

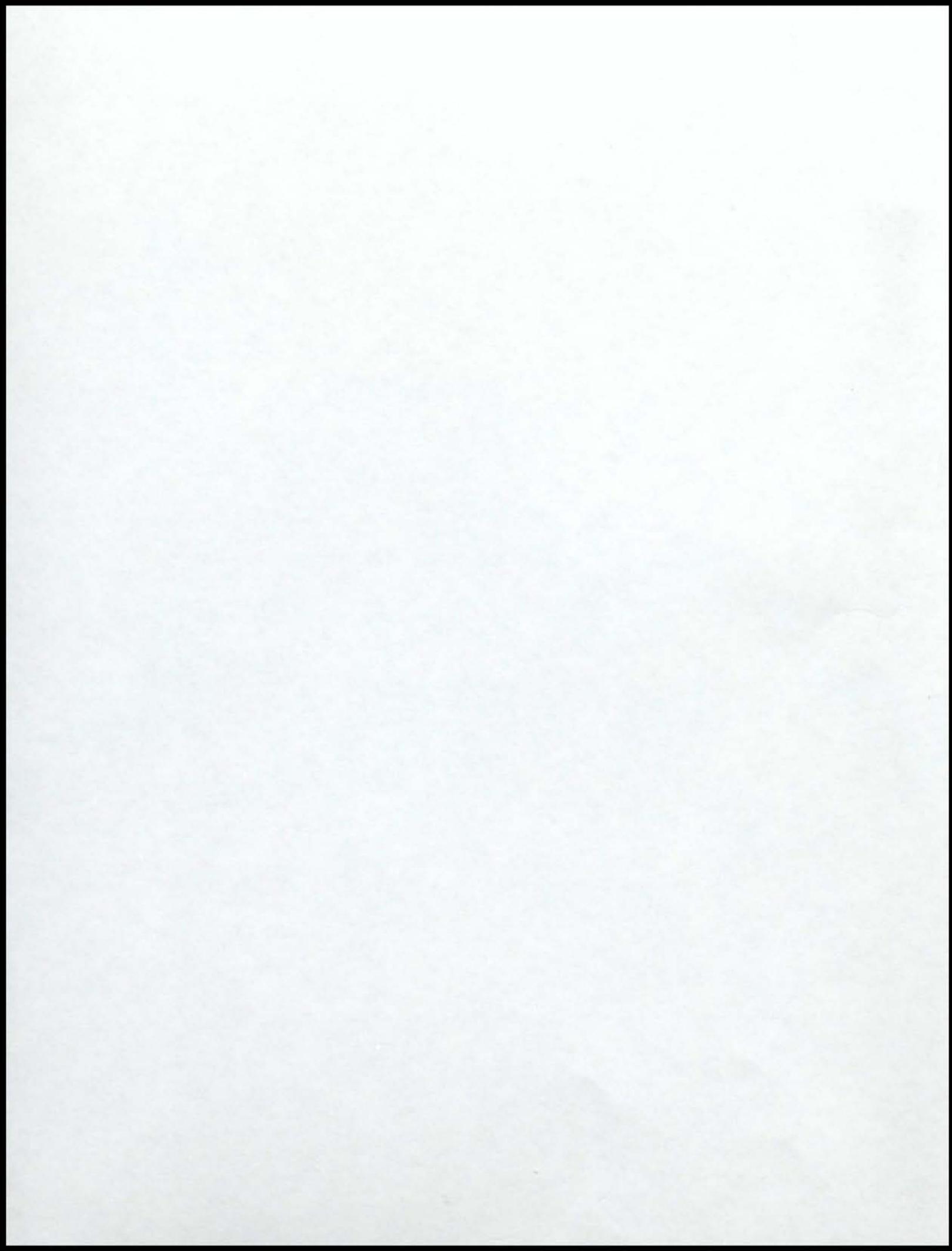
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Orange & Black
2017







Oh, The Places We'll Go!

For many of us, books from our childhood make up many of our fondest memories. Dr. Seuss titles are common among them: "The Cat in the Hat," "Green Eggs and Ham," and "Oh, the Places You'll Go!"

As high school students, our eyes are turned to the future. What is out there for us? While many of us have lived in Independence our entire lives, many of us will walk across the stage of Memorial Hall and walk away from Independence temporarily... or permanently.

Even though the name of our yearbook is Orange & Black and those colors traditionally dominate the pages of our yearbooks, we thought it would be fun to spice it up with the color palette from Dr. Seuss's beloved book, "Oh, the Places You'll Go!"

So no matter where the roads take you, or if you choose to come back home, we ask you to thumb through the book and consider the places you'll go, the ways in which you will travel in life, the friends you have made at IHS, and the memories you will hold close.

The staff wishes to thank those who so generously shared photos and for those who willingly gave interviews and shared information for the stories. It takes a village.



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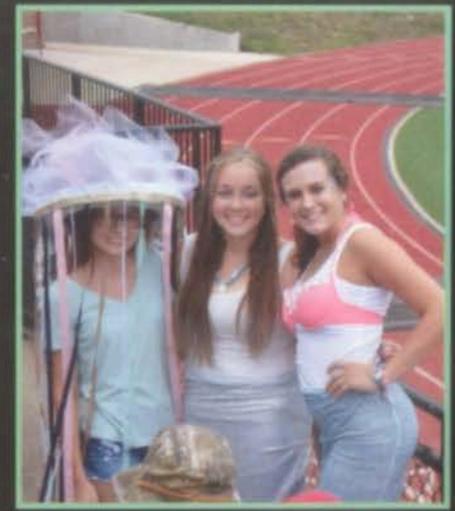
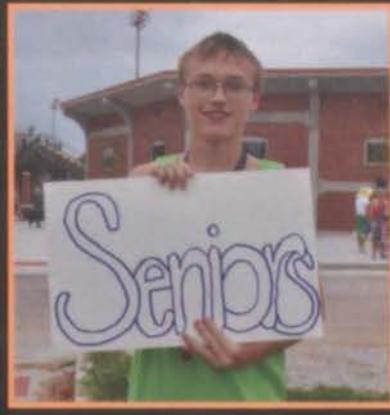
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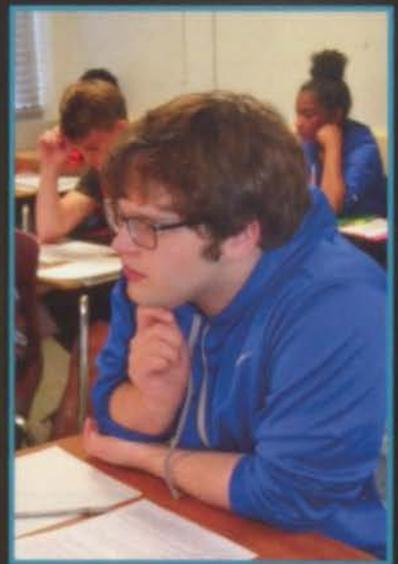
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Class of 2017 officers: Doraly Aguirre-Palma, president; Sean Neyland, vice-president; Taylor Clark, treasurer; Sagan Shaire, StuCo rep; and Alex Cole, StuCo rep. Not pictured: Emma Schaper, secretary.

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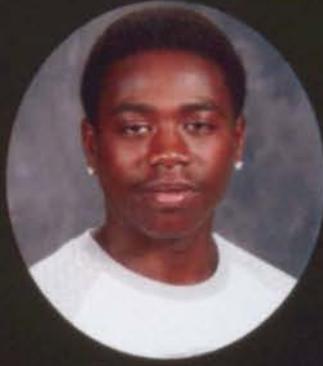
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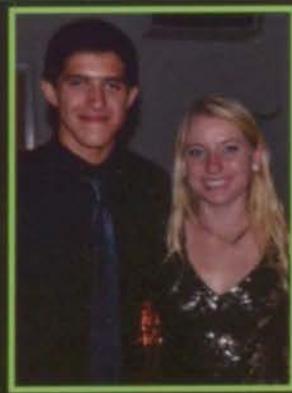
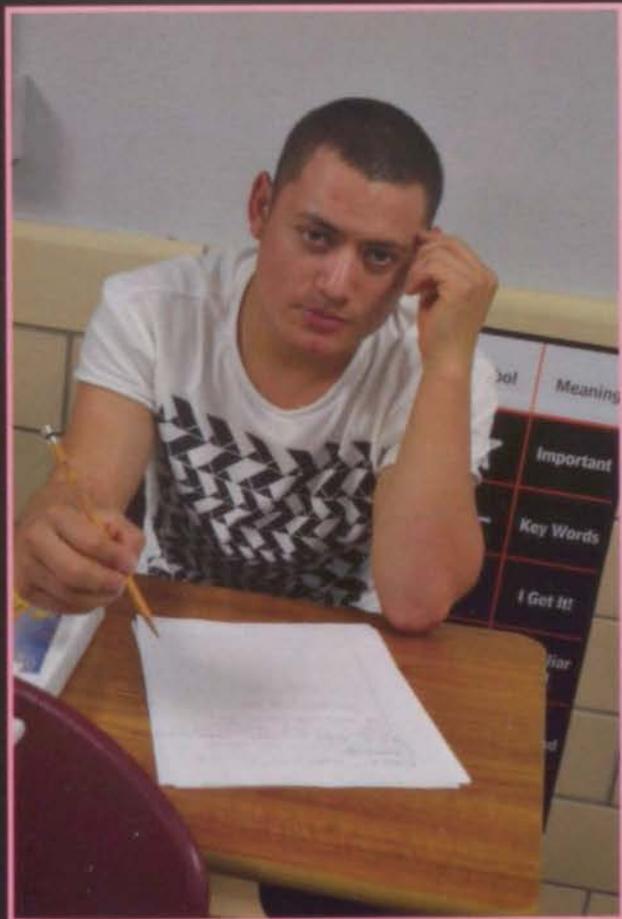
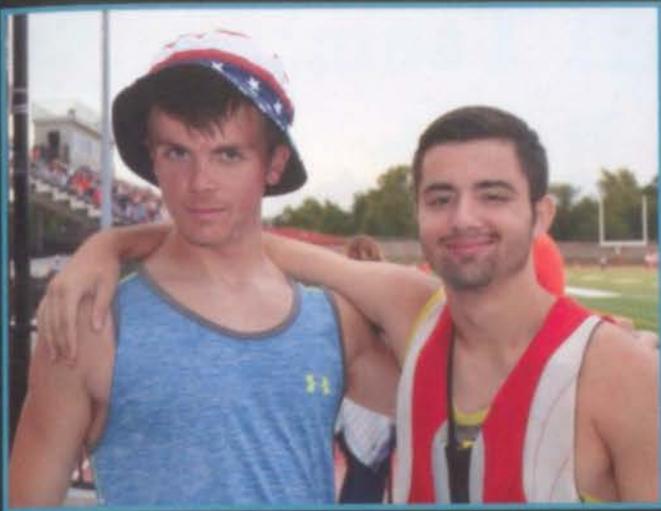
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IHS Volleyball Team Earns State Berth



IHS Lady Bulldog volleyball started its season with three returning seniors, three juniors, one sophomore and one freshman at the varsity level team. The Lady Bulldogs took second place at an Eureka tournament, where **Lakelyn Shaffer (11)** and **Terra Daniels (11)** helped beat the Wichita Defenders for the first time with scores of 25-27, 25-19, and 25-16. A highlight of that tournament was **Ashley Johnson (12)** catching the ball off a serve. The Lady Bulldogs finished the tournament at 2-3. The team then won first place in the Cherryvale tournament and then finished the regular season in third place at Anderson County. Normally only two players are chosen from each team, but three IHS players, **Kallie Smith (12)**, **Danielle Veile (12)**, and **Hannah Burnett (11)**, were named to the All-Tournament team.

Substate play is typically tougher than regular season matches. Lady Bulldogs took on Coffeyville for the first match of Substate, and IHS won 25-9, 25-15. The second match was a challenge, though; IHS played Labette County, and went into three sets, 26-24, 23-25 and 25-15. **Kate Gordon (11)** made the final spike for the team to win and earn a spot at the State tournament. It was 24 years since IHS volleyball team last competed at State, and the Lady Bulldogs had a 31-8 record heading into the State tournament.

State was an exciting experience for the Lady Bulldogs. Coach Kristi Speicher moved a couple of underclassmen up to the varsity team. **Raygan Cunningham (10)**, **Kate Keilber (9)**, and **Kaylee Bollig (9)** earned the opportunity to play, and while the State tourney didn't end the way IHS wanted, the Lady Bulldogs finished the season with a record of 31-11.



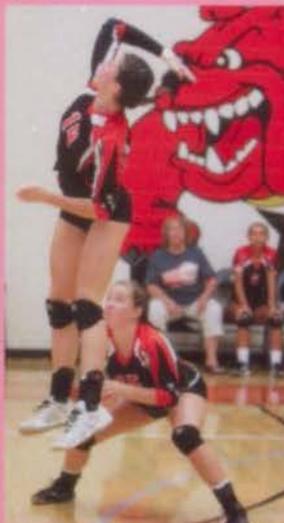
Above: Lady Bulldogs Varsity departs to 3A State in Salina.



Above Right: Kallie Smith (12) spikes the ball against LCHS at Substate.

"Your team becomes your family, the ball becomes your best friend, the court becomes your home, and the game becomes your life."

"I was super excited and proud of my team for being the first team to go to State in 24 years. It was so much fun and I would give anything to go back, and I hope the girls who get to play next year feel the same." - **Kallie Smith (12)**



Ashley Johnson (12) prepares to serve at Substate.





Front Row: Samantha Morse, Kara Swearingen, Aerial Darnell, Callie Younger, Briana Paolini, Anna Wesselowski, Jillian Lingenfelter, Elyzabeth Eisele, Maddie Rutledge, Cloe Mills, Laney Wood.

Middle Row: Taylin Peterson (manager), Megan Hendryx, Lauren Pasternak, Kaylee Bollig, Kate Kleiber, Abby Ewing, Lauren Easley, Raygan Cunningham, Kylie Wilhelm, Brittney Jabben (manager).

Back Row: Ashley Johnson, Kallie Smith, Hannah Burnett, Kate Gordon, Lakelyn Shaffer, Terra Daniels, Taylor Howland, Danielle Veile and Olivia Merrick.

Bump, Set, Spike!



Olivia Merrick (11) bumps a pass.



Danielle Veile (12) sets the ball.



Hannah Burnett (11) spikes the ball.



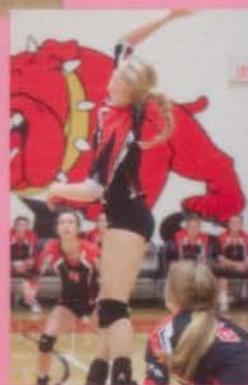
Terra Daniels (11) returns the ball at a home match.



Taylor Howland (10) sets the ball during match play at the Cherryvale tournament.

"The 2016 season was a very enjoyable and rewarding one. The girls were a super bunch to work with and watch play. I wish I could relive the season. Getting to go back to State was awesome. Fortunately this year's squad was very dedicated and talented. Going to State was of great importance for them! I am glad they got to experience it."

-Coach Kristi Speicher



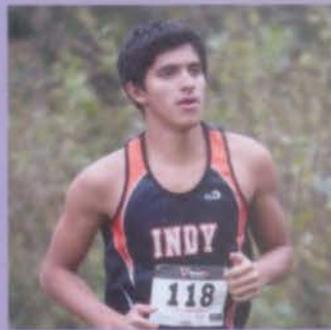
Kate Gordon (9) prepares to spike the ball during a home match.

"Something I'll always remember from this season is winning Substate. It was something that I've worked for for such a long time and something our team wanted so badly. State was so awesome. I'm so happy we went, and I wouldn't trade it for anything else. I was so excited to be there with my team and my coaches; the atmosphere at State tournament is just awesome, and I'm super lucky to have gotten to experience playing the sport I love with such a great team." - **Danielle Veile (12)**





2016 Seniors



Renee Trout Finishes Third at State



Photos Courtesy of Thomas Lott

GOING *the* DISTANCE



Front Row: Blaydan Winebrenner, Dara Mendoza, Landon Ewing, Cameron Goodrich, Lane Ewing, Rindy Marquez, Jillian Stafford.

Middle Row: Renee Trout, Jessica Reed, Matt Schenck, Heith Mendoza, Abby Dunham, Leann Trout, Addie Mattes, Micah Hogge.

Back Row: Nate Morrison, Pete Maldonado, Quinton Mason, Adam Hayse, Aidan Brumley, Carson Hufferd, and Liam Jarrell.

Renee Trout (9) captured first place at the SEK cross country meet with a time of 19:14 and led the team to a second place finish in the varsity girls' division.

In addition to Renee's league championship, **Leann Trout (9)**, **Jillian Stafford (10)**, **Rindy Marquez (11)** and **Dara Mendoza (10)** earned honorable mention.

"Renee goes out full blast," said IHS Head Coach **Carrie Agosto**. "She and our underclassmen are only going to improve with experience and confidence at these meets in the future."

Also earning SEK honorable mention honors was **Carson Hufferd (10)**, who claimed 19th place with a mark of 18:56. Other IHS runners included **Heith Mendoza (11)**, 25th in 19:53; **Aidan Brumley (10)**, 32nd in 20:45; **Adam Hayse (12)**, 34th in 21:14; **Liam Jarrell (12)**, 40th in 22:46; **Micah Hogge (9)**, 41st in 22:47 and **Lane Ewing (9)**, 42nd in 23:02.

Earlier in the season the Lady Bulldogs finished in eleventh place at the Rim Rock Classic.

Renee earned a third place finish at the Regional meet with a time of 19:38.83. She never finished out of the top five in a single race his year, which is very impressive for a freshman.

Prior to the league meet, Carson Hufferd's ran his season's best at Pittsburg in 18:15.

The senior runners provided leadership throughout the season. **Robert Skaggs**, **Cameron Goodrich**, **Bryson Linnebur** and **Pete Maldonado**, **Abby Dunham** strengthened the IHS cross country program.

IHS FOOTBALL

IHS captured its first Southeast Kansas league championship since 1995. It was also the first SEK championship for IHS in a single-division format since 1979.

Though the team finished the season with an overall record of 8-2, the team did face some challenges.

Independence Daily Reporter awarded Peyton Usher-Pearson (12) defensive player of the year. Another post-season honor for Usher-Pearson was his selection to the Shrine Bowl.

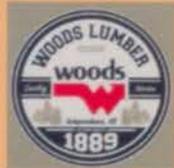
Coach Carl Boldra summed up the season, "It was a very fun and exciting year.

We may have not reached all the goals we set, but we reached many of them and that makes things fun. Players worked hard all year and that hard work showed by the outcome of the SEK League Championship and the District Championship. We had great senior leadership, but in order to have great leadership you have to have some pretty good followers. Saying goodbye to seniors is not as hard when you have good ones coming. Many individual awards were given out and that tells you why the team award happened. Thanks to a great coaching staff, good administration and good overall community support it was a good year."



IHS takes a timeout during the Homecoming game.

Evan Kleiber runs the ball in for a Bulldog touchdown!



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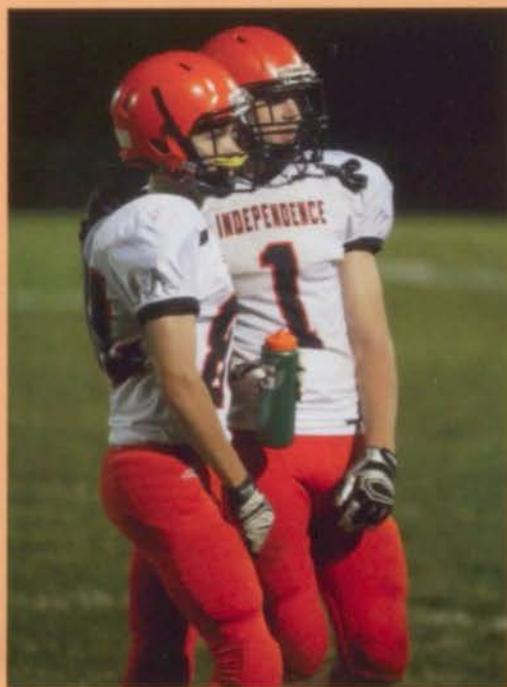
Front Row: Gabe Eades, Jeb Stafford, Austin White, Chicago Elias, Skyler Shouse, Brayden Coller, Gabe Wright, Aiden Charter, Dyson Maples, John Strycker (manager).

