honorable mention. The other three teams from Scotus made it far as well. The senior class made it to the third round, but came up short.

"Although our team didn't make it farther in the competition, we were happy about how far we had come since freshman year," senior Allie Anderson said.

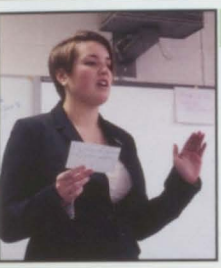


Seniors Mac Mapes, Justina Wemhoff, and Abby Allen have a conversation with one another during a recess break at the local mock trial competition. (top) The junior team poses for their team picture. They were the only team from Scotus this year that qualified for the state competition. (above) Sophomore attorney Megan Schumacher gives her opening statements to the jury.

Junior Jared Hanson and sophomore Cameron Hanson perform a duet at their home speech meet. (below) Juniors Jared Hanson and Dana Hoppe perform an oral interpretation of drama with three other teammates. (bottom) Senior Justina Wernhoff and junior Amy Heusinkvelt perform a duet together.



What do you do to prepare for each meet?



Abby Allen, 12
 "A lot of time and work go into preparing for a speech meet. I practice my entertainment speech as often as I can possible. I also try to update my posters frequently. I also like to watch or read the news everyday to stay up to date with current events."

Olivia Rath, 11

"I practice with Ms. Masur and Mr. Kuszak twice a week and before my round, I perform to a wall. Most importantly, I try and convince myself I am not nervous."



Dana Hoppe, 11
 "I obviously practice my speech as often as I can. More importantly I like to remind myself to stay calm and maintain a healthy diet...that is until I arrive in Wayne at Districts...they have a buffet."

The Scotus speech team had the same expectations for their 2015 season as they did for the previous one. With only two state qualifiers back, the team knew that many spots were up for grabs. The majority of the team was veteran juniors as ten of the sixteen members were juniors.

"State was this years' goal, and it was where we all wanted to be," senior Abby Allen said.

The team competed in nine different meets including conference and districts with an entire new oral interpretation of drama team. Despite the teams hard work, they were only able to send two people to state. The qualifiers were senior Abby Allen in entertainment speaking and junior Amy Heusinkvelt in serious interpretation.

"I would have liked to see more Scotus students make it to state, but I felt as if Amy and I represented Scotus well. We had a lot of fun together, and I was really happy to have that experience," Allen added.

Heusinkvelt finished fifteenth at state and Allen fourth.

"According to Coach Kuszak it was my best performance of the year," Heusinkvelt said. "I just let go of any worries and had fun performing."



talkin' the talk

What inspired you to run for Mr. Shamrock?



Garrit Shanle, 12

"I was asked to join because everyone likes my sideburns."



Mac Mapes, 12

"The Subway gift card."

Queze Campos, 12

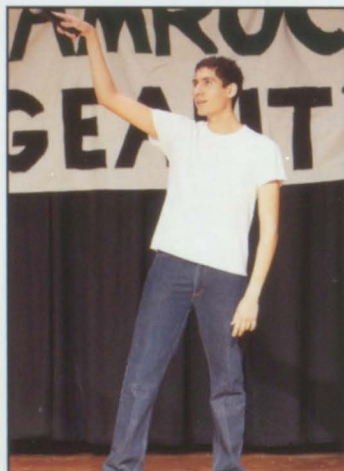
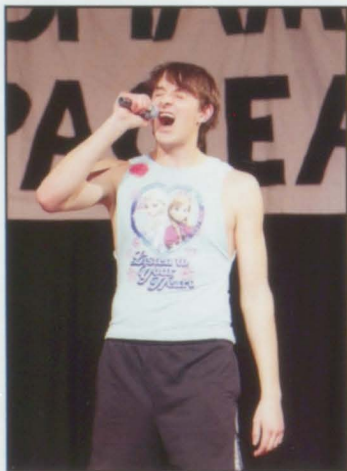


"Like I said before, nothing inspires me to run!"

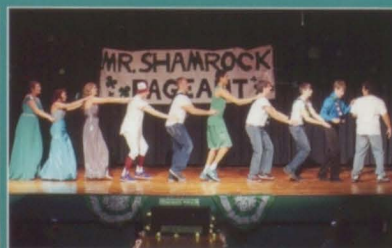
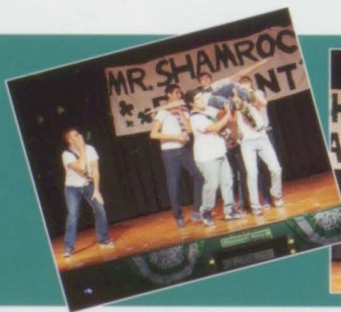
Jared Donoghue, 12



"NANCY."

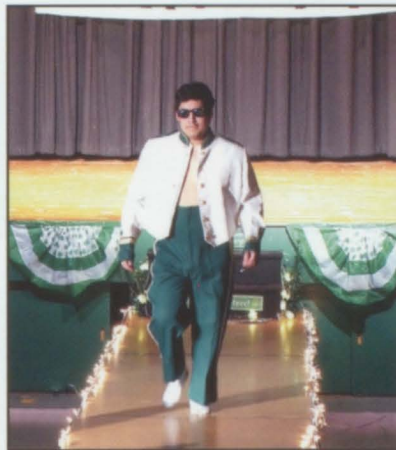


Mr. Shamrock winner Joe Sonderman performs his hula-hoop routine for his talent.
 (top) Seniors Garrit Shanle and Jared Donoghue perform a duet to "Dust in the Wind".
 (above left) Senior Mac Mapes sings "Let it Go" from the movie *Frozen*.
 (above right) Senior Eduardo Lopez dances and lip-syncs to Justin Bieber during the talent portion of Mr. Shamrock. Eduardo received runner-up at the pageant.





The Mr. Shamrock contestants perform a dance at the beginning of the pageant to show the judges their smooth dance moves.



Senior contestants Mac Mapes and Grant Lahm stand next to the crowned Mr. Shamrock winner, Joe Sonderman. (far left) Senior Grant Lahm models his baseball outfit in the "catch your dream girl" phase of the pageant. (middle) Senior Queze Campos struts his band uniform across the catwalk.

This year the student council put on its 10th annual Mr. Shamrock pageant for the senior boys. The pageant is made up of three parts: a talent, an interview, and a "catch that dream girl" outfit. The talents performed by the contestants didn't require as much practice as previous years.

"I sang a lovely duet with Jared Donoghue. We went on stage and performed with no preparation," senior Garrit Shanle said.

Most of the boys' talents involved some type of singing, but senior Joe Sonderman performed an original hula-hoop dance for his talent.

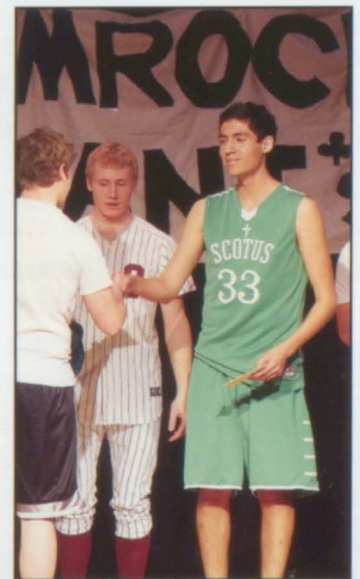
"[My favorite part] was watching all the other contestants' performances," Sonderman said.

Fellow senior Queze Campos disagreed and enjoyed catching his dream girl in his band uniform.

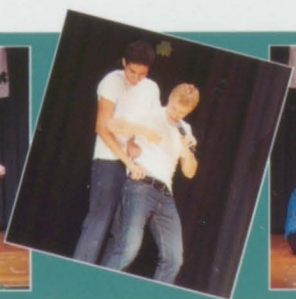
"[My favorite part] was probably getting to strut out on the cat walk for the 'catch that dream girl' outfit," Campos said.

After each contestant did all three aspects of the pageant, Joe Sonderman was crowned Mr. Shamrock.

"I was pretty excited. I got that feeling you get when you successfully raise your first barn," Sonderman said.



Senior Eduardo Lopez receives his gift card after getting runner-up in the competition.



time to shine



a night of awards

Sophomore class sponsor John Petersen hands sophomore Mallory O'Hearn her awards.
 (top) Sertoma president Don Mroczek awards senior Allie Anderson the Sertoma Scholarship.
 (bottom) Senior Jared Donoghue is awarded the Great Plains Exceptional Communities Scholarship.



To start off the night of awards, students, parents, and grandparents all gathered in the gym to attend Honor's Night. It is a celebration of all the hard work completed in the classroom and fine arts for students of Scotus.

The night first begins with the presentation of all the area scholarships. Seniors were awarded scholarships from various schools or donors for college next year. Several juniors were awarded tuition money for the next school year.

After all scholarships were given out, students were awarded their individual accomplishments by class. This started with the freshmen class moving up. Students could win several different types of awards such as all conference, top honors in a class, class officer awards, student council, awards in fine arts such as band, singing, mock trial, journalism and many more.

The night also recognized teachers who have put in many years at Scotus as well as ones who are leaving next year. Activities director Gary Puetz was given an award for 40 years of service to the school.



(top left) School board president Jason Mielak hands media center specialist Cathy Podliska an award for her years of service.
 (top right) Mielak hands computer teacher Patti Salyard an award for her service.
 (bottom) Seniors Abby Allen and Carly Cremers hand music teacher Jolene Boesch a going away present.



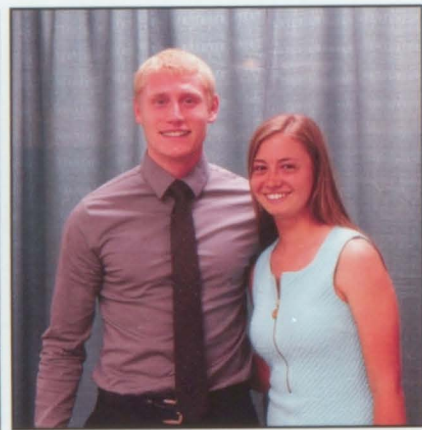
(top left) Seniors Kelsey Kessler and Grant Lahm are awarded Scotus Athletes of the Year.
 (top right) Seniors Grant Lahm and Elizabeth Preister pose after winning KLIR Athletes of the Year.
 (bottom left) Seniors Jaimee Beauvais and Jared Duren proudly hold their Babe Ruth Awards.
 (bottom right) Seniors Abbie Alt and Joe Sonderman smile after winning Shamrock Club Scholarships.

Early May every year Scotus hosts its Athletic Banquet. It is a night reserved to properly honor all students involved in athletics. The night begins with a meal catered by HyVee. Once everyone is finished eating, the speeches and presentations begin.

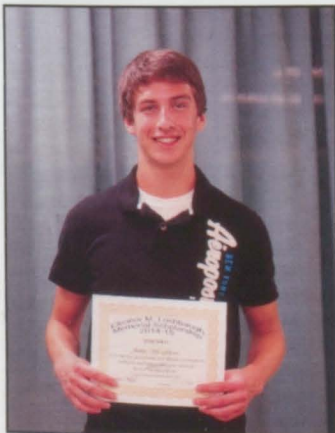
A coach from each sport is invited to stand up to talk about his/her season. They often talk about the highs and lows and announce any special awards given to athletes in that sport. This includes academic all-state, all conference, and all-state first and second team.

Scotus also recognizes past athletes to induct into the Shamrock Hall of Fame. This year two female alumni were invited to receive the special award. Heidi (Sobota) Field '04 and Laura Dolezal '05 were added to the wall of talented athletes. Both women gave a speech encouraging current athletes to live in the moment and really enjoy the sport they are in now. They also both told athletes to continue working hard because it will pay off in the long run.

Activities secretary Annette Hash was also inducted into the Shamrock Hall of Fame for her dedicated years in the activities office.

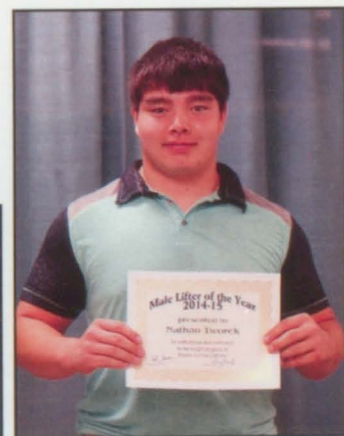
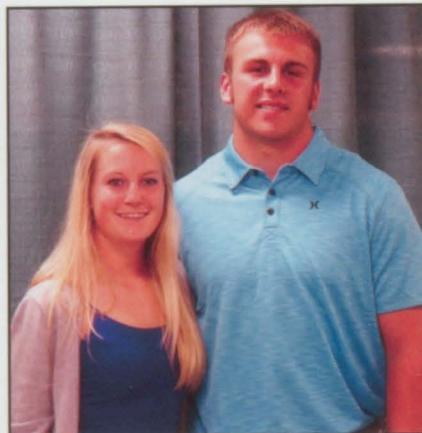


Junior Justin Brockhaus poses after winning the Eleanor M. Loshbaugh Memorial Scholarship.



Seniors Eduardo Lopez, Carly Fehringer, and Toby Tooley proudly hold their Gene G. Witt Scholarships.

Seniors Jessica Schaecher and Garrit Shanley take a picture after receiving Sertoma Athletes of the Year.



Junior Nathan Tworek poses after receiving the Male Lifter of the Year award.



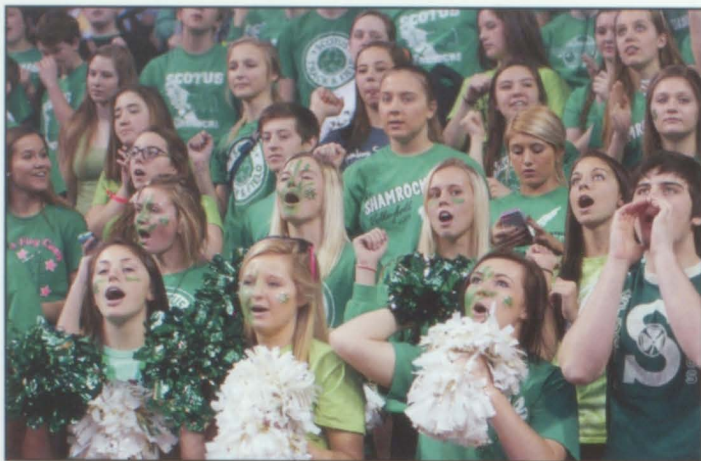
As a sophomore, I drained a three at the buzzer, we were still down by 20, but the crowd went nuts! Winning state soccer last year. Scotus activities influenced our lives by making us do things to a standard and make us work hard. Becoming the team captain for the wrestling team. Swatting a seven-footer in basketball. Pre-meet nature runs during freshmen track, dinner with Alex Boite. Seventh grade basketball when Coach VanCannon kicked a water bottle and hit Cade Nicholson. This is the best football team I have ever been on. I will never forget the hard work I put in with these guys. I think the amount of state titles we have won sets us apart from other schools. One time at golf, Niere got mad at me and pushed my golf bag over into a bunker. In eight grade, I threw almost 80 feet in discus. When I joined sports as a manager, I never got hurt, and got hit in the face 12 times. We take pride in what we do. Freshmen year basketball when Coach Breckhaus came in during practice and tried to swat Justin Zeucha, but he ended up pulling a muscle. I am thankful that Mare-da-Shark came to Scotus and brought the wrestling program. Scotus has made me a competitor. After beating Lakeview, Ross went into the middle of the huddle and began dancing wildly. Our supporters expect us to do well, which pushes us all to compete. When the seventh grade 'A' volleyball team had an undefeated season. I am a two-time state champion with the help of my teammates and coaches. We have a leprechaun as our mascot. Cheering on our team as we played against Lakeview. Scotus is a place where we are taught to give 100% all the time, whether that be in the classroom or on the court. I think the hard work and the great amounts of effort that both the staff and students put forth make Scotus, Scotus. We have a fun student section at sports. Mr. Linder has



sports

made a difference at Scotus by his ability to succeed in sports is not that he takes part in. Scotus is unique because of the dozens of banners hanging in the Activity Center. Scotus activities enhanced my sports making me use better sportsmanship and has taught me how to be a better person. Not only participating in competition, but also cheering every team on is what makes Scotus one of a kind. The pregame speeches before volleyball and basketball games. Scotus activities have made me build friendships and trust in my teammates and coaches. The coaches push us to be the best. Every morning I go hard in the weight room. I have improved my athleticism with the help of coaches and Scotus activities. Scotus teaches us to be a part of a team and not always doing things on our own. Going undefeated in junior high and freshman football. Scotus sports have instilled in me the desire to really compete and be the best and try my hardest whenever playing. Scotus won the championship in soccer again, and I was a part of that team! Being a part of the boys' cross country team my freshman year. We have been consistent with our success in sports. We set the bar higher than other schools. Warming up and stepping on the field during the state games at Morrison Stadium. Volleyball games are crazy to cheer at because it is exciting and fun! Coach Bender always cracking jokes during practice. Getting first at conference in pole vault and becoming the second best vaulter in Scotus history. We overachieve our expectations in sports. Scotus activities have saved my life and have opened me up to new things. Sports at Scotus have helped define my morals, and they have helped me gain confidence. I will never forget winning my first game in junior high football with all of my friends. Making new friendships through the sports that I am involved in, while still competing with them.

Students gather together to support the boys' basketball team at the state tournament. They sported neon, black out, and green machine the three games the Shamrocks competed in at state.



The Rowdy Dowdies show their support for the volleyball team. They implemented the rainbow theme at the state semifinal game against the Kearney Catholic High School Stars.

(above) Students cheer for the Columbus News Team camera during the first game of the volleyball state tournament.

together we
54 rowdy dowdies rock



Rainbow, Green Machine, and Tye-Dye are some of the many themes that the Rowdy Dowdies use to make their presence known in the stands. The infamous Rowdy Dowdies did not fail to show their unending support for their classmates that were competing.

"We are loud, and we come in large numbers," senior Eduardo Lopez said.

A new addition to the Rowdy Dowdies' portfolio this year was the ESPN crew that commentated a few home basketball games.

"My favorite part was interviewing random people, including Mr. Ohnoutka," junior Tanner Spencer, a member of the ESPN crew, stated.

With all of the cheering at the state volleyball competition, the Rowdy Dowdies earned the Sportsmanship Award. It was presented to the volleyball team during the C-1 championship game.

Junior Cole Harrington added, "My favorite cheer is the 'we feel good' chant because it shows how each class can come together and be loud and one!"

(top) Sophomores Maddie Sinovic and Megan Ohnoutka show their school spirit at the district volleyball final.
 (middle) The volleyball team receives the Sportsmanship Award that the Rowdy Dowdies earned at the state volleyball tournament. This is the second time that Scotus has won the award.
 (bottom) Juniors Baeley Pelster and Tanner Spencer and seniors Tyler Morton and Jared Duren anchor a boys' basketball game. They brought ESPN Gameday to a few home basketball games in honor of former anchor Stuart Scott who lost his battle with cancer.



My favorite theme is...

Allie Anderson, 12

"...rainbow because it looks amazing, and it makes our school stand out."



Caleb Ostlick, 11

"...black out because it makes us look intimidating."

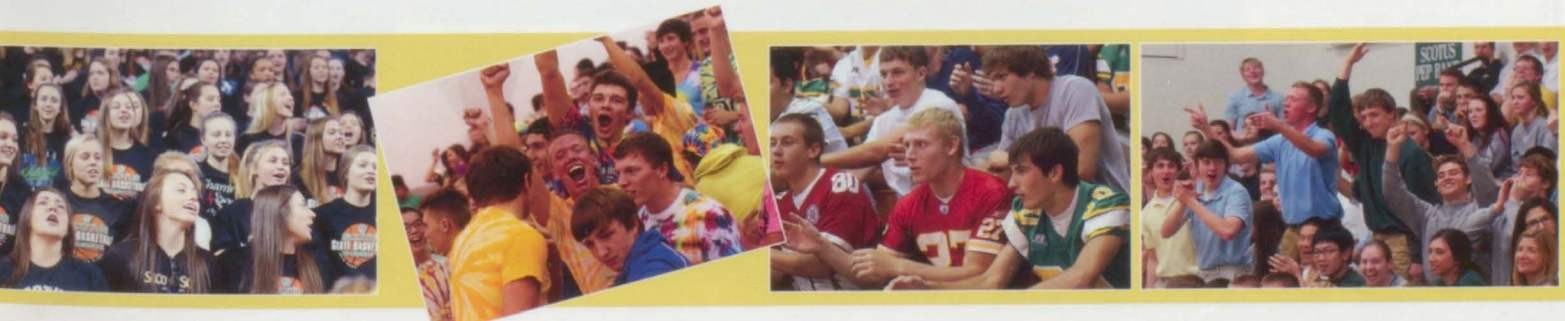


Tate VanCannon, 10

"...white out because it looks really cool when everyone participates."

Emma Zeller, 11

"...tye dye because it makes us look groovy."





(below) Senior Shannon Spulak, juniors Natalie Chappell and Anna Wickham, and freshmen McKenna Spenceri, Grace Wickham, and Ashley Jakubowski line up for a crowd cheer. (right) Senior Jordan Engel cheers at a home game. (middle) Jakubowski and Spulak dance at a half time performance. (far right) Freshman Faith Przymus cheers at a timeout.



The cheerleaders show their spirit for the Columbus News Team at a home football game.

Junior Natalie Chappell, sophomore Alayna Wilson, and senior Callyn Larsen show off their skills as a cheerleader. Whether it's at a school assembly, a basketball game, or a little girls' cheer camp, the cheerleaders are always moving. From jumping to kicking, these girls execute their moves with straight legs and pointed toes.



from bow to toe



Cheer Failures of the Year

Anna Wickham, 11

"At a boy's basketball game, someone shot the ball, and I saw the ball through the backboard and thought it was being thrown at me. I stopped the cheer and ducked. It was embarrassing because the shot was made, and I was literally on the ground while everyone else was cheering."



Nicole Hiner, 10

"I got to pie an NCA coach in the face at cheer camp, and I did it too hard. It was super embarrassing!"



Shannon Spulak, 12

"It was at a home basketball game during a time-out when I prepped for a kick. As I kicked, the referee came up from behind, and I kicked him in the face. Later, I apologized to him, and he said it was ok because now he knows not to come up behind a cheerleader during a time-out. My face was bright red from embarrassment!"



Grace Wickham, 9

"This is probably the most embarrassing thing that has ever happened to me, but the very first football game I ever cheered at, we were late, and we were running to our spots after the national anthem, and McKenna tripped me, and I fell face first on the track in front of the opposing team's student section."



The Scotus cheerleaders began the year with the new team. There were five freshmen added to a team of two sophomores, three juniors, and three seniors.

The cheerleaders headed off to cheer camp over the summer. They participated in two events: Game Time and Champion Chant. They brought home a first place trophy in Champion Chant. They also received the Spirit Stick all three days of cheer camp and were nominated to receive the overall Spirit Award. During the cheer camp, cheerleaders are nominated for All American, and almost the whole team was nominated. After tryouts for All American, sophomore Alayna Wilson made the team.

"I was nominated in the dance section, and my tryout went great because out of all the girls who tried out, I was one of the few who made the All American team!" sophomore Alayna Wilson said.

After the summer activities were done, it was time for the cheering season to begin. In addition to their cheer season, they also had their performances. The Scotus cheerleaders combined with the flag corps for a flag-cheer dance.

"It was fun performing with flags because we have never done that since I became a cheerleader," senior Jordan Engel said.

The cheerleaders put on their annual Little Girls Cheer Camp. This year, they put on two camps in two different seasons. During the football season, Bring It On: Tiny But Mighty cheer camp took place, while Bring It On: Take Two cheer camp took place during basketball season.

"It was stressful putting on two camps, but in the end it was worth it because the girls have a lot of fun, and being with those girls just brightens your day," senior Callyn Larsen said.



The cheerleaders put on two cheer camps this year where they taught and performed with the "little" girls. (left to right) Freshman Natalie Brutty shows off her final pose. Junior Megan Meyer interacts with the girls. Freshman McKenna Spencer and sophomore Alayna Wilson help lead the girls at camp. Sophomore Nicole Hiner leads the girls at the Little Girls Football Cheer Camp.



Coach Tanya Niedbalski, junior Megan Parker, seniors Nieve Johnson, Abby Allen, and Elizabeth Preister, and sophomore Emerson Belitz hold their runner-up trophy at State.



The girls' golf team started out the year well, but it was not the tone they wanted to set for the season. The team received third place in their first tournament on the golf course, but after that, the team began to take a different road. Every meet and tournament after that was a first place win.

The girls earned their way into districts at Indian Head Golf Course in Grand Island where they were record low.

"Districts stood out because Nieve got first, most of us placed or were one away from placing, and as a team, we got first," senior Elizabeth Preister said.

After leaving districts on a high note, it set the tone for state. The team finished in second place, and the golf team brought home a silver medal.

"I'm so proud of the way we played as a team. It wasn't about individual scores, it was about playing well so the team could be successful. This is rare on golf teams. Our team work paid off, and we really had a great season," senior Abby Allen said.

Fellow senior Justina Wemhoff agreed with Allen.

"I just feel really proud to be part of a team that worked so hard, grew close, and had an incredible season!"



(top clockwise)
Seniors Justina Wemhoff and Nieve Johnson and sophomore Emerson Belitz concentrate on their follow throughs as they swing.

I love golf because...



Elizabeth Preister, 12

"Pulling off a certain shot is the best feeling in the world. Between hitting the ball and watching it land where you imagined. You get a rush of adrenaline hoping it will go in."



Emerson Bolitz, 10

"I get to spend a few months with wonderful people, who are basically my second family throughout August, September, and October, and play my sport every day."

Justina Wemhoff, 12

"Even though you have a love/hate relationship with it, you love it anyway. You hit the ball really well just once or you one-putt it to improve your score, and life just makes sense."



Emily Carstens, 9

"I think it's fun to see my improvement throughout the year as well as getting to hang out with my friends."

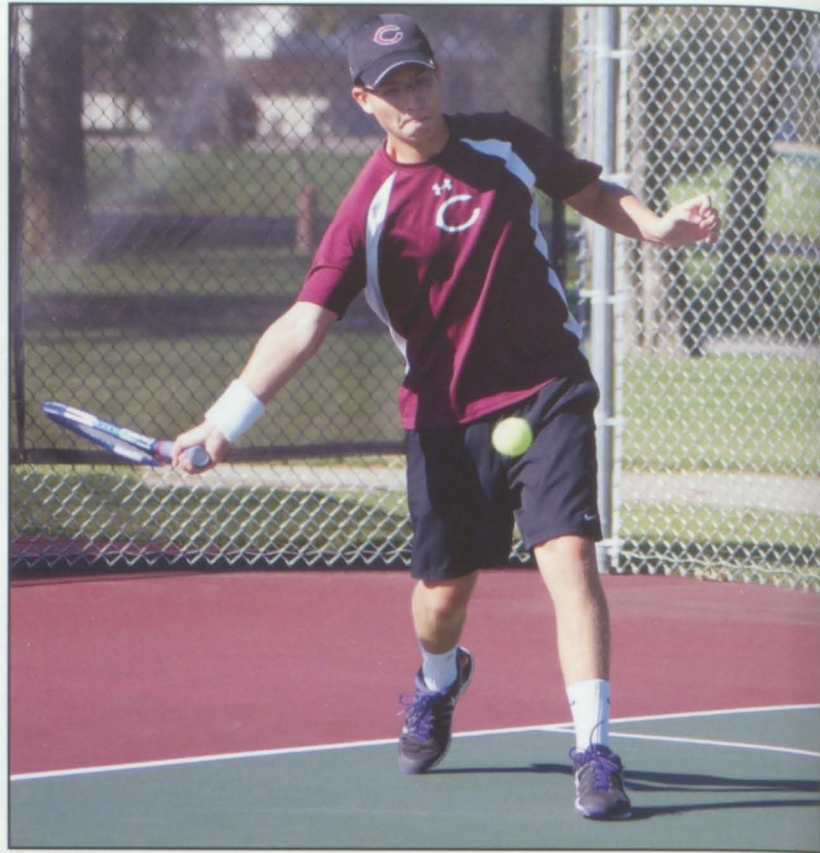


having drive



Freshman Alaina Wallick freezes her follow through as she admires her swing. (far left) junior Megan Parker putts at the Lakeview Triangular. (center top) Freshman Emily Carstens drives the ball. (center middle) senior Elizabeth Preister replaces the flag. (center bottom) senior Abby Allen gathers her focus before taking a shot.

(right) Sophomore Brady Miller jumps and serves the ball during doubles at a home meet. (below) Sophomore Matt Hoenk prepares to hit the tennis ball. (far right) Senior Noah Schacher hits the ball during a home match at Pawnee Park. Out of the Scotus competitors, Schacher was the only senior on the team.



Precompetition Rituals:



Matt Hoenk, 10

"I have to drink two gatorades."

Noah Schacher, 12

"Before every meet, I have to use the restroom. It is essential for me to play my best."



Savannah Robertson, 11

"Before every game we would huddle in a circle and say our chant seven times and then sing 'Ahhhh Columbus!'"



Anna Swepe, 10

"Singing and dancing to 'All About that Bass' with Coach Danner."



solo seniors



Sophomore Megan Ohnoutka catches a pitch during a home softball game. (far right) Junior Savannah Robertson tags out an opponent at first base. (top left) Sophomore Emily Hand gets in a stance and waits for the ball during a home game. (top right) Freshman Marika Spencer reaches out to catch the ball.



Junior Dana Hoppe back hands the ball during a tennis match. (below) Sophomore Zach Svehla stretches out to save the ball during doubles play.



By having four Scotus returners with experience, the 2014 Columbus High's boys' tennis team already had a head start on their competitors.

"Being a returner from Scotus, I felt as if I needed to step up and be a leader for both the new Scotus players and all the underclassmen," junior Dana Hoppe said.

The team only had two new competitors from Scotus.

"This was my first year, and it seemed like everyone was so much better than me, but by the end of the season, I was able to compete. Tennis is actually a really unique and intense sport," sophomore Brady Miller said.

All of the Scotus varsity players made it to the state tournament. Returning state competitor, senior Noah Schacher, competed as the team's #2 singles. Also representing Scotus at state were Hoppe, who was a member of the #2 doubles, and sophomore Matt Hoenk who was a member of the #1 doubles team. Unfortunately, all players lost in the first round of state.

"Even though the ending to my career was tough, the experience was well worth it," Schacher said.

The 2014 Columbus High girls' softball team finished their season with a winning record of 22-20. The team had one senior this year, Hannah Krings.

"I knew I had to step up and be a leader to the younger players because that's what the past seniors have done for me," Krings said.

The team defeated multiple ranked teams in Class A, then swept the seventh ranked team in the state, Grand Island. They also won the Lincoln Southeast Invite.

"Our goal this year was to have a better record than last season, and we succeeded. We had a winning season!" Krings said.

The team started off districts by defeating South Sioux City twice in a row, but they fell short of going to state after losing in the district championship game against Millard South.

"We put up a fight against the state championship team of Class A, so our team was still proud of our run this year," junior Savannah Robertson said.



Senior Hannah Krings goes to tag out an opponent during a home game. Krings was the only senior from Scotus on the softball team.



Even though the girls' cross country season did not end the way they wanted it to, they finished fourth at state and in top places in numerous other meets.

The team placed first or second in all of their regular season meets; they placed first at the Scotus Invite.

Senior Jessica Schaecher said, "[The meet we worked the hardest at was] the Scotus Invite because we had a lot of competition, and we were familiar with the course, so we ran really well that meet."

At the Centennial Conference Meet, the girls' team also finished first.

Senior Carly Fehringer said, "[My favorite meet of the season was] the conference meet because Lincoln is my favorite course, and we all competed well."

The girls finished third at the district meet in Wayne and fourth at the state meet in Kearney.

"Even though the outcome [of districts and state] wasn't how our team would have liked, we were still proud. Getting third at districts was a wake-up call, but it helped us practice even harder the week before state," senior Kelsey Kessler said.

Their season ended with a record of 96-9.

"Cross country is a season that is only a couple months long, but it has given me memories that will last a lifetime," junior Jessica Lahm said.

Seniors' Favorite Memories:



Jaimee Beauvais, 12

"We had Fifa tournaments, and JBrock and I always killed it; the day of state we listened to 'Scoreboard' at least 25 times (not even exaggerating); we ate 107 Wings after the state meet, and pre-race bathroom breaks."

Carly Fehringer, 12

"Post meet wings, preseason pool parties, singing Taylor Swift songs on the rides home, the best friends I have made with XC boys, and team dinners."



Kelsey Kessler, 12

"Brooke being denied to go to Tasty Toppers every year, but Mr. Lahm let us go this year, scoreboard, Nathan Ostdiek's eyes, Nathan Hiemer's wife, and Nathan Schumacher."

Jessica Schaecher, 12

"Winning two state championships, post state meet 'spendies', 15 passenger van road trip to Wayne, getting best hair awards at state, spray-painting the home course, the bond our team shares, and the intense dads."



Seniors Kelsey Kessler, Carly Fehringer, Jaimee Beauvais, and Jessica Schaecher pose for a picture after their final cross country meet.



The girls' varsity cross country team poses for a picture after the race at the state meet in Kearney. The girls finished fourth place overall. Pictured are sophomore Kaylee Tonniges, seniors Jessica Schaecher, Carly Fehringer, Kelsey Kessler, and Jaimee Beauvais, and juniors Jessica Lahm and Emily Fehringer.

ready to run



(bottom) The girls' cross country team starts off the race at the state meet.

(left) Junior Amy Heusinkvelt follows shortly behind junior Jennifer Belsan.

(far left) Sophomore Kaylee Tonniges and senior Jaimee Beauvais compete against each other at the UNK Invite. There were twelve girls out for cross country this year.



Senior Jessica Schaecher and sophomore Kaylee Tonniges stride out during the state meet.



Juniors Emily Fehringer and Mikayla Nienaber run with each other during a meet. They were the top JV runners all season.



Seniors Carly Fehringer, Kelsey Kessler, and Jessica Schaecher race for the finish. Senior Jaimee Beauvais and sophomore Kaylee Tonniges were always the top two runners for Scotus. The other four spots were interchangeable amongst seniors Carly Fehringer, Kelsey Kessler, Jessica Schaecher, and junior Jessica Lahm. Junior Emily Fehringer was the alternate for the team.



Junior Justin Brockhaus struggles during the state race in Kearney.
 (top) Sophomore Nathan Ostdiek passes a runner.
 (top right) Sophomore Cody Mroczek keeps up with fellow teammate senior Eduardo Lopez at the Scotus Invite.
 (far right) Senior Toby Tooley pushes hard to the finish at the state meet in Kearney.
 (right) Senior Joe Sonderman catches up to a runner during the state meet.



a fight to the finish



After starting out strong, the boys' cross country team fell just short of the goals that they had set at the beginning of the season.

"From the very beginning, even in the summer, my number one goal was to win the state championship as a team. I thought we had it too, right up until we finished the race," junior Justin Brockhaus said.

Even though they didn't quite capture the state championship they had hoped for, the boys still ran well throughout the season. They only lost to three teams ending with a 108-3 record. Unfortunately, this didn't stop the boys from still being disappointed.

"I was happy and satisfied individually, but as a team I was a bit disappointed," sophomore Nathan Ostdiek explained.

Ostdiek ended fourth individually at State along with many other top five finishes throughout the season.

This year there were four seniors out for cross country, and three of them ran their last race at the state meet.

"The bus ride back from Kearney after State was the best because we all battled hard, and we knew everything was going to be alright regardless of the scoreboard. Even though we didn't get the results we wanted, it didn't stop our team from enjoying our last moments together," senior Eduardo Lopez said.

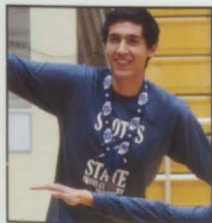


Members of the boys' cross country team finish their last home race of the season at the Lutjelusche course. (left, counterclockwise) Sophomore Tyler Brandenburg races with an opponent. Junior Mason Brandenburg finishes the race. Senior Mac Mapes struggles to finish his last home meet ever.



Head coach Merlin Lahm, juniors Austin Svehla and Justin Brockhaus, senior Eduardo Lopez, sophomore Cody Mroczek, assistant coach Amy Sokol, sophomore Nathan Ostdiek, and seniors Joe Sonderman and Toby Tooley pose for a photo after their runner-up finish at State.

Favorite post-race accessory:



Eduardo Lopez, 12

"If it's a warm day, I roll with the hamburger backpack, but if it's a cold day, I prefer wrapping myself up in my blanket. I like having options."



Toby Tooley, 12

"I usually wear my visor and my fishing lure backpack."

Justin Brockhaus, 11



"I wear my lunchbox around my neck for easy access."

Nathan Ostdiek, 10



"I wear my white running hat backwards sometimes."

After the loss of six key seniors last year and a new head coach, the Shamrocks had many changes this year. After the 4th place finish last year, the team knew that they could improve. The Shamrocks achieved this goal and placed higher at state at the end of the season.

"I think a lot of people doubted us making it to state," sophomore back row specialist Alyssa Kuta stated.

The Shamrocks were successful in the regular season as they went 20-8. To add to their accomplishments, the team was able to beat the crosstown rival Lakeview during sub districts after losing to the Vikings in the regular season.

"The Lakeview game was the most amazing game to play in because we competed and beat our rivals when we needed to the most," junior Morgan Thorson said.

The Shamrocks then moved on to districts and played against Stanton where the team won in three sets.

"The Stanton game was very important for us because state was on the line. We all wanted it so badly, especially for the seniors. Everyone on the team played their role the best they had all season, from players and coaches to the bench and the fans. That was by far the most fun game of the season," junior middle hitter Maeghan Pieper said.

Scotus started the state tournament strong with a win against Chadron in round one. After this win, the Shamrocks fell to Kearney Catholic in round two. The Shamrocks then battled for 3rd place against Wahoo. The Shamrocks came out on top in 4 sets for a 3rd place finish.

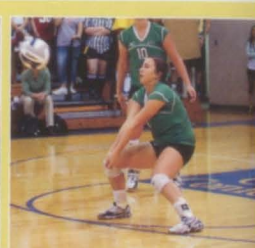
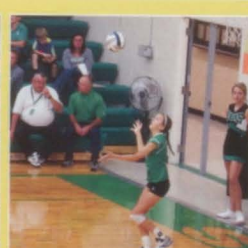
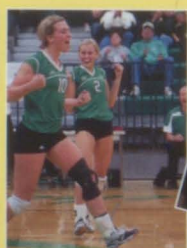
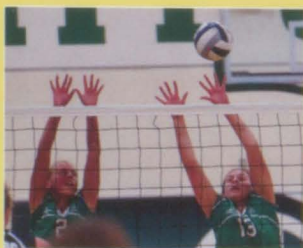
"It was such a rewarding experience to make it to state and place 3rd because many people doubted us," senior back row specialist Abbie Alt said.

After his first year as head coach, Coach Held has high hopes for next year.

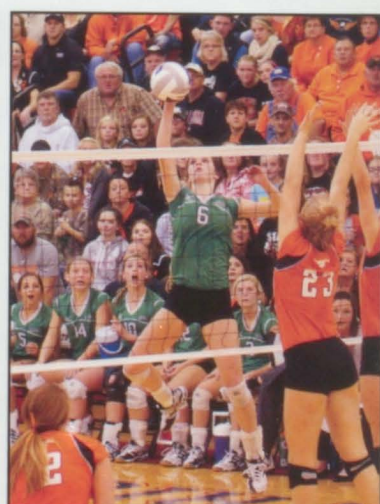
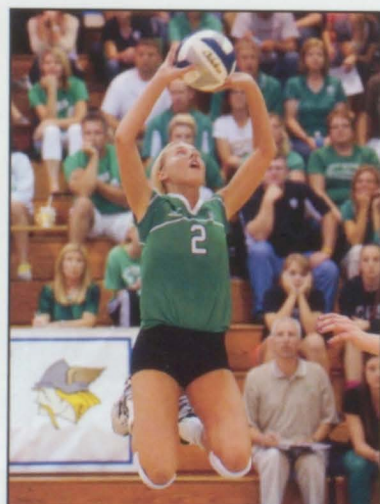
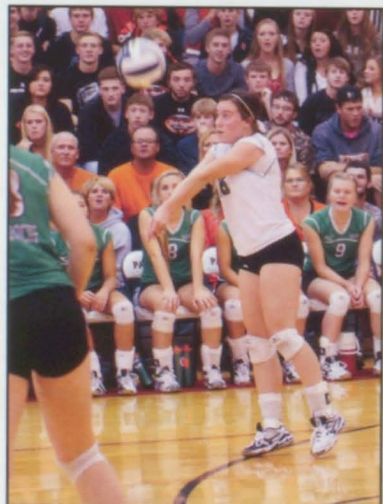
Coach Held commented, "I am looking forward to next season after the foundation that was laid this fall. We will have high expectations, and if we can outwork everyone, we will give ourselves a chance to experience success next fall as well."



The volleyball team gets together for one last picture after their third place finish at state.

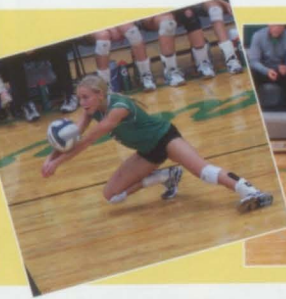
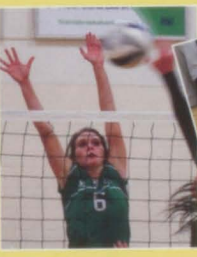
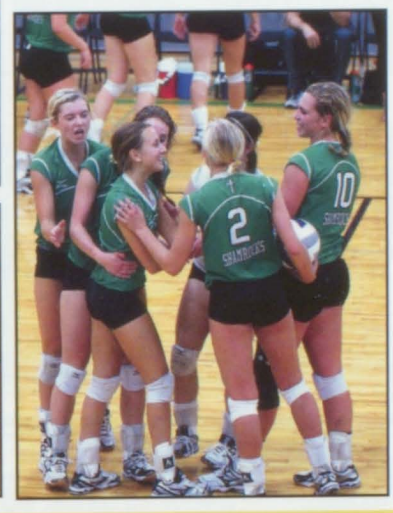
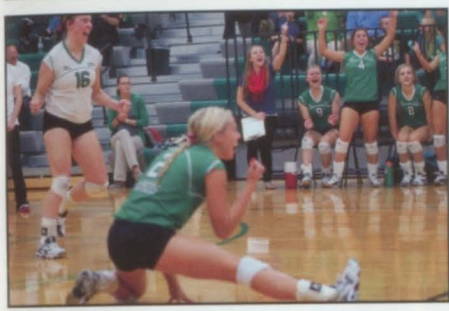


(left to right) Junior Courtney Labenz receives the ball. Junior Morgan Thorson sets up the ball at a match against Lakeview. Junior Kimberly Stutzman swings at the ball against Wahoo.



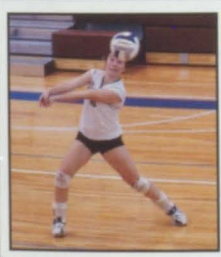


Juniors Kelsey Wiehn, Allie Johnson, Hannah Thomazin, Kimberly Stutzman, Maeghan Pieper, Sarah Schumacher, Morgan Thorson and sophomore Alyssa Kuta celebrate after a win against Stanton at districts. (bottom left to right) Juniors Courtney Labenz and Morgan Thorson celebrate with the bench after a block. The Shamrocks huddle before a match against Schuyler. The team congratulates Alyssa Kuta on an ace serve.



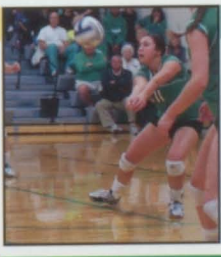
finishing off with a win

What is your favorite memory from this season?



Courtney Labenz, 11

"My favorite memory was being able to play at state and having the opportunity to play at the Pinnacle Bank Arena."

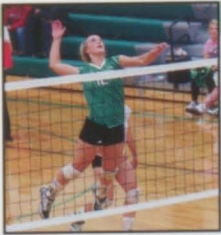


Abbie Alt, 12

"Sweeping Lakeview in the subdistrict game. We all played really well together, and it was a lot of fun."

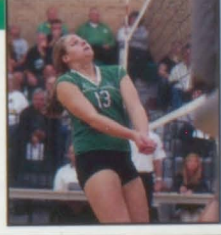
Allison Beiermann, 12

"My pregame speeches."



Courtney Brockhaus, 11

"Being able to get 3rd at state when a lot of people didn't think we could get to state in the first place."



Junior Cole Harrington is hoisted up by the team as they shout their pregame, "Porkshop Prayer" chant. (below) Quinn Blaser catches a ball near the endzone over a Pierce defender.



The Shamrock football team had nothing but high expectations and even higher goals heading into the 2014 football season under new head coach Tyler Linder.

"I had very high expectations for our team and coaching staff. Ultimately, I wanted us to come together as a family and play for each other, and I believe we did just that getting a good taste of success this season," Linder said.

After finishing the prior season just above .500 at 5-4, the Shamrocks were eager for improvement. When the 2013 season came to an end, coach Linder came up with a new motto, "The Step".

Linder explained, "The Step was something I thought our team could rally around. It was a challenge for our kids and our program to make that next step, and it was something our staff took to heart, and we believed that we were ready to take that next step."

The boys started their season off playing a high caliber Boone Central Neumann Grove team who was number one in class C-1. Unfortunately, the Shamrocks did not come out on top.

"I knew we had to come ready to work the next week which was tough to do after a loss. I also knew the game would be close, but this time we would come out on top. The bottom line was that we had to go out and play Shamrock Football," senior Garrit Shanle said.

The Shamrocks did just that bouncing back to beat the number one team in class C-2 David City Aquinas 16-13 and continuing on with nine straight wins including knocking off number five Central City and number four Pierce in back to back games on their home field.

"I was really happy and proud of going on a nine game win streak. We beat some very good teams along the way, and our boys prepared well and executed perfectly," Linder said.

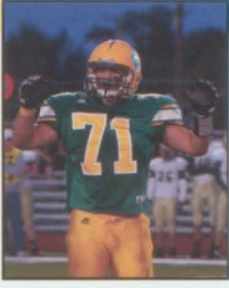
In the playoffs, the Shamrocks went on to win the first round beating Pierce in a rematch 35-7. After the win their championship run was put to a stop by Kearney Catholic as they defeated the Shamrocks in the final seconds on a field goal. The 2014 season had the best record for the team in over a decade. It is safe to say that the Shamrock football team made "The Step" they were looking for.

Memorable Moments:



Grant Lahm, 12

"Hugging (Jared) Duren after the final game of the season. He was the last person I hugged before leaving the locker room one last time."



Carson Fuchser, 11

"All the interesting line calls that we made this year were pretty memorable, but the most memorable was definitely coach K's random bursts that came out of no where... 'SUPREME!'"

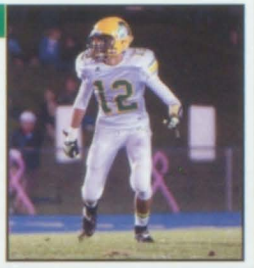
Jared Duren, 12

"The best part of the football season was when we beat Aquinas for our first win which showed how good we could actually be. Beating Lakeview is always high on the list too."

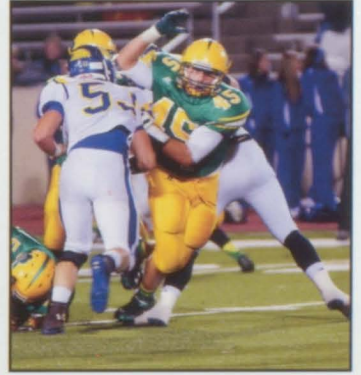
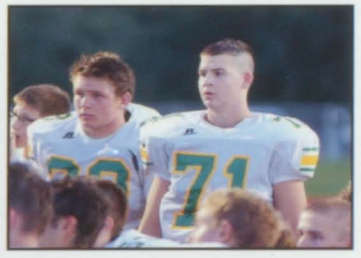


Dalton Taylor, 10

"My interception against Pierce in the endzone. It was my first of the year, and it was a big momentum changer that stopped their drive."

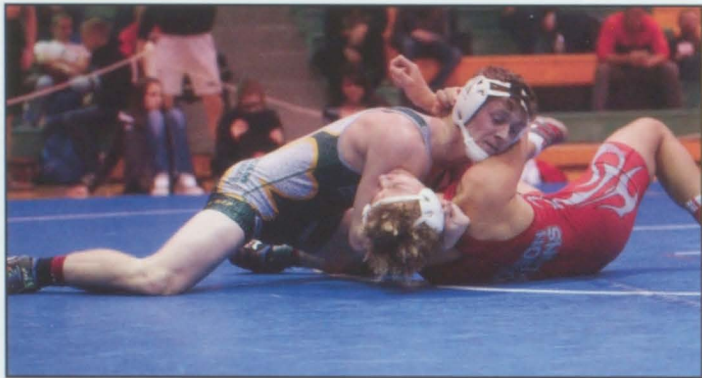
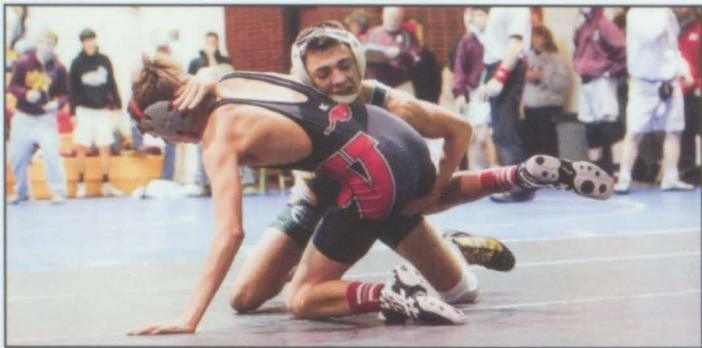


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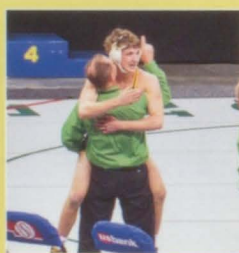
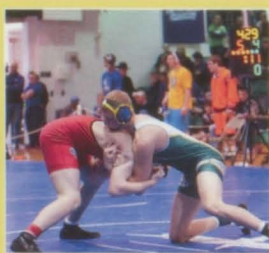
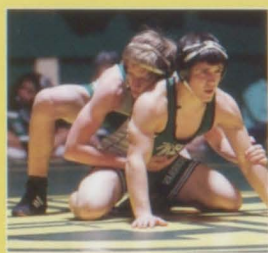
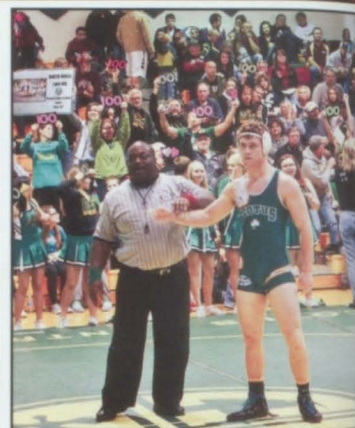
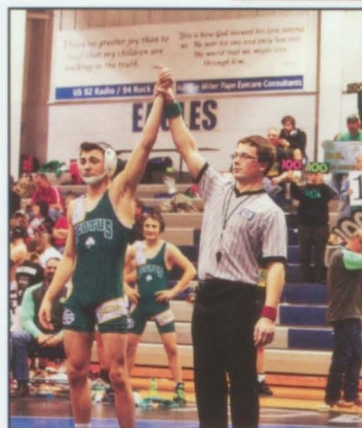


Junior Baeley Pelster cuts upfield past a Central City defender. The Shamrocks went on to shutout Central City 48-0.
 (top left to right) The Shamrocks dance as they celebrate a win against a top ranked opponent.
 Sophomore Anthony Kosch runs the ball against Central City.
 Junior Jake Bos leads a block downfield for junior Jackson Kumpf against Aquinas.
 Juniors Jake Bos and Carson Fuchser listen to some halftime adjustments.
 (above) Senior Garrit Shanle makes a move past a Wahoo High lineman.

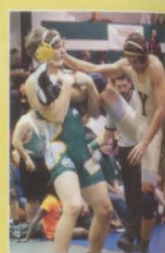
Junior Mason Brandenburg tries to take down his opponent during the Nebraska dual. (below) Junior Marcus Dodson attempts to pin his opponent at the High Plains dual.



Juniors Alec Foltz, Mason Brandenburg, and Marcus Dodson each reach their 100th career win. They are Scotus' first wrestlers to get this accomplishment.



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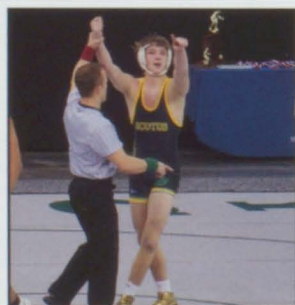
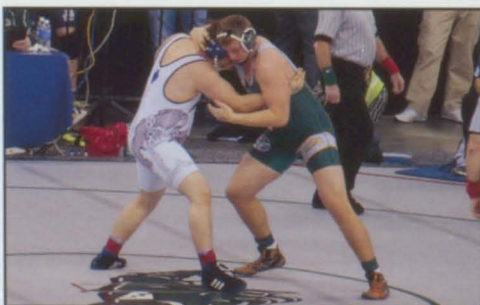


Coach DJ Bradenburg, coach Gary Schlesinger, Mason Brandenburg, Dillon Muchmore, Layton Mullinix, Alec Foltz, Marcus Dodson, Riley Gaylen, Wyatt Gutzmer, coach Tracy Dodson get together before they leave for state wrestling.



(bottom right) Junior Alec Foltz celebrates after he wins his state championship match. Foltz was the first Scotus wrestler to win the High Plains Invite and Scotus's first state champion.

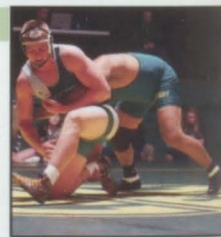
(below) Sophomore Wyatt Gutzmer wrestles at the state meet.



What's the greatest sacrifice you made in wrestling?

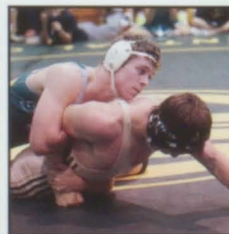
Wyatt Gutzmer, 10

"My greatest sacrifice was the dedication to go to all practices. It takes up a lot of time."



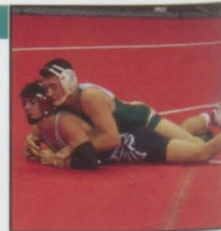
Marcus Dodson, 11

"My greatest sacrifice was my Saturdays. There were several meets on Saturdays, and we got home late, including Sweetheart. That really stunk."