Second Row: Chet Augustine, J.J. Martin, Jaden McGrath, Jackson Stafford, Corey Janasek, Cody Schicke, Dakota Thorenson, Trevor Rinne, Kaleb Ogle.

Third Row: Jacob Miller, Damien Lang, Zeadric Daniels, Zac Shaffer, Seth Stroble, Bryson Linnebur, Rich Garris, Jacob Jabben, Wyatt Chism, Marshall Day.

Fourth Row: Grant Thiessen, Josh Pralle, Christian Phillips, Amauryon Farley, Jordin Schmitt, Ryan Bruce, Kyle Woods, Skyler St. Clair, Evan Sprague, Brannen Mayfield, Cole Swearingen.

Back Row: Peyton-Usher Pearson, Kody Koehn, Will Schabel, Davion Lewis, Davin Schmitt, Colan Snodgrass, Tommy Melton, Evan Kleiber, Trace Smith and Levi Kemp.





Bulldog Soccer



The IHS soccer team ended its season with an overall record of 10-5-2. Though the season did not end as planned due to many crazy calls and several injuries, Coach Max Bradbury said, "Coach Camacho and I really enjoyed coaching a great group of kids. The highlight of the year was beating Coffeyville in double overtime. Seeing everyone go crazy after that win was one the greatest moments of my coaching career," said Bradbury.

Six members of the IHS soccer team earned post-season recognition this year. Zack Schroeder (12), Drew Pasternak (12), and John Gray (11) were named First Team All-SEK, while Carlos Ventura (10), Garrett Smith (11), and Sam Hilger (12) were named Second Team All-SEK.



AJ Charter (12) attempts to save a ball from going out of bounds.



Andy McCarty (12) runs down the field.



Caden Hayward (12) makes a great throw to inbound the ball.



The team huddles up after a good win!



Corbyn Hugo (12) throws in the ball.



Front Row: Sawyer Hayward, Bryan Ramey, Jared Alliston, Andrew McCarty, Graci Carr, Douglas Boaz, Alex Gibson, Jared Metcalf.

Second Row: Kylie Wilson-Stover, Cole Cunningham, Tyler Goza, AJ Charter, Rodrigo Serrano, Carlos Prieto-Ventura, Garrett Smith, Jacob Hogge, Jenalyn Reichenbach.

Third Row: Anthony Medrano, Majour Johnson, Zane Lawrence, James Lingenfelter, Emmanuel Jaimes, Dyllan Harden, Tanner Godinez, Jon Lingenfelter.

Back Row: Sam Hilger, Corbyn Hugo, John Gray, Micah Dozier, Caden Hayward, Mason Foster, Chase Tucker, Drew Pasternak and Zack Schroeder.

"It was tough end to the season, but regardless, I enjoyed my senior season." - Sam Hilger (12)

"We worked together as a team this season and adjusted to a new coaching staff. We had a our ups and downs, but overall, I will remember this as a good season." - Zack Schroeder (12)

"It's tough to believe I'm hanging up my cleats after all these years playing soccer. My senior season was one filled with many memories." - Drew Pasternak (12)

"As one of the few girls on the team, I feel like I have a special relationship with the guys on the team. I consider them as my brothers." - Jenalyn Reichenbach (12)

Girls Tennis



Front Row: Sagan Shire, Qwynn Marquez, Kady King.

Middle Row: Angella Solano, Alexis Clapp, Emma Stoner, Jenna Eytcheson.

Back Row: Alex Keller, Addison Julian, Lyssa Schabel, Soli Groff and Meredith Campbell.



Sagan Shire (12) concentrates on her forehand shot.



Soli Groff (9) hits a ground stroke to an opponent at a home tournament.

"Tennis might require a serve that remains in the box, but it also allows an opportunity to get out of your own."
-Sagan Shire (12)

"It truly was a team effort this year to bring home some hardware. They all worked so hard in the summer to get these results. I am so proud of them."
-Matt Ysusi, head coach

"Fun times and good memories. When you love a game and your teammates, the sport becomes easier."
-Qwynn Marquez (11)

Girls Tennis Goes to State!

The team finished second in the league tournament, took first at Regionals, and captured third at State as a team. **Lyssa Schabel (11)** finished in fifth place at State. **Alex Keller (12)** and **Addison Julian (10)** finished in seventh place at State. **Qwynn Marquez (11)** and **Kaydn King (9)** finished in tenth place at State. **Meredith Campbell (10)** was also a State qualifier.



[Above] Lyssa Schabel (11) and [right] Addison Julian (10) played tough at State.



[Above] Alex Keller (12) backhands a shot at State.

"State was such a fun experience to share with some great girls. It was an awesome way to end the season by coming home with a plaque."
-Lyssa Schabel (11)

"I had such a great experience at State playing with my partner Alex this year. I also loved sharing a hotel room with Qwynn and Lyssa."
-Addison Julian (10)

"As it's my senior year, I savored every second playing and being with my girls. We had such a good year, and I wouldn't have wanted it to be with any other team."
-Alex Keller (12)

Debate

While the size of the debate team was smaller than previous years, the team achieved success, nonetheless.

"Having the juniors step up and provide leadership made a significant difference," said Coach Ms. **Roni Burris**. The team claimed second in the Regional contest and **Amanda Trout (11)** and **Anna Howland (11)** went on to State.

A standout performance from Anna Howland resulted in qualifying for Nationals. "Anna did well in her supplement and consolation events and made it further than any other IHS student has at their first nationals," said Ms. Burris.

Marie Alliston (12) and **Jacob Hogge (11)** also medaled at multiple tournaments, and **Bailey Mattix (9)** showed promise as a novice debater.

"The debaters commit many hours to the program, starting with debate camp in the summer and practice sessions in the evening," said Ms. Burris. "While our competitions may not be physical, we are definitely exercising our brains!"

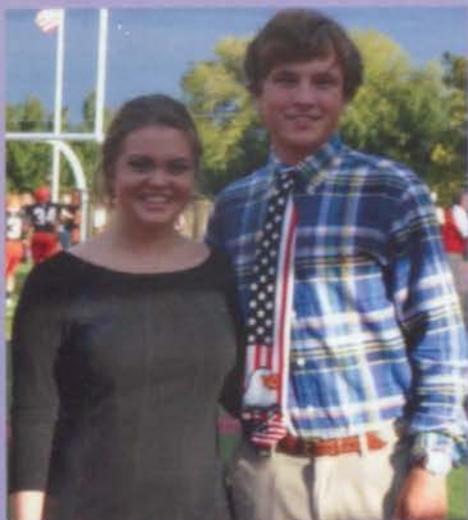


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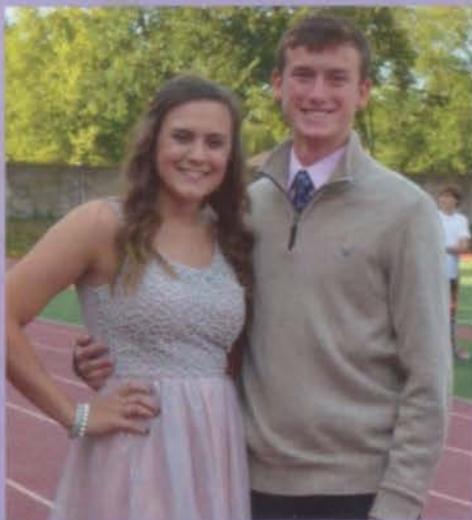
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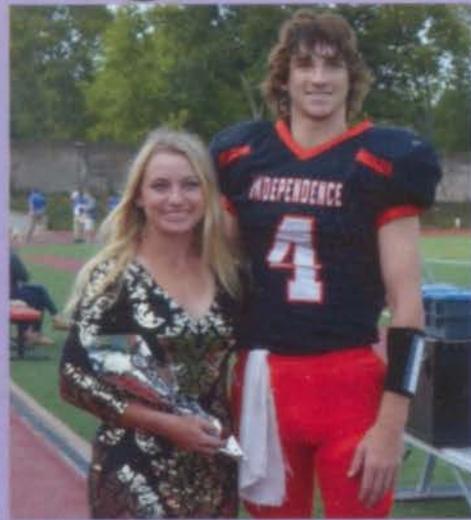
Fall Homecoming



Emma Schaper & Zack Schroeder



Brooklinn Royer & Sam Hilger



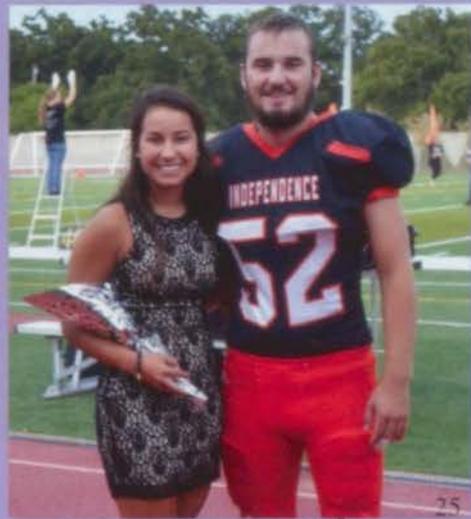
Alex Keller & Colan Snodgrass



Danielle Veile & Levi Kemp



Haunted Halloween
Homecoming Assembly



Rindy Marquez & Kyle Woods

Color Guard



Front Row: Dani Ratibun, Anna Howland, Taylor Lumley, Alexis Bell, Dulce Asgari, Clerra Farris.
Back Row: Wendy Urquiza, Courtney Taylor, Chloé McDill, Alex Jakubowski, Angella Solano, Alyssa Velasquez and Megan Barrett.

"I couldn't have asked for a better team. They have taught me so much and given me a great experience. We may have had a few drama-filled moments, but in the end we all came together and exceeded the expectations everyone had for us. I'm so proud of my team and what we have achieved this season."
 - Dani Ratibun (12)



The Color Guard had an early start, beginning two weeks before school started. The routines posed a new challenge with difficult moves to learn, a tone to memorize, and new members to bring into the team. With multiple practices a week and a lot of time spent together, the team came together and put on a magnificent show. No matter the performance- football, parades, or competition- the girls gave it their best and always worked to improve. Under the guidance of Coach Ashley Webber and Captain Dani Ratibun (12) the color guard earned 1 ratings at Emporia, a 1 rating and Best Color Guard at Pittsburg, a 1 rating at Mound of Sound, a 1 rating at Dolañga-Talala, and a 1 rating and Best Color Guard at the Neewollah Festival.



Marching Band



"My experience this year in the marching band was amazing. I got the privilege to be field commander, and conduct pre-game with Cameron Goodrich (12) and Laura Barwick (11). I still got to march with fellow trombones. I have to say this year out of the four years that I marched was my favorite year out of them all. I have watched this band grow phenomenally within the last four years, and I hope that growth continues. It was a great experience, and I hope that everyone that marched this year had an amazing year as well."

-Ethan Pope (12)



The band came together for another great marching season. Band Camp started it all with fundamentals and the beginning of the marching show. Much hard work was given by this group of kids. They practiced

nearly every day, no matter how hot it was. When the time came for football games, they rocked the halftime show and hyped up the student section, keeping everyone on their feet. Competitions were another exciting moment. They march in the Old Settlers Day parade, received a 2 rating and Best Drum Major at Emporia, second in class at Ocala-Talala, a 1 rating, Best in Class, and Overall Best at the Pittsburg State Homecoming parade, a 2 rating at Mound of Sound, and a one rating and Best Drum Line at our own Neewollah Festival.

Their last performance together was the Christmas concert and after that they all joined together for the banquet. Freshman of the year was Austin White (9), Bands Woman of the Year went to Libby Davis (10), Junior of the Year was Trenton Shamblin (11), Senior of the Year was Anthony Keafer (12), Bulldog Award went to Ethan Pope (12), Bands Man was Anthony Keafer, Section of the Year was trumpets, and Auxiliary of the Year was Dani Rathbun (12).



2016 Stage Escorts



Front Row: Corbyn Hugo, Cory Janasek, Jackson Stafford.

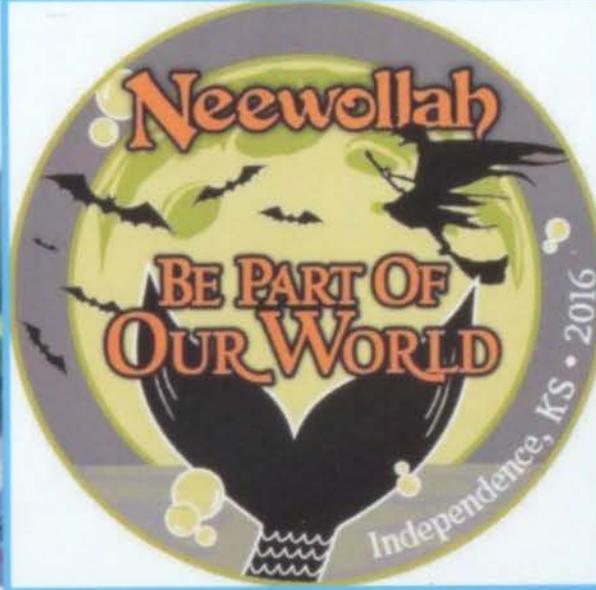
Back Row: Kyle Woods, Colan Snodgrass, Cooper King, Daniel Grice and Zack Schroeder.

2016 Neelah Debs



Front Row: Emily Thompson, Alexis Clapp, Addison Julian, Dara Mendoza.

Back Row: Jillian Stafford, Graci Carr, Morgan Mavers and Emma Stoner.



QUEEN NEELAH LXXV



Queens Court

- Queen Neelah: Ashley Johnson
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Second Runner Up: Emily Wilson
Miss Photogenic: Avery Chism
Miss Beauty: Rindy Marquez
Miss Fashion: Isabella Castilleja
Miss Poise: Brooklinn Royer
Miss Congeniality: Shayla Drake
& Emily Wilson
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Miss Originality: Emily Lattin





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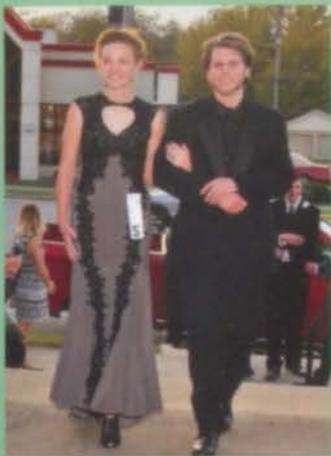
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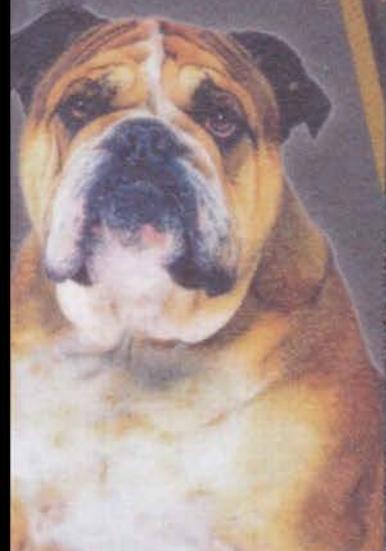
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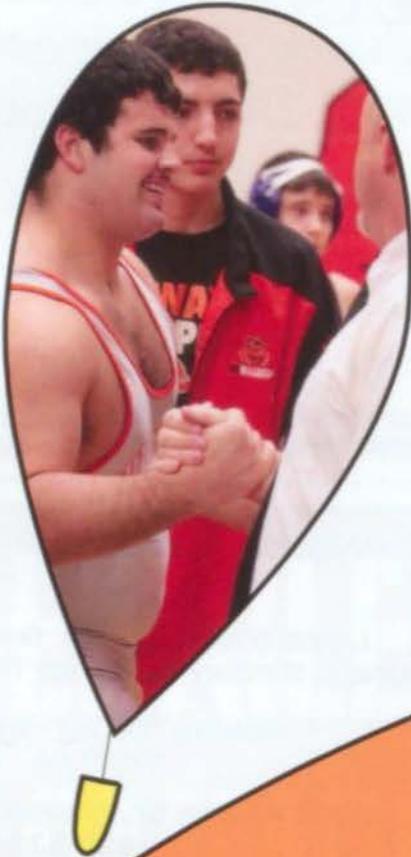
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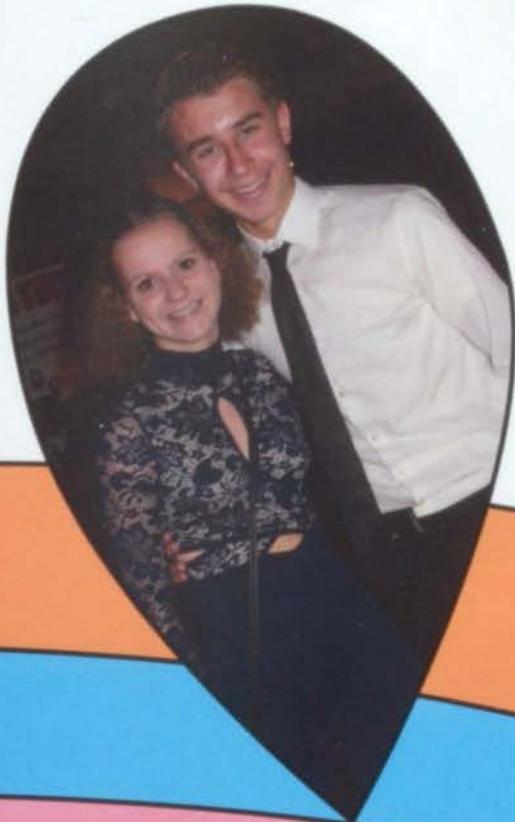
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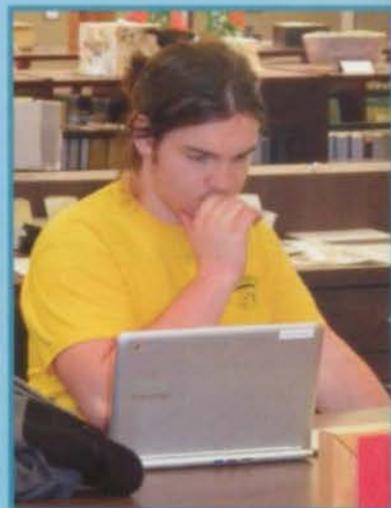
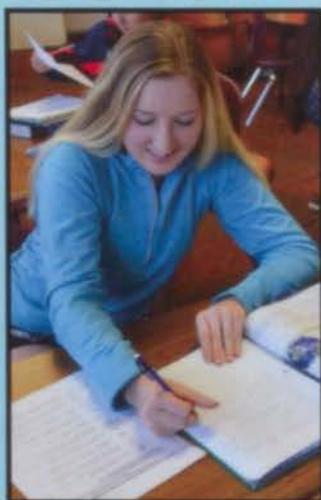
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Class of 2018 officers: Aubree Lawrie, president; Josh Pralle, vice-president; Claire Cooke, treasurer; Ellen Unruh, StuCo rep; and Zeb Stafford, vice-president. Not pictured: Jerod Knight, StuCo rep.

IHS Class of 2018



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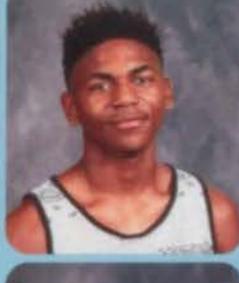
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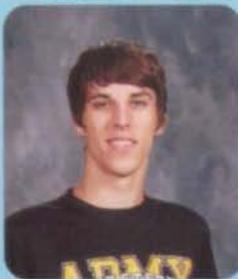


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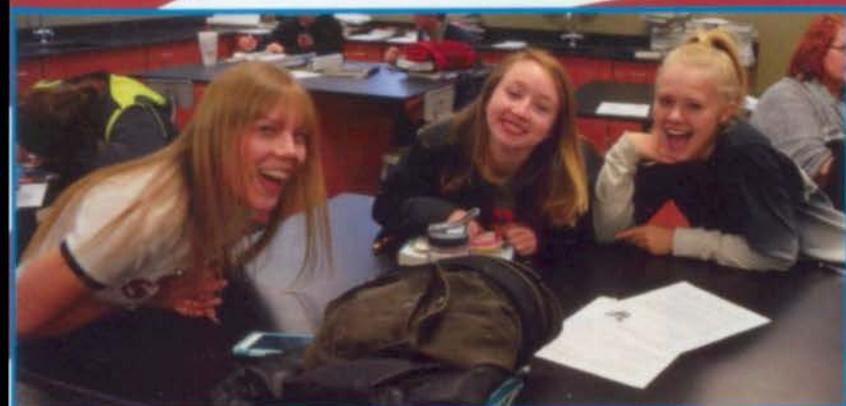
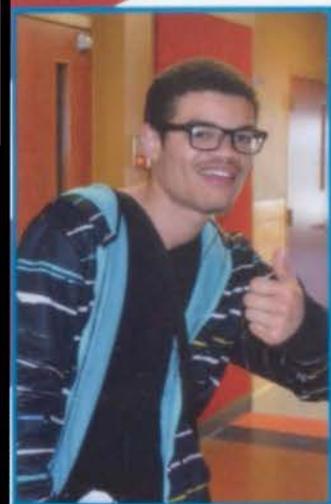


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Wrestling



Front Row: Zak- Al-Bureni, Scott Neyland, Daniel York, Quint Skaggs, Grant Thiessen, Dawson Bauza, Clever Christman Spencer Patterson.