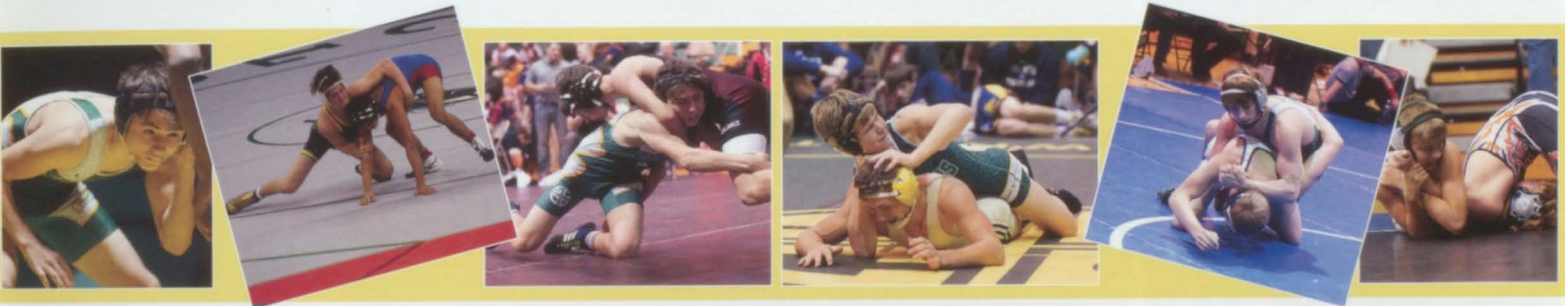
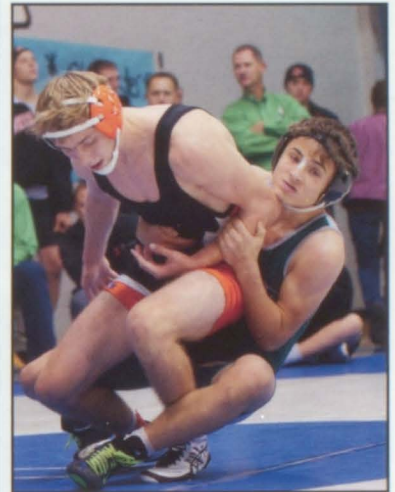


Mason Brandenburg, 11

"My greatest sacrifice was cutting down to 126 pounds instead of 132 pounds. It gave me a better chance to place at state."



(left) Senior Riley Gilson takes control of his opponent. Gilson earned fourth place at the state meet.
 (bottom) Sophomore Dillon Muchmore looks to pin his opponent. Muchmore was one of the seven wrestlers who qualified for state.



The Scotus wrestling team had nothing but high expectations this year, and for many wrestlers, it was to place at state.

Sophomore state qualifier Dillon Muchmore said, "My goal this year was to get to state. I was able to accomplish this goal because I was always working hard and trying my best. I had to believe that I could do it."

Many meets stood out to junior wrestler Mason Brandenburg, who placed third at state.

"One of the top meets was the CCC Nebraska Duals because many good teams come with hard competition. I can really see where I'm standing at this meet," Brandenburg said.

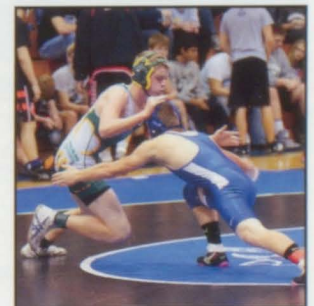
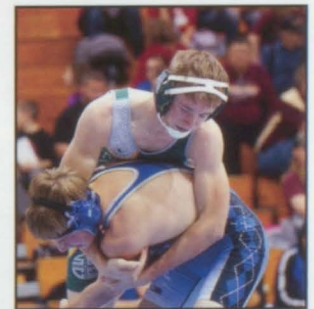
This year, after winning conference and placing third at state, there were seven wrestlers that qualified for state. Sophomores Dillon Muchmore, Wyatt Gutzmer, and Layton Mullinix, juniors Alec Foltz, Marcus Dodson, and Mason Brandenburg, and senior Riley Gilson all made the trip to Lincoln. The Scotus wrestling team placed sixth at state.

Junior Marcus Dodson placed fourth at state.

"I want to win state. My can-do attitude helped me this year and will continue to help me next year to achieve my goal," Dodson said.

This year, Scotus had its first wrestling state champion. Alec Foltz won his weight class. Even though he's excited about the accomplishment, there's more on his mind.

"I can take the momentum from how I finished this season to the next. I want our team to place very high next year at state."



Sophomore Chase Newman attacks his opponent at the Lakeview meet.
 (above) Freshman Charles Case tries to get a good position over his opponent.

What is your favorite part about being on swim team?



Hannah Thomazin, 11

"The people are the absolute best. Even if we're doing hard breathing sets, or sprints, or underwater, someone on the team always finds a way to pick up our spirits. Plus coach is amazing. She pushes us so hard and takes the time to get to know us and believe in us. Really, just knowing I'm believed in makes it so fun."



Laura Moureau, 12

"Meeting people and having such great times. If I wasn't in swim team, I would never have met Hannah Thomazin. She became such a close and real friend in the U.S., and I'm going to miss her."



(top to bottom)
Senior Laura Moureau takes a breath to the side. Moureau comes up the lane while she does her free style.
Junior Hannah Thomazin does the front stroke down the lane.
(top right) Thomazin opens to the side to take a breath.



This year from Scotus there were only two divers. Both of the divers were new to the swim team, and they both also competed in other events besides diving.
(top left, clockwise) Freshman Chase Andresen begins to tuck for a front flip.
Andresen focuses on the water while he flips.
Andresen does a back flip into the water.
Senior Laura Moureau dives into the water at her first meet of the season.

Trey Dallman, 9

"Finally beating the time that you wanted to beat all season is one of the most rewarding feelings I've ever felt."

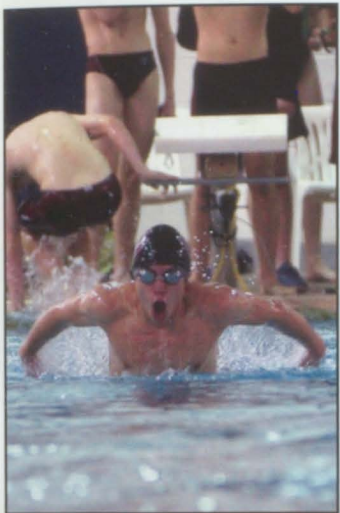
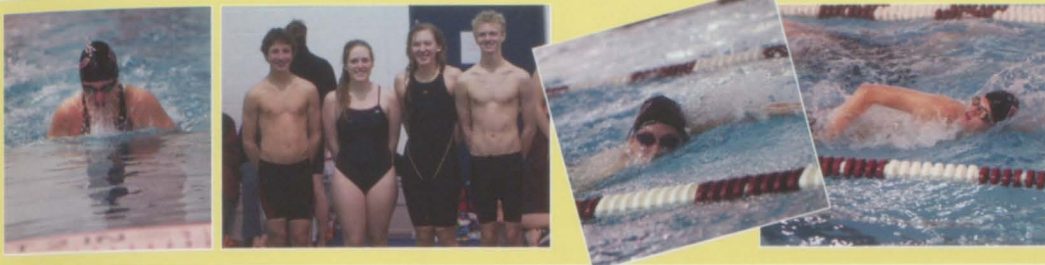


Chase Andresen, 9

"My favorite part about being on the swim team is the fun everyone one has while doing it. I also like how close we get."



Team bonding



(top left clockwise) Freshman Chase Andresen starts the butterfly race. Freshman Trey Dallman does the back stroke. Andresen comes up to take a breath while he races down the lane. Dallman opens up to his side for air during the front stroke.

This year Scotus had two girls on the swim team, senior Laura Moureau and junior Hannah Thomazin. This was Moureau's first year on the swim team. Thomazin has been on the swim team for three years.

"My favorite meet was the one in Lincoln High because it was the first meet of the year so everybody was all pumped up, and we all did great," Moureau said.

The girls went to a total of sixteen meets this year and hosted eight of those meets at home. The girls started out the season strong with a win against Fremont. This year Thomazin won nine of her races and got second place fourteen times since she was in a total of seven events.

Thomazin said, "Standing behind the blocks is terrifying. I'm always worried I'm going to false start, or forget which race I'm in, because one time I got up for my 100 breast and went in thinking it was a 100 free."

During one of the team's practices, the coach sent them on a city wide scavenger hunt. This was made into a competition of the boys versus the girls.

There were also two boys on the swim team, freshmen Chase Andresen and Trey Dallman. Dallman was one of the alternates for state. The boys had a winning record of 7-2.

"My favorite team bonding was when we did our scavenger hunt around town because it helped me get to know the swimmers better," Andresen said.

The team had two-a-day practices for the majority of the swimming season. They had practices at 6 AM and then again after school to make sure that they are all prepared for the swim meets.

Dallman said, "I think two-a-days really did help because no matter what sport you're in, practice makes perfect. So I think I did phenomenally better with two-a-days than I would have with just one practice a day."

Seniors Jessica Schaecher and Kelsey Kessler reach for the ball against cross town rival Lakeview. Schaecher and Kessler were the two seniors on the basketball team this year.

(bottom left) Sophomore Eastyn Klink plays defense against Fremont Bergan.

(bottom right) Junior Morgan Thorson dribbles down the court.

(below) Head coach Jarrod Ridder coaches on the sideline during a home game.



What does "chaos" mean to you?



Emma Strecker, 10

"Chaos means to give it your all for you and your team."



Morgan Thorson, 11

"Chaos means working and playing hard at everything you do. It means sacrificing and committing the time to practice and play basketball."



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What is your pregame ritual?

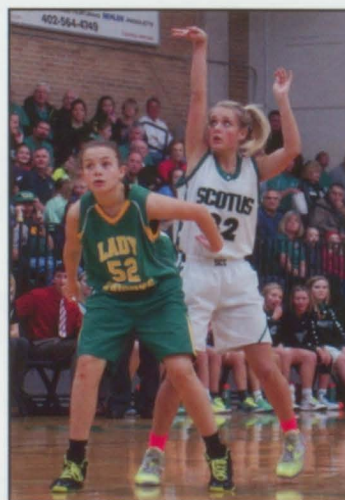


Kelsey Kessler, 12

"Going to Brewhaha and Jimmy John's with Sarah, Morg, and Jess. Taking a pregame pic with Sarah Schu. Chest bumping Jess. Going to the bathroom with Emma."

Grace Wickham, 9

"Eating a Snickers bar in 30 seconds in between JV and Varsity games."



Junior Anna Wickham shoots a 3 pointer over the Fremont Bergan defender. (right) Junior Sarah Schumacher shoots the ball in a subdistrict game against North Bend.

Despite their 9-13 record, the Scotus girls' basketball team had several big wins throughout the season.

The girls won the holiday tournament by defeating Twin River in the first round of the tournament and Lakeview in the championship.

"The holiday tournament gave our team a lot of momentum going into the New Year and the rest of the season," junior Sarah Schumacher said.

Aquinas defeated the Shamrock girls, but a week later the girls fought back as a team to beat Aquinas .

"Our biggest win this year was the Aquinas game. The first time we played them we lost by 20, and we came back and played hard and beat them," junior Morgan Thorson stated.

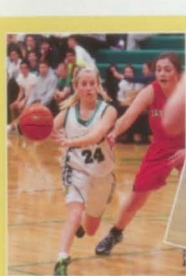
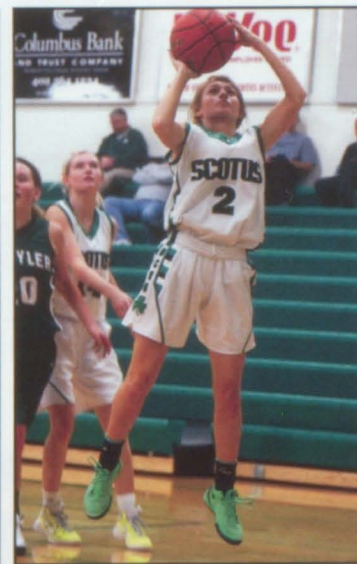
The team also played close with Skutt Catholic.

Thorson also added, "I think the Skutt game was the most intense game. As a team we were working hard for great shots instead of just good shots. We shot very well that game and everything just clicked."

The Shamrocks lost by one point to North Bend Central in sub districts to end their season.

"Even though we didn't end our season the way we wanted to, I still enjoyed playing and hanging out with my team," senior Jessica Schaecher said.

Junior Allie Johnson splits two Aquinas defenders and goes up for the shot. (right) Junior Jessica Lahm shoots a layup. (bottom) Senior Kelsey Kessler and freshman Grace Wickham double team the ball. The basketball team ran a defense called "2" which called for double teams.



Sophomore Emma Strecker, junior Emily Fehringer, and freshman Grace Wickham bring the ball up the court.

Favorite pump up songs:

Garrit Shanle, 12

*"Thunderstuck' by AC/DC
because it gets me pumped."*



Quinn Blaser, 11

*"Lose Yourself" by Eminem
because it helps me get loose
before a game."*



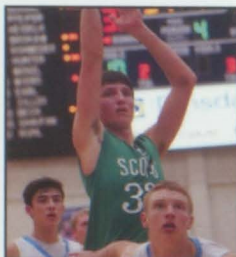
Jackson Kumpf, 11

*"Someone Like You" by
Adele because it gets me in
touch with my feelings."*



Cody Mroczek, 10

*"Uptown Funk" by Bruno
Mars because the entire
team loves it."*



Sophomore Dalton Taylor jumps for the starting tip off against Lakeview.



climbing to the top



(left) Middle Jackson Kumpf penetrates the lane.
(middle left) Senior Toby Tooley prepares for a lay up in front of the student section.
(middle right) Senior Garrit Shanle goes up for a shot against Lakeview.
(right) Junior Miles Putnam leaps up for a lay up against North Bend.

After losing only two seniors, the 2014-2015 Scotus boys' basketball team was experienced and ready to go.

"I was very excited for my senior season. I knew that our team could do big things," senior captain Grant Lahm said. The season started off with a loss, but that surely did not reflect what was to come. The Shamrocks lost only two of the next 19 games. They played teams with great records and hung on through a couple of overtime wins.

"My favorite game was the Crete game. We played well together as a team after an upsetting loss to Pierce," senior Garrit Shanle said.

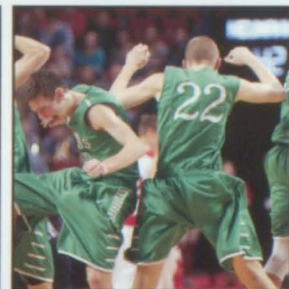
With all eyes on the state tournament, the boys kept focused on the game at hand, ending the regular season with a record of 20-5. Finally, March 12th rolled around. The boys began the first round of the state tournament with a close win against Falls City.

"I am proud of [the team] for digging deep and finding ways to win the tough games. Without the toughness we showed against Falls City, our season could have ended there," head coach Jeff Ohnoutka said.

The next day the Shamrocks faced Wahoo Neumann, a team whom they had faced two other times in the regular season. Each team won once leaving the semi-finals to be the tie breaker. The boys started out fast and led the whole game; Neumann was never able to catch up. This win led the team a place that no one in Scotus history had been before, the boys' basketball state championship.

The Pinnacle Bank Arena held the big game against second ranked Winnebago. Even though the game ended in a loss, coaches and spectators were nothing but positive.

"Obviously we would have liked to win the last game, but just being in that position for the first time in Scotus history is truly unbelievable," assistant coach Pat Brockhaus said.

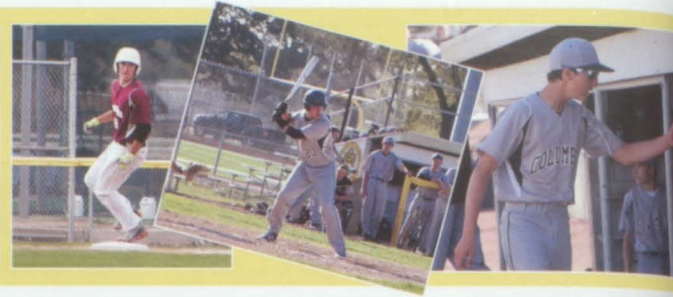


(top) The team celebrates after beating Wahoo Neumann in the semi-finals.
 (middle left) Junior Miles Putnam and senior Grant Lahm smile after securing a win against Falls City.
 (middle right) Sophomores Nathan Ostdiek and Tate VunCannon body slam after a semi-final win.
 (bottom) The coaches stand up and applaud after a good play at state.



(top left) Junior Miles Putnam quickly moves the ball down the court.
 (bottom left) Sophomore Dalton Taylor blocks a North Bend player's shot.
 (center) Senior Grant Lahm prepares to make a pass.
 (above) Sophomore Nathan Ostdiek keeps control of the ball while being guarded.

rounding the bases



What is your favorite part of baseball?



Miles Putnam, 11

"My favorite part of baseball is being outside, the nice spring and summer weather. It is also a more laid-back sport."

Jake Noviaki, 9

"Baseball is more of a challenge, and you get more of a rush when you win."



Tyler Morton, 12

"I like baseball because it is laid-back and fun. I also like being the pitcher."

The baseball team had another winning season this year. The boys won 16 of the 24 games they played.

There were two boys that made the Columbus High varsity team.

Junior, third baseman, Miles Putnam said, "Beating Lincoln Pius X was the best feeling because it was one of the most challenging games of the season."

Senior Tyler Morton was a pitcher for the varsity team.

Morton said, "This year, being my senior year, was very rewarding because we had a winning season my last year."

There were six Scotus boys that were on the junior varsity and reserve teams.

Freshman Logan Mueller said, "Being on the team was fun, but my favorite part is winning and being on a team with CHS people."

The team won in their first round at districts against North Platte 1-0. But, unfortunately lost their second round to Lincoln High 2-1, which ended their season.



(right) Senior Tyler Morton pitches the ball to home plate.

(top) Junior Miles Putnam runs to get a foul ball while he plays short stop.

(above) Morton steps up to the plate ready to swing.





Senior Elizabeth Preister lunges to hit the ball back across the net.
 (below) Junior Emma Zeller reaches forward to save the ball for the point.
 (bottom) Junior Hannah Thomazin goes for the ball during her doubles match.



This year there were twelve girls that competed with the Columbus High tennis team. They had a winning season winning six and only losing one in their duels. This qualified them for state, and three girls from Scotus were able to go with the team.

Junior state qualifier Hannah Thomazin said, "This year was a lot better than last year; I got lessons over the summer and played in some tournaments so that really helped improve my game."

There were three girls on varsity and nine girls from Scotus on junior varsity. The JV won six duels as well and only lost one.

Junior Emma Zeller, who also made state, said, "Having really close bonds with the girls made this season very special and fun to participate in."

With every year comes new challenges. This year they had tryouts to make the team. The girls had to work hard and challenge each other to make the team.

Senior Justina Wemhoff said, "I performed well this year. I didn't win every match, but I did win some tough ones. Those were the matches I was most proud of."

How was this year different from the past years?



Justina Wemhoff, 12

"This year is different from last year because I am on varsity. It's more of a challenge because I can tell there is a step up in the competition. It's equally as fun, and I love competing more."

Hannah Thomazin, 11

"This year was a lot different for me because I played varsity number 1 in doubles. So at tournaments I'd exclusively play doubles with Alyssa Curry. I hadn't done that before and this change was different for the better."



Emma Zeller, 11



"I feel like I got really close with the girls and the coach this year. Our team as a whole competed a lot better than in the past."

going for the ace



Junior Emily Fehringer volleys the ball during the first game at state. (top right) The team gathers for their pregame ritual at Morrison Stadium. (bottom right) Junior Allie Johnson prepares to catch a shot from a Skutt forward. (far right) Junior Morgan Thorson blocks the ball from a Skutt player.



Defenders freshman Kayla Hall, sophomore Emma Strecker, senior Abbie Alt and junior Bailey Honold work to control the ball on the field. The defense had four shut out games this season.

The girls' soccer team this year continued its streak of winning seasons and state tournament appearances. Many players credit their team chemistry to the success they had.

Junior Anna Wickham said, "We all worked, played, and had fun with each other all season, and even though we did not have team bonding, we all got to know each other so well both on and off the field."

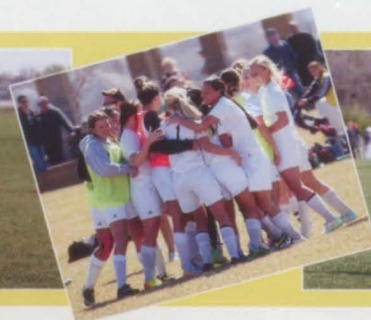
The highlight of the season for many players was beating their cross-town rival, Columbus High School. After losing to them last year, the Shamrocks were determined to get a win, and with a goal in the final minutes of overtime, they did just that.

Junior Kelsey Wiehn said, "Beating CHS was definitely the highlight of the season for me. Even though we scored with only a couple of minutes left, we still came together as a team and beat them."

The Lady Shamrocks made it to state after beating Lutheran High Northeast in both the district final and substate game, but were defeated by the Skutt Skyhawks in the first round. They ended their season with a 13-5 record.

Head coach Kristie Brezenski said, "We have great expectations and expect great leaders to strive to be one of the best teams in our class next year and to make another run at state."

80 girls' soccer



Favorite Memories:

Allison Baermann, 12

"My pep talks before the games because I always ended up saying something that made everyone laugh."



Kelsey Wichn, 11

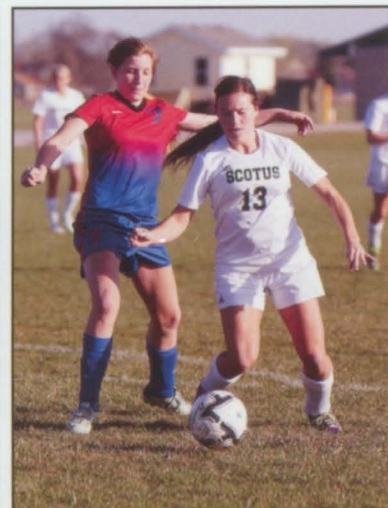
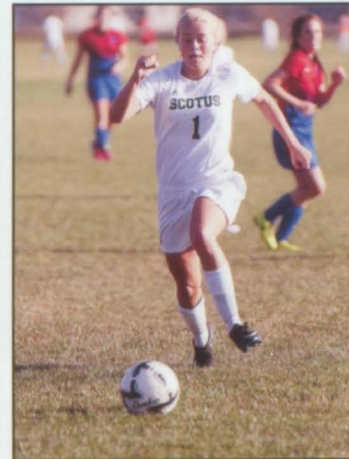
"My favorite memory was making the video before we played at state because it was fun to imitate people and recap the season."

Hannah Mielak, 10

"My favorite memory was when we got together as a team to make videos and gifts to get the team excited for state."



Senior Jessica Schaecher, freshman Kendra Wiese and senior Grace Wickham dribble the ball past their defenders. The forwards were able to score fifty-one goals during the course of the season.



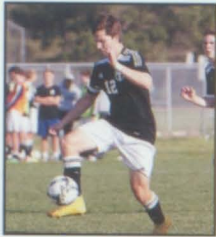
Senior Jaimee Beauvais dribbles past a Duchesne player.

(above) Junior Courtney Labenz takes on a Lutheran High Northeast defender in an attempt to score.



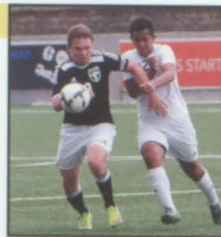
making the
team work

What was your favorite memory of the state tournament?



Noah Schacher, 12

"My favorite part was when my little soccer buddy pumped up the crowd when my name was announced in the state championship."



Jake Bos, 11

"My favorite part was winning state, doing it without our best player, and winning it for him."

Jackson Kumpf, 11

"My favorite memory was being subbed out as the clock wound down to zero and looking up into the cheering fans realizing that I could finally relax."



Joe Senderman, 12

"My favorite memory from the state tournament was Evan Chohon dancing in our huddle at the beginning of every second half."



(bottom) Sophomore goal keeper Evan Chohon saves the ball from going in the net during the championship match of the state tournament.

(below) Senior Noah Schacher dribbles down the field to score.

(right) Junior Baeley Pelster steals the ball away from a Skutt player in the championship match.

(middle right) Junior Cole Harrington shoots the ball while playing Schuyler. The team beat Schuyler 4-1 in the district final.

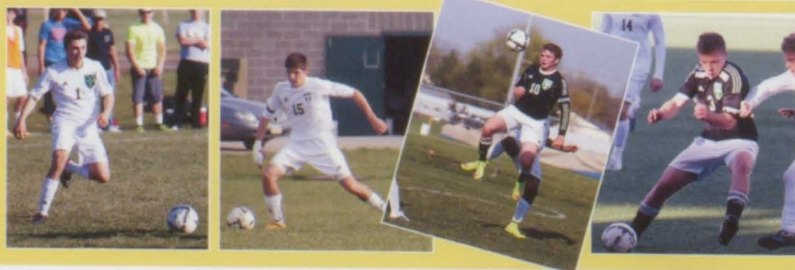
(far right) Sophomore Anthony Kosch chases down a ball while racing his opponent.



Junior Alec Foltz looks to score against Lutheran High Northeast. Scotus won 4-0.



82 boys' soccer



drive for five

On top of winning back to back state championships, the Scotus boys' soccer team made school history. This year, the boys' soccer team was named number one all class, which is the first ever boys' team in any Scotus sport to be named number one all class. Although the team won state, it was not an easy ride for them. During the season, the Shamrocks started off the season with a 3-3 record and a struggling offense. The team improved tremendously finishing with a record of 19-3.

"The main problem for us was we couldn't score. Eventually we learned how to score and finish our shots which led to us winning games and even better, winning a state championship," junior captain Jake Bos said.

The team went on a 16-0 run at the end of the season, but it did not come easy to them. Many competitive games took place during the winning streak. Along the way, Scotus faced Lincoln Pius X who played them tough. Scotus bounced back after losing to them 1-2 in a shootout to beating them 1-0 the next time they faced off.

"I think the most competitive game for me was the Lexington game. It was a very physical game and with Alec Foltz getting red carded, it was tough to stay mentally focused," senior captain Noah Schacher said.

During the Lexington game, Alec Foltz was given a red card when the referee said he struck a player with an elbow to the face. Shots and videos of the sequence showed there was no contact, but since he was given a red card, he was not eligible to play in the state championship match against Omaha Skutt.

"It was hard to sit out of the game, but we'll be back next year," junior Alec Foltz said.

Even without Foltz, the leading scorer this year, the Shamrocks were still able to pull off a 3-0 win against Skutt to name them state champions of class B.

"With Alec being out for the championship, we really came together as a team to win it for him," junior Caleb Ostdiek said.

Next year the Shamrocks have high expectations for the season.

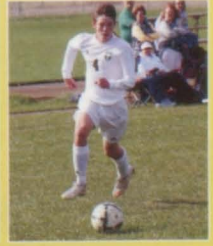
"I expect us to win the state tournament again. I expect us to be the number one all class team again. Lastly, I expect us to go undefeated. I know that's a lot on the table, but I really think we can do it," junior Cole Harrington said.



(left) Juniors Alec Foltz, Jake Bos, Cole Harrington, and sophomore Nathan Ostdiek celebrate after Foltz scored his first goal against Elkhorn South in the first round of the state tournament. (bottom left) Juniors Jake Bos, Cole Harrington, Caleb Ostdiek, and Marcus Dodson celebrate after Ostdiek scored from 35 yards out against Lexington in the second round of the tournament. (below) Juniors Jake Bos, Tanner Spenceri, and Cole Harrington celebrate after Bos scored a goal in the championship match to beat Skutt.



(top) Before every game, the starters huddle in the middle of the field to talk about their game plan. (left) The team huddles after half time to get someone to step up and score in the Lexington game at the state tournament. (above) Coach Jon Brezenski talks with his team at half time about improvements needing to be made.





Freshman Madison Kerkman clears the high jump bar at the Wesleyan indoor meet.
(below) Sophomore Jessica Buhman long jumps at the Scotus Invite.



(top clockwise) Senior Hannah Krings throws discus at the Scotus Invite. Sophomore Haley Faust vaults over the bar and clears it at a home meet. Senior Kelsey Kessler runs her last straight of the 4X800 meter relay.

Coach Memories:



Kelsey Kessler, 12

"One time coach Bender brought her wart remover to state track, and after, we removed warts in the hotel room."

Edley Beaver, 9

"We were going through our hurdle warm-ups when coach Star got a phone that had a whip sound effect on it, and whenever we jumped over a hurdle, he would play the whip sound effect. It gave us a good laugh for the entire warm-ups."



Cassie Seckel, 10



"I remember when Mrs. Tooley called me Kelsey the second day of practice. Also when the coaches told me I was going to conference, Mrs. Tooley said to take deep, long breaths."

continuous strive



The Scotus girls received first place at three meets and placed in the top three in five other meets, and they made it through with very few injuries. The team had a 56-11 record for the season. Throughout the season the girls were continually improving their times and marks, and it was at almost every meet that the girls were getting personal bests.