Second Row: Novalee Wright (manager), Ian Lawson, Jon Lingenfelter, A.J. Charter, Chicago Elias, James Lingenfelter, Gabe Eades, Cooper Short.

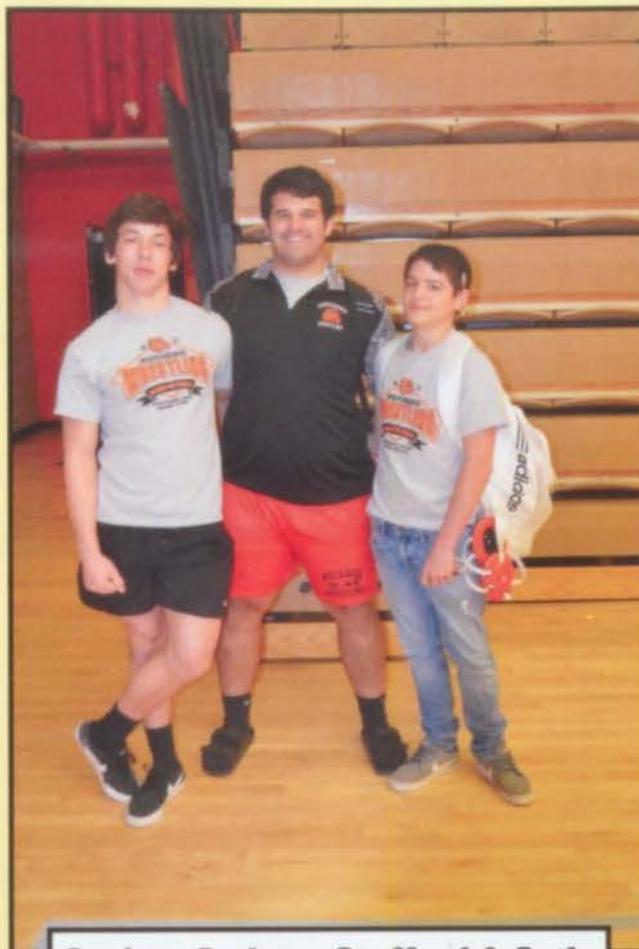
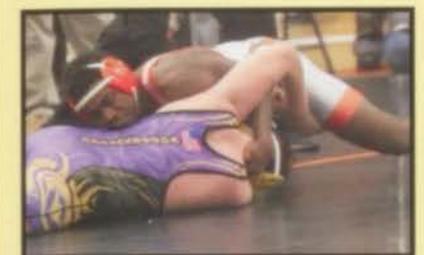
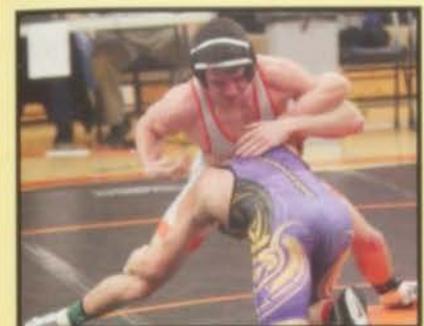
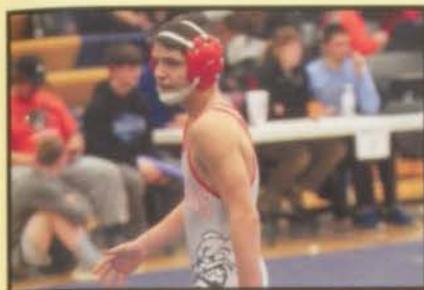
Third Row: Avery Chism (manager), Dustin Darrow, Jackson Stafford, Cole Swearingen, Whitney Rutland, Matt Schenck, Rich Garris, Donivan Darrow, Emily Fairbank (manager).

Back Row: Heith Mendoza, Izaiah Rodriguez, Cal Bloomfield, Ryan Bruce, Robert Skaggs, Seth Stroble, Quinton Mason, and Pete Maldonado.

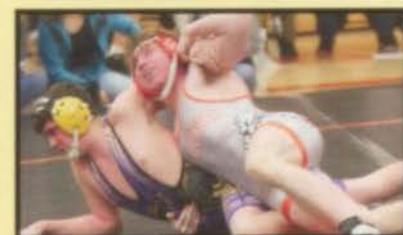
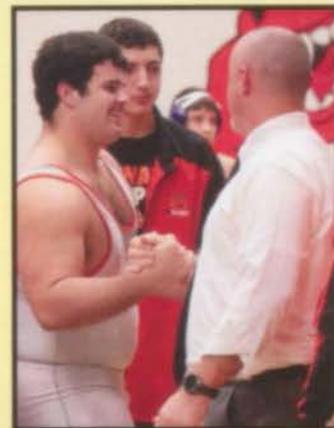


"I'm very happy with my season. I accomplished a lot and had fun; I am not letting two mistakes define my season."- Seth Stroble (12)

**"It was a really good feeling knowing I qualified for State again, but I didn't make it as far as I hoped, but there is always next year to improvement."
- Gabe Eades (11)**



Seniors Jackson Stafford & Seth Stroble, and Junior Gabe Eades



State Qualifiers

The season went very well and it was a big step for the IHS wrestling program. **Seth Stroble (12)** became a three-time State qualifier and finished the season 41-3, while **Jackson Stafford (12)** and **Gabe Eades (11)** became two-time State qualifiers. The team was the largest in the last decade, with 42 wrestlers starting the season.

"Finishing third in the SEK was not quite the finish the team wanted. With the level of competition in our league, it is hard to make it to the top spot" said Head Coach **Zach Camacho**. "I would like to thank everyone who came out this year and gave their all to help the team succeed. I want to give a huge shout-out to our seniors who led the team and made a lasting impact on IHS wrestling. Some of the seniors were first-year wrestlers who wrestled varsity and made an immediate impact on our dual season, and we are forever grateful for that."

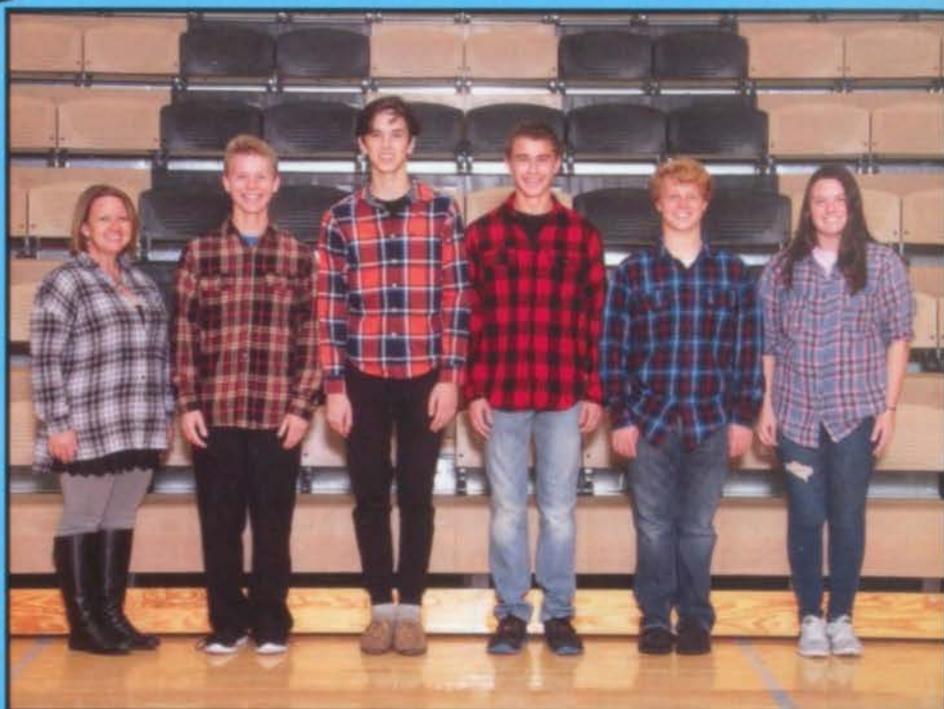
Boys Swim



Adam Hayse (12) and Sean Neyland (12) celebrate strong league finishes with Coach Clapp.



"When swimming, it's important to keep your head above the water and not drown!" -Adam Hayse (12)



Coach Kathy Clapp, Jacob Hogge, Adam Hayse, Carson Hufferd, Sean Neyland, and Alexis Clapp (manager).

2017 marked the inaugural season for the IHS boys swim team. After competing with Field Kindley for a number of years, the #446 board of education voted to fund an IHS team.

At the meet in Osawatometie, the team swam the 200 Medley Relay but were disqualified; in the 50 Freestyle Jacob Hogge (11) placed eighth with a time of 28.18 and Carson Hufferd (10) placed eleventh with a time of 30.54. In 200 Freestyle Relay, the team took fourth with 1:57.88. Adam Hayse (12) took sixth in the 100 Backstroke with a time of 1:23.55, and Sean Neyland (12) took ninth in the 100 Breaststroke with a time of 1:37.24.

To conclude the meet, the boys took fourth in the 400 Freestyle Relay with a time of 4:50.25.



Bailey Babcock & Robert Skaggs



Emily Wilson & Jon Coltrane



Will Schabel & Kallie Smith

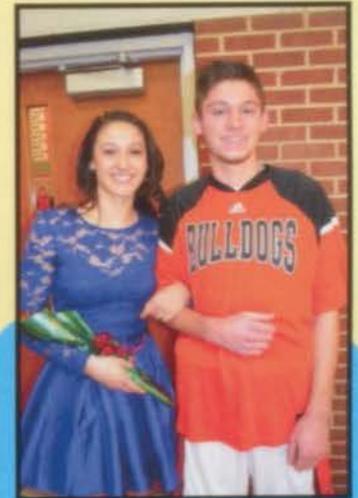
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Queen Maddy Kyle & King Jon Coltrane



Lexi Carr & Drew Pasternak

BOYS BASKETBALL

After being chosen to finish sixth in league, the Bulldogs were on fire to prove their critics wrong. The team fought hard each and every game, and it paid off for the Bulldogs. They placed second in the Burlington tournament and finished second in SEK.

Head Coach **Marcus Lanning** often times referred to the team as the "heart attack" team because many of their games were won by only one or two points, three of their games went into overtime and one game went into double overtime. Lanning said, "I love the leadership the senior boys showed and how welcoming and encouraging they were to the younger players." **Davion Lewis (9)** was unanimously named First Team All-SEK, while **Zeadric Daniels (10)** was named to the Second Team.

Zack Schroeder (12) said, "It was a great season; I will miss playing with my teammates who I've played with since the second grade." **Caden Hayward (12)** commented, "One of my favorite moments this basketball season was looking back on film and seeing teammate **Evan Kleiber (12)** dancing on Coach Lanning in the huddle."



Front Row: Logan Payne, Zack Schroeder, Tyler Fienen, Majour Johnson, Deontrey Hadley.

Second Row: John Strycker (manager), Tanner Godinez, Zeadric Daniels, Josh Pralle, Drew Pasternak, Addison Post (manager).

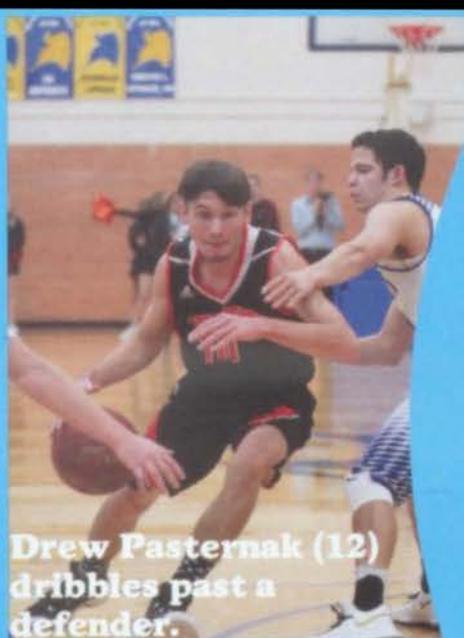
Back Row: Levi Kemp, Caden Hayward, Aidan Brumley, Trace Smith, and TreyVon Kendrex.



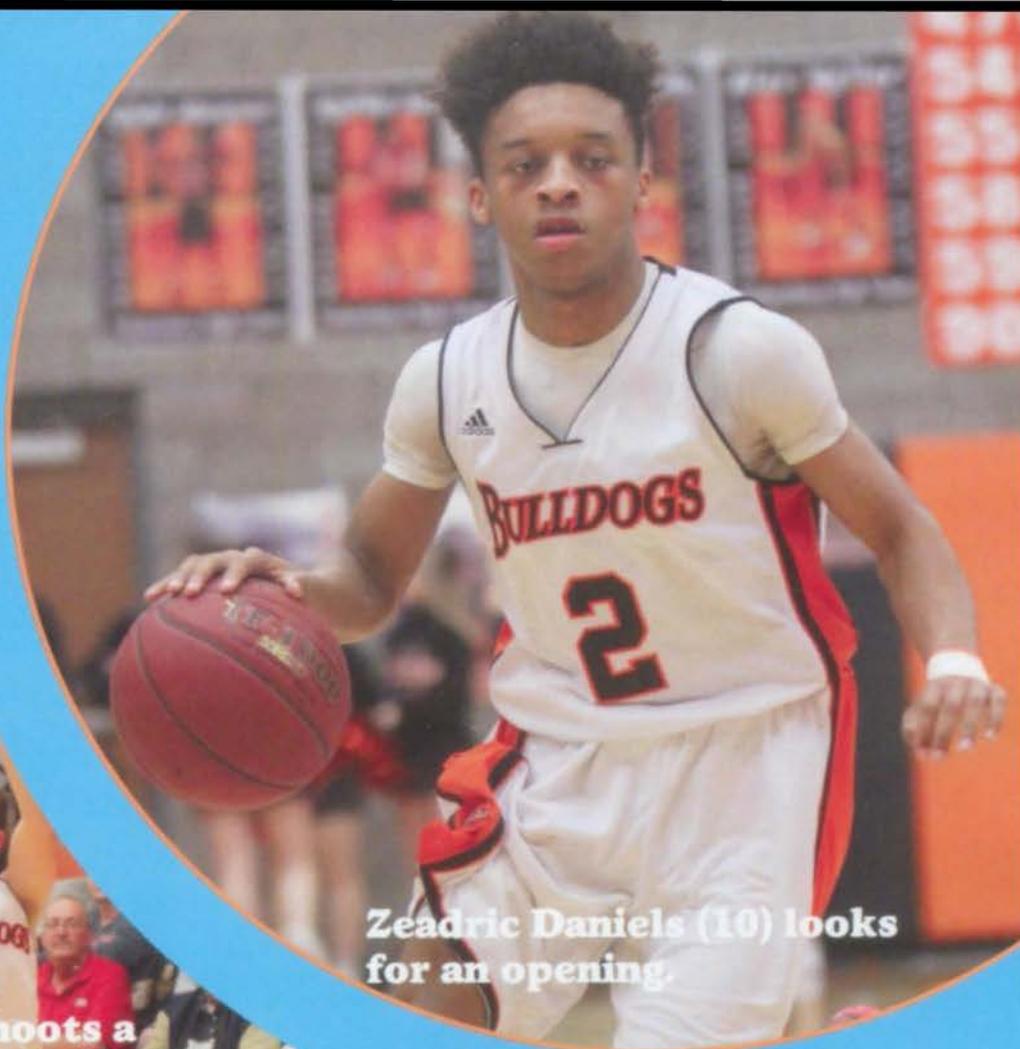
Front Row: Sawyer Hayward, Micah Hogge, Brayden Coller, Mason Bennett.

Back Row: Jaden McGrath, Damien Lang, Micah Dozier, Davion Lewis, Amauryon Farley, and Marshall Day.

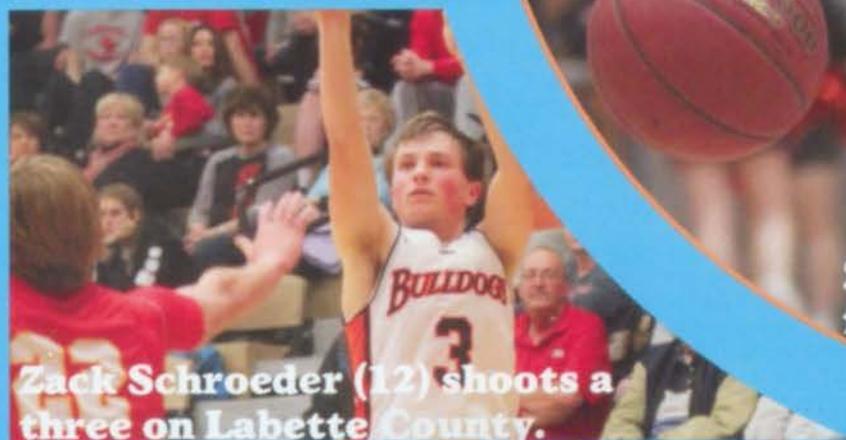
The freshman team went 6-14 on the season, but their record does not show how hard they worked and played each game. Head Coach **Max Bradbury** said, "I feel this group has a bright future. I believe these players want to become great and will put in the hard work to become great basketball players. The freshman gave their all in every summer league game, practice, and regular season game, and that's all a coach can ask for."



Drew Pasternak (12) dribbles past a defender.



Zeadric Daniels (10) looks for an opening.



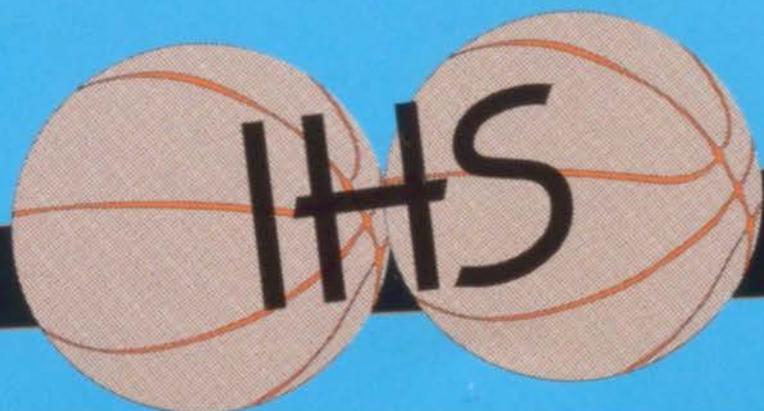
Zack Schroeder (12) shoots a three on Labette County.



Davion Lewis (9) focuses on shooting a free throw.



Levi Kemp (12) takes a up a strong layup.



When in doubt, dribble it out

Girls Basketball



Front Row: Baileigh Reister, Graci Carr, Morgan Mavers, Dara Mendoza, Autumn Chism, Rindy Marquez, Cloe Mills.

Middle Row: Bailey Werner (manager), Kylie Wilson, Taygan Claar, Alex Keller, Addison Julian Raygan Cunningham, Callie Younger, Megan Hendryx (manager).

Back Row: Shay Ross (manager), Taylor Howland, Lyssa Schabel, Abby Ewing, Jacey Smith, Kallie Smith and Kaylee Bollig.

The Lady Bulldogs had a score of 51-34 against Pittsburg which moved the Lady Bulldogs to a 3-1 record and 1-0 in SEK. Rindy Marquez (12) shot three, three pointers to finish up the game with Pittsburg. Kallie Smith (12) and Morgan Mavers (10) scored double figures toward Pittsburg with Kallie having 11 and Morgan with 10.

Later in the season, the Lady Bulldogs played against Pittsburg again, but took their first loss of the season 51-31. The next game against Field Kindley, Lady Bulldogs had a 4-1 overall and was 2-0 in SEK. The ninth win for the Lady Bulldogs was against Fort Scott and came away with a 36-26 win.