"I jumped my personal best at the Wesleyan indoor meet and won triple jump. We won the meet, which we did not do my freshman year, and it was really nice to contribute points to take home the win," sophomore Jessica Buhman said.

The girls received fourth at conference and placed third at districts.

"Districts went well! We had a lot of people run their best, and we have a lot of people going to state. The girls are looking good heading to state!" freshman Grace Odbert said.

Coach Tooley agreed, "I think districts was our best overall meet. We prepared well, and as a team, we had everyone in their best events. Had we been fully healthy, we could have won it. We qualified nine girls in ten events which is outstanding."

The girls had qualifiers in multiple events such as shot put, discus, 100 meter high hurdles, 100, 200, 400, 800, and 3200 meter run, 4x400 meter relay, and 4x800 meter relay.



Senior Carly Fehringer rounds the curve on the 4x800 relay race at the Scotus Invite. (below) Sophomore Tatem Vance and senior Shannon Spulak compete in finals in the 100 meter high hurdles race at conference.



Nine Scotus girls including (top left) junior Mikayla Nienaber, (bottom left) freshman Marika Spencer, (middle) junior Jessica Lahm, and (above) junior Sarah Schumacher competed at state in multiple events. At state, Spencer finished eighth in discus and sixth in shot put. Spencer said, "Districts was amazing because I won both shot and disc which qualified me for state. At state, I never would have guessed that as a freshman I would have gotten eighth in disc and sixth in shot."

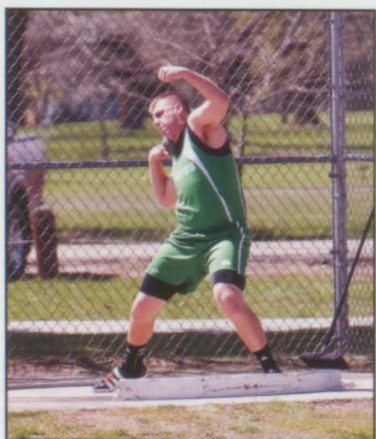
dominating the field



(far right) Senior Grant Lahm shows perfect form while long jumping.
 (top center) Junior Brady Przymus takes on one of his long jump attempts.
 (bottom center) Freshman Matt Strecker strides out at the end of his leg of the 400m relay.
 (right) Junior Dana Hoppe shows off his hurdling form in the 100m hurdles.



Senior Ryan Ruskamp easily clears the bar during the Scotus Relays.
 (right) Senior Garrit Shanle competes in the shot put at a home meet. Shanle placed 5th in shot put and 8th in discus at state.



In any sport, starting the season off strong is just as important as finishing it. For the Scotus boys' track team this spring season, starting off strong was not an issue. In fact, the team went undefeated all the way up until the state meet where eight members qualified.

"We knew how good we could be this year. We were very dynamic and had guys that could score us some big points," senior Grant Lahm said.

Led by four seniors, the team had high hopes heading into the state meet. With those high hopes, the boys had a strong performance in Omaha at Burke High School. They finished fifth overall with a total of 29 points accumulating from multiple events. The leading scorer for the Shamrocks was sophomore Cody Mroczek.

Mroczek took home the gold in the open 400, bronze in the open 200, and silver in the 1600 relay along with teammates Lahm, junior Brady Przymus, and freshman Matt Strecker.

"It's great to have a class champion," coach Merlin Lahm said. "He did a great job in the 400."

Another medalist at state was senior Garrit Shanle, who placed 5th in shot put and 8th in discus.

Although the boys finished in only fifth place, they have a lot to look forward to in the next few years.

"I feel great, especially because I'm a sophomore. I have two more years to look forward to, and my goal is possibly even breaking the state record," Mroczek added.



(above) Sophomore Cody Mroczek hands off the baton to senior Grant Lahm in the 4x200m relay. (top left) Senior Chase Korger jumps over a hurdle at one of their home meets. (center left) Senior Jared Donoghue runs down the final stretch of the 4x800m relay. (bottom left to right) Seniors Eduardo Lopez and Toby Tooley and junior Justin Zoucha stride out as they run in their distance races.

What is the best part about track season?



Grant Lahm, 12

"The end of it. I always look forward to conference, districts, and state to see if I can beat my own personal bests."



Cody Mroczek, 10

"The meets because we get to have a lot of fun and screw around, but I would also have to say state because it is a privilege to make it there."

Brady Przymus, 11

"The unity of the team and hanging out with the team. Jamming on the bus to Toby's music was pretty fun as well."



Justin Brockhaus, 11

"The best part is the team - we really create something special in track that can't really be described. We're like a family."



The mental side of golf:



Keaton Swanson, 12

"Golf is a mental game; you have to stay in the present moment to perform."



Brandon Johnston, 11

"Golf is 90% mental and 10% skill. You just need to play your game and ignore opponents, distractions, and bad shots."

Jacob Wright, 11

"If you focus on one shot at a time, the results will take care of themselves. See it, feel it, trust it."



Marshall Dreifurst, 11

"Golf is hard to bounce back from if you hit a couple bad shots, but if you are able to, it is able to change the whole game."



Junior Brandon Johnston watches his shot. (above right) Junior Darin Rinkol chips his ball onto the green during a home meet. (right) Junior Marshall Dreifurst focuses on his putting.



The 2015 Scotus boys' golf team constantly looked to improve throughout their season. The competitive team strived to be the best through every outing.

"They all push each other to improve and get better," coach Karl Dierman said.

Their season began to turn around at the Hill Valley Cup duel and the Lakeview Invite, where the Shamrocks came out on top.

"One of the main highlights of our season was winning a couple home meets as a team," junior Brandon Johnston said.

The conference meet took place at Quail Run, and the team placed third.

"For Columbus Scotus the 3rd place finish continues a five year run of no worse than 3rd place in the very tough Centennial Golf Conference," Dierman said.

After an inconsistent start to the season, the team ended up placing first at the district meet and having three golfers place in the top ten. The district medalists included a third place finish by junior Marshall Dreifurst and a ninth and tenth place finish by juniors Darin Rinkol and Brandon Johnston.

"None of the teams in the district thought we had a chance, and we proved them wrong," junior Jacob Wright said.

The boys placed seventh as a team at the state meet.





Juniors Darin Rinkol and Jacob Wright, senior Keaton Swanson and junior Brandon Johnston, and Johnston and junior Marshall Dreifurst talk to one another about their strategies during home golf meets.



(left, clockwise) Junior Jacob Wright, sophomore Eli Merrill, senior Keaton Swanson, and junior Bailey Braun putt at home meets.



successful swings



During English class with Mrs. [unclear] when Mr. Brockhaus randomly yells. The seventh grade basketball coaches always told really funny jokes. In history, Lisa always says a joke every day to make Mr. Ridder laugh. When we get a hair cut, Mr. Ridder likes to say "happy hairs cut". In math, Mr. Petersen likes to call McKenna "Big Mac". When Father Capadano put a tootsie-roll on top of my head and told me to jump up and try to catch it in my mouth. It didn't work. Pedro would walk around the lockers making sure all of them were 90 degrees. Last year, we got to play dodgeball with the teachers. It was so fun. In 10th grade art, Mrs. Shadle caught me eating something in class. She yelled my name like she was mad, but then she saw I was eating chips and salsa and burst into laughter. It has been a joke between us ever since. I liked getting blobbed off into the freezing cold water at senior retreat. We act like a family. We are a small school and we all know each other. We are all connected by being and learning about Catholics. The best part about Scotus is being able to be with your friends in a safe and educational environment every day. The student body makes Scotus unique how we act at events and show our school spirit. I like attending Scotus because I am around Scotus every day. The best part about Scotus is that you don't spell it with 'I', you spell it with 'us'. Mrs. Rusher brings life to Scotus. The best part about Scotus is all of the people that go here. Everyone is unique in their own way. I have made a difference at Scotus because I have increased the number of students by one. The families and people that come and support us in what we do. Mrs. Bomar is always there to help me when I need it. Everyone is fun to be around, including the teachers. People here always go 100%. Scotus is unique because we have the junior high with the high



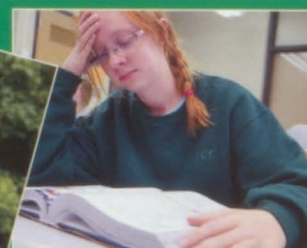
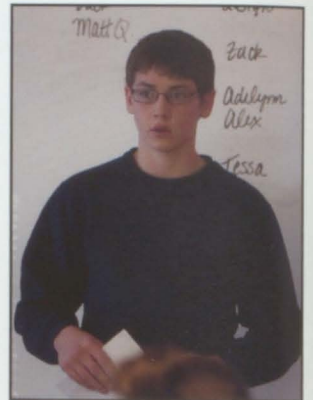
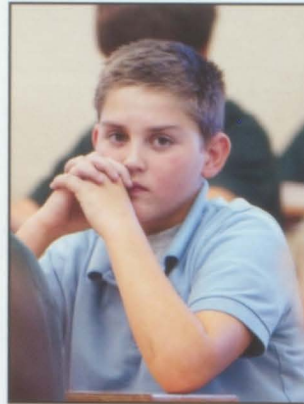
people

school. We are always striving for something better. "Good" isn't good enough! Scotus is always going for perfection. Mrs. Zanardi cares about everyone! And she knows how to get things done. The teachers that want to come and teach the young mind. We are the Shamrocks, which is Irish. John Durr Scotus was Scottish. ... We are having an identity crisis. Scotus is unique because we can join together at Mass as one family. Everyone at Scotus is always looking out for each other in everything we do. Scotus is unique because we bleed green. The best part about Scotus is the students and their happy smiles. People can go to school looking like absolute garbage and no one thinks twice about it. We are the Shamrocks and the only Shamrocks. Coming to school on Monday mornings and seeing the incredibly bright smiles and moods. What makes Scotus unique is how dedicated we all are. The crowds at the Scotus games are loud and proud. We all show up in green ready to fight. Everyone is supportive of each other. Mr. Ohnoutka has made a difference at Scotus to me by staying connected with students and understanding them and their situation. Cathy Hoops makes a difference because she feeds us and sometimes doesn't even get a thank you. I think that the personalities of the students and teachers at Scotus set it apart from other schools. Fr. Capadano is the new priest this year and he is awesome. These people make the school fun and it's like a new experience every time I come to school here. Our school spirit is leaps and bounds ahead of other schools. Scotus is unique because everyone knows each other here and is like a big family. I am always proud when I tell people I attend Scotus Central Catholic. Scotus is unlike any school in Columbus. Since we are such a small school, we are like one big happy family; I love that about Scotus and the people here.

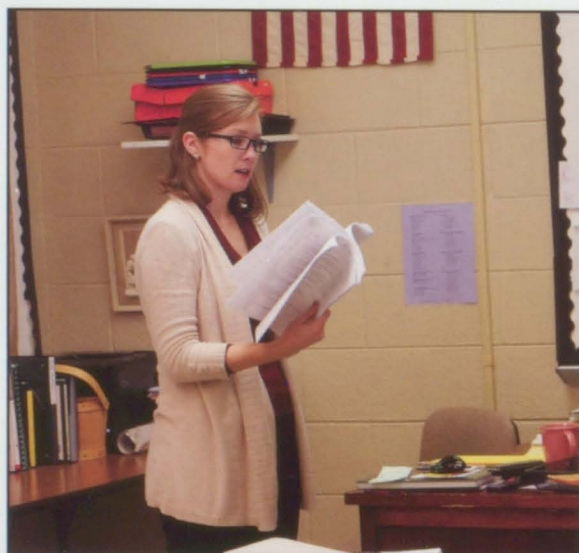


The new students get to start out the year with a fun class retreat. This helps them get a better view of the class that they are joining. This time also helps them open up and find new friends in the class. (top left) Junior Rojo Vazquez sits runs for the football during the junior retreat. (bottom left) Junior Olaya Rojo Vazquez sits at the head of the table during the junior lunch. (right) Senior Laura Moureau walks across the high beam at the senior retreat.

(top left, clockwise) Eighth grader Gabriel Carde takes a break from studying during study hall. Religion teacher Father Capadano focuses while trying to answer a question in his senior ethics class. Ninth grader Jacob Morse gives his English poem presentation. Junior Olaya Rojo Vazquez chases Lydia Schaecher during the junior class retreat.



Religion teacher Kelly Dineen hands out papers to her religion class. This was her first year of teaching. (right) Sophomore Emily Hand smiles at the camera after school.



Juniors Olaya Rojo Vazquez, Gabby Middendorf, Megan Parker and Mikayla Nienaber give each other piggy-back rides during the junior retreat.



Scotus has had many new students coming each year. This school year brought ten new students and six new faculty. Four of the new students were from Nebraska, and the other six were from the student exchange program.

Senior Karsta Stieglitz from Germany said, "This year is for my future. I can learn English fluently, and the best part is the new friends!"

One teacher also traveled far to come to Scotus.

Spanish teacher Luisa Perez said, "In Spain I taught English, and I spoke very little Spanish in class. Here I use a lot of English to help my students understand the Spanish grammar and vocabulary. There I had teenagers and adults. Here I only have teenagers."

Starting new brings hardships, but it also brings great joy.

Senior Laura Moureau says, "In Belgium, we finish school at 4:30 pm, so I finish earlier here. Discovering the different education at school was also really funny."

There are many small changes that bring joy to the new students.

Ninth grader Jacob Morse said, "There is a challenge to the work, and the people are welcoming."

fresh starts



Starting the Year



Karsta Stieglitz, 12

What was the hardest part of starting here?

"The time runs so fast. In Germany one class goes 90 minutes. Here a class goes only 41 minutes, and you have only 4 minutes to change the room. This is too fast. You are always running around."



Jolene Boesch, Music

What was the hardest part of starting here?

"The first year teaching is always difficult trying to get into a routine. Another hard part was moving away from some family and friends."

Laura Moureau, 12

What was different between your old school and Scotus?

"A period is 50 minutes and we have one hour for lunch: we can go out for lunch when we are in 5 or 6 years high school (so it's the same as junior, senior year)."



Kelly Dincen, Religion

What was different between your old school and Scotus?

"I student taught in two subject areas, so it's really nice to just focus on one thing here! Also, I think the students at Scotus seem much friendlier and happier."





Shelly Adams



Kris Andresen



Karen Beck



Andy Bierman



Joan Birchem



Julie Blaser



Jolene Boesch



Gail Bomar



Pat Brockhaus



Fr. Matt Capadano



Sherri Cerny



Wade Coulter



Kristen Cox



Jessi Cremers



Lindsay Dannelly



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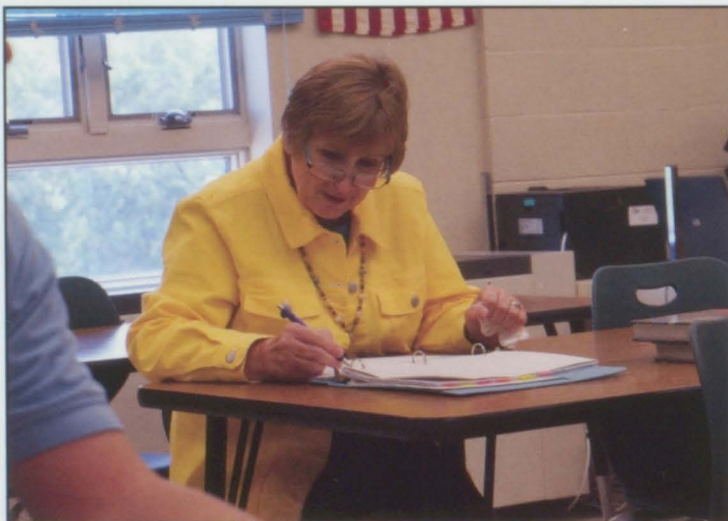
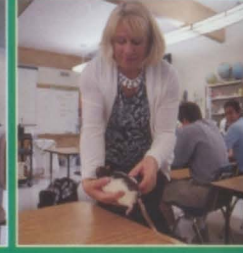
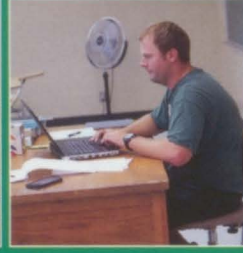
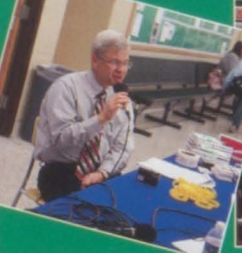
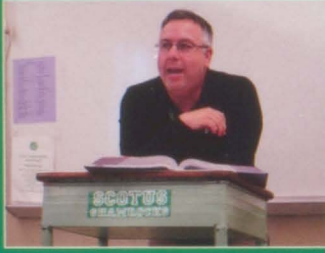
Deb Krumland



Jordan Kuzak



Joan Lahm



Spanish teacher Gail Bomar grades daily presentations. Bomar teaches Spanish III and IV. (right) Computer and business teacher Patti Salyard sells supplies from the accounting class' supply store. Students can go to the store to buy any supplies or snacks that they need for school.



Hidden Talents:

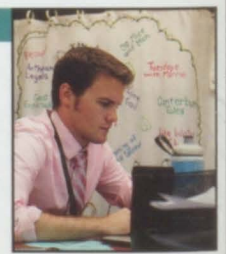


Mrs. Tooley, P.E.

"[I] twirled the fire baton in high school."

Mr. Kuzak, English

"I play the guitar?"



Mrs. Blaser, Math



"[I] played the trumpet for 12 years."



Merlin Lahm



Tyler Linder



Christina Lutchman



Danielle Masur



Peg Morfeld



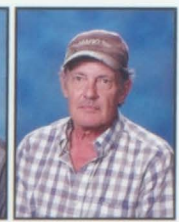
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Deb Ohnoutka



Jeff Ohnoutka



Larry Pallas



Luisa Perez



John Petersen



Cathy Podliska



Gary Puetz



Jarrod Ridder



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Angie Rusher



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Janet Tooley



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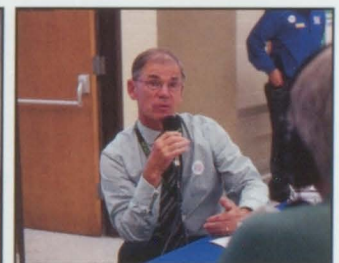
Becki Zanardi



Marge Zegar



faculty



Religion teacher Tyler Linder poses next to Pope Francis. Pope Francis travels along with Spirit Catholic Radio to all of their sites. (above) Fr. Capadano and President Wayne Morfeld are being interviewed by Spirit Catholic Radio. Spirit Catholic Radio came one morning from 6:30-9am and interviewed many staff members and students.

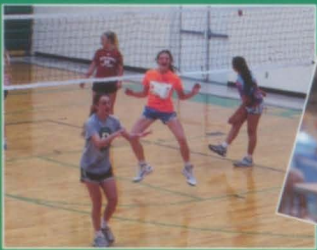
(below) Bible verses about "rocks" are on the windows of the study hall room to coincide with the school's mascot. (bottom right) The Jr. High students were the first to ever have the privilege of full lockers this past year due to fundraising. (top right) The third floor water fountain is seen to be a great addition as students are able to fill their water bottles much more efficiently.



Scotus isn't seen as a new school. The building has been up for over 125 years with only a few renovations to major structures around the school such as the new gym, so students are always eager to see new items coming about the school. Before the start of this school year, money from the annual Gala was donated for new, full lockers for the junior high hallways. The seventh and eighth graders were the first to see full lockers in their hallways.

In addition to the lockers, a new water fountain was added that makes life a little easier for students. The new fountain is the only of its kind around the school and is more efficient for students to fill their water bottles.

Mrs. Ohnoutka also thought it would be a good idea to remind students about the Shamrocks and used verses from the bible that have "rock" in it. These verses were put on the main study hall windows for students to walk by and read to remember the importance of the school like the rock in the bible.



young & reckless



Eighth graders Caden Pelan, Logan Bennett, Blaney Dreifurst, Julia Salerno, Colby Gilson, and Tyler Wurtz discuss their game plan during the volleyball tournament. (top right) Eighth grader Luke Bettenhausen throws up a backwards half court shot. (middle right) Eighth grader Bailey Christensen slings a dodgeball at fellow eighth grader Cheydon Puntney. (bottom right) Eighth grader Isaac McPhillips shoots a basket during the basketball tournament.

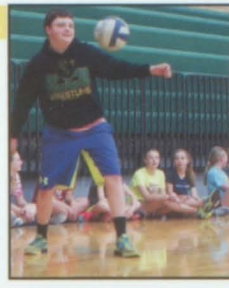
What was your favorite part about the lock-in?

Mattie Johnson, 8



"My favorite part was the dance! Adam Smith played my favorite song 'Yeah' by Usher."

Ryan Brandenburg, 7



"I like the advanced warfare game. It was the first time we got to play it, and it was more fun than a regular dodgeball game."

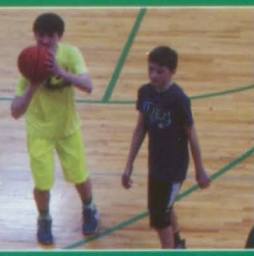
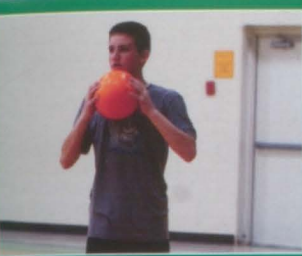
Brea Lassek, 7

"My favorite part was either the volleyball or advanced warfare tournament. Volleyball was at the beginning, so I had more energy. In advanced warfare, we got to play against the junior guys."



Elliot Thomazin, 8

"The whole thing overall was fun and tiring, but one of my favorite parts was showing a card trick to some juniors who had no idea what was going on."



To make the most of every weekend, kids will stay up as late as they can playing video games, watching Netflix, or having a few Mt. Dew's here or there to keep them awake. On April 1st the Junior High Fun Night didn't require video games or Netflix to keep the students awake and on their feet.

From 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Jr. High students got "locked-in" at Scotus to participate in various activities. The students had the choice to play volleyball, basketball, matball, advanced warfare, and even dance. All the activities kept the students on their feet and moving around and kept them awake throughout the night and into the next morning.

The Fun Night allowed the kids to have a good time together and even compete against one another in the multiple tournaments that were held.



Eighth grader Tara Kamrath and seventh grader Kate Smith throw a ball at one another during advanced warfare as seventh grader Elliot Thomazin watches. (top left) Seventh graders Kate Smith and Lauren Ostdiek dance in the cafeteria at the Lock-In. (middle left) Seventh grader Brock Clarke focuses on getting the ball over the net while serving. (bottom left) Seventh grader Tyler Palmer attempts to dunk the basketball during some free time in between activities.



Debanhi Adame-Hernandez



Jared Beaver



Sarah Bichlmeier



Alyson Bierman



Dalton Borchers



Kenzie Brandenburg



Ryan Brandenburg



Emmitt Broberg



Molly Carstens



Antonio Chavez Quiroga



Haylee Cielocha



Jacey Clarey



Brock Clarke



Cole Demuth



Collin Dreher



Tim Ehlers



MaKenzie Enderlin



Evan Hand



Henry Anthony Hernandez



Kyle Hiemer



McKenna Hoefer



Adam Kamrath



Rachael Lam



Brea Lassek



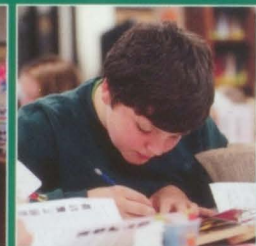
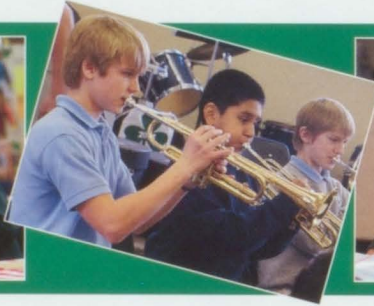
Morgan Littlefield



Sydney Martinsen



Allie Mielak



Seventh Grade Randomness:



Kyle Hiemer, 7

What were you most excited about when coming to Scotus?

"I was most excited about being able to make new friends in a new school."



Liza Zaruba, 7

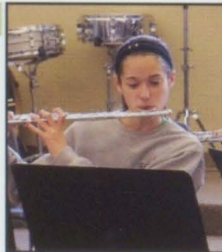
What is one thing you miss about grade school?

"The one thing I miss about grade school is recess."

MaKenzie Enderlin, 7

What would be the first thing you would do if you were Mr. Morfeld for a day?

"If I was Mr. Morfeld for a day, the first thing I would do is sit in the desk and yell at people for doing things wrong."



Jared Beaver, 7

What is your favorite school lunch? Why?

"My favorite lunch is country baked steak. I had it in grade school, and I always liked it."





Emily Miksch



Eric Mustard



Ava Newman



Austin O'Kane



Chloe Odbert



Lauren Ostdiek



Tyler Palmer



Colby Pieper



Levi Robertson



Kate Smith



Katelyn Stachura



Nick Taylor



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Samantha Tonniges



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Kaleb Wiese



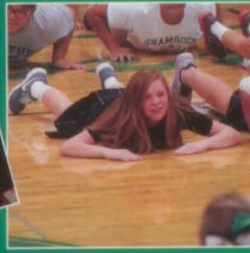
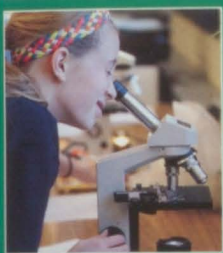
Liza Zaruba

A teacher's note from... Mrs. Morfeld

"The 7th grade has adjusted very well to the change of coming to Scotus. The first week they were a little apprehensive about changing classes and getting lockers open, but now they seem very excited to be at Scotus and like moving from class to class."

A teacher's note from... Mrs. Ohnoutka

"This class is unique in the way they all get along. In some classes there are very distinct groups. I have not seen that in this class. They all get along very well!"



seventh grade



Seventh graders Alyson Bierman and Haylee Cielocha work on homework in the media center. Students are able to study in the media center during study hall. (above) A few seventh grade girls smile for the camera at the Accelerated Reader party in the media center at the end of the year. Students who completed AR every quarter could attend the pizza and movie night.



Logan Afrank



Isaac Aguilera



Hannah Allen



Zack Beiermann



Logan Bennett



Luke Bettenhausen



Slayde Bittner



Sam Blaser



Emma Brandt



Gabriel Carde



Shirley Cardenas



Bailey Christensen



Inri Dimas



Blaney Dreifurst



Prestyn Engel



Kelsey Faust



Callan Fuchser



Colby Gilson



Mario Gutierrez



Rebekah Hergott



Jaden Hollmann



Caitlin Hottovy



Logan Johnson



Mattie Johnson



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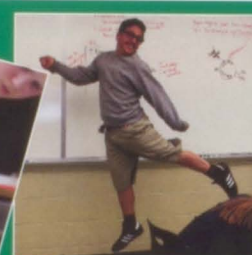
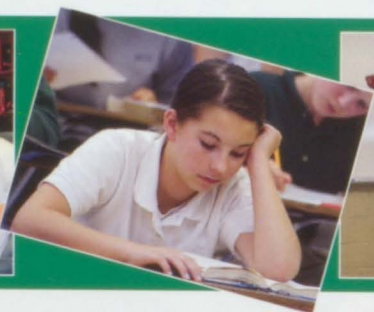


Olivia Lyons



Isaac McPhillips

eighth grade



Eighth grade boys Elliot Thomazin, Isaac Ostdiek, Sam Blaser, Lucas Schaecher, Drew Zaruba, Collin Podolak, and Nathan Schumacher cheer on the cross country teams at state. Six of the seven boys were involved in cross country this year.





Jackson Neville



Sean O'Hearn



Rylie Olson



Isaac Ostdiek



Hallie Parker



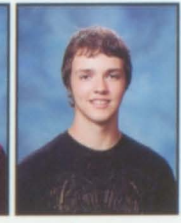
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Natalie Semin



Grant Shanle



Evan Sliva



Abigail Stuart



Emily Stutzman



Maddie Suerper



Elliot Thomazin



Carter Thorson



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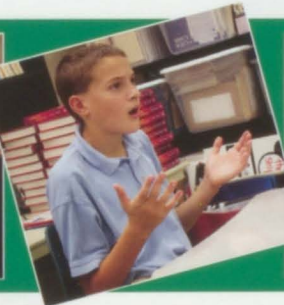
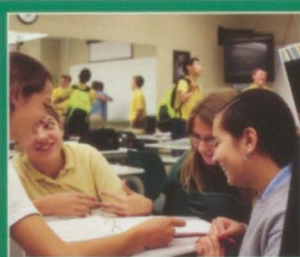
Libbie Zeller



Abbie Zoucha

A teacher's note from... Mr. Coulter

"Paraphrasing Forrest Gump would best describe the eighth grade on a day to day basis: 'They're like a box of chocolates; you never know what you're going to get.'"



Eighth Grade Randomness:



Elliot Thomazin, 8

"If I were invisible for a day, I would run around school scaring teachers by taking their books and running away. This would scare them because there would be random, floating books in the middle of the hallways."



Nathan Schumacher, 8

"One bad habit of mine is always leaving the refrigerator open. One time I left it open for an hour; almost all the food was spoiled."

Tara Kamrath, 8

"One main bad habit of mine is procrastinating when it comes to my drawings, writings, and sometimes reading as well."



Hallie Parker, 8

"If I were invisible for a day, I would mess with people! I would pretend to be the Scotus ghost."





Wren Allen Chase Andresen Elley Beaver Grant Bettenhausen Matthew Bichlmeier Ellie Bock Shania Borchers Tessa Bridger Natalie Brutty



Emily Carstens Charles Case Trey Dallman Nathan Donoghue Kaitlyn Enderlin Maggie Feehan Austyn Follette Jared Gaspers Aaron Gonka



Noah Greisen Kayla Hall Tabitha Henke Josh Hergott Calen Hinze Lizzie Hoppe Carson Hottovy Brandon Huynh Ashley Jakubowski



Tisa Kasik Trevor Kaslon Madison Kerkman Kyle Kobza Colson Kosch Brock Kracman Jadyen Larsen Bryan Littlefield Tyler Miksch

ninth grade



Freshmen students Maggie Feehan, Kayla Hall, Calen Hinze, and Faith Przymus socialize in the hallway before school. After junior high, the freshmen transitioned from the third floor hall lockers to the second floor full lockers.





Jacob Morse



Alyssa Morton



Logan Mueller



Maddie Neville



Adelynn Newman



Jake Novicki



Winston Obal



Grace Odbert



Alex Preister



Faith Przymus



Matt Quinn



Zackery Quinn



Morgan Rinkol



Jenna Salerno



Landon Sokol



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Allison Starzec



Caitlin Steiner



Matt Strecker



Anna Swope



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Trevor Vaught



Alaina Wallick



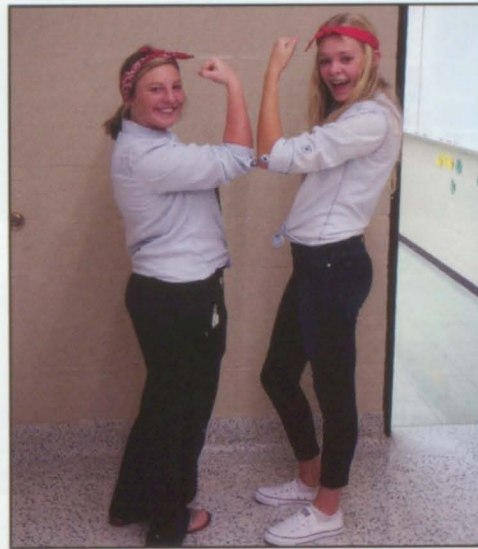
Grace Wickham



Kendra Wiese



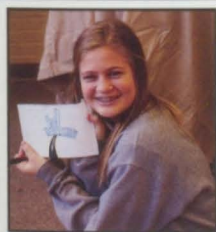
Kelli Williams



Freshmen students Maddie Neville and Madison Kerkman pose for the camera during homecoming week. They were dressed as Rosie the Riveter for historical day.

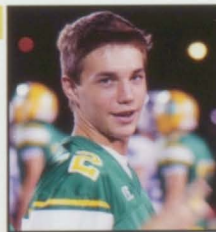


Ninth Grade Randomness:



Caitlin Steiner, 9

"If the world was going to end, I would bring glitter; my after life should sparkle."



Carson Hottovy, 9

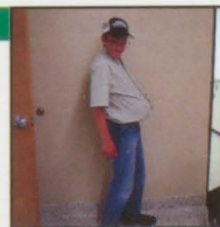
"The four things that I would take with me if the world was going to end are money to buy a cellphone, a couch, blankets, and a car."

Jenna Salerno, 9



"If the world was going to end, I would bring my cellphone, a solar-powered charger, a knife to get food, and chocolate."

Grant Battenhausen, 9



"I have a phobia of small holes with objects in them."



Bruce Bai Emerson Belitz Tyler Brandenburg Jessica Buhman Alvaro Camera Llano Itzel Chilapa Evan Chohon Matt Czukker Kira Dreher



Haley Faust Courtney Flint Adam Foreman Ashley Foreman Bennett Frewing Wyatt Gutzmer Mitchell Halligan Trevor Halligan Emily Hand

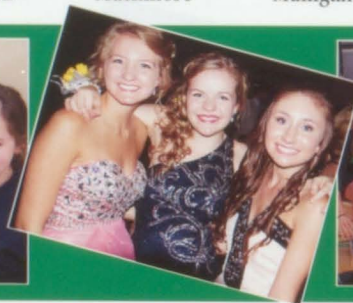


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Eli Merrill Hannah Mielak Brady Miller Cody Mroczek Dillon Muchmore Jared Mulligan Layton Mullinix Chase Newman Mallory O'Hearn

tenth grade



Sophomore students prepare for the school day in the hallway early in the morning. The tenth graders share the science wing with the juniors.





Seamus O'Hearn Megan Ohnoutka Nathan Ostdiek Duncan Paczosa Amberly Parker Abbie Perault Brooke Podolak Crystal Rinkol Riley Roddy



Emma Ruskamp Sam Schacher Natalie Schaecher Megan Schumacher Cassie Seckel Maddie Sinovic Hunter Smith Will Sonderman Anthony Sprunk



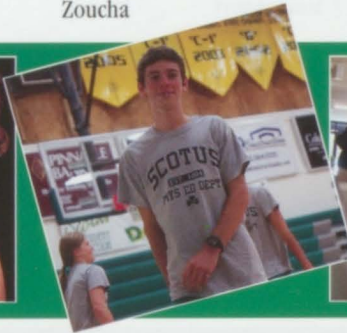
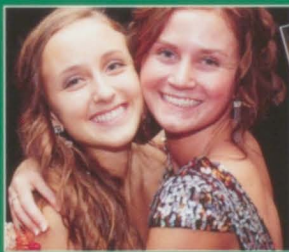
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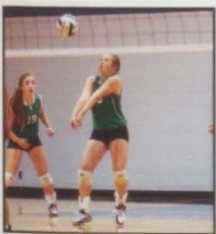
Jeffrey Wheelock Alayna Wilson Chelsy Zimmerman Alison Zoucha

A teacher's note from... Mrs. Tooley

"They have fun in class- they participate great and make sure everyone is included."



Something I can't go a day without...



Amberly Parker, 10

"...braiding my hair at least twice."

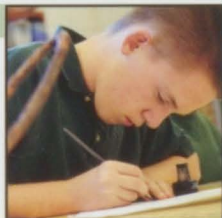


Zach Svehla, 10

"...eating breakfast."

Trevor Halligan, 10

"...watching T.V."



Emerson Bolitz, 10

"...listening to my music."





Jennifer Belsan



Quinn Blaser



Ross Bonk



Jake Bos



Mason Brandenburg



Bailey Braun



Courtney Brockhaus



Justin Brockhaus



Natalie Chappell



Victor Corral



Marcus Dodson



Marshall Dreifurst



Leah Engquist



Emily Fehring



Alec Foltz



Julian Fritz



Carson Fuchser



Boston Goodrich



Seth Gutzmer



Jared Hanson



Cole Harrington



Amy Heusinkvelt



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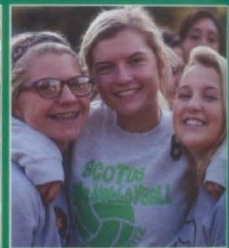
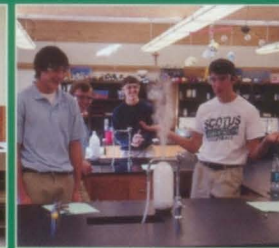


Khang Nguyen



Mikayla Nienaber

elevanth grade



Members of the junior class carry their classmates across the room during their class retreat in September. The boys went up against the girls to see who could get their entire group to the other side the fastest.





Samuel Novicki Caleb Ostdiek Megan Parker Baeley Pelster Maeghan Pieper Braden Przymus Kaleb Puntney Miles Putnam Olivia Rath



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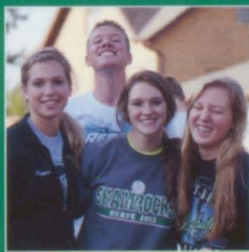
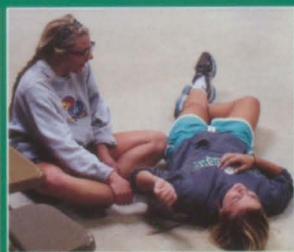
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Anna Wickham Kelsey Wiehn Jacob Wright Emma Zeller Justin Zoucha

A teacher's note from... Mr. Ohnoutka

"I enjoy the different personalities in the class. They are fun to work with and many times are the highlight of my day...yes, it's true. Hope I don't regret that!"



If you were stranded on an island with one teacher/coach, who would it be?



Alec Foltz, 11

"Mr. Swanson because he tells me he really likes me, and he also says that he sees himself in me."



Mikayla Nienaber, 11

"Father Capadano because I feel like he could ask God for a Divine Intervention and save us...I feel like he has his sources."

Gabby Middendorf, 11

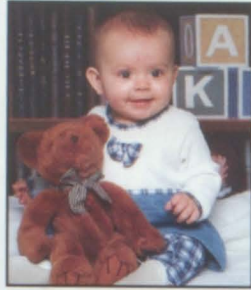


"Mr. Lahm because he's so smart, and if someone tried to divide by zero, he would know what to do."

Alyson Stuart, 11

"Mrs. Dusel because she is overly smart and could probably make anything she wanted with all of the chemicals in her room."





Joslynn Afrank

Joslynn Afrank

"I'm most embarrassed to participate in the fanny pack, yoga pants, and the boots trend right now."

Abby Allen

Abigail Allen

"I'm not embarrassed by my fashion trends because I've always loved vintage clothing. Some styles are just timeless."



Hillsdale College

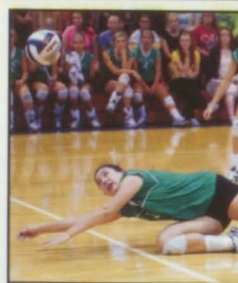
what fashion trend are you most embarrassed about participating in?



(clockwise) Senior Chris Beon poses for a photo on vacation. The St. Anthony girls take a picture with their teacher. The St. Bonaventure girls celebrate their First Communion.



University of Nebraska-Kearney



Abbie Alt

Abbie Alt

"Gacho pants."

Jaimee Beauvais

Jaimee Beauvais

"In junior high, I read that gold and copper tones were complimentary to blue eyes and were all the rage. I didn't know how to do makeup well, so for months I wore solid gold eyeshadow seriously caked on my eyes."



Gonzaga University

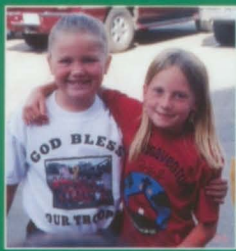
Creighton University



Allie Anderson

Allie Anderson

"I'm embarrassed about how I would wear a grey, blue, or green sweatshirt with a plaid skirt or khaki or navy pants."



Wayne State College



Allison Beiermann

Allison Beiermann

"Army pants and flip flops."

Chris Beon

Chris J. Beon

"I try to keep the exact same hair style, but some people told me that I have a different hair style everyday."



University of Nebraska-Lincoln



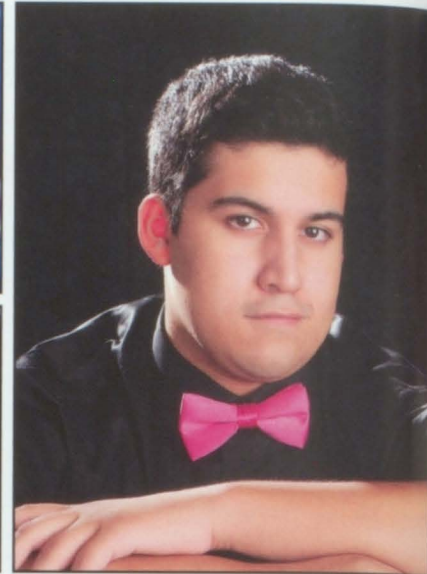
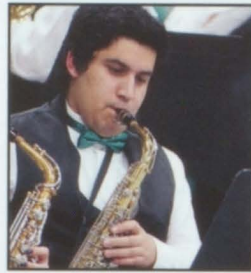
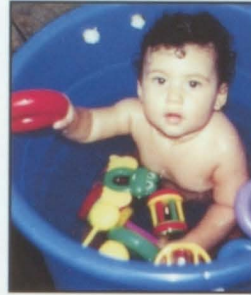
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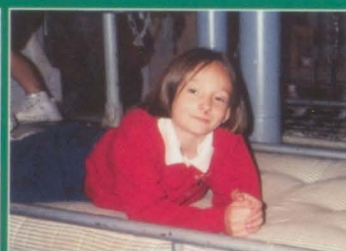
"Mrs. Bomar, because I enjoy talking about Grey's Anatomy with her."

Queze Campos

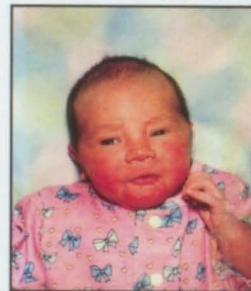
"Father Capadano. I spend 3rd period with him everyday. He is the best priest ever."



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The junior high track team poses for a picture after junior high state track.



Fallon Case

Fallon Case

"I will miss everyone that I know from school. I'll miss my friends and teachers that were all there for me when I needed help."

Carly Cremers

Carly Cremers

"Mrs. Cox, she has always been an amazing music teacher that has taught me the value of music. She can always make me smile, and she cares immensely for every student."



Hastings College

University of Nebraska-Lincoln



Lucas Cox

Lucas Cox

"My mommy, I get to see her everyday in band. Next year it will be a lot different. It will be a change, and I will miss her."

who will you miss
the most from
high school?



University of Nebraska-Lincoln



Jared Donoghue

Jared Donoghue

"Carly Fehring and her angel eyes."

Jared Duren

Jared Duren

"Elizabeth, because she always helps me study for math quizzes."



University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Iowa Western Community College



Jordan Engel

Jordan Engel

"Placing 1st in the GICC JV Golf Invite sophomore year because it was a big accomplishment."

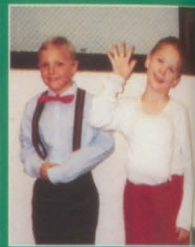
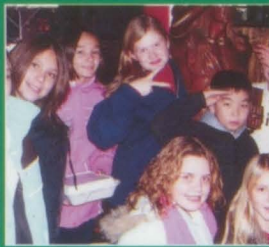
Carly Fehringer

Carly Fehringer

"Winning a state championship in cross country in 2012 and having a crush on Nate O."



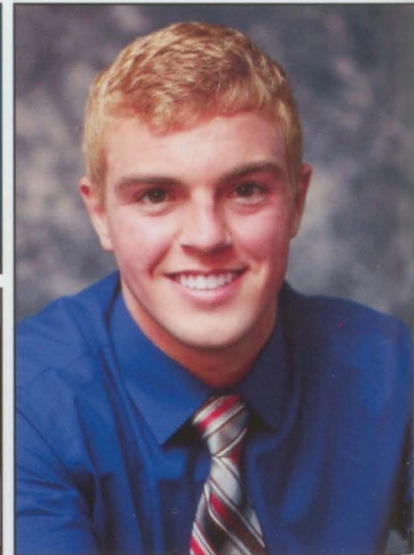
Seattle University



Scotus junior girls pose together before their first prom.
(right) St. Isidore's history day students get together for a picture while in Washington D.C.



University of Nebraska-Omaha



Jaime Gasper

Jaime Gasper

"Every Friday at 3:35 because of the weekend, but especially the one time junior year when Kelsey Kessler said hi to me - it was magical."

Nieve Johnson

Nieve Johnson

"Winning district golf this year because it was a huge accomplishment in my golfing career. I knew I could do it, so it felt amazing to finally do it."



University of Nebraska-Omaha

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Riley Gilson

Riley Gilson

"The moment I got 4th at state wrestling. It was the hardest thing I ever worked for...besides getting a girlfriend."



if you could relive one moment from high school, what would it be?

Nebraska Wesleyan University



Kelly Kamrath

Kelly Kamrath

"Painting the backdrop for prom. It was very fun to do. Watching it become close to being done as I worked on it was a very rewarding experience. Seeing the final result and being able to go 'Wow, I painted that' was really neat."

Kelsey Kessler

Kelsey Kessler

"Winning a state championship in cross country in 2013 and having a crush on Cody Mo."



California State University of Long Beach



Chase Korger

Chase Korger

"Surprisingly, all the lessons that I learned, and all the memories I made with my friends."

Hannah Krings

"I became close friends with a lot of girls who I wasn't friends with other years. I'm definitely going to miss them."



Central Community College

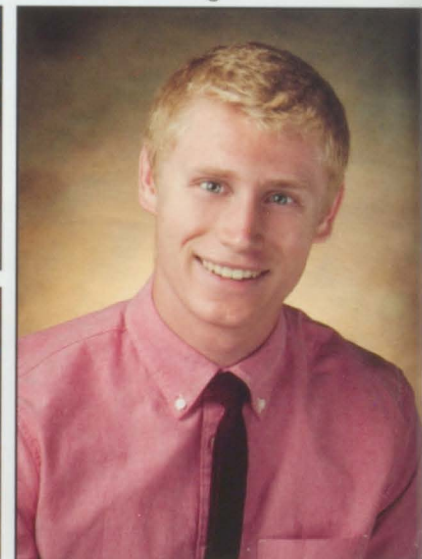
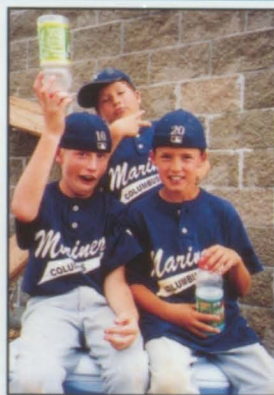
when you look back at scotus, what will you remember most?



Benedictine College



Fifth grade boys' basketball pose after a successful tournament. (top) Sixth grade girls pose after a Shamrock Shooters game. (top right) Seniors Grant Lahm, Noah Schacher, and Tyler Morton take a Mariners baseball picture. (right) Senior Chase Korger hurdles at the sixth grade track and field day.



Grant Lahm

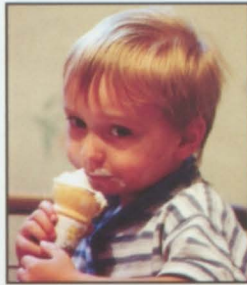
Grant Lahm

"I'll remember the relationships and friendships that molded me into the person I am today."

Spencer Lechner

Spencer Lechner

"Watching SNL in Father Capadano's room."



Union College

University of Nebraska-Lincoln



Callyn Larsen

Callyn Larsen

"What I will remember most is probably how many times I tripped or fell on the stairs."



University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Mac Mapes

Mac Mapes

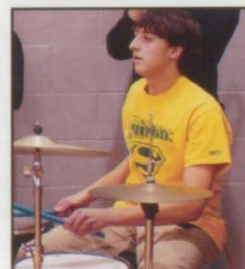
"Getting pulled over when Cade stuck his head out of my sunroof to wave at the XC bus after state; we received a verbal warning."



Eduardo Lopez

Eduardo Lopez

"Starting on the basketball team. We were undefeated whenever I played."



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Tyler Morton

Tyler Morton

"I hope to be graduated from college, have a good, well paying job with a wife thinking about a family."

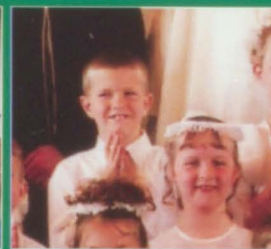
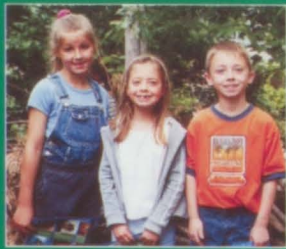
Laura Moureau

Laura Moureau

"I see myself as a journalist in Belgium and will be surrounded by my family and friends; maybe I'll come to the U.S. to do documentaries here."



Institut des Hautes Études des Communications Sociales



where do you see yourself in ten years?

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

(bottom, clockwise)
The St. Bonaventure second grade boys pose for a photo after their First Communion. Senior Tyler Morton smiles for a photo before his first day of school. Seniors Elizabeth Preister and Justina Wemhoff sit on a turtle at the zoo.



Alex Pandorf

Alex Pandorf

"Doing what makes me happy."

Theodore Paprocki

Theodore Paprocki

"Being successful in the career path I choose for myself."



Central Community College

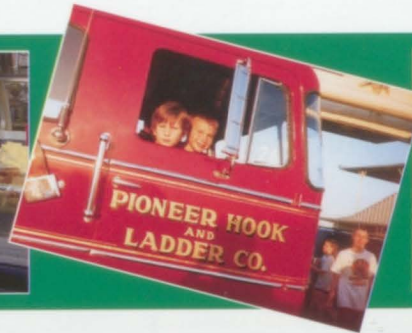
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Trevor Pandorf

Trevor Pandorf

"I want to be making art either as a career or at least as a hobby."



Central Community College



Trevor Placzek

Trevor Placzek

"I see myself either in the military or in law enforcement."

Elizabeth Preister

Elizabeth Preister

"I see myself graduated from college with a degree in speech and language pathology."



St. Mary's College at Notre Dame



Tori Rinkol

Tori Rinkol

"Respect upperclassmen. Don't park in senior row."

Ryan Ruskamp

Ryan Ruskamp

"Don't take the sports you play for granted."



Nebraska Wesleyan University



What are some words of advice you would like to leave for the people of scotus?



After an outing at former Scotus student Joey Nyffeler's farm, a group of boys pose for a picture with their guns. (right) A group of girls get together for a picture at Carly Cremer's birthday party.



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Noah Schacher

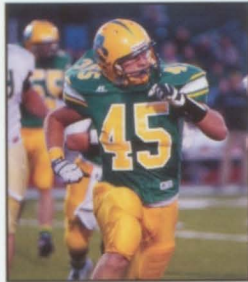
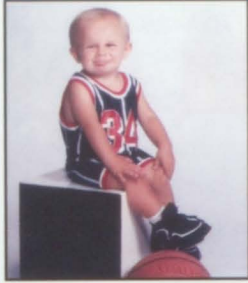
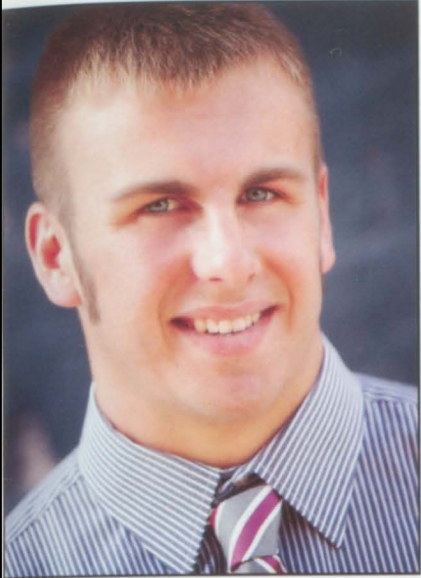
Noah Schacher

"Share your sparkle with the world."

Garrit Shanle

Garrit Shanle

"Go out for the musical! I regret not doing it every year before my senior year. Participate in a sport every season. You're only in high school once."



Morningside College

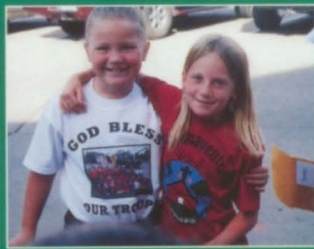
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Jessica Schaecher

Jessica Schaecher

"Make the most of your high school experience; it goes by way too fast."



University of Nebraska-Kearney



Sarah Slegl

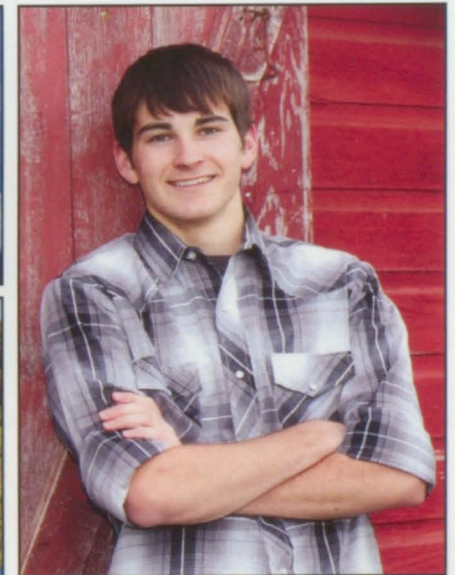
Sarah Slegl

"Remember that you are young; it's okay not to be perfect."

Joe Sonderman

Joe Sonderman

"Don't be afraid to try new things."



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Shannon Spulak

Shannon Spulak

"Besides a few haircuts and highlights, my outward appearance hasn't changed much. I still look like me!"

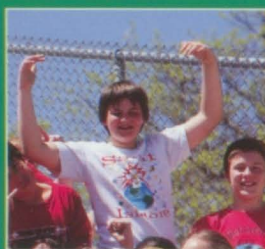
Adam Starzec

Adam Starzec

"My strong dislike for English class."



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what do you feel has not changed about you since junior high?

Staatliches Bildungszentrum Weimar



St. Isidore's kids who participated in the NEED program travel to Washington D.C.



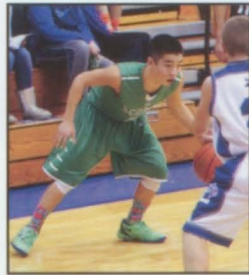
Karsta Stieglitz

Karsta Stieglitz

"My big dreams, my will, ambition, sense of humor, my love for my family, and my love to dance."

Toby Tooley

"My height."



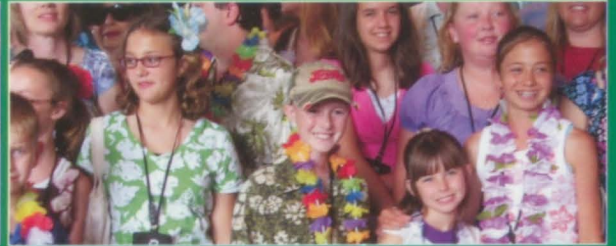
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Southeast Community College



Keaton Swanson

"My love for pop."



Midland University



Amme Walnofer

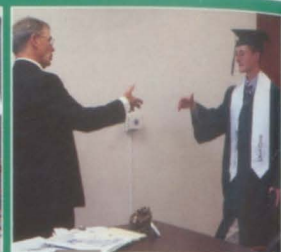
"My height."

Justina Wemhoff

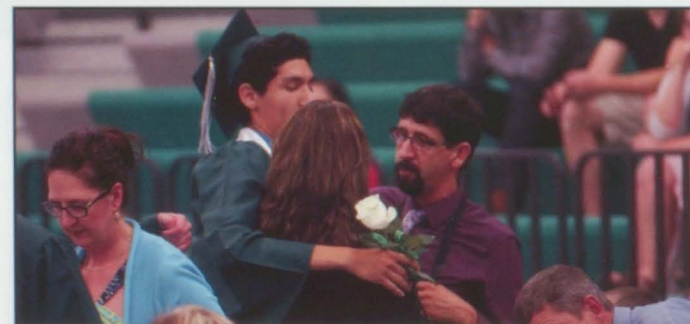
"I have always treated people the way I want to be treated, with kindness and respect! I believe in the best of people."