At the Burlington Invitational, Lady Bulldogs won against Prairie View with a 61-14. Abby Ewing (11) scored 6 points in the second-half with only two minutes left in the game. This put Lady Bulldogs with a 7-1 overall for the season thus far.

While at Burlington, Morgan Mavers (10), Kallie Smith (12), and Lyssa Schabel (11) were announced the All-Tournament Team and the players who were honored was Rindy Marquez (11), Abby Ewing (11), Lyssa Schabel, Kallie Smith, Morgan Mavers, Alex Keller (12), Aubree Lawrie (11), Dara Mendoza (10), and Graci Carr (11).

Results that ended at the Burlington tournament was the Lady Bulldogs placing third place with a trophy. Leaving the overall score of 8-2. When playing against Frontenac, the Ladies came out with a score of 56-39, which brought them to a 10-2 overall.

Season Highlights



Taylor Howland (10) scores a basket with a layup against the Buffaloes.



Alex Keller (12) prepares to shoot a basket against the Grizzlies.

Rindy Marquez (12) jumps up to shoot the ball against the Bobcats.



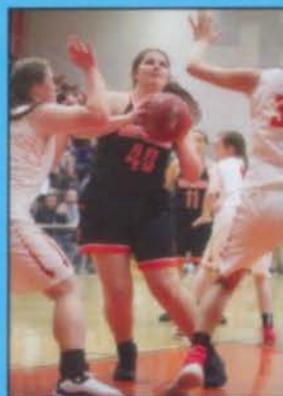
Morgan Mavers (10) looks to pass the ball to a teammate while being blocked.



Kallie Smith (12) controls the ball in an attempt to get around the opposing team.



Jacey Smith (12) puts up a shot in front of two blockers.



Lyssa Schabel (11) dribbles the ball down the court while being guarded by an LCHS player.



Raygan Cunningham (10) dribbles past a PHS player on a fast break.



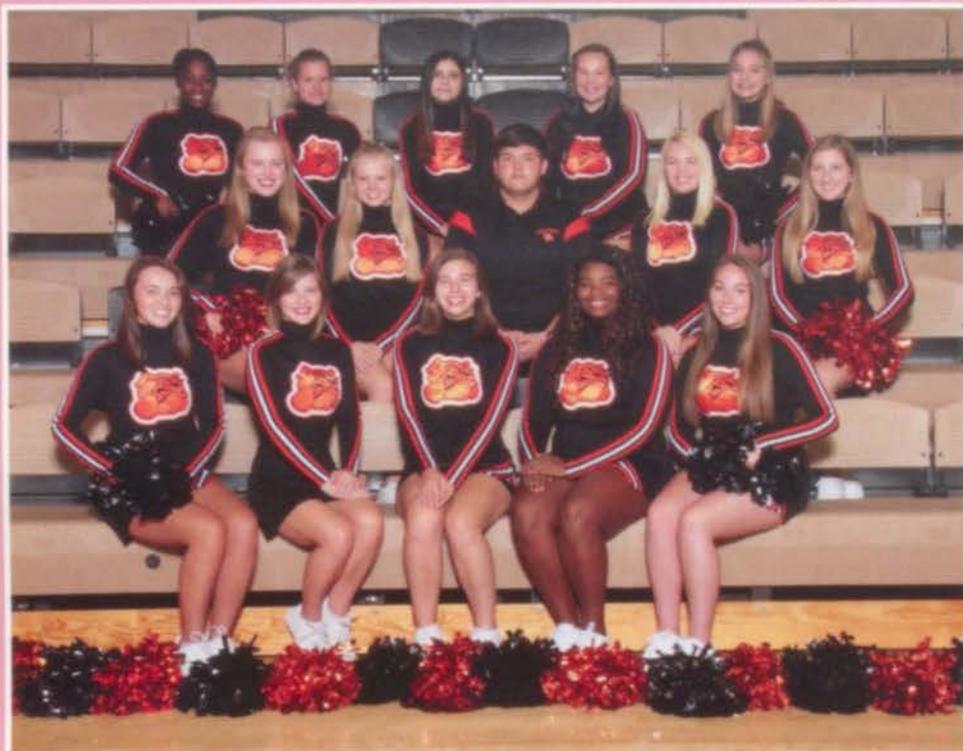
"Our team was tighter than our defense."
- Rindy Marquez (12)

"This year had some up and downs but it was a lot of fun to be with the girls. I couldn't have asked for a better group of girls to go out with a bang for senior year."
- Alex Keller (12)

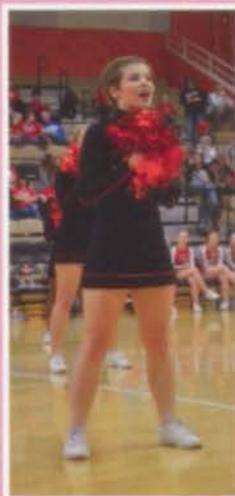
"It's hard to believe I'll never get to play the sport I love again but it's even harder knowing I won't be able to play with the teammates that turned into family."
- Jacey Smith (12)

"Good, better, best. Never let it rest until your good is better and your better is best."
- Kallie Smith (12)

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MEMORIES



Front Row: Taylor Zamora, Karson Ballew, Emily Wilson, Destiny Kendrex, Bailey Babcock.
Middle Row: Ellen Unruh, Alexis Rinne, Dawson Sharp, Pauline Gomez, Claire Cook.
Back Row: Michaela Rose, Carly Gustin, Jocelyn Howland, Darian Montgomery and Kyndall Clarkson.



"This was my first year coaching high school cheer leading and I couldn't have asked for a better squad. From winning the prestigious Leadership Award at camp to a very successful showcase performance at the end of the year, I am super proud of my athletes!" said Mrs. Erica Cope.

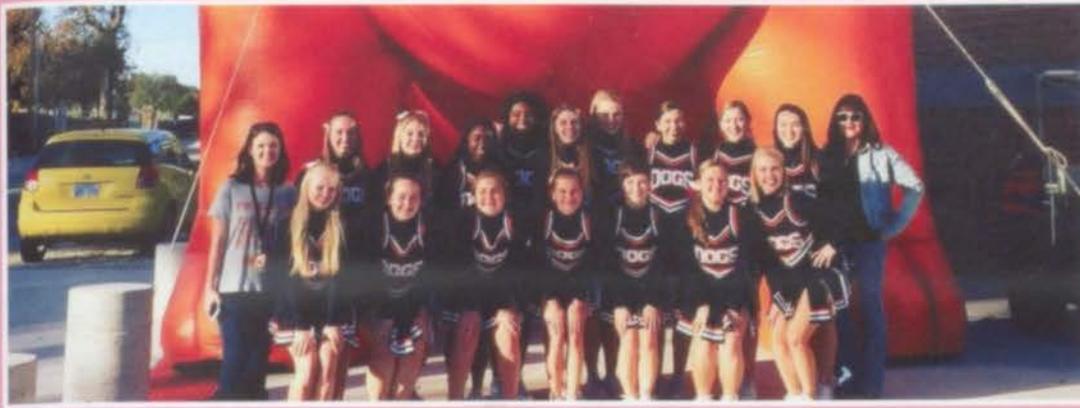


Emily Wilson

"I'm so happy I got to end my last year with this great group. I feel blessed that I'll always have these memories to look back on."

Destiny Kendrex

"Cheering my senior was probably my favorite. I love those girls so much and miss them already."



IHS CHEER TEAM

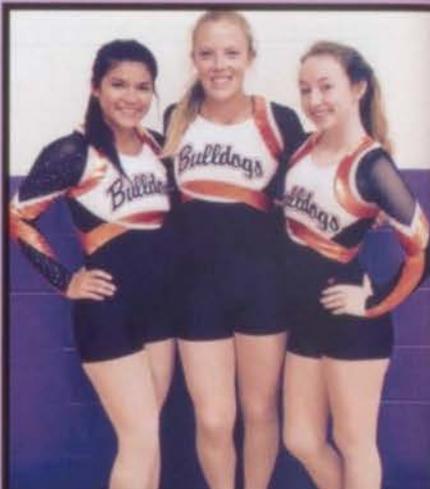
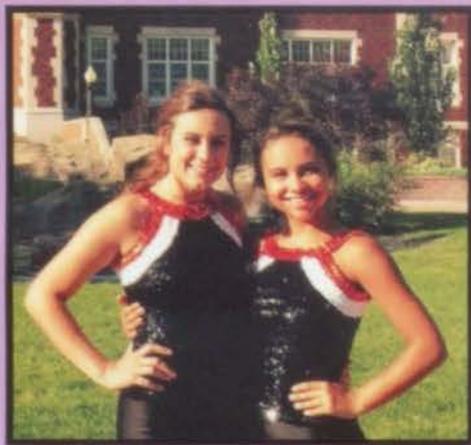
Bailey Babcock

"It was amazing to be able to be involved and show school spirit, especially being able to do it alongside the incredible cheer squad!"

Karson Ballew

"Getting to know the underclassmen was such a wonderful experience because they made me learn how to have fun in any situation and made me laugh all the time."

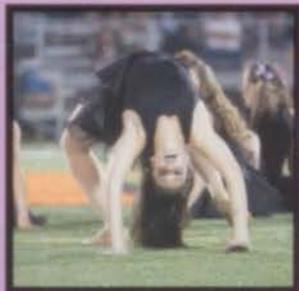




IHS Bulldog Dance Team

Not only does the IHS dance team work hard on their performances during basketball and football seasons, but they're busy in the summer, too. Every summer the dance team goes to a camp to compete, learn new skills and create an inseparable bond. To earn money for camp, dancers conduct fundraisers, like selling cinnamon rolls or washing cars and holding raffles.

The girls practice all summer to perform their home routine at the camp. UDA changed many of rules this year and just a week before camp the girls learned they could not use the music they had selected. So, they rolled with the punches and made up an entirely new dance in a couple days. Since this team is "a young one," as Coach Rene Stanley described, they relied heavily on the six underclassmen "to learn quickly." And that they did. Once at Salina, the UDA staff judged IHS dancers' home routine and gave it a blue ribbon, the highest honor to receive. Also, all the girls got blue ribbons on their individual dances. In addition to those ribbons, Qwynn Marquez (12) and Jasmine Hall (11) qualified for the All American award. Overall, Coach Stanley said she is "most proud of the All Americans as well as the leadership from our various officers."



**Front Row: Ashley Johnson, Brooklinn Royer.
 Second Row: Lyssa Schabel, Erin Latimer, Jasmine Hall, Qwynn Marquez.
 Third Row: Shayla Schaper, Kylie Wilhelm, Morgan Mavers, Addison Julian.
 Back Row: Lynnsey Charter, Addison Post, Anna Wesselowski and Kaydn King.**



**"Our team came a long way this year; everyone made big improvements. I've grown so close with all of the girls and I'll always remember the times we had."
 -Ashley Johnson (12), officer**



**"This year has been one of the most enjoyable. It has been fun watching each of the girls get better as the year went on. I will miss them all."
 -Brooklinn Royer (12), captain**

Bulldog Bark



Marching Band impress the judges and crowd with a kick line.



Cross Country shows off their old souls.



Volleyball twirls to win!



Soccer team gets into the Christmas spirit!



Tennis Team perform a rap in the competition.



Football players sport their Daisy Dukes!

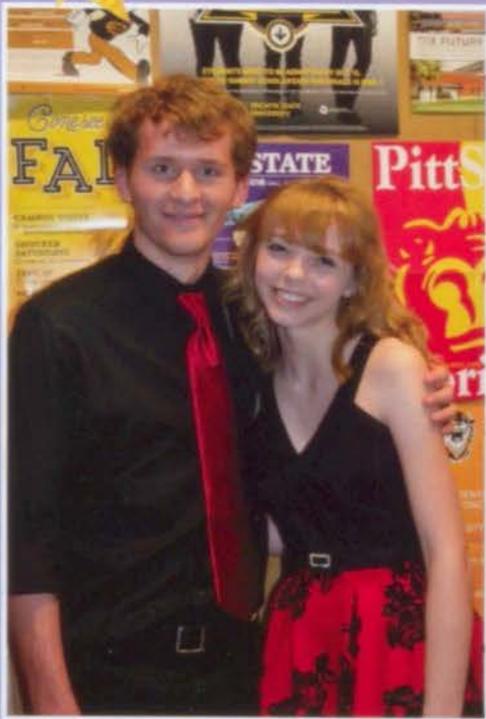
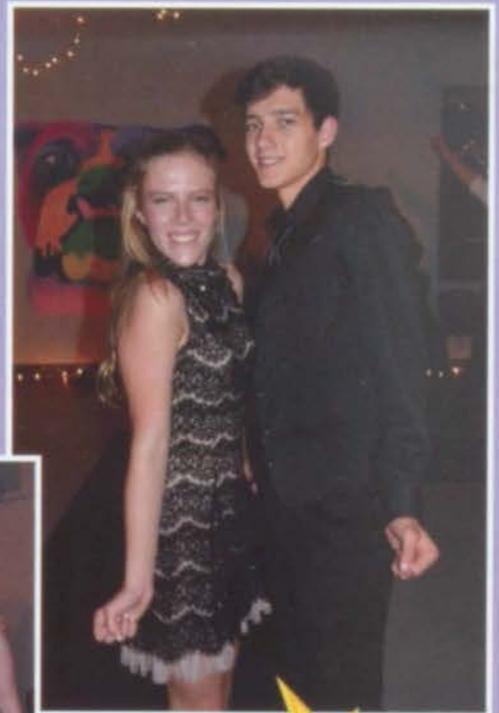


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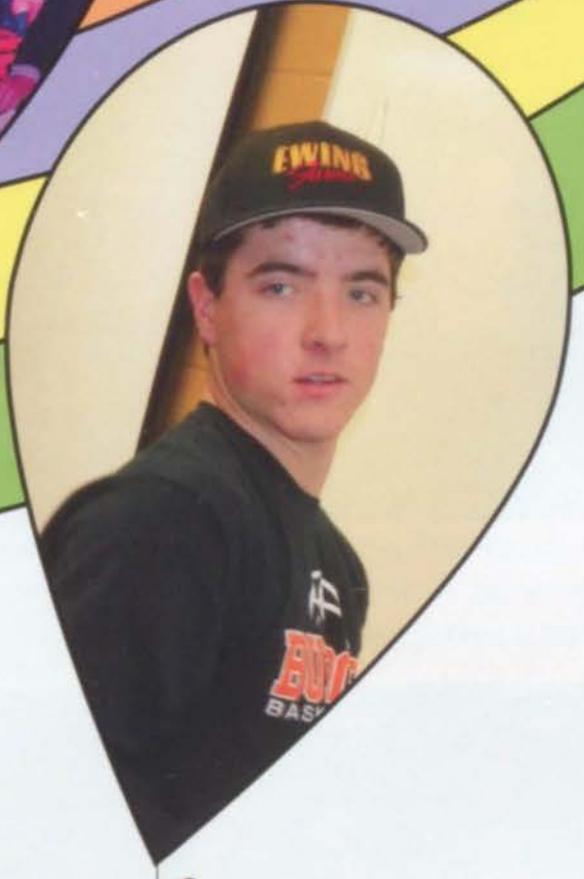
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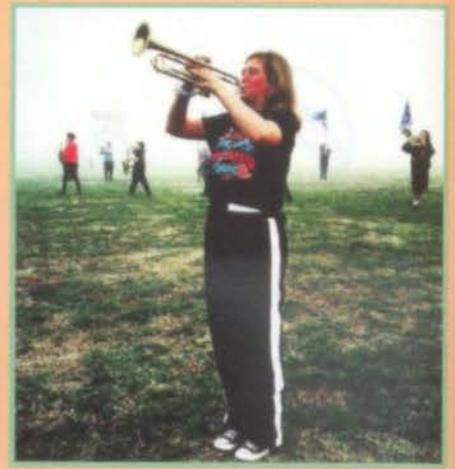
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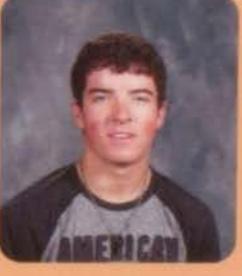
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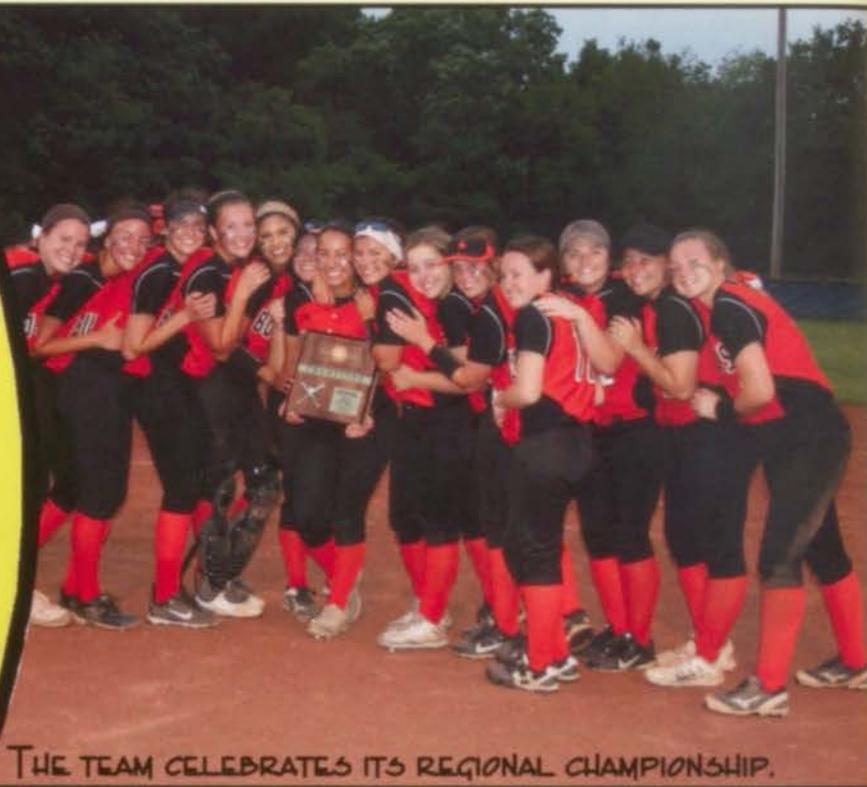


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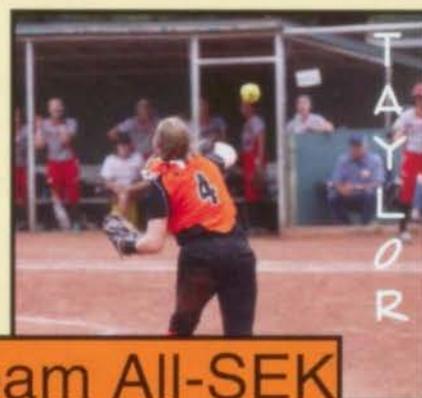
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THE TEAM CELEBRATES ITS REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP.



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1st Team All-SEK

Having done so well in their 2016 campaign the Lady Bulldogs had high expectations coming in to the 2017 season.

The Lady Bulldogs had a great season, sweeping SEK, winning their second Regional title, and placing in the top 3 at the 4A D1 State tournament.

"This is a fun bunch of players to be around and coach," said Coach Danny Burnett. The team ended its season with an amazing overall record of 21-2, which included 17 consecutive wins.

Multiple players earned post-season honors including Hannah Burnett (11), Lyssa Schabel (11), Aubree Lawrie (11), and Morgan Mavers(10) who were all named First Team All-SEK. Taylor Howland (10) and Shayla Schaper (11) were named to Second Team All-SEK. Burnett was also named First Team All-State.

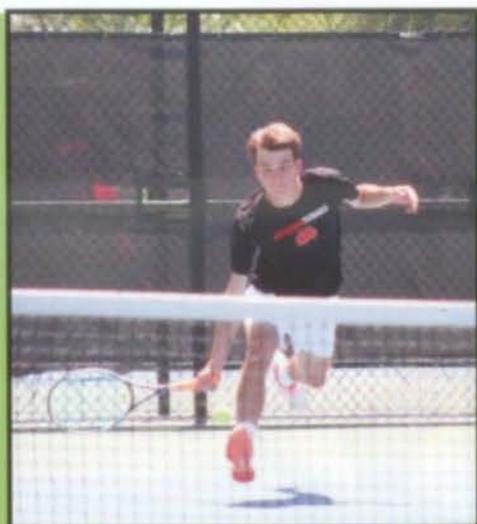


Front Row: Laney Wood, Qwynn Marquez, Kelsie Lane, Anna Wilson, Jenna Eytcheson, Rindy Marquez, Darian Montgomery.
Middle Row: Cloe Mills, Shayla Schaper, Alexis Smith, Allison Wilson, Taygan Claar, Callie Younger, Morgan Mavers, Kylie Wilhelm.
Back Row: Ashlynn Brook, Katy Chapman, Aubree Lawrie, Lyssa Schabel, Sydney Rinck, Anna Wesselowski, Hannah Burnett, Taylor Howland and Alexandra Jakubowski.