Central Community College



Seniors Kelly Kamrath, Trevor Pandorf, Chase Korgor, and Eduardo Lopez give roses to their mothers during the graduation ceremony. The rose ceremony takes place while the class song plays.



Senior class president Jared Duren welcomes the audience. (right) Senior Justina Wernhoff gives the scripture reading. (far right) Senior Carly Cremers reads the intercessions.



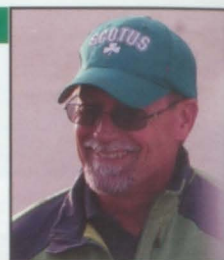
What is one piece of advice for the graduating class?



Mr. Kuszak, English

"In college, you will have many newfound freedoms- the freedom to be apathetic is not one of them. Care about stuff!"

Mr. Lahm, Math



"There is nothing more important than the quality and character of the people with whom you surround yourself."



Mr. Brockhaus, Social Science

"All the academic and athletic honors are great, but it comes down to how we treat one another. We will be remembered by how we treat others. It's okay to laugh, cry, say please and thank you, and I'm sorry. Rely on God!"

Mrs. Lahm, Science

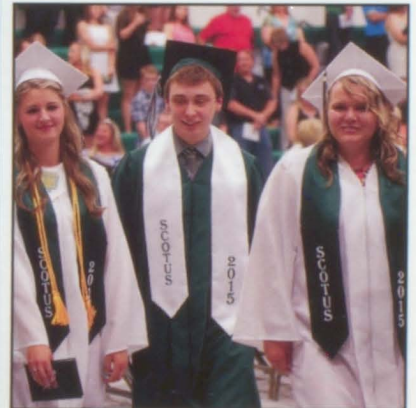


"Try your best to follow the Golden Rule- Jesus is always right."

a new beginning



(counter clockwise) Seniors laugh at a joke that was said by Fr. Capadano. Seniors Kelly Kamrath and Kelsey Kessler giggle with each other. The senior Shamrock Singers perform a song they prepared. The senior class smiles intently at a joke made by Fr. Capadano. The graduates move their tassels after receiving their diplomas. Seniors Justina Wemhoff, Spencer Lechner, and Callyn Larsen process out of the ceremony.



Graduation comes as a time for great emotions. It is bittersweet for the graduates, knowing that their class will never all be together again. At the same time, it is exciting as it is a time to look forward to the beginning of their new lives.

“During the ceremony, I was feeling very proud and accomplished and ready to take on the world. This changed after I had to give my parents the flower,” senior Carly Fehringer said.

The seniors have the opportunity to give the class flower to their parents while the senior song plays.

“I got the most emotional when we were giving the flowers to our parents. Everybody was crying, and I felt really emotional to see the senior class like that,” senior Laura Moureau added.

As the seniors start this new journey after high school, there are many things to look forward to.

Senior Jessica Schaecher concluded, “I am excited about being able to start a new chapter in my life and being able to meet new people.”

seventh grade football



First Row: Brock Clarke, Austin O'Kane, Connor Wiehn, Evan Hand, Drew VunCannon, Antonio Chavez Quiroga, Nick Taylor, Collin Dreher
Second Row: Levi Robertson, Cole Demuth, Dalton Borchers, Ryan Brandenburg, Tyler Palmer, Kaleb Wiese, Colby Pieper, Jared Beaver, Eric Mustard

eighth grade football



First Row: Gabriel Carde, Caden Pelan, Zack Beiermann, Tyler Wurtz, Bailey Christensen, Colby Gilson, Evan Silva
Second Row: Prestyn Engel, Konner Kudron, Mario Gutierrez, Grant Shanie, Abram Perault, Aaron Peterson, Logan Afrank, Sean O'Hearn, Jackson Neville

freshmen football



First Row: Colson Kosch, Wren Allen, Alec Preister, Nathan Donoghue, Calen Hinze
Second Row: Chase Andresen, Josh Hergott, Brandon Huynh, Tyler Miksch, Kyle Kobza, Logan Mueller
Third Row: Jake Novicki, Carson Hottovy, Landon Sokol, Matt Strecker, Charles Case

girls' golf



First Row: Elizabeth Preister, Abby Allen, Nieve Johnson, Justina Wernhoff
Second Row: Alaina Wallick, Emerson Belitz, Emily Carstens
Third Row: Kaitlyn Enderlin, coach Tanya Niedbalski, Maddie Neville, Megan Parker

varsity football

First Row: Student coach Noah Tworek, coach Wade Coulter, coach Chris Mustard, coach Roger Krienke, coach Jay Pelan, coach Tyler Linder, coach Kim Grubbaugh, coach Tanner Johnson, coach Chad Gonka, coach Jarrod Ridder, student coach Trevor Halligan
Second Row: Calen Hinze, Ryan Ruskamp, Jeffrey Wheelock, Nathan Tworek, Baeley Pelster, River Liebig, Tanner Spencer, Jared Duren, Chase Newman, Dillon Muchmore, Colson Kosch
Third Row: Alex Preister, Cole Harrington, Jacob Wright, Alec Foltz, Jon Lovell, Jared Donoghue, Adam Foreman, Jake Bos, Justin Zoucha, Grant Lahm, Wren Allen
Fourth Row: Logan Mueller, Will Sonderman, Caleb Ostdiek, Marcus Dodson, Jaime Gasper, Duncan Paczosa, Anthony Kosch, Lucas Cox, Mitchell Halligan, Brady Przymus, Nathan Donoghue
Fifth Row: Kyle Kobza, Evan Chohon, Quinn Blaser, Riley Gilson, Ryan Mustard, Wyatt Gutzmer, Ross Bonk, Carson Fuchser, Adam Starzec, Chase Andresen
Sixth Row: Jackson Kumpf, Darin Rinkol, Tate VunCannon, Trevor Placzek, Dalton Taylor, Seth Gutzmer, Sam Novicki, Chase Korgor, Garrit Shanley
Seventh Row: Josh Hergott, Jake Novicki, Carson Hottovy, Landon Sokol, Matt Strecker, Charles Case, Brandon Huynh, Tyler Miksch



seventh grade volleyball



First Row: Haylee Cielocha, Rachael Lam, Samantha Tonniges, Allie Mielak, Chloe Odbert, Emily Miksch, Liza Zaruba
Second Row: Katelyn Stachura, Sarah Bichmeier, MaKenzie Enderlin, Ava Newman, Brea Lassek, Kate Smith, Kenzie Brandenburg
Third Row: Sydney Martinsen, McKenna Hoefler, Morgan Littlefield, Jaycee Ternus, Lauren Ostdiek, Jacey Clarey, Alyson Bierman

freshman volleyball



First Row: Kelli Williams
Second Row: Kayla Hall, Jadyln Larsen, Kendra Wiese
Third Row: Grace Odbert, Grace Wickham, Madison Kerkman, Maggie Feehan, McKenna Spencer
Fourth Row: Elley Beaver, Jadyln Taylor, Shania Borchers, coach Julie Blaser, Allison Starzec, Alyssa Morton, Lizzie Hoppe

varsity volleyball



First Row: Allie Johnson, Abbie Alt, Allison Beiermann, Kelsey Wiehn
Second Row: Hannah Thomazin, Courtney Brockhaus, Maeghan Pieper, Kimberly Stutzman, Sarah Schumacher
Third Row: Cassie Seckel, coach Joe Held, coach Julie Blaser, coach Danielle Bender, Courtney Labenz, Tatem Vance
Fourth Row: Bailey Honold, Alyssa Kuta, Morgan Thorson

eighth grade volleyball



First Row: Mattie Johnson, Kelsey Faust, Kendra Korger, Julia Salerno, Emily Stutzman, Blaney Dreifurst, Bailey Lehr
Second Row: Mariah Pelster, Natalie Semin, Maddie Sueper, Logan Bennett, Rylie Olson, Abbie Zoucha
Third Row: Callan Fuchser, Mira Liebig, Courtney Kosch, Rebekah Hergott, Caitlin Hottovy, Shirley Cardenas

junior varsity volleyball



First Row: Amberly Parker, Bailey Honold, Haley Faust, Mallory O'Hearn, Naomi Kosch
Second Row: Abbie Perault, Emma Strecker, coach Danielle Bender, Hannah Mielak, Megan Schumacher
Third Row: Cassie Seckel, Hannah Thomazin, Allie Johnson, Courtney Flint, Kelsey Wiehn, Jessica Buhman, Alison Zoucha, Ashley Foreman, Tatem Vance

boys' tennis



First Row: Brady Miller
Second Row: Matthew Bichmeier, Matt Hoenk, Noah Schacher, Dana Hoppe, Zach Svehla

girls' cross country



First Row: Kelsey Kessler, Carly Fehringer, Jessica Schaecher, Jaimee Beauvais
Second Row: Lydia Schaecher, Itzel Chilapa, Amy Heusinkvelt
Third Row: Coach Amy Sokol, Emily Fehringer, Kaylee Tonniges, Mikayla Nienaber, Jennifer Belsan, Jessica Lahm, coach Merlin Lahm

boys' cross country



First Row: Eduardo Lopez, Toby Tooley, Joseph Sonderman, Mac Mapes
Second Row: Aaron Gonka, Nathan Ostdiek, Tyler Brandenburg, Mason Brandenburg, Mason Ulmer, Jared Hanson, Austin Svehla
Third Row: Coach Amy Sokol, Nathan Hiemer, Austyn Follette, Anthony Sprunk, Cody Mroczek, Justin Brockhaus, Adam Smith, coach Merlin Lahm

junior high cross country



First Row: Coach Merlin Lahm, Collin Podolak, Sam Blaser, Lucas Schaecher, Elliot Thomazin, Nathan Schumacher, Drew Zaruba, coach Amy Sokol

softball



First Row: Tessa Bridger, Megan Ohnoutka, Natalie Bratty
Second Row: Emily Hand, Anna Swope, Tabitha Henke, Ellie Bock
Third Row: Marika Spencer, Hannah Krings, Savannah Robertson

wrestling



First Row: Jeffrey Wheelock, Dillon Muchmore, manager Khang Nguyen, Kyle Kobza, Calen Hinze
Second Row: Wren Allen, Chase Newman, River Liebig, Will Sonderman, Alec Foltz, Layton Mullinix, Tyler Brandenburg
Third Row: Coaches Rod Bos, DJ Brandenburg, Gary Schlesinger, Tracy Dodson, Cory Honold, Gaylen Kamrath
Fourth Row: Riley Gilson, Wyatt Gutzmer, Seth Gutzmer, Marcus Dodson, Charles Case

junior high wrestling



First Row: Antonio Chavez Quiroga, Collin Podolak, Nick Taylor, Emmitt Broberg, Prestyn Engel
Second Row: Evan Hand, Bailey Christensen, Evan Silva, Colby Gilson, Daniel Tworek
Third Row: Jackson Neville, Tyler Palmer, Ryan Brandenburg, Cole Demuth
Fourth Row: Coaches Rod Bos, Gary Schlesinger, DJ Brandenburg

boys' varsity basketball



First Row: Nathan Ostdiek, Cole Harrington, Anthony Kosch, Justin Brockhaus, Grant Lahm, Toby Tooley
Second Row: Quinn Blaser, Jackson Kumpf, Miles Putnam, Dalton Taylor, Cody Mroczek, Tate VunCannon, Garrit Shanle, not pictured: Eduardo Lopez

girls' varsity basketball



First Row: Jessica Lahm, Jessica Schaecher, Kelsey Kessler, Emily Fehringer
Second Row: Grace Wickham, Sarah Schumacher, Allie Johnson, Anna Wickham, Grace Odbert
Third Row: Manager Adelynn Newman, Emma Strecker, Shania Borchers, Morgan Thorson, Kendra Wiese, Marika Spencer, Eastyn Klink, manager Alison Zoucha

boys' jv basketball



First Row: Cole Harrington, Evan Chohon, Matt Strecker, Duncan Paczosa, Anthony Kosch, Nathan Ostdiek
Second Row: Quinn Blaser, Samuel Novicki, Trevor Kaslon, Tate VunCannon, Justin Brockhaus

girls' jv basketball



First Row: Eastyn Klink, Abbie Perault, Emily Fehringer, Grace Wickham
Second Row: Emma Strecker, Hannah Mielak, Anna Wickham, manager Alison Zoucha
Third Row: Naomi Kosch, Kendra Wiese, Grace Odbert, Jessica Lahm
Fourth Row: Emily Hand, Shania Borchers, Marika Spencer, Jessica Buhman, Kaylee Tonniges

boys' freshmen basketball



First Row: Matthew Bichmeier, Nathan Donoghue, Logan Mueller, Colson Kosch
Second Row: Carson Höttovy, Matt Strecker, Trevor Kaslon, Jacob Morse, Jake Novicki

girls' freshmen basketball



First Row: Shania Borchers, Marika Spencer, Jady Taylor
Second Row: Kayla Hall, Maggie Feehan, Elley Beaver, Alyssa Morton, Madison Kerkman, Kendra Wiese
Third Row: Grace Wickham, Grace Odbert, manager Adelynn Newman, Jady Larsen, Faith Przymus

seventh grade basketball



First Row: Ava Newman, Katelyn Stachura, Liza Zaruba, Samantha Tonniges, Jaycee Ternus, MaKenzie Enderlin, McKenna Hoefer
Second Row: Sydney Martinsen, Allie Mielak, Haylee Cielocha, Kate Smith, Lauren Ostdiek, Brea Lassek, Chloe Odbert

seventh grade basketball



First Row: Drew VunCannon, Adam Kamrath, Levi Robertson, Antonio Chavez Quiroga, Eric Mustard, Tyler Palmer, Dalton Borchers
Second Row: Tim Ehlers, Cole Demuth, Kaleb Wiese, Jared Beaver, Connor Wiehn

eighth grade basketball



First Row: Mira Liebig, Julia Salerno, Kendra Korger, Jaden Hollmann, Caitlin Hottovy
Second Row: Natalie Semin, Abbie Zoucha, Emily Stutzman, Logan Bennett, Courtney Kosch, Mattie Johnson
Third Row: Blaney Dreifurst, Shirley Cardenas, Bailey Lehr, Emma Brandt

eighth grade basketball



First Row: Konnor Kudron, Carter Thorson, Mario Gutierrez, Sam Blaser, Nathan Schumacher, Bryce VunCannon, Elliott Thomazin, Colby Gilson
Second Row: Braden Labenz, Grant Shanle, Tyler Wurtz, Caden Pelan, Abe Perault, Drew Zaruba, Zack Beiermann

swimming



First Row: Chase Andresen, Hannah Thomazin, Laura Moureau, Trey Dallman

boys' golf



First Row: Alex Preister, Colson Kosch, Jared Gaspers, Trey Dallman, Brock Kracman, Eli Merrill
Second Row: Bailey Braun, Jacob Wright, Marshall Dreifurst, Brandon Johnston, Darin Rinkol, Keaton Swanson, Cody Siemek, coach Karl Dierman

girls' track



First Row: Olaya Rojo Vazquez, Mallory O'Hearn, Nicole Hiner, Alyssa Kuta, Shannon Spulak, Grace Odber, Amberly Parker, Tatem Vance, Megan Ohnoutka, Tessa Bridger, Maeghan Pieper
Second Row: Ashley Foreman, Alyssa Morton, Megan Schumacher, Carly Fehringer, Kelsey Kessler, Emma Ruskamp, Hannah Krings, Sarah Schumacher, Eastyn Klink, Abbie Perault, Madison Kerkman, Emily Hand
Third Row: Eiley Beaver, Karsta Stieglitz, Jessica Lahm, Itzel Chilapa, Cassie Seckel, Haley Faust, Kaylee Tonniges, Courtney Brockhaus
Fourth Row: Allison Starzec, Mikayla Nienaber, Shania Borchers, Marika Spencer, Jessica Buhman, Alison Zoucha
Fifth Row: Coaches Janet Tooley, Danielle Bender, Rick Grubaugh, Roger Krienke, Ron Starzec, Merlin Lahm

boys' track



First Row: Jeffrey Wheelock, Nathan Donoghue, Brandon Huynh, Tyler Miksch, Jared Duren, Nathan Tworek, Josh Hergott, Matthew Bichlmeier, Dillon Muchmore, Noah Tworek
Second Row: Adam Foreman, Jon Lovell, Adam Smith, Jaime Gasper, Chris Beon, Mitchell Halligan, Toby Tooley, Trevor Halligan, Jared Donoghue, Justin Brockhaus, Austin Svehla, Justin Zoucha
Third Row: Braden Przymus, Matt Strecker, Nathan Hiemer, Garrit Shanle, Dana Hoppe, Chase Korger, Eduardo Lopez, Ryan Ruskamp, Grant Lahm, Ryan Mustard, Lucas Cox, Carson Fuchser
Fourth Row: Ross Bonk, Landon Sokol, Anthony Sprunk, Keaton Kudron, Samuel Novicki, Austyn Follette, Riley Gilson
Fifth Row: Coaches Janet Tooley, Danielle Bender, Rick Grubaugh, Roger Krienke, Ron Starzec, Merlin Lahm

seventh grade track



First Row: Katelyn Stachura, Ava Newman, Lauren Ostdiek, Liza Zaruba, Brea Lassek, Kate Smith, Emily Miksch
Second Row: Debanhi Adame-Hernandez, Sarah Bichlmeier, MaKenzie Enderlin, Samantha Tonniges, Chloe Odber, Jacey Clarey, Haylee Gielocha
Third Row: Collin Dreher, Jared Beaver, Eric Mustard, Tyler Vaught, Levi Robertson, Adam Kamrath, Evan Hand
Fourth Row: Kaleb Wiese, Drew VunCannon, Emmitt Broberg, Tyler Palmer, Henry Anthony Hernandez, Ryan Brandenburg, Dalton Borchers, Connor Wiehn

eighth grade track



First Row: Bailey Lehr, Rebekah Hergott, Kelsey Faust, Kendra Korger, Julia Salerno, Logan Bennett, Caitlin Hottovy
Second Row: Blaney Dreifurst, Hannah Allen, Natalie Semin, Emma Brandt, Rylie Olson, Callan Fuchser, Abbie Zoucha, Shirley Cardenas
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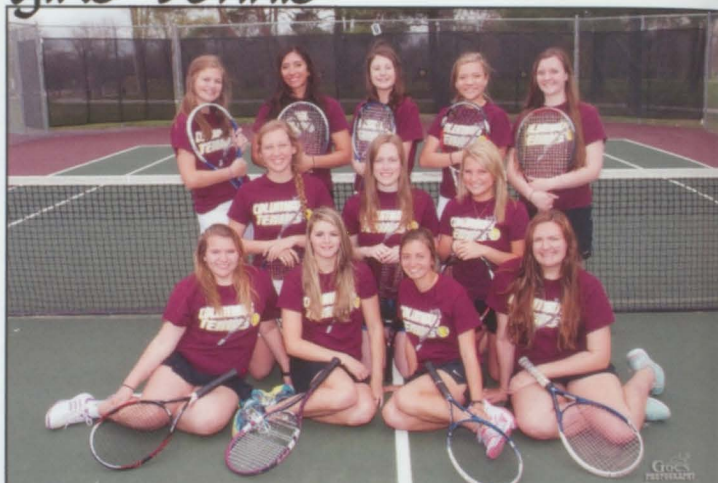
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Third Row: Natalie Chappell, Anna Wickham, Megan Meyer
Fourth Row: Natalie Brutty, Grace Wickham, McKenna Spencer

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Third Row: Coach Becki Zanardi, Cameron Swanson

campus ministry



First Row: Samantha Braun, Carly Cremers, Nieve Johnson, Mac Mapes, Jaimee Beauvais, Abby Allen
Second Row: Amy Heusinkvelt, Megan Parker, Justina Wemhoff, Mikayla Nienaber, Adam Smith, Chaplain Fr. Matt Capadano

speech



First Row: Coach Danielle Masur, Amy Heusinkvelt, Abby Allen, Justina Wemhoff, Jared Hanson, coach Jordan Kuszak
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Third Row: Mikayla Nienaber, Dana Hoppe, Bryan Littlefield, Cameron Swanson, Alaina Wallick, Emily Carstens

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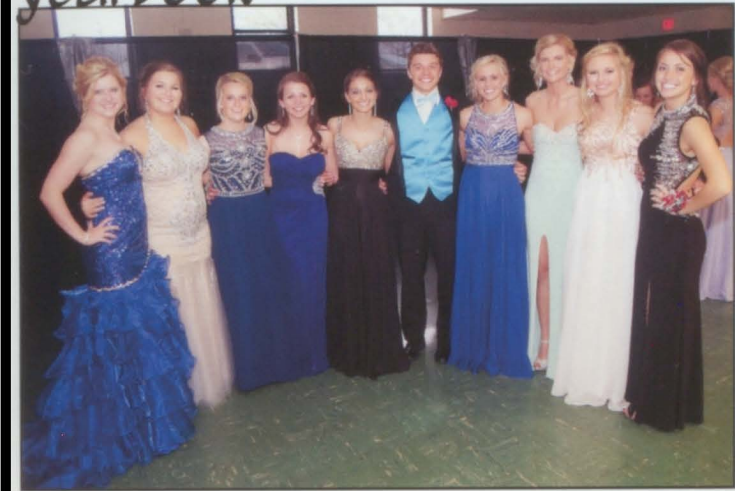
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yearbook



First Row: Shannon Spulak, Allie Anderson, Jessica Schaecher, Alyson Stuart, Bailey Honold, Cole Harrington, Morgan Thorson, Sarah Schumacher, Carly Fehringer, Kelsey Kessler

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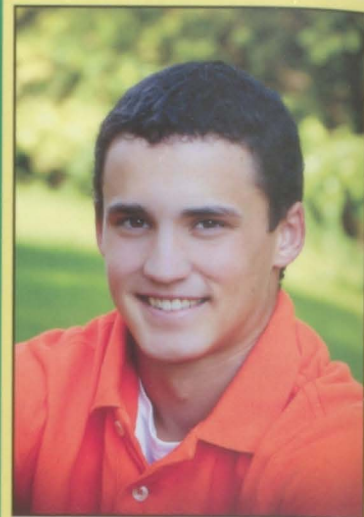


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Love,
Mom & Dad



Garrit,

One hand helped you throughout this whole journey. You set your goals and stayed true to yourself. We couldn't be more proud of you and what you have accomplished. Great things are out there for you. Keep your faith.

We love you,
Mom, Dad, Grant, & Ryan

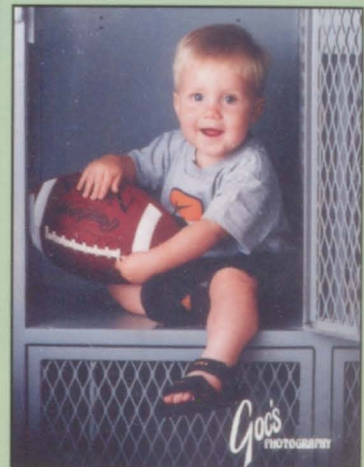
Tyler,

We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments. We wish you joy, happiness, and success in the next step of your life. Keep your faith in God and always believe in yourself.

Love,
Mom, Dad, & Alyssa



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We love you,
Dad, Mom, Emily, Ellie, Charlie, & Jessie



Allie,

You had a dream of going to Creighton since you were six years old, and with hard work you made that dream come true. You overcame loss and great sorrow, but with your faith you are strong, caring, and compassionate. Your Mom and Grandpa must be so proud.

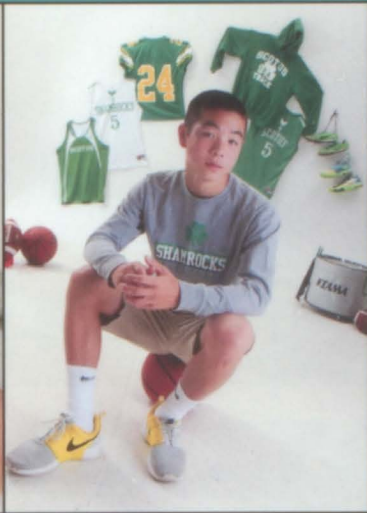
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Jared,

We are so very proud of you and all that you have accomplished. You are truly a blessing in our lives and all those around you. We wish you great success in your goals and dreams. May God bless you and keep you close.

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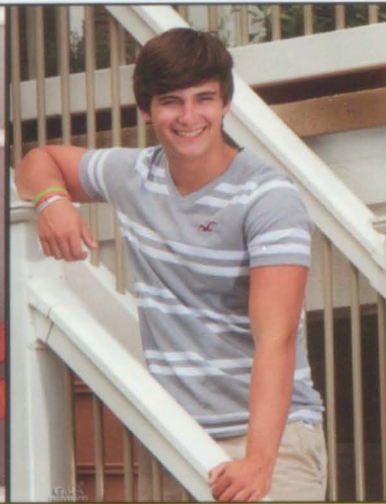
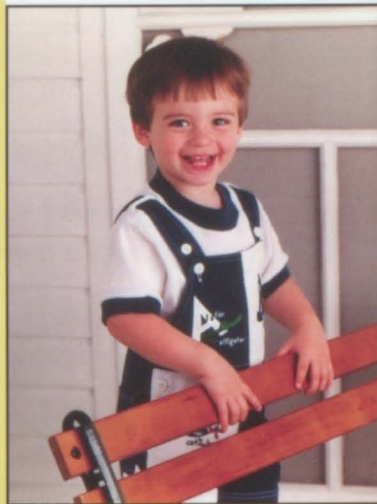
We are truly blessed to have you in our family. As you begin your new journey in life, remember to keep your faith in God and always believe in yourself. You have grown into a fine young man and we are excited to see the plans God has in store for you.

We love you always,
Dad, Mom, & Tara

Toby,

Thanks for all of the great times and memories we've shared these past 18 years! We are so proud of your perseverance and individuality! We love you and look forward to watching you make your dreams come true! Congratulations and may God bless you always!

Love,
Dad & Mom
Jake & Kelsea
Jamie & John



Shannon,

You have always been an absolute joy and blessing in our lives. We are so lucky to have you as our daughter. Your commitment, enthusiasm, passion, and strength in everything you've done has been awesome to witness and share with you. We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments throughout the years. We hope you are as proud of yourself as we are of you. When we look at you now we still see that beautiful little girl with blond hair, sparkling blue eyes, and that adorable smile with just a hint of orneriness. Except now, we also see the beautiful young lady you've turned into, both inside and out. Remember to always keep God in your life as you work to achieve all your hopes and dreams. May His blessings be with you always.



Our Love, Forever, For Always,
And No Matter What,
Dad & Mom



Amme,

I have watched you grow up from a beautiful young girl to a beautiful young woman. We are all so proud of you and all that you have accomplished. Now the time has come for you to take the next step in life and follow your heart.

Just remember to follow your dreams and keep the Lord close to your heart. Always know that we are very proud of you and will be here for you always if you need us.

We love you very much. Trust your heart and follow your dreams because they will take you far in life and love.