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**Front Row: Sawyer Hayward, Sean Neyland, Brock O'Malley, Samson Mah, Logan Payne, Evan Carnes.
Middle Row: Gabe Wright, Dayton Post, Zack Schroeder, Sam Hilger, Garrett Muninger, Cortlan Cox, Shane Sanders.
Back Row: Seth Stroble, Cooper Short, Will Schabel, Daniel Grice, Luke Bass and Kyle Woods.**



Photos courtesy of Dee Dee O'Malley.



Boys' Tennis

Carrying on with tradition, it was another successful season for the boys' tennis team. Coached by Matt Ysusi and Gina McLenon, the players were victorious in several tournaments throughout the season. This team was led by an "unbelievable" group of seniors who are "outstanding athletes, but even better kids," said Coach Matt Ysusi. Overall, he "could not ask for a better group of players to coach."

Team highlights of the season were winning the SEK and Regional tournament, as well as placing third at State. Individual highlights include Will Schabel and Sam Hilger winning SEK, Regionals, and taking 7th at State as a doubles team. In singles, Zack Schroeder capped off his career with an impressive 5th place at State, and Luke Bass finished in 8th place at State.

hole in **ONE**

Overall, the golfing team had a strong season, experiencing improvement and growth throughout the season.

At the Independence Regional Invitational, **Drew Pasternak (12)** led the Bulldogs shooting 91 and placing tenth. Pasternak missed going to State by only one stroke. Following Pasternak, **Corbyn Hugo (12)** shot 93 placing 13th, **Kason Carroll (12)** shot 106 placing 23rd, **Cooper King (12)** shot 106 placing 29th, and **Scott Neyland (9)** shot 125 placing 40th.

The Bulldogs had a rough start at the Regional tournament, but soon began to relax and play "smart and consistent golf," said Head Coach **Max Bradbury**. Many of the team members said it was great to play their last round of golf at home.

On the season as a whole Bradbury said, "The team played their best at the end and that's all a coach can ask for. I will miss the four seniors because of their awesome leadership, honesty, hard work, and loyalty. Many times these guys would stick around to help the younger players with their game. That's something that a coach doesn't always see."



Corbyn Hugo plays at Independence Country Club for the Regional Invitational.

Senior Memories

"My favorite memory of the season was winning the playoff after 4 holes at Regionals."

-Drew Pasternak (12)

"It was fun watching the entire team improve as the year went by."

-Kason Carroll (12)

"I really enjoyed spending time with the team and working on form with the bros."

-Cooper King (12)

"I loved that no matter how we did, Bradbury always had a positive outlook."

-Corbyn Hugo (12)



Front Row:
Bailey Werner,
Austin White,
Jakob Vowell,
Scott Neyland.
Middle Row: Cole
Farris, Corbyn
Hugo, Kason
Carroll, Drew
Pasternak, Nate
Morrison.
Back Row:
Michael Whitson,
Trace Smith, Aidan
Brunley, Cooper
King, Tommy
Melton, and Jerod
Knight.

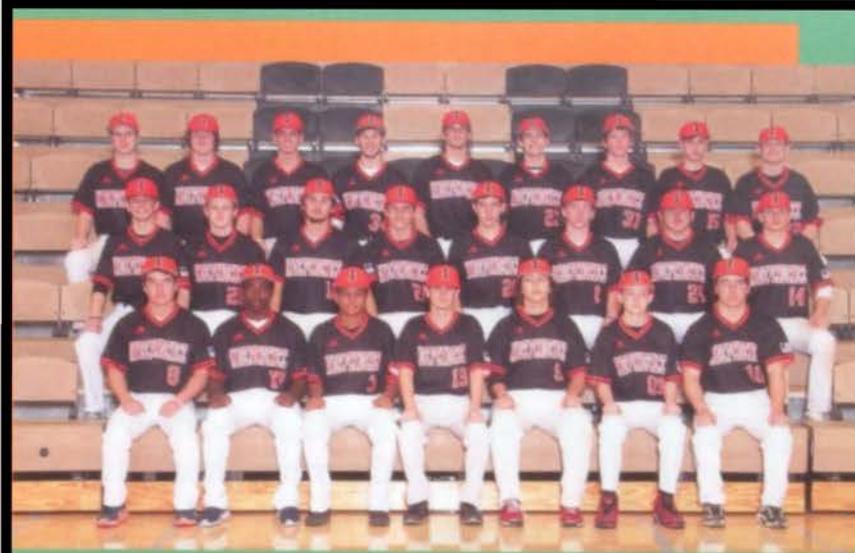
Bulldog Golf

Left to Right:
Cooper King and
Scott Neyland.



Left to Right:
Kason Carroll, Jakob
Vowell, and Drew
Pasternak.





Front Row: Landon Ewing, Chicago Elias, Brayden Collier, Zane Lawrence, Jack Edwards, Mason Bennett, Lane Ewing.

Middle Row: Cody Schicke, Wyatt Chism, Calvin Edwards, Marshall Day, Quint Skaggs, Whitney Rutland, Evan Sprague, Josh Pralle.

Back Row: Micah Dozier, Cal Bloomfield, Levi Kemp, Caden Hayward, Colan Snodgrass, Evan Kleiber, Ryan Bruce, Logan Copeland, and Chance Bennett.



[LEFT] ZANE LAWRENCE(11)
PITCHES A GREAT GAME
[ABOVE] THE TEAM CELEBRATES
AFTER A HOME RUN HIT.



REGULAR SEASON GAMES:

4/6 FKHS -W

4/7 IOLA -LL

4/11 FRONTENAC -W

4/18 FT. SCOTT -LW

4/25 PITTSBURG-COLGAN -W

4/27 LCHS -W

5/2 CHANUTE -LL

5/4 PITTSBURG -LW

5/9 PARSONS -LL

5/10 GALENA -W

OVERALL RECORD - 12-10

"BASEBALL WAS FUN BUT THE ROCK PAPER, SCISSORS BETWEEN CALVIN AND ME WAS MORE FUN."

-COLAN SNODGRASS (12)

"WE SET A GOAL AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR AND EVERYONE BUCKLED DOWN, PLAYED HIS ROLE, AND WE CAME TOGETHER AND ACCOMPLISHED THAT GOAL IT WAS A SEASON I WILL NEVER FORGET."

-LEVI KEMP (12)

(LEFT) COLAN SNODGRASS HITS A SOLID GROUND BALL.

(BELOW) EVAN SPRAGUE CATCHES A PITCH FROM ZANE LAWRENCE.

(RIGHT) LEVI KEMP PREPARES TO BAT AT A HOME GAME.

(FAR RIGHT) CAL BLOOMFIELD (11) MAKES A NICE DIVING CATCH.



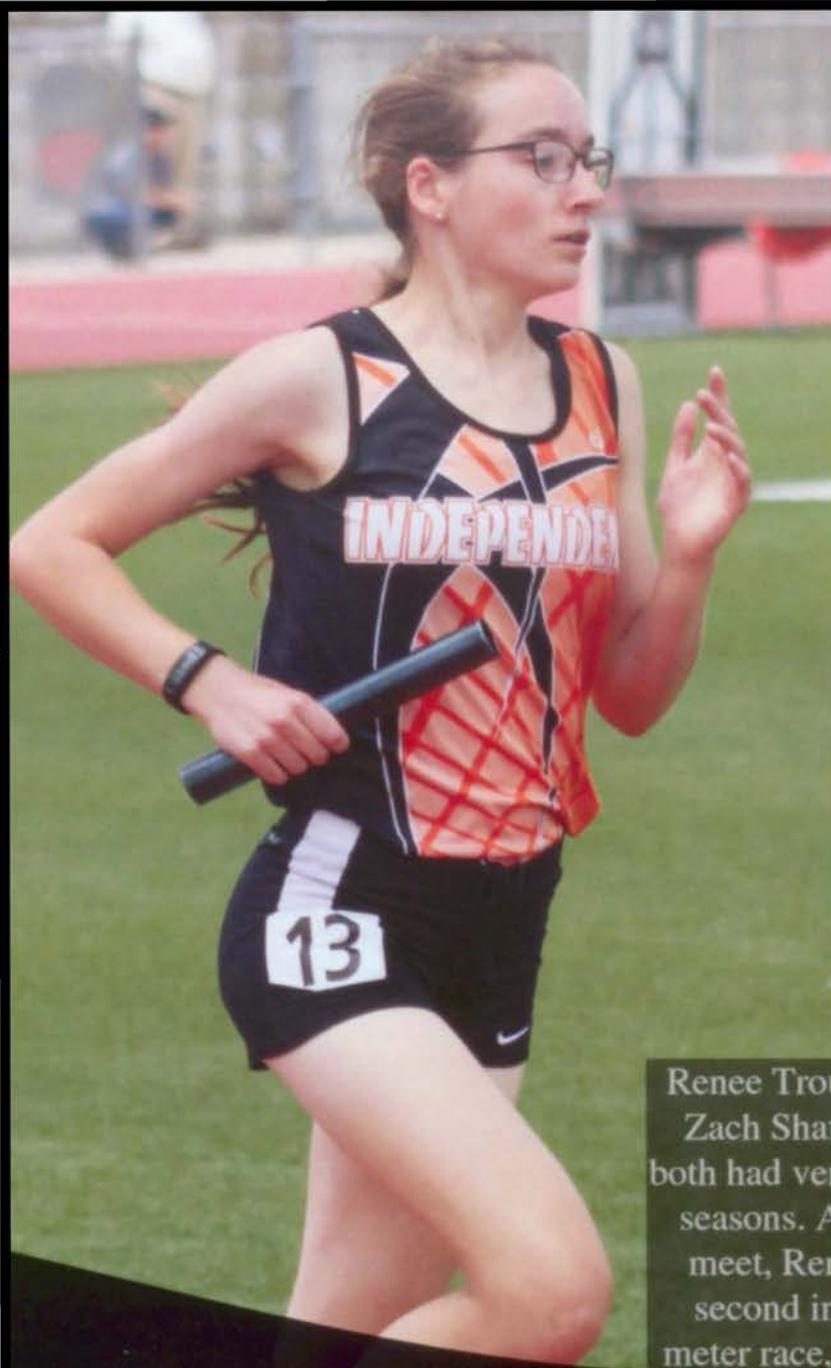
IHS BASEBALL

THE BASEBALL TEAM HAD A GREAT START TO THEIR SEASON BUT SOON HIT A ROUGH SPOT WHERE THEY JUST COULD NOT FIND THEIR GROOVE. LUCKILY, ONCE DISTRICTS CAME THE BOYS HIT THEIR PEAK AND BEGAN TO PLAY EXCEPTIONALLY WELL TOGETHER. THE RECORD DOES NOT SHOW ALL THAT THE BOYS HAVE ACCOMPLISHED THIS SEASON. THE BULLDOGS WON REGIONALS AND ADVANCED TO STATE WHERE THEY WERE NOT EXPECTED TO WIN A GAME. THE BOYS FINISHED FIFTH IN THE LEAGUE, WON REGIONALS, AND THEY WON THEIR FIRST STATE GAME PLACING FOURTH OVERALL WHICH HAS NOT BEEN DONE SINCE 1994.

POST SEASON HONORS WERE AWARDED TO JOSH PRALLE (11) WHO WAS NAMED TO FIRST TEAM ALL-SEK AND CHICAGO ELIAS (12) AND LEVI KEMP WHO WERE NAMED TO THE SECOND TEAM.

"THE SEASON WENT SUPER WELL. WE ACCOMPLISHED SOMETHING THAT HAS NOT BEEN DONE IN A WHILE. WE HAD OUR UPS AND DOWNS THROUGHOUT THE SEASON, BUT ALL IN ALL, WE HAD A GREAT RUN."
-EVAN SPRAGUE (12)

"WE HAD A GOOD SEASON AND FINISHED ABOVE .500 ON THE REGULAR SEASON. WE ACCOMPLISHED MANY GOALS THAT PEOPLE DOUBTED WE COULD, INCLUDING PLACING FOURTH AT STATE."
-EVAN KLEIBER (12)



Renee Trout (left) and Zach Shaffer (right) both had very successful seasons. At the State meet, Renee placed second in the 3200 meter race, while Zach placed third in the 100 and 200 meter dash.



BULLDOG

Track & Field

The IHS track & field team had a tremendous season. Although some athletes suffered mid-season injuries, they weren't serious enough to end anyone's chances for State qualification.

State qualifiers include **Zach Shaffer (12)**, 100 and 200 meter dash; **Renee Trout (9)**, 3200 meter race; **Graci Carr (10)**, 100 meter dash; **Kylie Wilson-Stover (11)**, 400 meter race; **Raygan Cunningham (10)**, discus; and the 4x100 relay team, consisting of

Nicole Moses (12), **Kylie Wilson-Stover**, **Lauren Pasternak (10)**, and **Graci Carr**.

According to Head Coach **Carl Boldra**, "The team's success is directly attributable to the great group of kids we have the privilege to coach. There was strong senior leadership which helped, as well."



Front Row: Nichole Moses, McKenzie Tillery, Scarlet Trujillo, Pauline Gomez, Courtney Taylor, Aerial Darnell, Graci Carr, Jackie Santos, Megan Hendryx.

Second Row: Lauren Pasternak, Diamon Johnson, Elyzabeth Eisele, Jessica Reed, Jenalyn Reichenbach, Raygan Cunningham, Briana Paolini, Megan Barrett, Kylie Scammey, Kylie Wilson-Stover.

Third Row: Jillian Stafford, Leann Trout, Kate Gordon, Lauren Easley, Blaydan Winebrenner, Micah Hogge, Katty Armstrong, Abby Dunham, Kate Kleiber, Renee Trout, Mya Rincker.

Fourth Row: Garrett Smith, Jacob Hogge, Rich Garris, Tanner Godinez, Pete Maldonado, Grant Thiessen, Trevor Rinne, Skyler Shouse, Bryson Bright, James Lingenfelter.

Back Row: Kelvin Heckman, Dyllan Harden, Bryson Linnebur, Christian Phillips, Kobe Thompson, Kody Koehn, Jordan Schmitt, Zach Shaffer, Dakota Thorenson, Carson Hufferd and Trey Von Kendrex.

Girls Swim



Front Row: Coach Haley Marchant, Kaydn King, Maddie Rutledge, Lexi Carr, Dulce Rodriguez-Asgari, Anna Howland.

Middle Row: Kyndall Clarkson, Faith Tate, Alexis Clapp, Dara Mendoza, Kara Swearingen.

Back Row: Soli Groff, Emily Lewis, Ellen Unruh, Libby Davis, Molly Thompson and Aniri Jimenez.



This season, these girls swam right through the competition. They faced many challenges this year, including injuries. However, they pulled through and had a successful season. In the league meet, Dara Mendoza (10) was highlighted by winning the championship in the 200 free and being the runner up in the 100 free. The team finished in seventh place at league. Haley Marchant, head coach, commented, "We only took four swimmers to the league meet, but we came home with some best times and some medals."



It was Fantasmic!

The Band Goes to Orlando, Florida



To finish out a year of hard work and dedication the marching band and color guard traveled to Orlando, Florida. They began the trip on May 29 with a 27 hour bus ride.

The trip was jam-packed with things to do. They spent two days at Disney, marching through the parade on Wednesday and enjoying the rest of the time exploring the park and meeting the characters.

Two more days were spent at Universal Studios, riding the roller coasters and roaming the world of Harry Potter and other iconic figures throughout the park.

Friday was spent at the beach. Even through there was a storm rolling in and it rained the, the group still had a great time.

Overall the trip was a amazing experience for everyone! It was full of fun and adventure and topped with memories to last a lifetime.





The band stays busy through the spring semester. They played at home basketball games to cheer on the teams and keep the student section involved.

Next were the concerts and competition. In large group contest the Wind Ensemble earned a 1 and the Concert Band earned a 2. A few weeks later some of the students participated in Solo/ Ensemble contest at ICC. Those who received a 1 rating and moved onto state in Chapman. **Alex Cole (12) 2, Taren Westerfield (9) 1 & 2, Brayden Smith (10) 1 & 2, Michael Whitson (11) 1 & 1, Donavon Darrow (11) 1&1, Jasmine Hall (11) 2, Sean Neyland (12) 1 & 2, Dylan Penrod (10) 1 & 2, Evan Carnes (10) 1 & 2, Britney Melton (11) 2, Payton Ward (10) 2, Yaqui Santos (9) 2, Austin Drake(12) 2, Anna Howland (11) 1 & 2, Ethan Pope (12) 1 & 2, Trenton Shamblin (11) 1 & 1, Libby Davis (10) 1 & 2, Larz Wrinkles (10) 2, Andrew Metcalf (12) 2, Mathew Gardner (11) 1 & 2, An Nguyen (9) 1 & 2, Dani Rathbun (12) 1 & 2, Erin William (11) 1 & 2 and Anthony Keafer (12) 1 & 2 .**

Andrew Metcalf, Jacob Freeman, Jonathan Coltrain, Ethan Pope, Sean Neyland, Maddy Kyle, Anthony Keafer, Emma Schaper, Dani Rathbun, Zeb Campbell, Adam Hays, and Cameron Goodrich attended the K-State Concert Band Clinic.



"You'll find bright places where



Ethan Pope and Cy Smith both earned 1 ratings at the Piano Festival.

The Jazz Band also had a very busy semester! They began with auditions as the semester began and soon were meeting for practice before school multiple times a week. They performed as an opener for every band concert and did a great job. They attended Jazz contest and earned a one rating. Midway through the semester they were invited to open for Missouri Southern College's band. To finish out the semester they toured the elementary schools and played for all of the younger students.

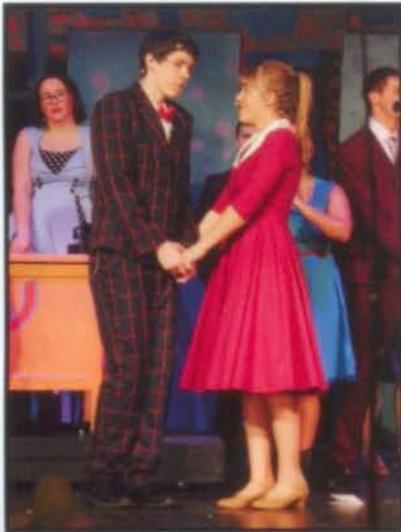
Jazz Band earned a 1-rating at contest!



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"It was the greatest time and the most loving cast I've ever performed with. Everyone lifted each other whether it was physically or emotionally and I will dearly miss all the numerous seniors who helped make this amazing show happen."

-Jasmine Hall (11)

"How to succeed in high school without really trying: show up, do YOUR thing, and kill it!"

-Sagan Shire (12)



"It was the best experience of my life, not only the bonds, but the energy of the crowd."

-Justin Turner (9)

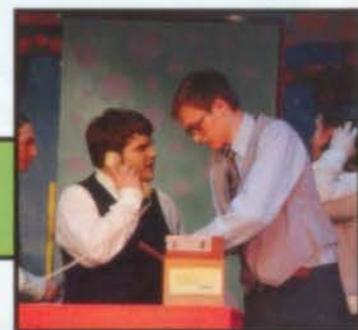
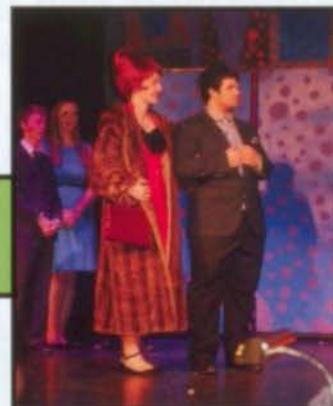
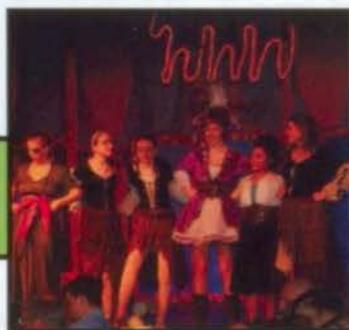
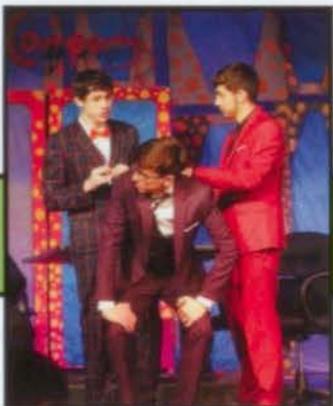


"My favorite part about being in the play was being able to help all the new actors expand their ability and I had a blast while doing it."

-Anthony Keafer (12)

"The musical was tons of fun! I had a great time with my friends producing the show!"

-Maddy Kyle (12)



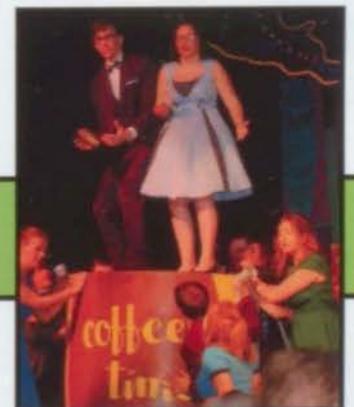
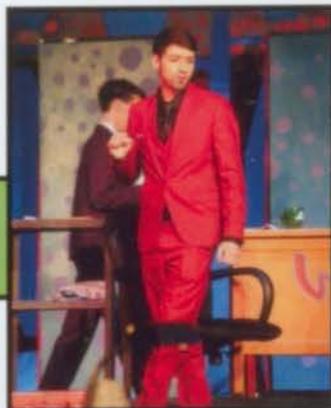


"The cast did an outstanding job on the show. They did a lot of hard work and the music was done well. I appreciate their hard work," said Mr. Annable.

Everything seemed to come together perfectly as the set design classes finished the sets, chorus finalized their songs and the leads memorized their lines. Opening night was March 10 and the cast performed again the following night. The show was a great success.

"All the actors did a amazing job at bring the characters to life. Honestly, the best compliment was from my husband. He thought I was wrong in my show choice, that it was not a fun show with good music. But when it went up, he told me how WRONG he was, that the show was absolutely great, one of the best he'd ever seen. From those who saw it the compliments keep rolling in, better than the movie, better than Broadway," said Mrs. Bennin.

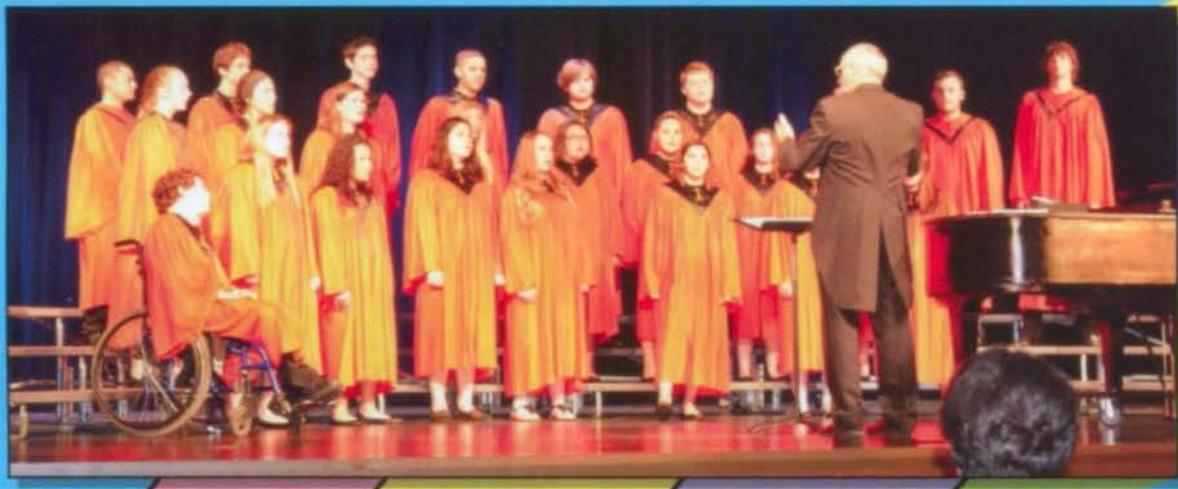
"TRY OUT!! It's so much fun you gotta do it. And the best part is seeing Mrs. Bennin and Mr. Annabel every day!"
- Adam Hayse (12)





Concert choir works hard all year to give a great performances on the stage.

Indy Ensemble alumni share kind words about Mr. Annable, recognizing his amazing reputation at IHS.



Mixed chorus sings beautiful tunes.

Indy Ensemble is joined by many alumni to honor Mr. Annable's final year of teaching vocal music.



Vocal Music

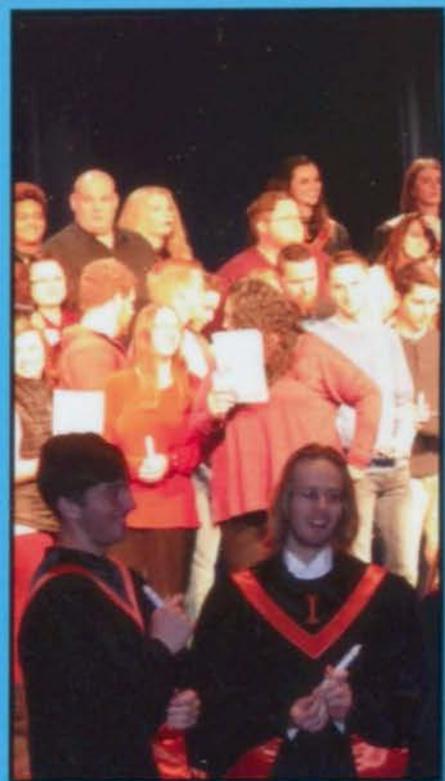
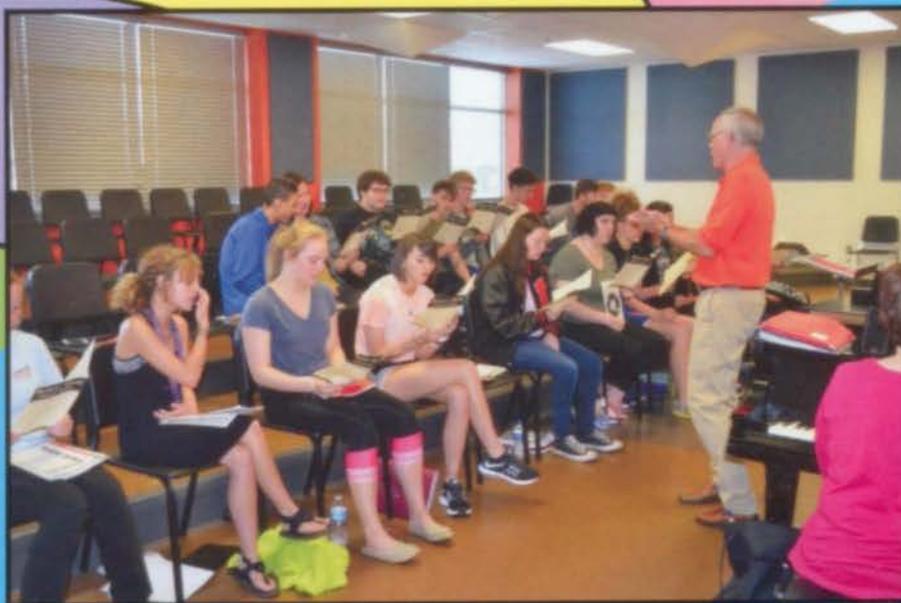


With it being Mr. Annable's last year teaching at IHS, it was a very special year for the vocal music program. The program had stunning success at competition.

At State, IHS came home with many 1 ratings. Concert Choir and Indy Ensemble both came home with 1 ratings. Also, both men's and women's choirs received 1 ratings, as well.

Of the soloists who went to State, many received high ratings, something to be very proud of.

Not only do the students in the music department work hard for competition but for concerts, too. These concerts are filled with guests coming to enjoy the music from the Concert Choir, Mixed Chorus, and Indy Ensemble.



Blood Drive

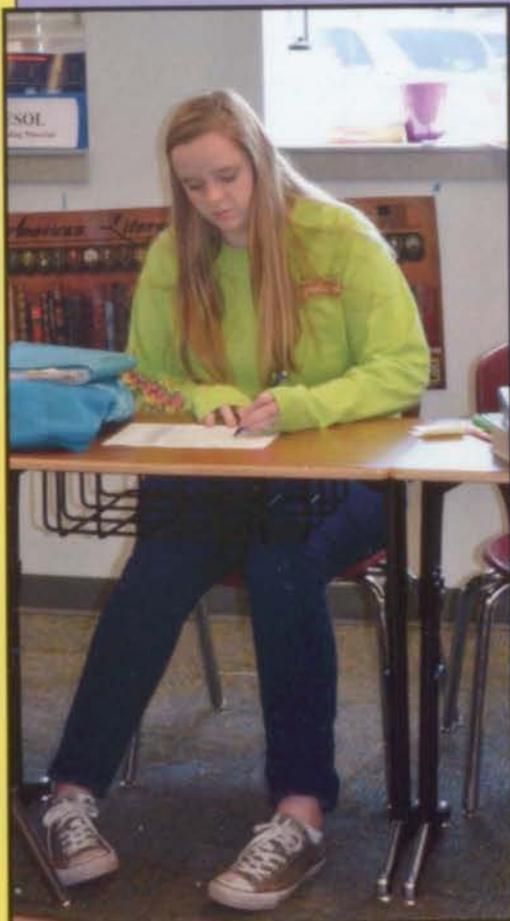
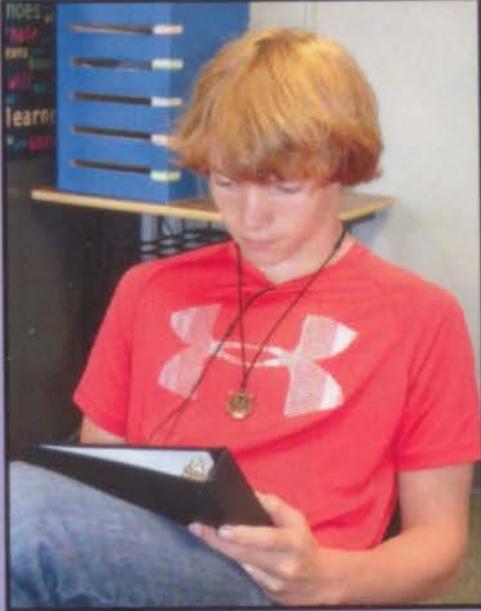
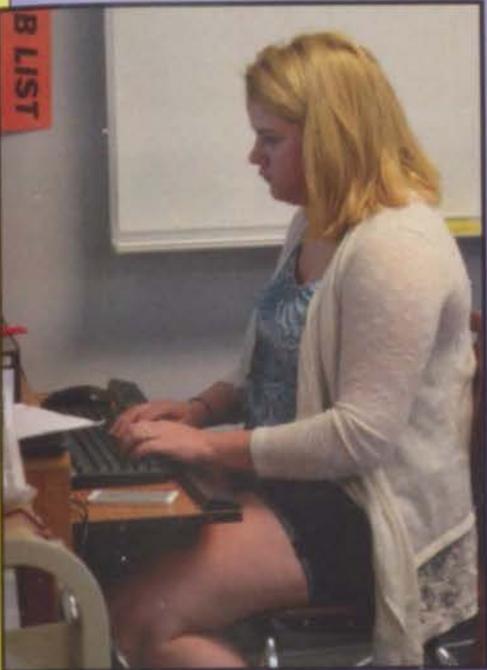
Once again, Student Council put together a success blood drive. Many IHS students and faculty members donate their blood to save lives.

The goal this year was 47 pints donated and they exceeded that by getting 48 pints.

Ms. Smith, StuCo sponsor, said that she was particularly proud of the sophomore officers for scheduling the event, getting food and recruiting donors.



Forensics



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competitive acting!



First Leadership



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First Leadership consists of four sessions on topics such as local industry and history, personal finance, health and fitness, and job shadowing.

2017 graduates include Dara Mendoza, Emma Stoner, Molly Thompson, Lanie Stair, Lauren Pasternak, Alexis Clapp, Raygan Cunningham, Landon Ewing, Lane Ewing, Addison Julian, Katy Chapman, Kylie Wilhelm and Morgan Mavers.



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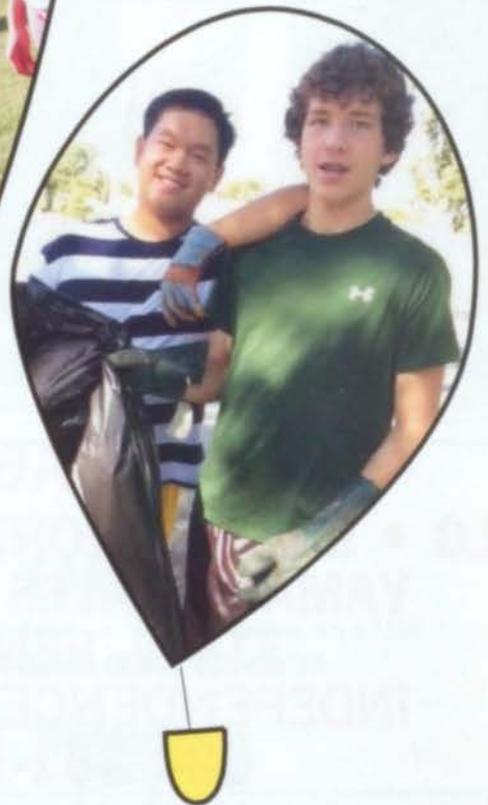
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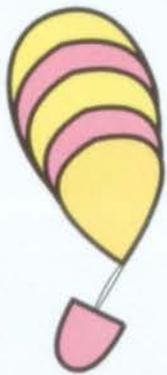
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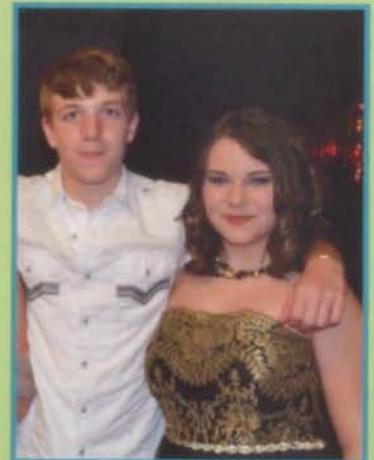
National Honor Society

Spring Break

Prom



Class of 2020 officers: Samson Mah, president; Scarlet Trujillo, vice-president; Maeson Bryant, secretary; Baileigh Reister, treasurer; Kaydn King, StuCo rep; and Quint Skaggs, StuCo rep.



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Class of 2020



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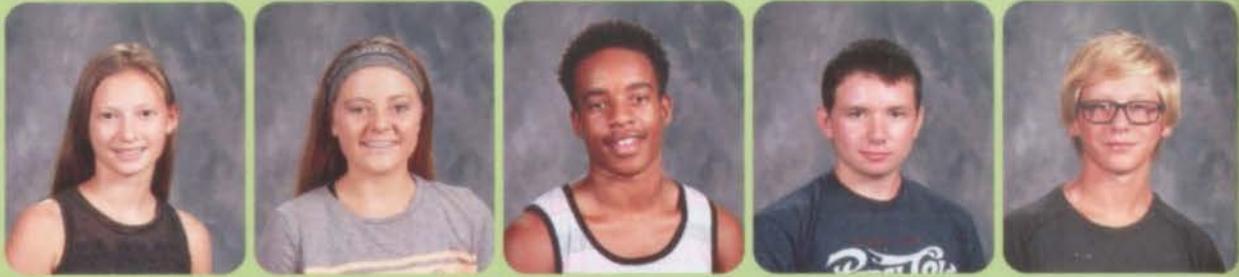


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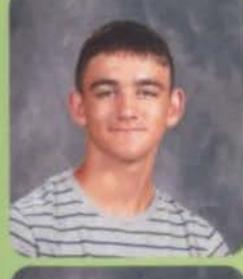
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Link Crew



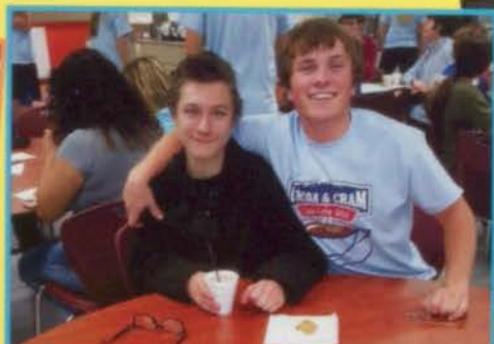
According to the program, Link Crew is a high school transition program that welcomes freshmen and makes them feel comfortable throughout the first year of their high school experience. Built on the belief that students can help students succeed, This high school transition program trains mentors from junior and senior classes to be Link Crew Leaders.



As positive role models, Link Crew Leaders are mentors and student leaders who guide freshmen to discover what it takes to be successful during the transition to high school and help facilitate freshman success.



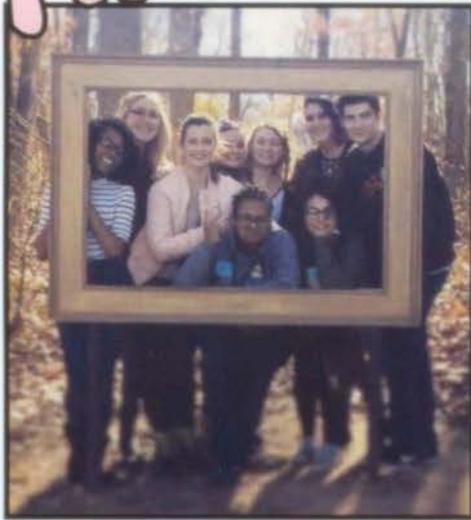
IHS Link Crew faculty leaders, Sam Carnes, Stacey Mitchell, and Amy Rousselle, worked very hard for the program to be successful. They traveled to Chicago for training. Following their training, they recruited upperclassmen to serve as mentors and set about planning many activities such as freshman orientation, Cocoa and Cram, football tailgating, movie nights and a Nerf War.



Orchestra



Art Club



The Art Club is always keeping busy. Under the guidance of Mrs. Stewart they are the go-to club for unexpected concession stands and they always bring their enthusiasm wherever they go.

In the fall the Club took 40 members to the Crystal Bridges museum in Bentonville, Arkansas. Then in the spring they visited the Nelson Atkins museum in Kansas City.

Throughout the year the club had tons of fun! They painted windows, participate in several community events and hosted an art show.



FFA



Ag education and Future Farmers of America was re-introduced at IHS this year. Administration recruited Mr. Dwayne Messner to teach the courses and get the program started.

IHS literally hit the road as FFA members traveled to the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson, attended District Speech and Food Science competition, competed at District Meats Judging and Ag Communication at Erie High School and traveled to KSU for State Meats Judging.

IHS students attended an FFA leadership conference. At the SED Greenhand Conference the following students competed: Megan Barrett, fifth in Spell Down; Baileigh Reister, Kara Swearingen and Cherie Niver, Creed speakers; and Ryan Bruce, third in Dairy Cattle judging.

Among many other topics, students who took Introduction to Agriculture learned about incubating eggs and caring for chickens.

They also learned about horses and the equipment used to care for them, as well as conducted pregnancy checks and blood work on cattle at USD #446 superintendent, Mr. Rusty Arnold's, farm.



Student Council



"It's not about what it is. It's about what it can become."
-Dr. Suess

Student council members are elected by their peers to address issues of concern and organize student events and activities at IHS. Often times these students do so much, their work goes unnoticed. Just a few of the many student council activities include sponsoring school dances, conducting food drives, hosting a blood drive and many volunteer services in support of IHS students.

Each quarter, the faculty sponsor, Ms. Beth Smith, divides the class into pods consisting of around five people and each pod must come up with a fundraiser, community service project and school project.

The first event StuCo members sponsored was the food drive in conjunction with the annual Can Opener game. StuCo organizes both homecoming weeks and all the activities associated with each. The StuCo president is also responsible for reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and reading morning announcements.

Not only are those students elected to student council active, but class officers are also part of the group. StuCo meets during advisory time to ensure they have ample time to plan its activities and learn leadership principles.