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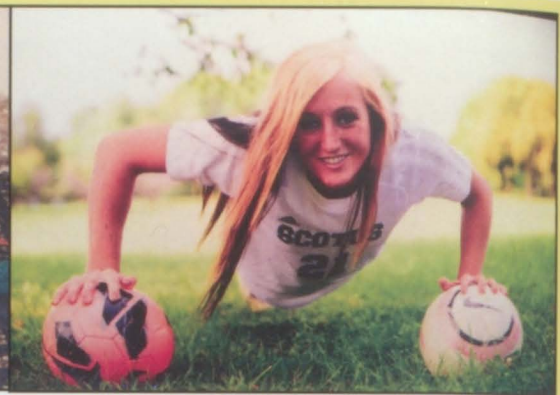
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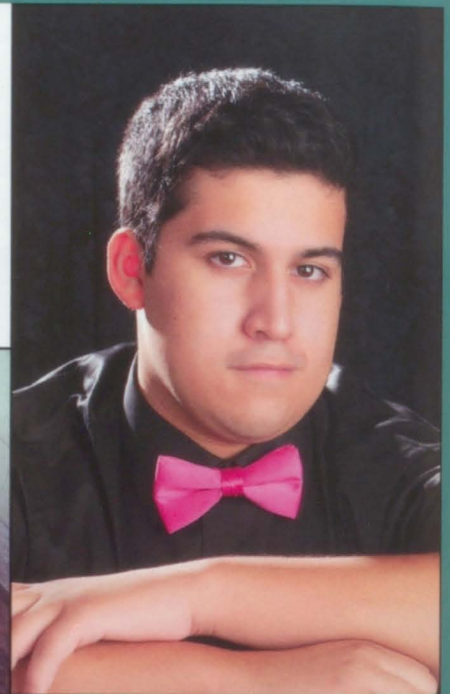
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Love always,
Mom & Dad

Queze,

You are the best surprise in our life, and now we are so proud of you! We wish the best of luck in your future. Keep God in your life in whatever you do.

We love you so much,
Mom & Dad





Riley,
 We are so proud of the young man you have become. Continue to work hard, believe in yourself, and keep God in your life. Best of luck in the next chapter of your life.
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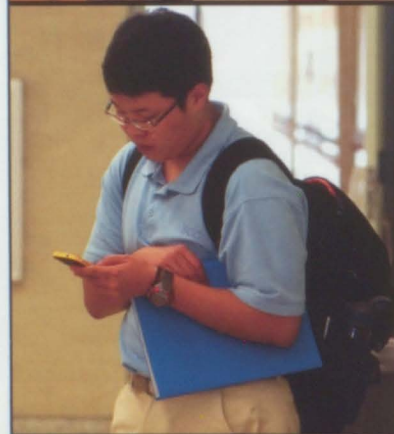


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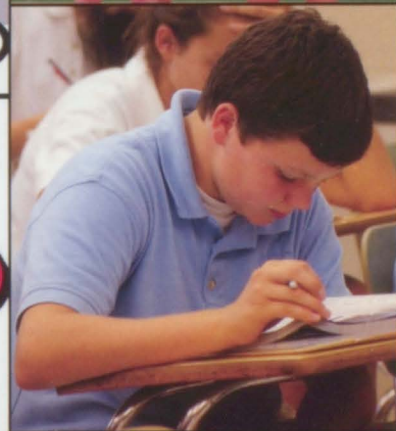
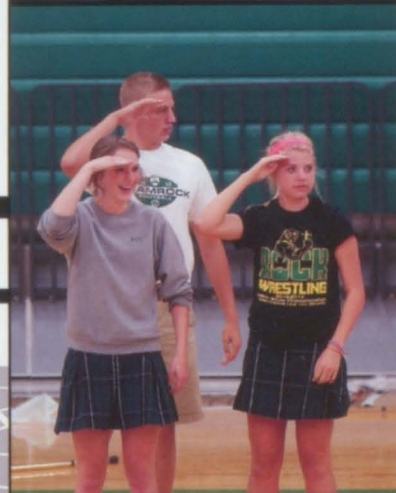
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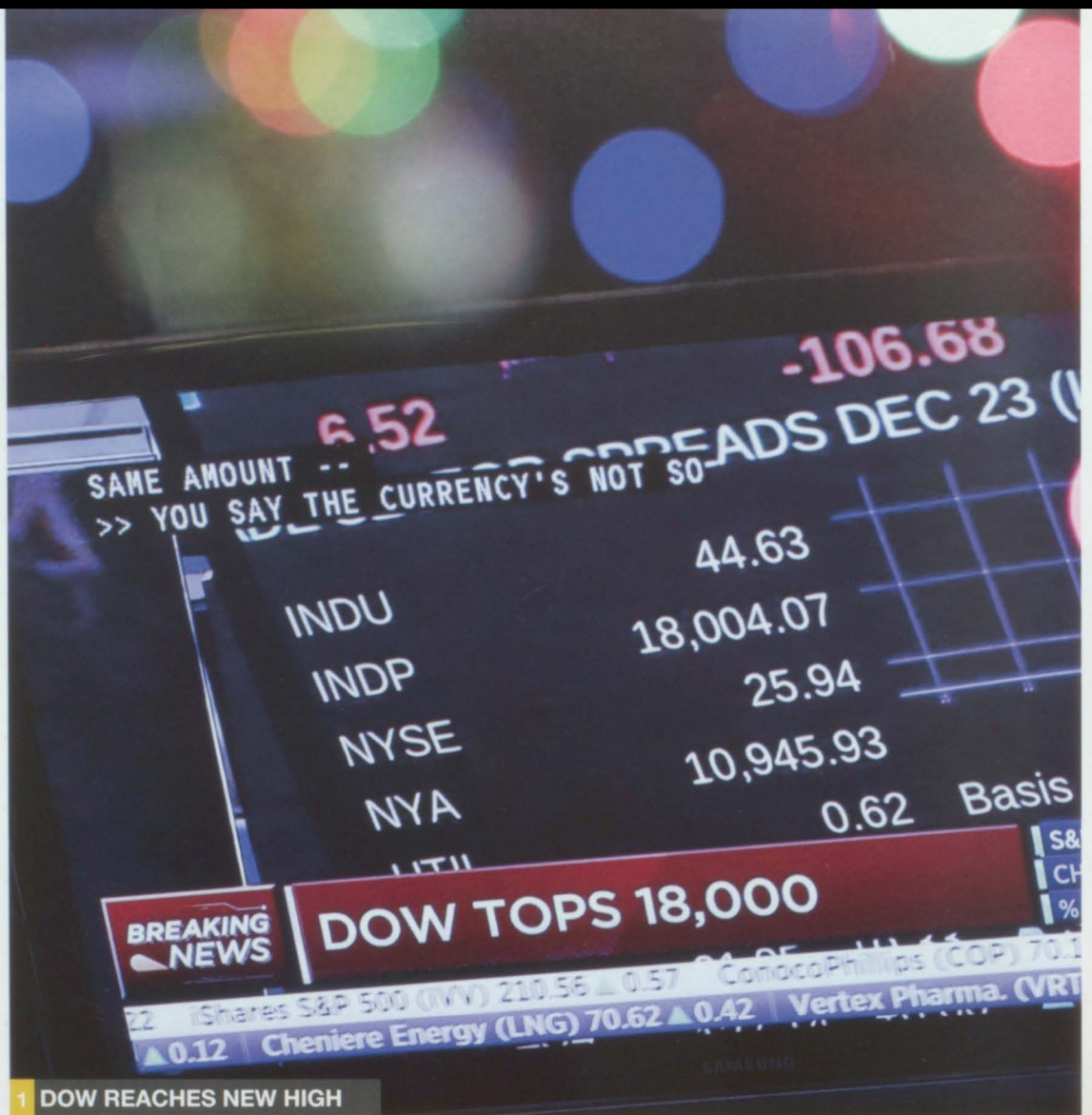
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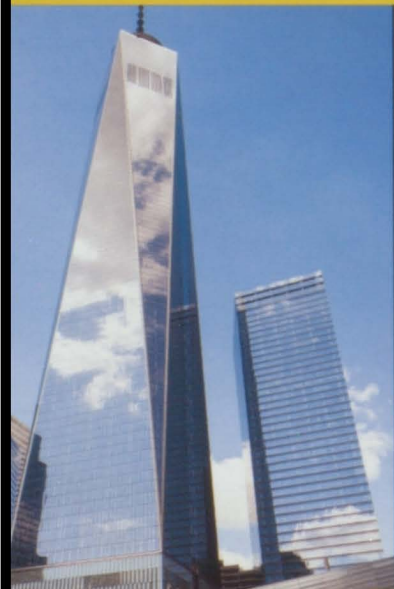
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HEADLINES



WORLD TRADE CENTER 2

- 1. DOW REACHES NEW HIGH** The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 18,000 following news about the growing strength of the U.S. economy.
- 2. ONE WORLD TRADE CENTER** Thirteen years after terrorists destroyed the original World Trade Center, a new 104-story tower opens in lower Manhattan.
- 3. MALALA YOUSAFZAI** At age 17, the Pakistani activist receives the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize.
- 4. SECRET SERVICE LAPSES** The head of the Secret Service resigns after a series of security breaches, including an intruder who managed to enter the White House.
- 5. SPACE PROBE** The European Space Agency lands a small space probe on the moving comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko.
- 6. CLIMATE CHANGE AGREEMENT** The United States and China reach a historic deal to curb their greenhouse gas emissions.
- 7. EBOLA IN THE USA** Hospitals contend with several cases of the deadly virus brought by travelers from West Africa and returning aid workers.
- 8. VIRGIN GALACTIC CRASH** The spaceplane VSS Enterprise breaks apart during a test flight and crashed into the ground in the Mojave Desert.
- 9. KURDS FLEE ISIS** Syrian Kurdish refugees flee to Turkey to escape human rights abuses, war crimes and ethnic cleansing conducted by the Islamic rebel group ISIS.

FORBES MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE

1. VLADIMIR PUTIN *RUSSIA*
2. BARACK OBAMA *UNITED STATES*
3. XI JINPING *CHINA*
4. POPE FRANCIS *ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH*
5. ANGELA MERKEL *GERMANY*
6. JANET YELLEN *WASHINGTON, D.C.*
7. BILL GATES *BILL AND MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION*
8. MARIO DRAGHI *EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK*
9. SERGEY BRIN AND LARRY PAGE *GOOGLE*
10. DAVID CAMERON *UNITED KINGDOM*

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PERSON OF THE YEAR

TIME

THE EBOLA FIGHTERS

Dr. Jerry Brown
The Liberian surgeon, 46, turned his hospital's chapel into the country's first Ebola treatment center

7 EBOLA IN THE USA



9 KURDS FLEE ISIS



1 ICE BUCKET CHALLENGE

POP CULTURE



1. ICE BUCKET CHALLENGE The social media campaign goes viral, raising \$115 million to treat and cure amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS).

2. TOMS AT TARGET The fashion-forward charity shoe brand teams up with the fashion-friendly retailer on a line of accessories for the holiday season.

3. NBA 2K14 The new release of the popular basketball video game features a contemporary soundtrack chosen by LeBron James.

4. #SHAREACOKE The soft drink brand personalizes its cans with the 250 most popular first names among American teens and millennials.

5. GO PRO Users of these wearable HD video cameras record and share breathtaking adventures, athletic feats and everyday dramas.

6. GRUMPY CAT By bringing in almost \$100 million in two years, the Internet's most famous cat earns more than many human celebrities, according to ABC News.

7. FITBIT The health and fitness trackers surge in popularity among users of all ages, as consumers clamor for personal data via wearable tech.

8. PROTEIN-POWERED The high-protein/low-carb diet trend results in slumping cereal sales; manufacturers respond by adding more protein to their breakfast products.

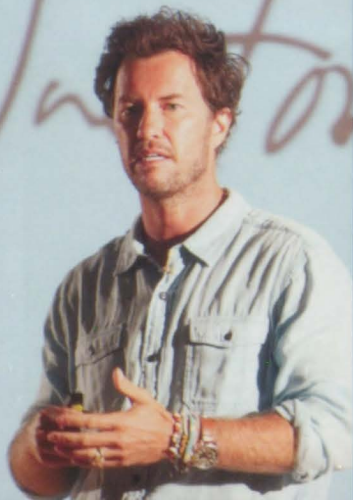
9. TOP EMOJIS Researchers track the rising popularity of emojis among Twitter users; the top five are Hearts, Joy, Unamused, Heart Eyes and Relaxed.

10. DR. MARTENS BOOTS The edgy, rugged footwear is back in fashion among teens, celebrities and fashionable bloggers.

TOP 2014 GOOGLE TRENDS

The popular search engine releases the year's most searched topics.

1. ROBIN WILLIAMS
2. WORLD CUP
3. EBOLA
4. MALAYSIA AIRLINES
5. ALS ICE BUCKET CHALLENGE
6. FLAPPY BIRD
7. CONCHITA WURST
8. ISIS
9. FROZEN
10. SOCHI OLYMPICS



TOMS AT TARGET 2



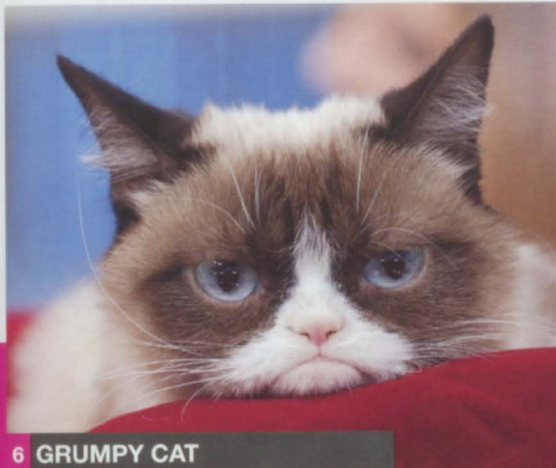
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1 WORLD CUP

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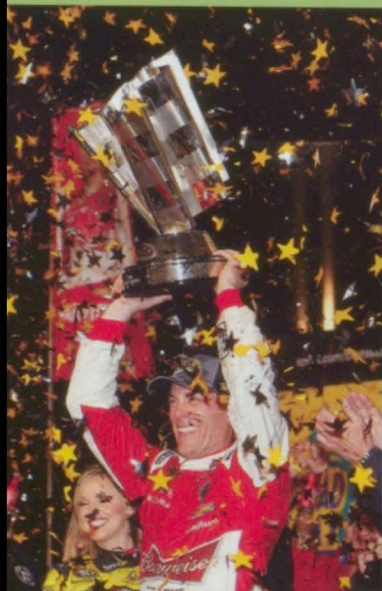


1. **WORLD CUP** Germany wins the FIFA World Cup by defeating Argentina 1–0 at the soccer championship tournament in Brazil.
2. **KEVIN HARVICK** He captures his first NASCAR Sprint Cup championship in the Ford EcoBoost 400 race behind the wheel of his No. 4 Stewart-Haas Racing Chevrolet.
3. **PEYTON MANNING** By throwing his 509th career touchdown pass, the Denver Broncos quarterback breaks Brett Favre's record.
4. **RORY MCILROY** At age 25, the professional golfer from Northern Ireland is the World Number One male player according to the Official World Golf Ranking.
5. **WORLD SERIES** In Game Seven, the San Francisco Giants defeat the Kansas City Royals 3–2 and claim their third championship title in five years.
6. **CFP CHAMPS** The fourth-ranked Ohio State Buckeyes defeat the Oregon Ducks 42–20 to capture the first-ever College Football Playoff championship.
7. **SUPER BOWL XLIX** In an exciting and hard-fought game, the New England Patriots defeat the Seattle Seahawks by a score of 28–24 in the University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale, Arizona.
8. **DEREK JETER** After 20 seasons with the New York Yankees, the shortstop plays the last game of his MLB career in Fenway Park against the Boston Red Sox.
9. **SERENA WILLIAMS** At age 33, she is the oldest player to be ranked the No. 1 singles player by the Women's Tennis Association.

2014 HIGHEST PAID ATHLETES

1. FLOYD MAYWEATHER: \$105 MILLION
2. CRISTIANO RONALDO: \$80 MILLION
3. LEBRON JAMES: \$72.3 MILLION
4. LIONEL MESSI: \$64.7 MILLION
5. KOBE BRYANT: \$61.5 MILLION
6. TIGER WOODS: \$61.2 MILLION
7. ROGER FEDERER: \$56.2 MILLION
8. PHIL MICKELSON: \$53.2 MILLION
9. RAFAEL NADAL: \$44.5 MILLION
10. MATT RYAN: \$43.8 MILLION

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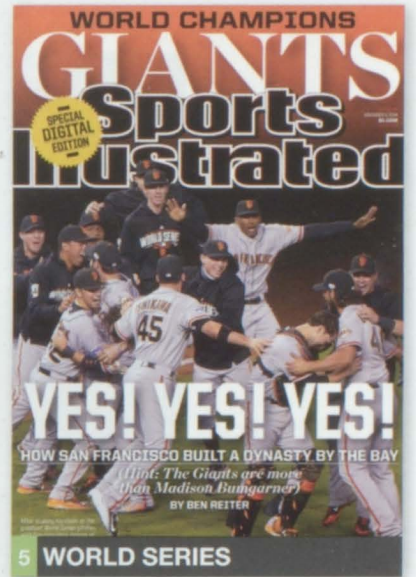
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4 RORY MCILROY



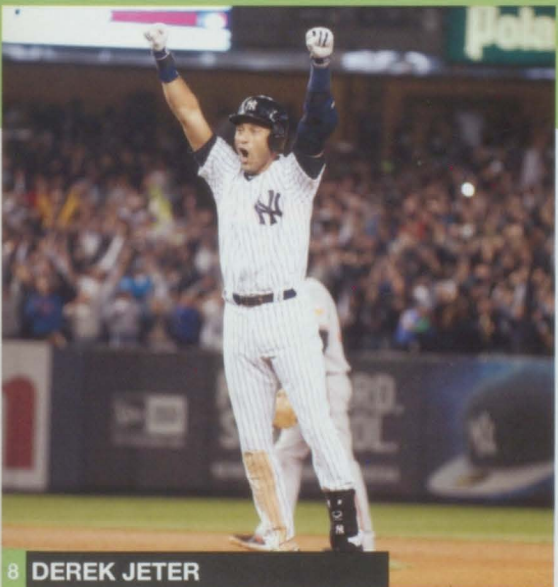
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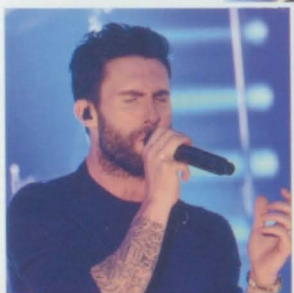
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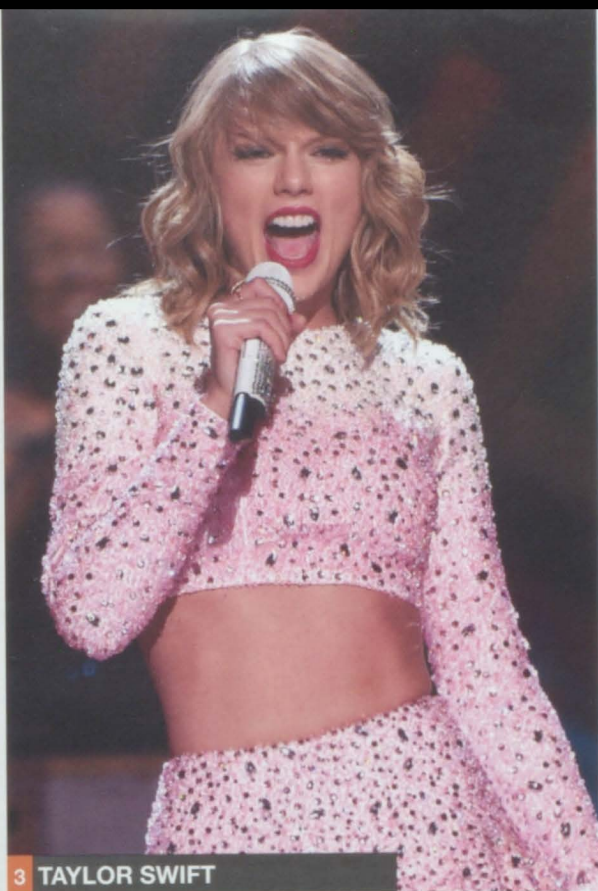
ARIANA GRANDE 2

1. **MAROON 5** The band crashes a Los Angeles wedding to surprise the lucky couple and capture footage for their "Sugar" video.
2. **ARIANA GRANDE** With a secret single on the new *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay – Part 1* soundtrack, and rumors of diva behavior, this pop star is more notorious than "Victorious."
3. **TAYLOR SWIFT** Her new album, *1989*, breaks sales records with 1.2 million copies sold in the first week alone.
4. **JOHN LEGEND** The soulful singer-songwriter teams up with Common on "Glory," for the soundtrack of *Selma*, the Martin Luther King biopic.
5. **BEYONCÉ** The "Flawless" singer performs a 16-minute medley of every song on her *Beyoncé* album at the MTV Music Video Awards.
6. **IGGY AZALEA** After the rapper's "Fancy" becomes the song of the summer, fans follow her on the road and she's afraid to drive fast enough to evade them.
7. **ED SHEERAN** The singer-songwriter from Liverpool is the year's most-streamed artist on Spotify and receives two Grammy nominations for his album *X*.
8. **LUKE BRYAN** The CMA Entertainer of the Year receives seven nominations for the American Country Countdown Awards.
9. **SAM SMITH** The 22-year-old Brit tops the charts with his debut album, *In the Lonely Hour*, with sales of more than one million in both the US and the UK.

TOP iTUNES DOWNLOADS

These are the year's most popular content downloads, according to Apple.

- ALBUM: *FROZEN* SOUNDTRACK
- MOVIE: *FROZEN*
- FAMILY MOVIE: *THE LEGO MOVIE*
- IPAD® APP: *MINECRAFT*
- IPHONE® APP: *FACEBOOK MESSENGER*
- YOUNG ADULT BOOK:
THE FAULT IN OUR STARS
- AUDIO BOOK: *DIVERGENT*
- TV SHOW: *GAME OF THRONES*
- BEST APP OF THE YEAR: *ELEVATE*
- PODCAST: *SERIAL*



3 TAYLOR SWIFT



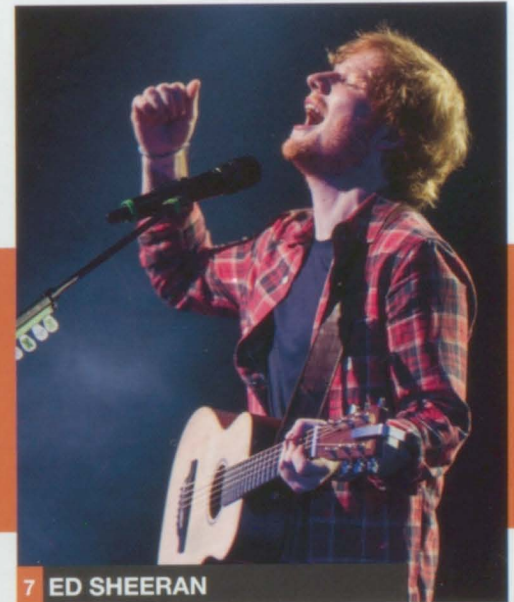
4 JOHN LEGEND



5 BEYONCÉ



6 IGGY AZALEA



7 ED SHEERAN



8 LUKE BRYAN



9 SAM SMITH



MOVIES



1. GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY A team of Marvel Comics superheroes sets out to save the universe in this intergalactic adventure, starring Chris Pratt as Peter Quill.

2. NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: SECRET OF THE TOMB Historic wax figures come to life in this hotly anticipated sequel, starring Ben Stiller and Robin Williams.

3. INTO THE WOODS A wise witch, played by Meryl Streep, schools an all-star cast of wayward fairy tale characters in this enchanting movie musical.

4. MOCKINGJAY PART 1 Jennifer Lawrence returns as Katniss Everdeen in the first of two movies based on the final book in The Hunger Games trilogy.

5. THE HOBBIT: THE BATTLE OF THE FIVE ARMIES The adventures of Bilbo Baggins, Galadriel, Gandalf and Aragorn conclude in the third and final installment.

6. THE THEORY OF EVERYTHING The real-life story of physicist Stephen Hawking comes to the big screen, with Eddie Redmayne and Felicity Jones.

7. THE MAZE RUNNER A community of teenage boys find themselves in a place surrounded by a huge maze with no memory of how they got there.

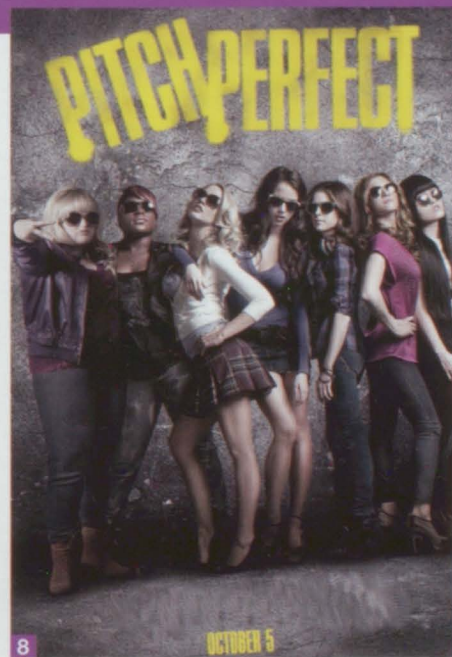
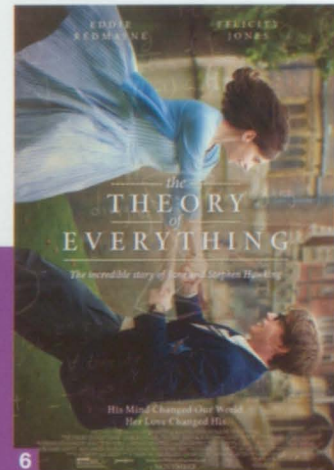
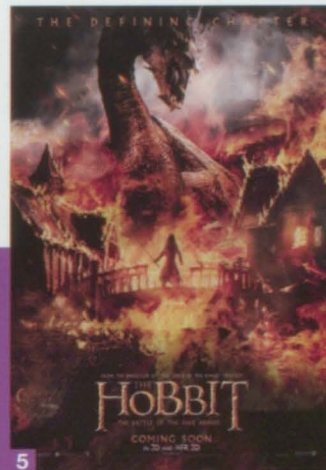
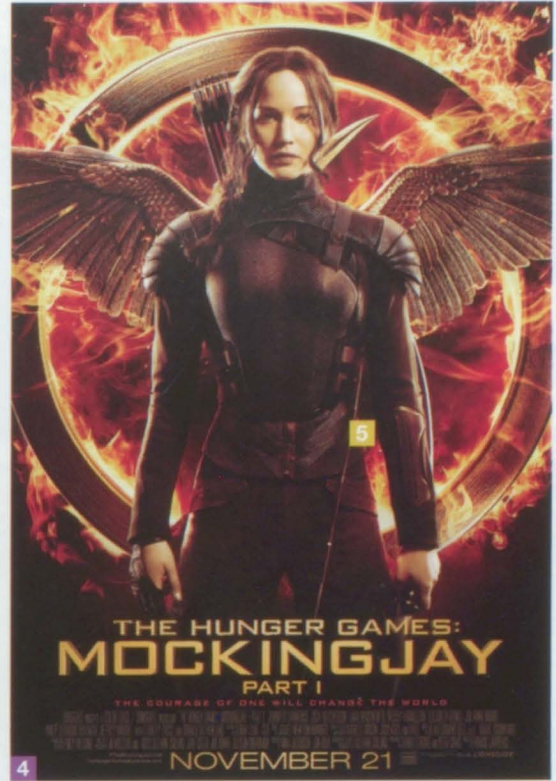
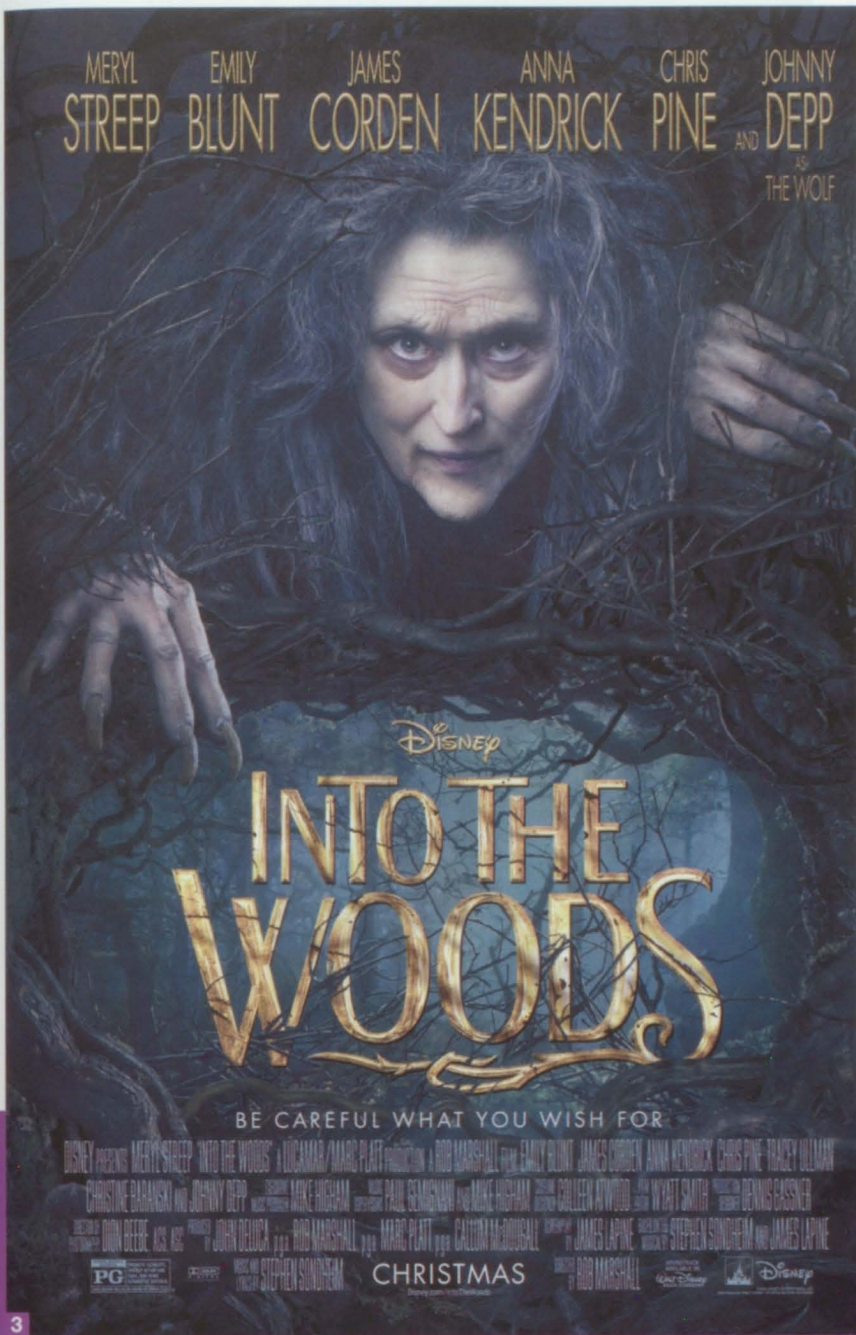
8. PITCH PERFECT 2 The cast of the successful musical — including Anna Kendrick, Rebel Wilson, Skylar Astin, and Brittany Snow — reunites for the sequel.