The money made from the fundraisers is used for the two summer camps most IHS StuCo members attend: Peers Understanding Peer Pressure camp, where students are able to become certified mediators and are given the opportunity to assist administration in mediating other students in the school and Student Council camp, where students learn how to improve their school.





Above Left: Members of the student council help sort Christmas gifts for local children in need.

Above; Student council members attend Peers Understanding Peer Pressure summer camp.
 Below: Student Council members celebrate Christmas with an ugly Christmas sweater party.

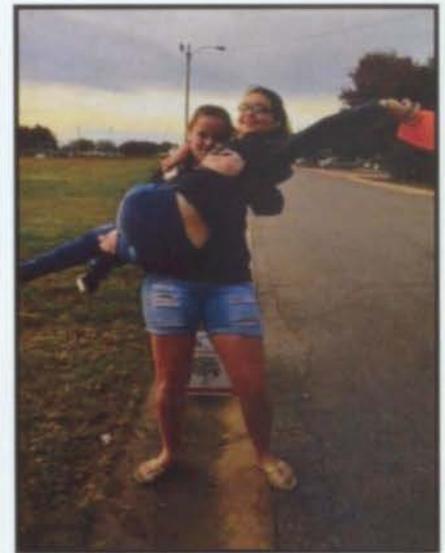


K.A.Y. Club



"K.A.Y. Club was one of the best experiences I have ever had. I was able to bring happiness and support to so many different groups/charities/organizations. Being the president of this amazing club was the highlight of my four years at IHS."

-Abigail Dunham (12)

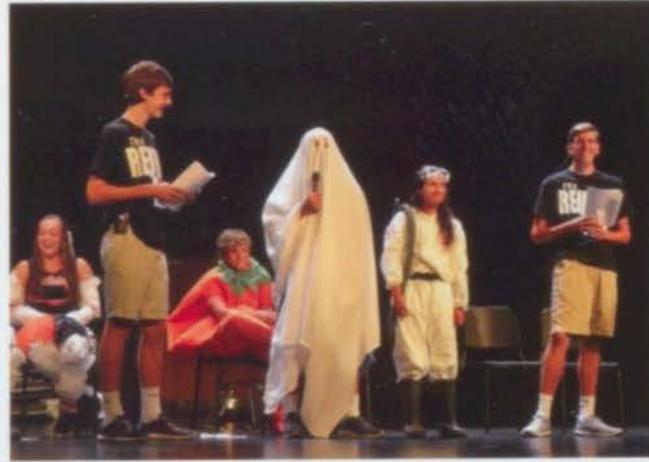
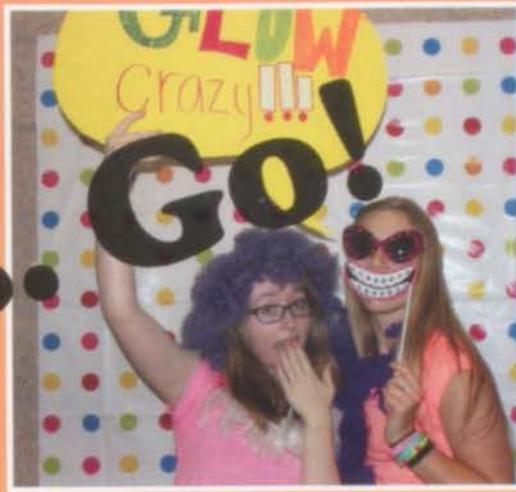


One of the busiest student organizations at IHS is KAY Club. As its logo states, KAY club members participate in activities of service to our school and community, state and nation, as well as activities that enhance members' leadership skills.

Among these activities was the "Drive By Shooting" flu vaccination event at Riverside Park. Members also bake cakes monthly to celebrate IHS faculty birthdays.

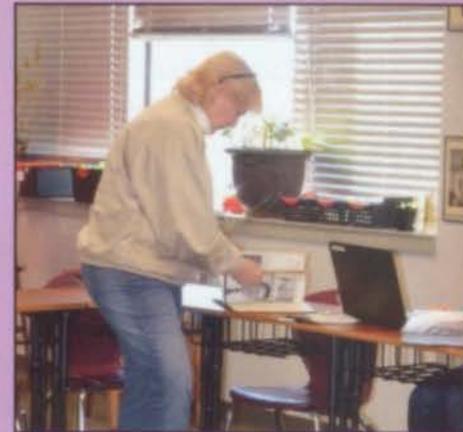
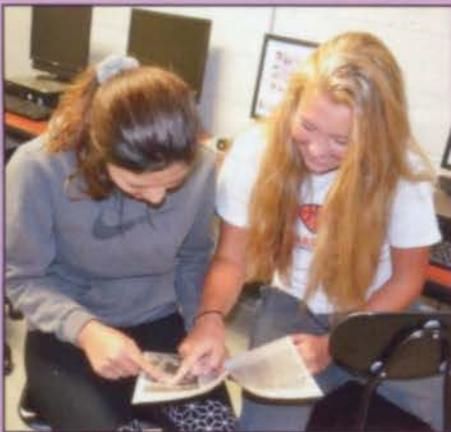
KAY Club officers include Abby Dunham, president; Megan Hendrex, vice-president; Claire Cook, secretary; and the board members include Brian Murray, Alex Threlkeld, Emily Fairbank, Matt Schenck, Destiny Kendrex, Bailey Babcock and Emily Wilson. The faculty sponsor is Mrs. Julie Dunham.

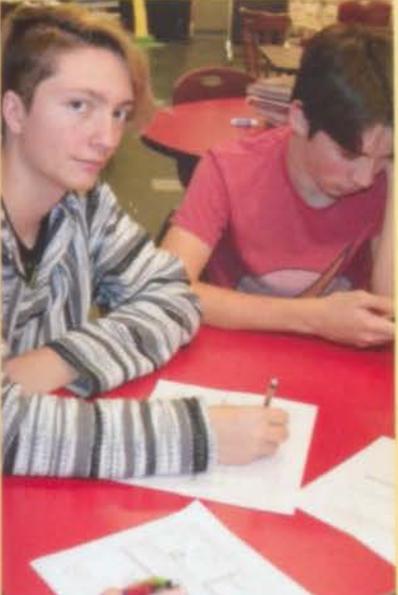
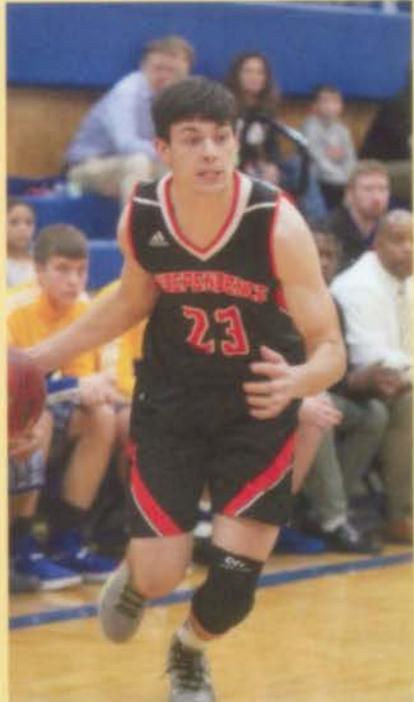
Go, Bulldogs.



Orange and Black Yearbook Staff

Three seniors and four juniors worked to create the 2017 Orange & Black yearbook. Staff members worked diligently both in and out of the classroom to make the 2017 yearbook look as amazing as possible. The Orange and Black members included: Dani Rathbun, Brittney Jabben, Skyler Phillips, Kelsie Lane, Katie Alexander, Lyssa Schabel, and Aubree Lawrie.







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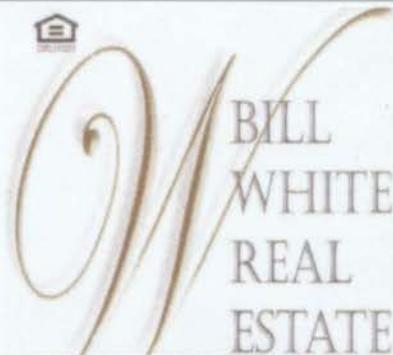
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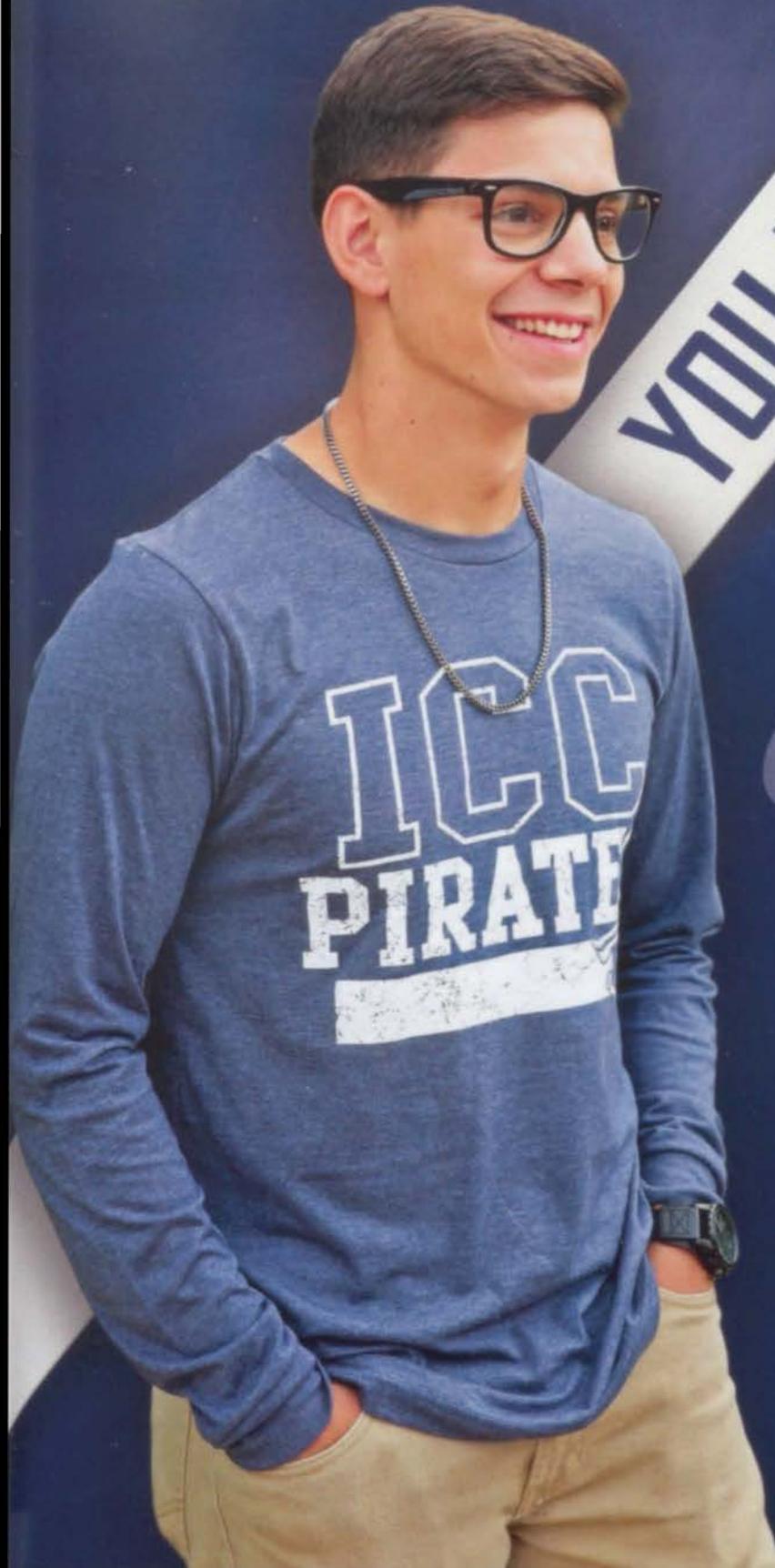
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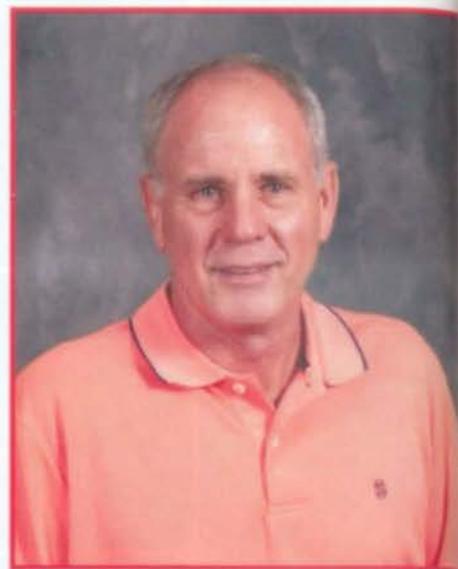


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Leigh Ann Stewart
Baker the Therapy Dog
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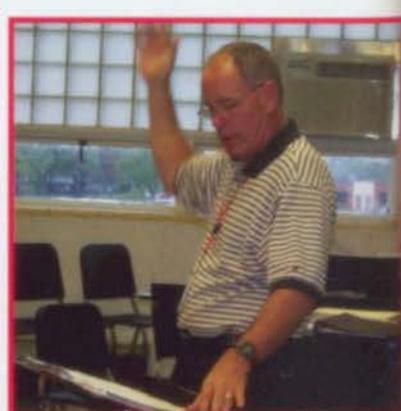
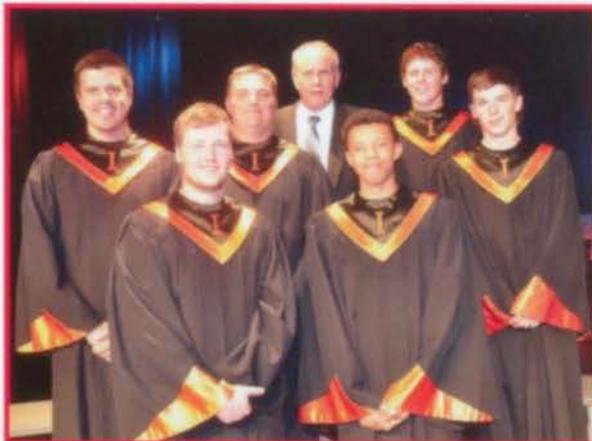
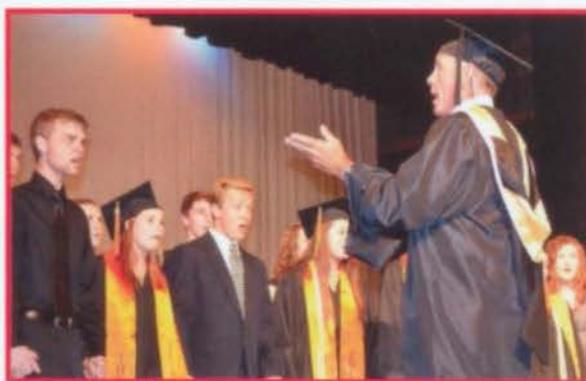
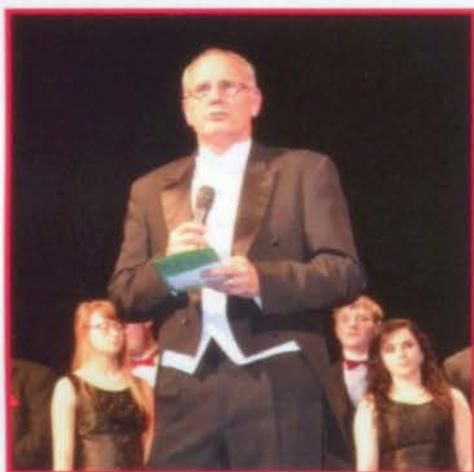


Tonya Trout
Jean Wason
Spencer Weaver
Mary Woldum
Matt Ysusi

Sometimes
you will never know the
value of a moment
until it becomes a
memory



Mr. Larry Annable retired at the end of this year after teaching vocal music at IHS for 20 years. In addition to teaching mixed chorus, concert choir, Indy Ensemble and music theory, Mr. Annable coached track and directed the school musical each spring.



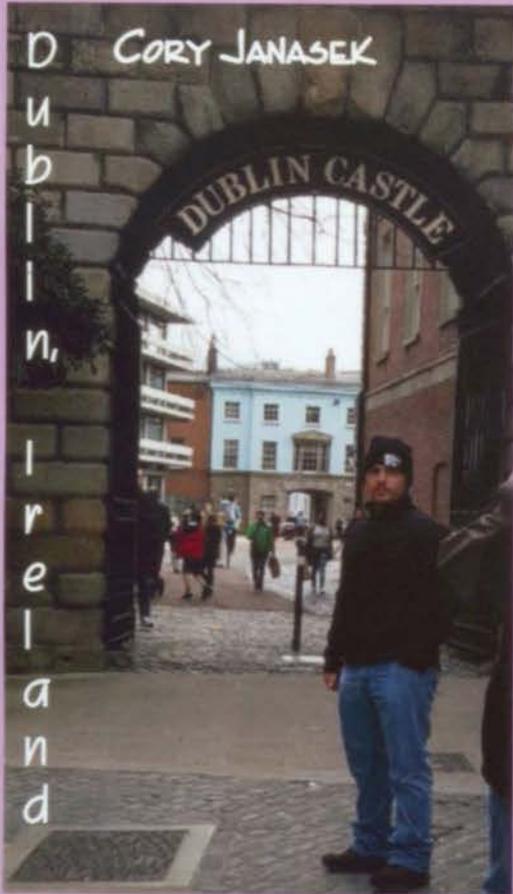


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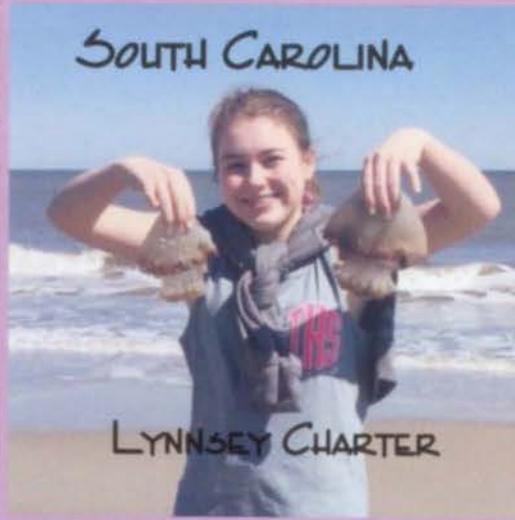
Spring Break

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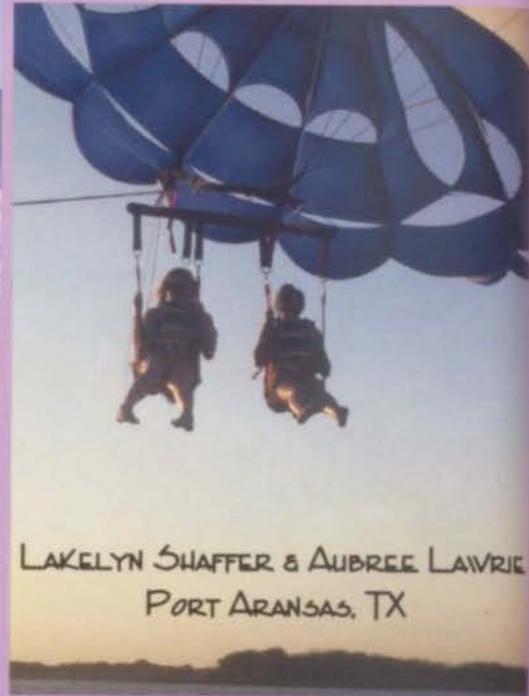


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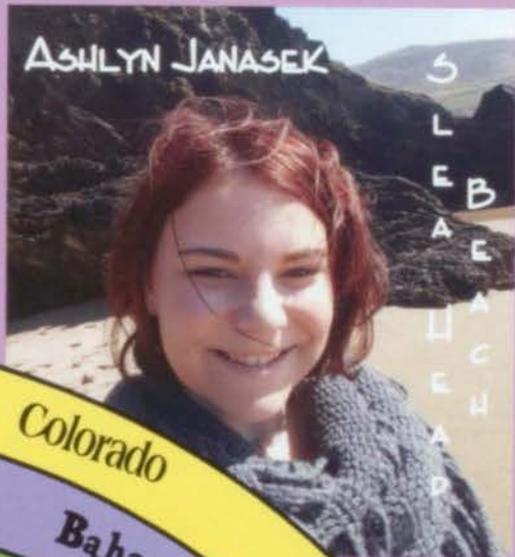