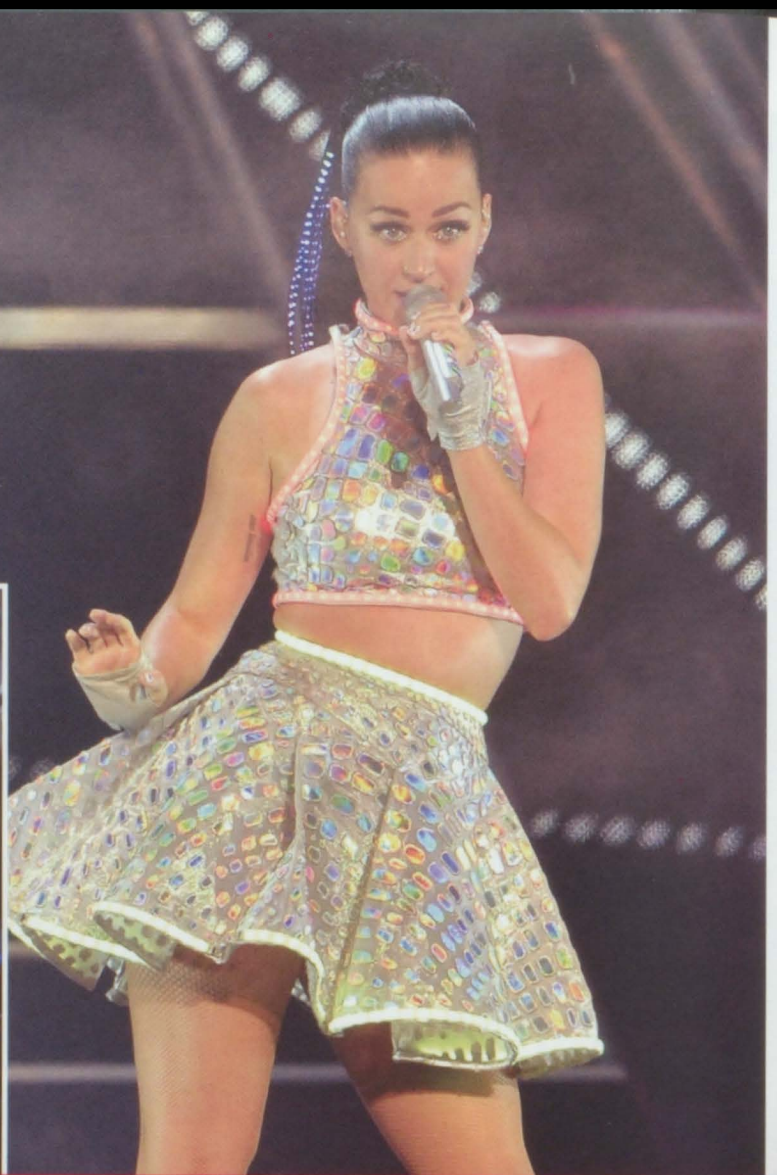
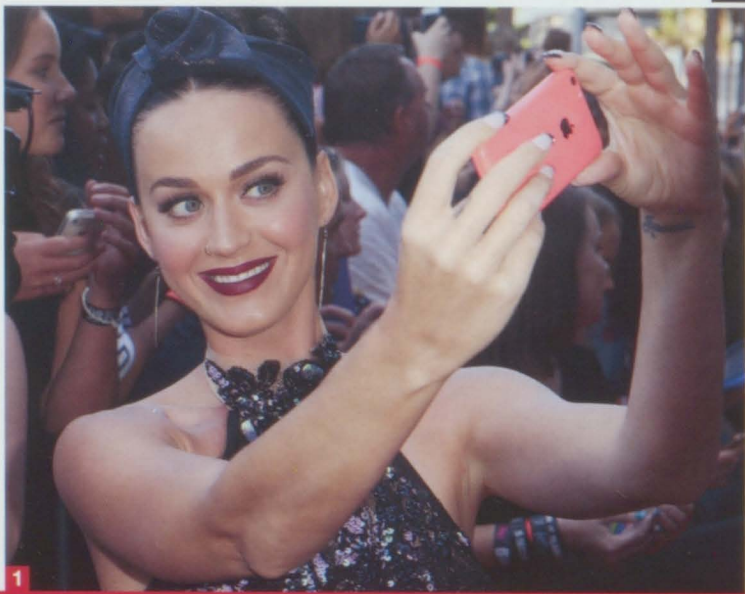
9. THE INTERVIEW North Korean hackers breach Sony's network to suppress this movie comedy starring Seth Rogen and James Franco as bumbling, would-be assassins of Kim Jong-un.

2014 HIGHEST-GROSSING MOVIES

1. **TRANSFORMERS: AGE OF EXTINCTION:** OVER \$1 BILLION
2. **GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY:** \$772.7 MILLION
3. **MALEFICENT:** \$757.8 MILLION
4. **X-MEN: DAYS OF FUTURE PAST:** \$748.1 MILLION
5. **THE HOBBIT: THE BATTLE OF THE FIVE ARMIES:** \$743.2 MILLION
6. **CAPTAIN AMERICA: THE WINTER SOLDIER:** \$714.1 MILLION
7. **THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN 2:** \$709 MILLION
8. **DAWN OF THE PLANET OF THE APES:** \$708.8 MILLION
9. **THE HUNGER GAMES: MOCKINGJAY - PART 1:** \$697 MILLION
10. **INTERSTELLAR:** \$660.6 MILLION

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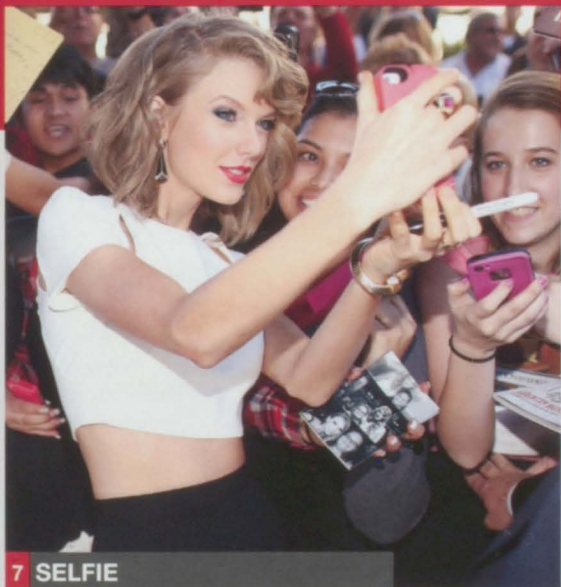
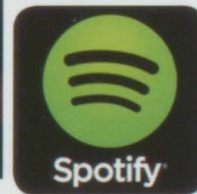
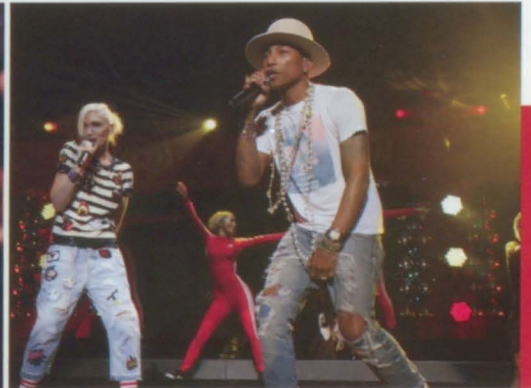
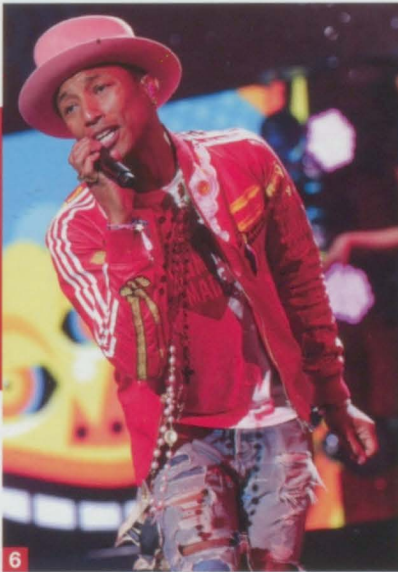
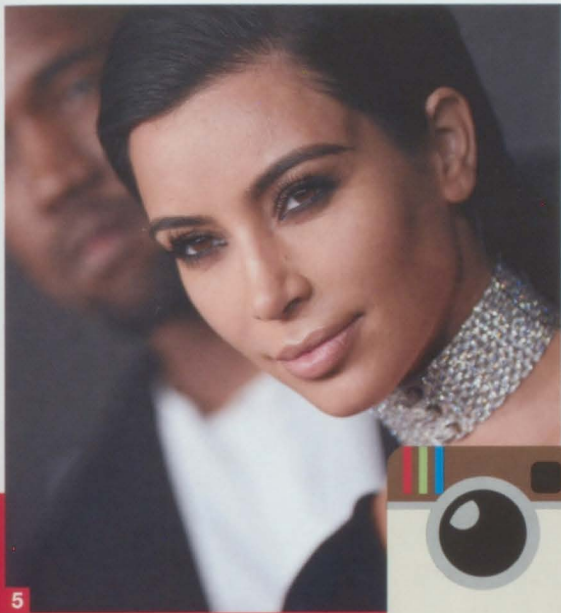
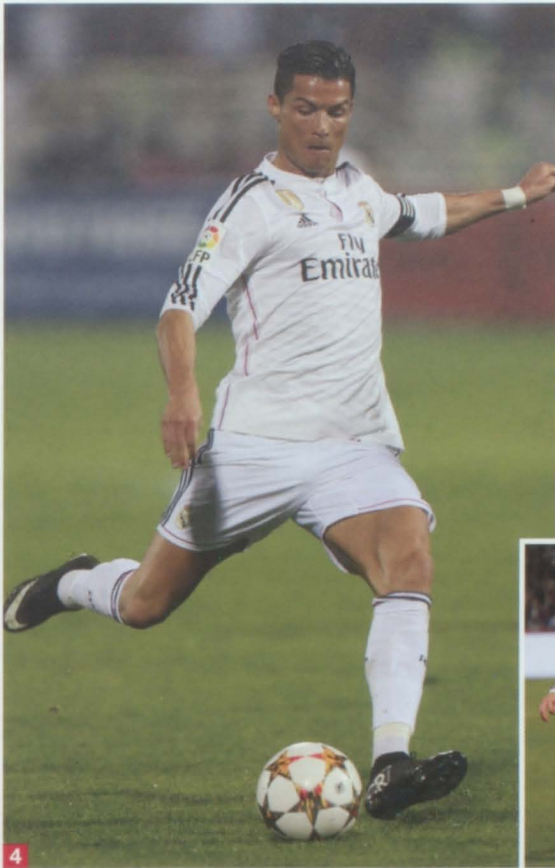
1. **TWITTER** Katy Perry reigns as the most followed person on Twitter, with more than 60 million followers.
2. **YOUTUBE** With nearly five billion views, Rihanna has the most-viewed YouTube channel of any pop star.
3. **VINE** Despite making numerous controversial statements in his videos, Nash Grier, age 17, is the most popular user on the sharing service.
4. **FACEBOOK** With 103,008,884 likes, Portuguese soccer player Cristiano Ronaldo is almost as popular as Shakira, who leads with 105,962,307.
5. **INSTAGRAM** After the social networking service deleted fake accounts from their site, Kim Kardashian emerged as Instagram's most-followed person.
6. **SPOTIFY** According to the streaming music service, Pharrell Williams' "Happy" was the most-streamed song in the world.
7. **SELFIE** At public appearances and red carpet events, fans clamor to appear in smartphone photos with their favorite celebrities.
8. **NETFLIX** By offering full seasons of popular TV shows, as well as exclusive original programming, the on-demand streaming service surges in popularity.

TOP 10 YOUTUBE VIDEOS

Here are the most popular videos as compiled by CNN.com.

1. "MUTANT GIANT SPIDER DOG"
2. NIKE FOOTBALL (SOCCER) AD
3. "FIRST KISS"
4. NUN CONTESTANT ON *THE VOICE OF ITALY*
5. "IPHONE 6 PLUS BEND TEST"
6. HIP-HOP KIDS ON *BRITAIN'S GOT TALENT*
7. BUDWEISER "PUPPY LOVE" AD
8. "DEVIL BABY ATTACK"
9. "GOKU VS. SUPERMAN"
10. "10 HOURS WALKING IN NYC AS A WOMAN"





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1 ESPN

TELEVISION



1. **ESPN** According to CNN Money, the sports network is more popular than ever, with 19 of the top 20 most-viewed programs in cable TV history.
2. **AMERICAN HORROR STORY: FREAK SHOW** The producers of the dark drama on FX set the fourth season in 1950s Florida.
3. **THE WALKING DEAD** The zombie horror series on AMC is more popular than ever in its fifth season.
4. **MELISSA & JOEY** ABC Family renews their popular series about a busy politician (Melissa Joan Hart) who hires a broke commodities trader (Joey Lawrence) to look after her niece.
5. **CHASING LIFE** Italia Ricci stars as April Carver, a 24-year-old journalist with leukemia in the drama series on the ABC Family network.
6. **THE VOICE** Adam Levine, Blake Shelton, Gwen Stefani and Pharrell Williams coach aspiring pop stars in Season 7.
7. **THE FOSTERS** The drama series on the ABC Family network, attracts a sizeable audience and numerous awards.
8. **STAR WARS REBELS** Aboard a freighter starship, insurgents stage a rebellion against the Galactic Empire in the animated series.
9. **PRETTY LITTLE LIARS** The ABC Family network renews the mystery drama series for a sixth and seventh season.

2014 INFLUENTIAL TEENS

Time Magazine announces its Most Influential Teens of 2014

- MO'NE DAVIS, 13
- SASHA OBAMA, 13, AND MALIA OBAMA, 16
- KIERNAN SHIPKA, 14
- JAZZ JENNINGS, 14
- FLYNN MCGARRY, 15
- ERIK FINMAN, 15
- NASH GRIER, 16
- RICO RODRIGUEZ, 16
- CIARA JUDGE, 16
- ÉMER HICKEY, 17
- SOPHIE HEALY-THOW, 17



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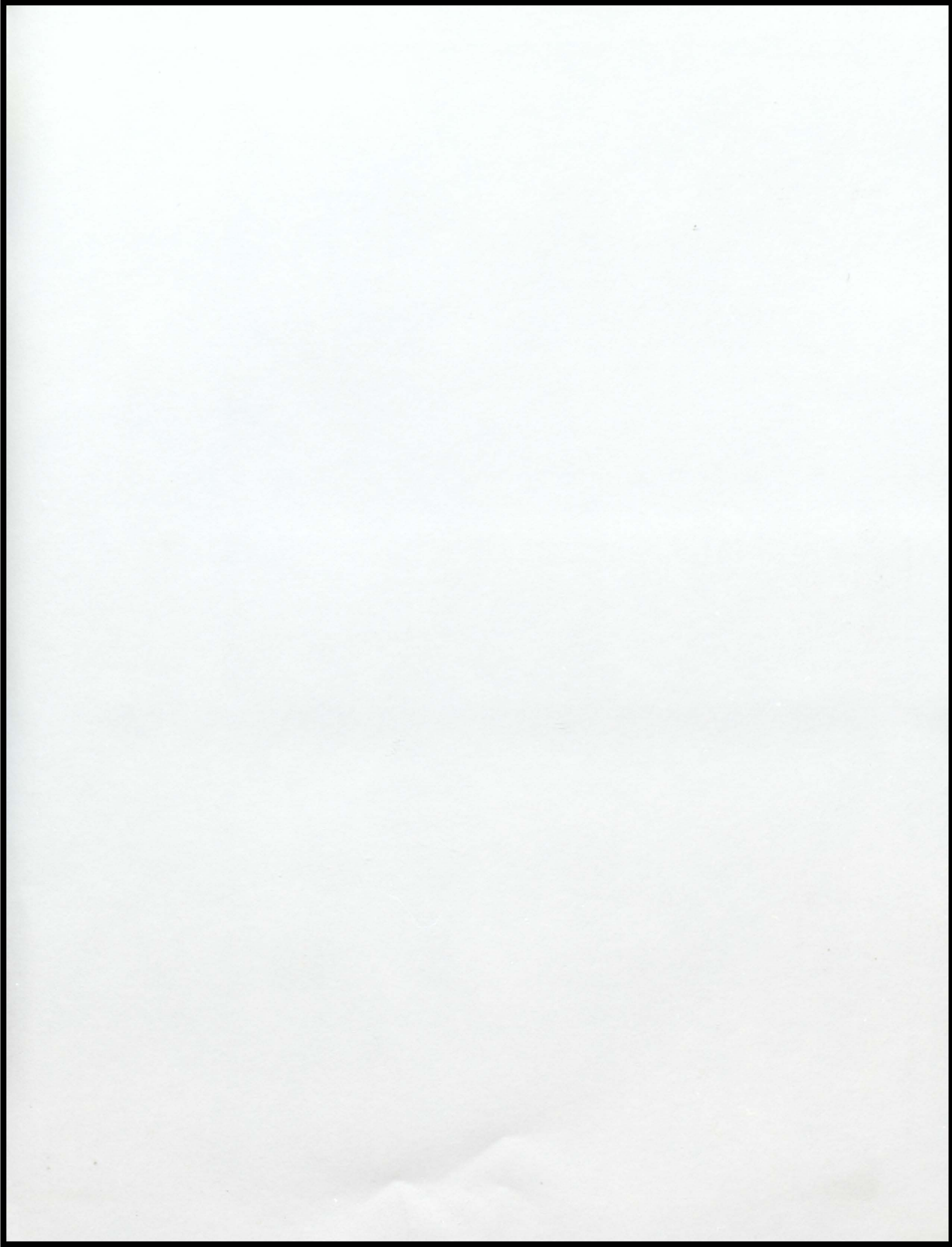
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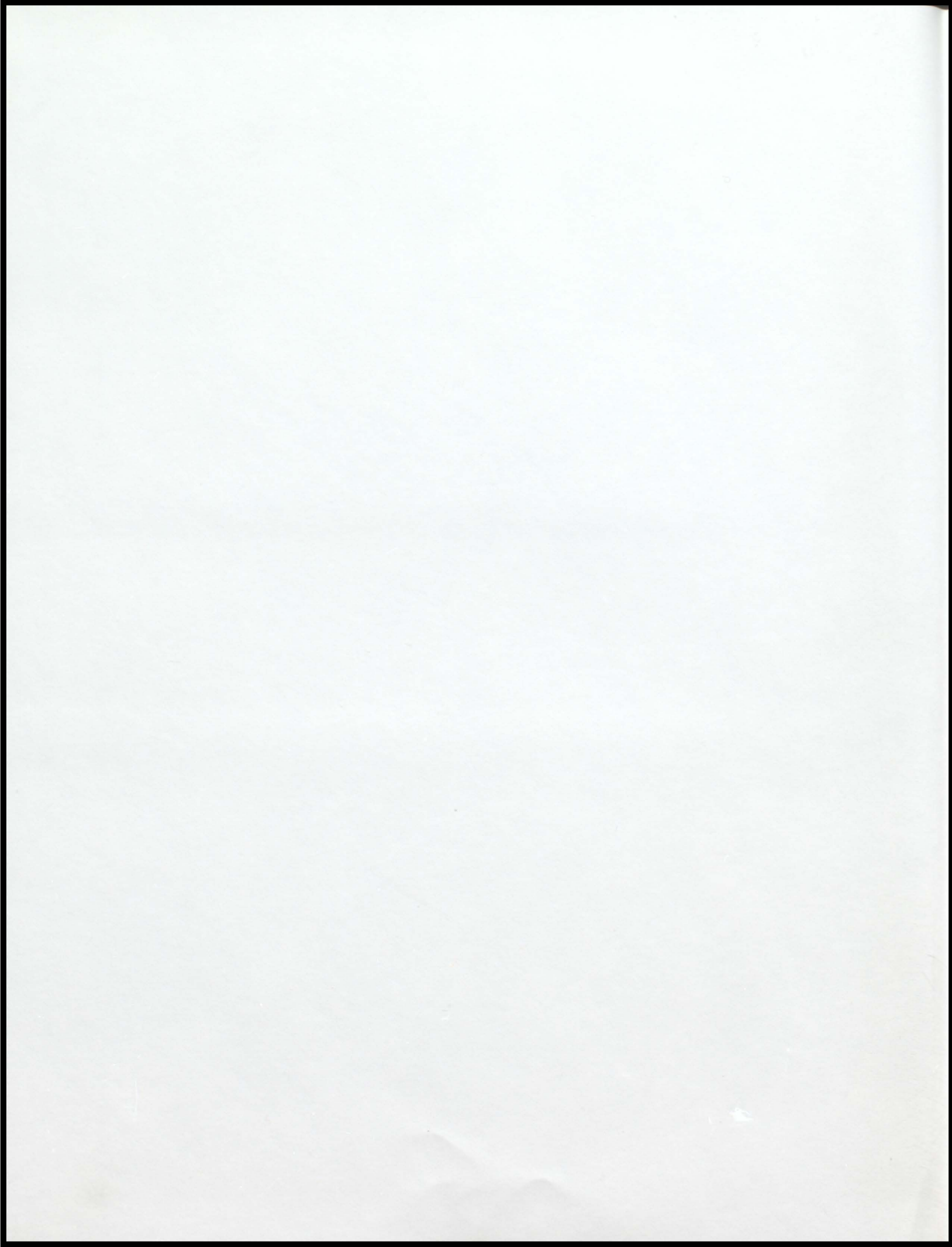


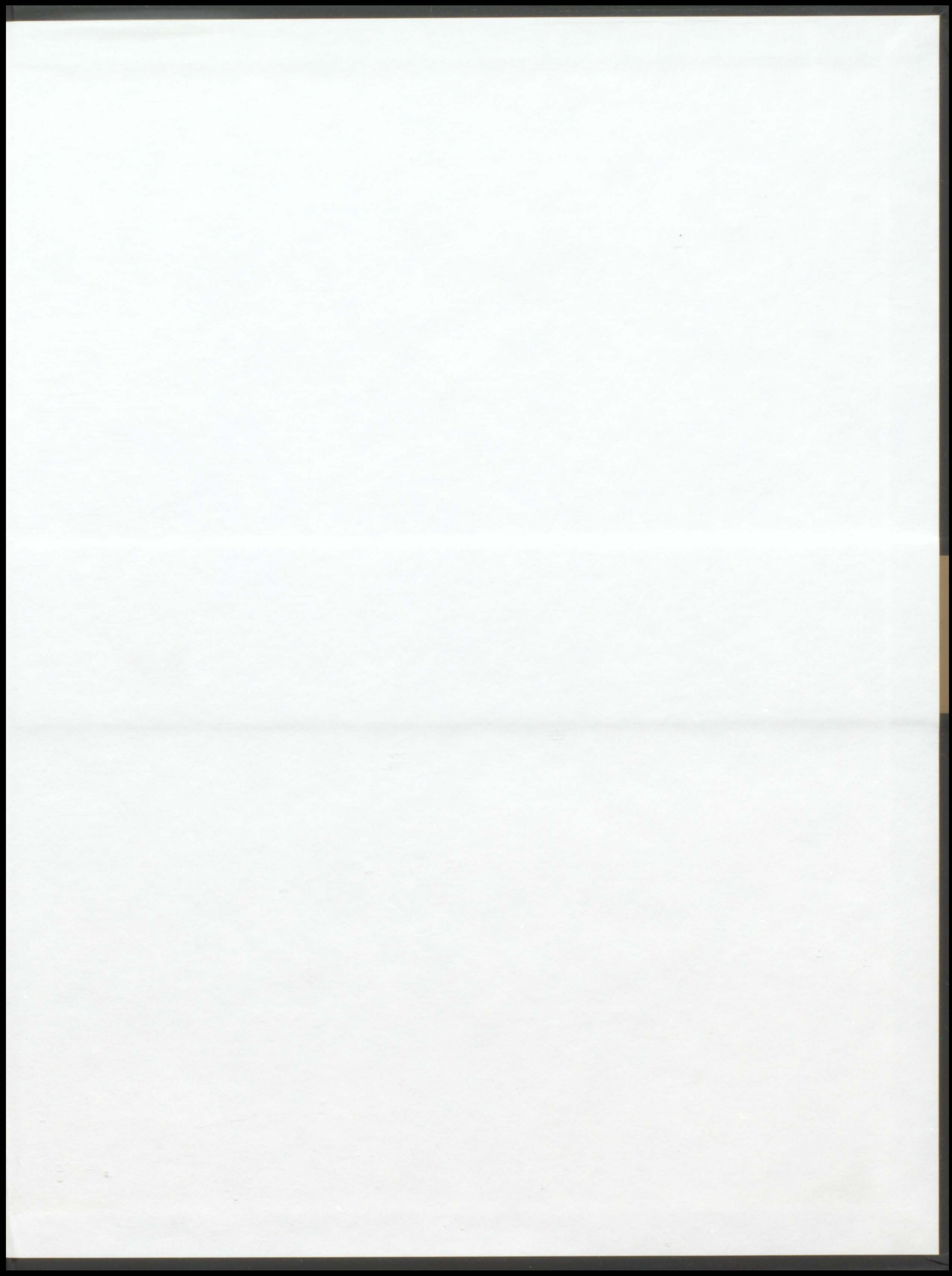
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9 PRETTY LITTLE LIARS







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