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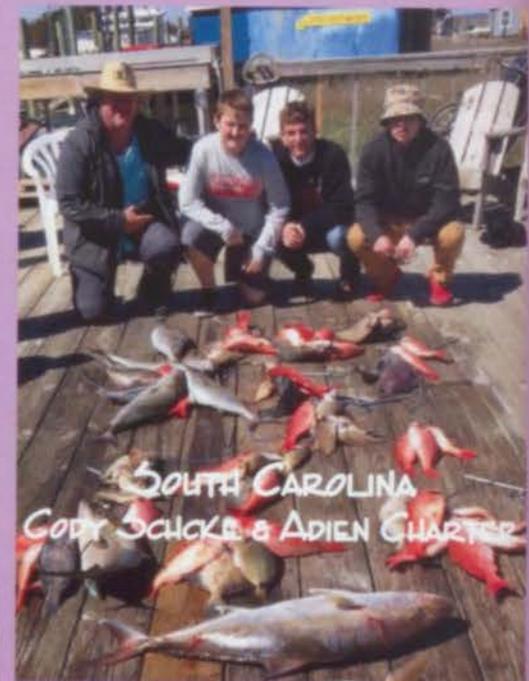


LAKELYN SHAFFER & AUBREE LAVRIE
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ASHLYN JANASEK

SLEBEACHHEAD



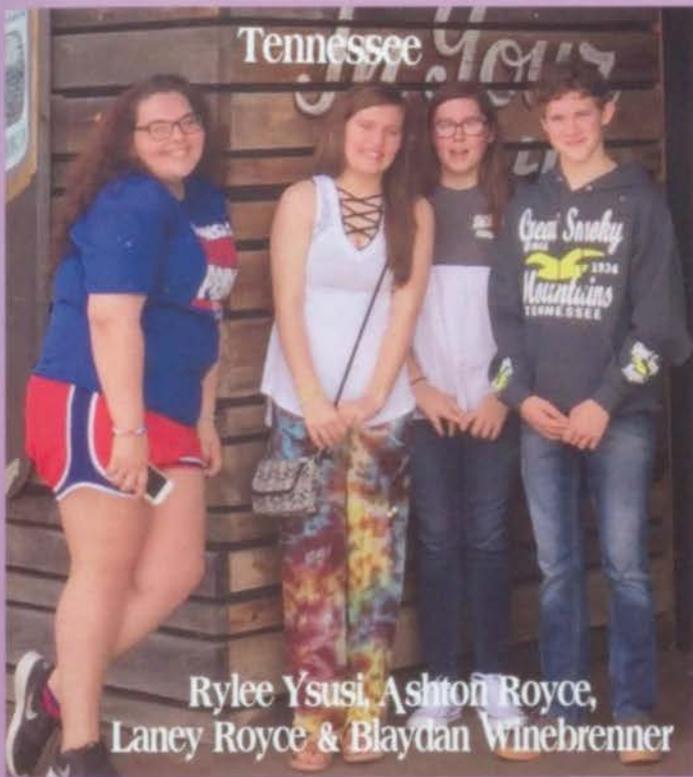
SOUTH CAROLINA
CORY SAUCKE & ADIEN CHARTER

Seniors in Costa Rica!



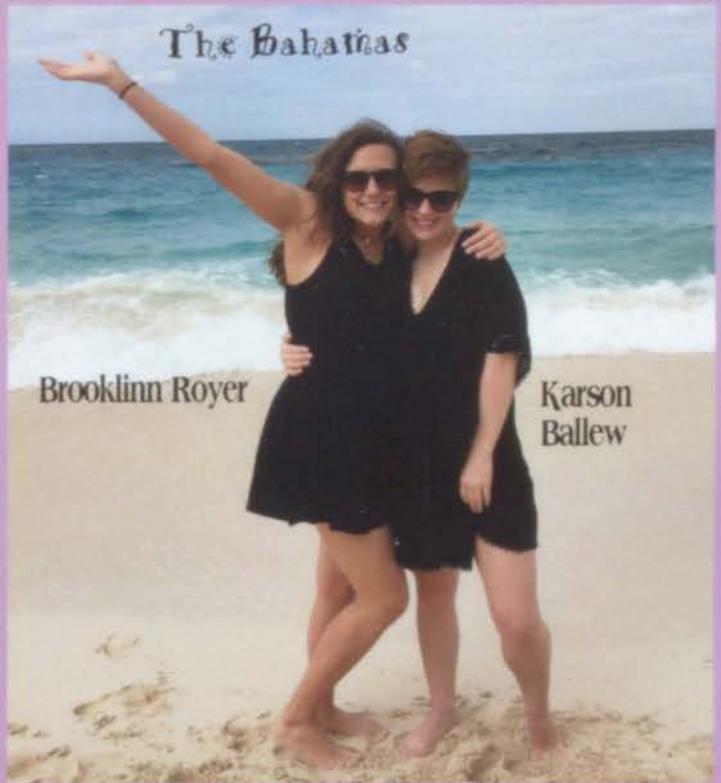
Left to Right: Seth Strable, Yashna Hadipour, Jackson Stafford, Ashley Johnson, Levi Kemp, Rindy Marquez, Will Schabel, Lexi Carr, Colan Snodgrass, Tacey Smith, Corbyn Hugo, Avery Chism & Kyle Woods.

Tennessee



Rylee Ysusi, Ashton Royce,
Laney Royce & Blaydan Winebrenner

The Bahamas



Brooklinn Royer

Karson Ballew

Puerto Rico

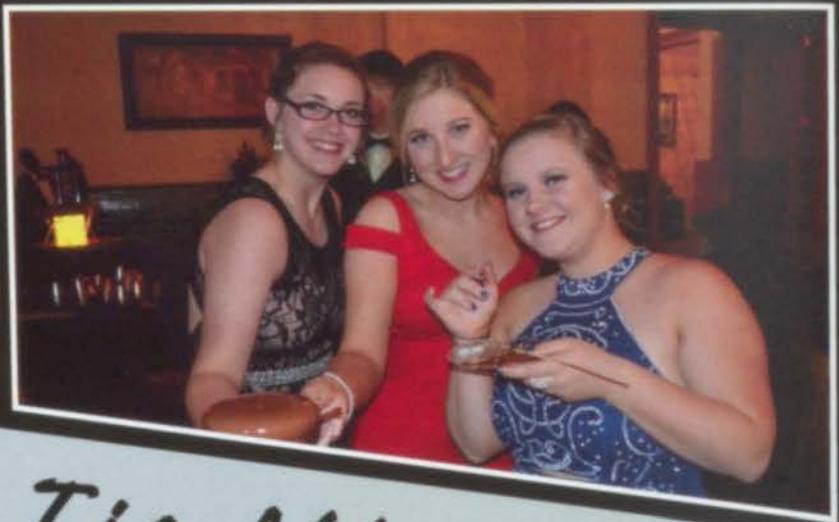


Cierra Farris, Resha Taylor & Taylor Clark

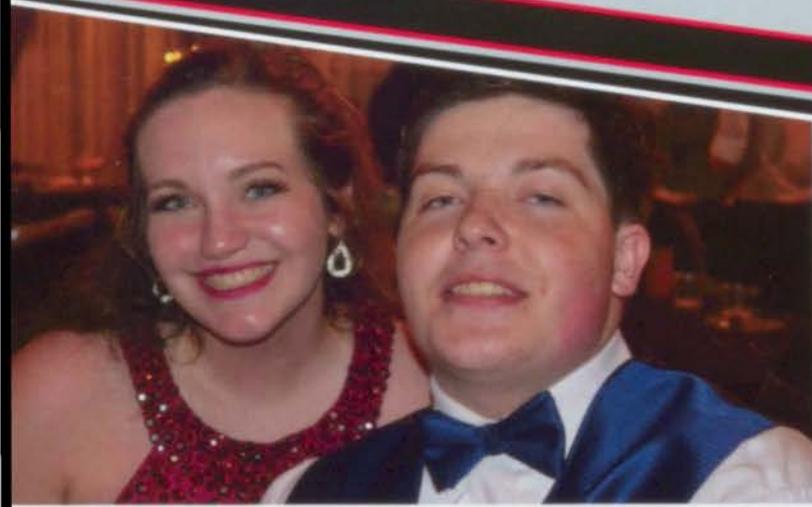
Borrego Springs, California



Back: Bryson Linnebur
Front: AJ Charter & Zack Shaffer

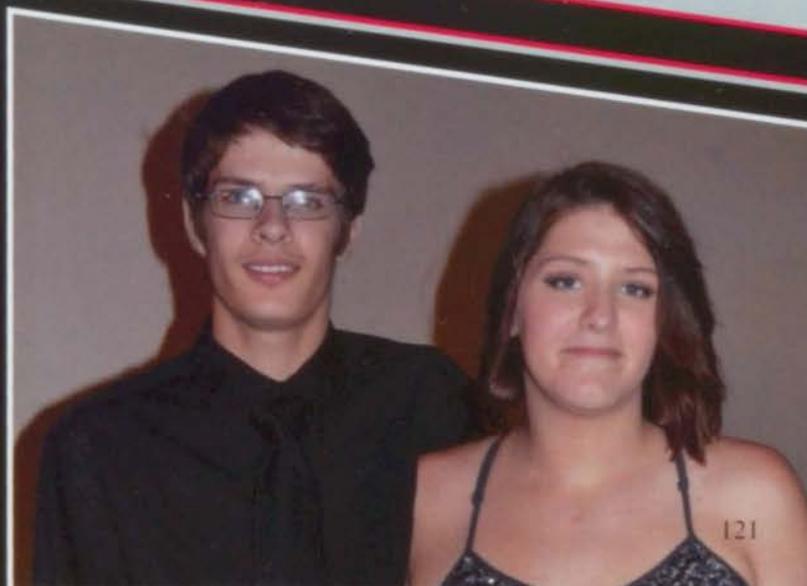


A Black Tie Affair





Prom 2017



2017 Prom Court



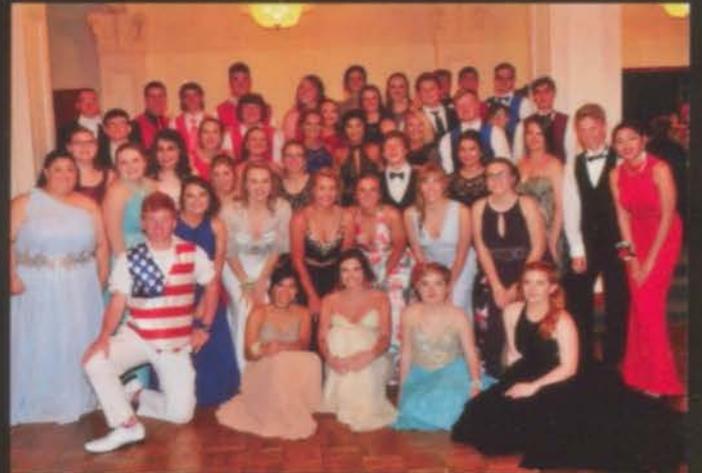
Back Row: Corbyn Hugo, Seth Stroble, Adam Hayse (king), Levi Kemp, Sean Neyland.

Front Row: Rindy Marquez, Lexi Carr, Sagan Shire (queen), Avery Risner and Avery Chism.

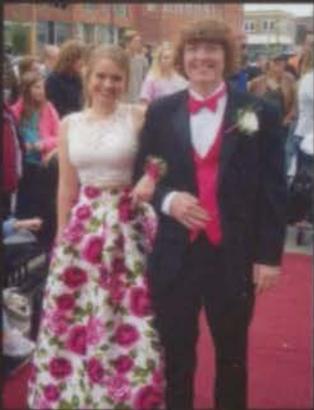
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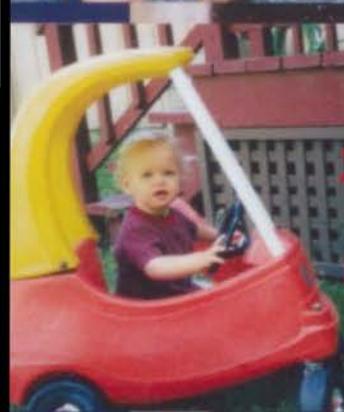
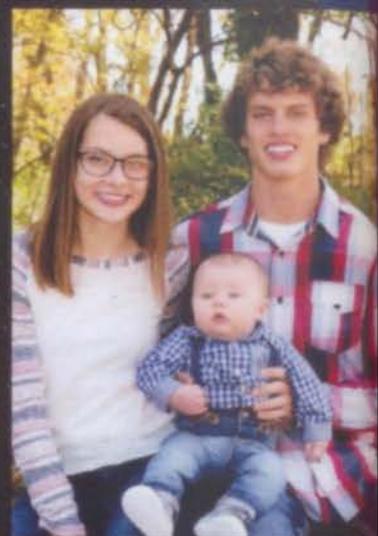
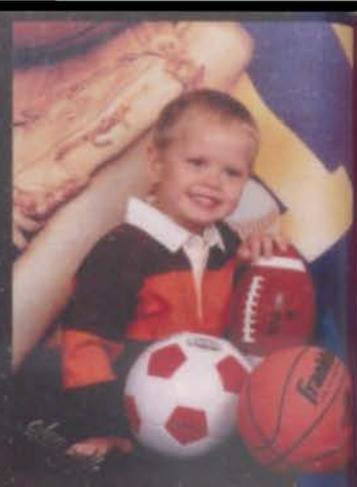
IHS Class of 2017



IHS Class of 2018



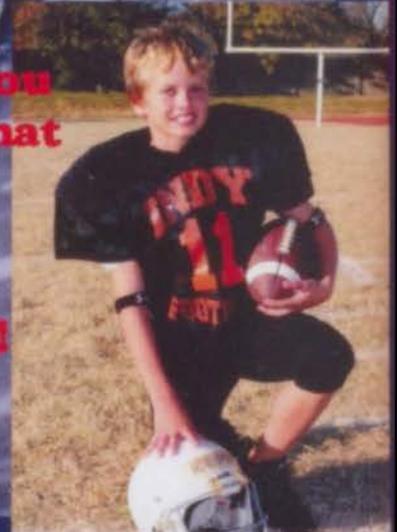
Levi Kemp



We can't believe you are graduating already. It seems just like yesterday you were just a little guy pretending to drive Papa's truck. We have so many great memories watching you grow and play the sports you love.

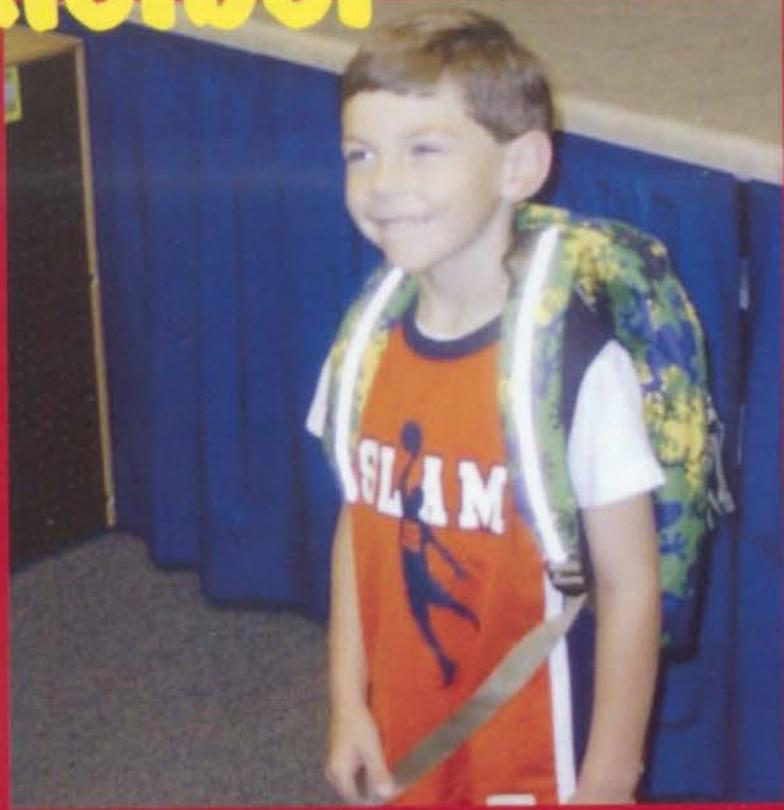
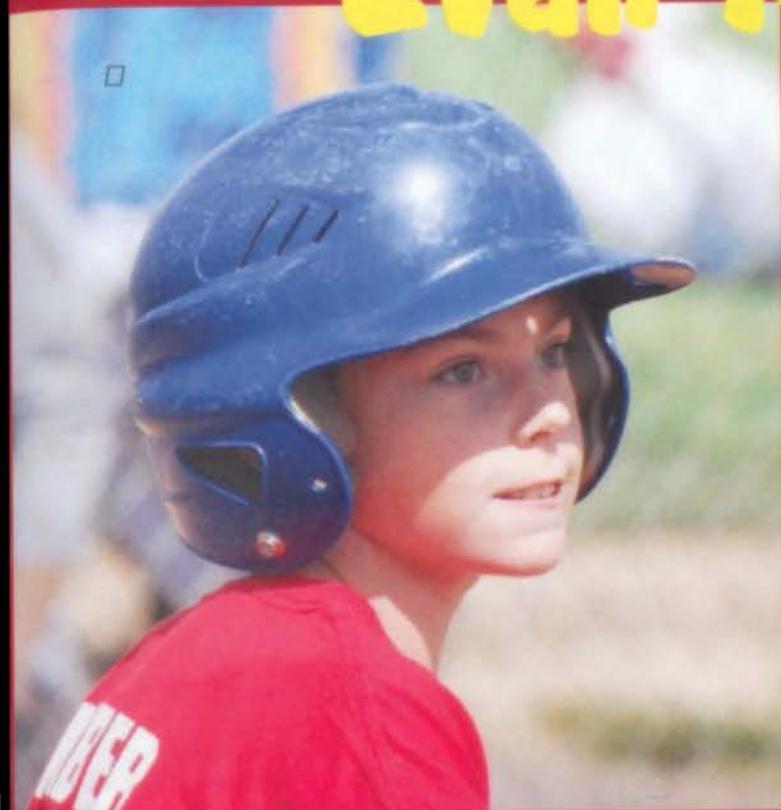


We are so proud of the young man you have become and can't wait to see what the future holds for you. We will always be your biggest fans!



**We love you to the moon and back!
Mom, Scottie, Rhyllie & Braxton
Grandma & Mimi!**

Evan Kleiber



Dear Evan,

I remember your first day of kindergarten. You were so excited to be there, and I was a mess. I was crying because my baby was experiencing a milestone. Now we are on the verge of another milestone, only this one involves an even bigger change. This milestone isn't about just growing up, it's about being a grown-up. I have been excited for and dreading this day all at once. This moment causes me pride and pain. My heart is full of excitement for you, but I also feel an overwhelming amount of fear knowing the magnitude of this milestone and what will come to follow. Fear seems silly, because you are such a great kid, but it's my job to worry about you and to be your biggest fan. I have watched you grow so much over the last 12 years. I have learned so much about who you are and all the reasons I am so proud of you. You know how to treat people with kindness. High school isn't always an easy place to be. You entered a different person than you are leaving, and there are scars to prove it, no one leave high school without scars. I hope you know that those moments that hurt you, or left you defeated, only make you normal and human. You are a better person for what these moments have taught you about your strengths and your resilience. Here are some things I hope you remember:

The longest distance between any two points is the shortcut. Wanting something now means paying for it later. Be willing to work hard and get your hands dirty.

Remember that you ALWAYS have a choice. No matter the situation. Choose the right one.

Success is not measured by your job, your education, how many money you have or what car you drive. Success is determined by who

you are, how you treat others and living accordingly.

Show gratitude to those who have gotten you to where you are today. God, family, teachers, and friends. No man is ever self-made.

Surround yourself with people who remind you of how amazing you are. Because you are. Avoid the ones who don't.

There is no place like home. Never forget that you will always have a soft place to fall, even if your sister takes over your room.

View every obstacle in life as an opportunity to see God.

Show up for people. Celebrate their successes and make them laugh when they're down.

Be kind. Be kind. Be kind. Always.

You are never alone in this world. We will be with you wherever your road takes you. Thank you for reminding me that good kids still exist. Thank you for being one of those kids. Thank you for all the ways you've taught me to be a better person and mother. Thank you for being you! You have no idea what it's like to watch your child grow up before your eyes yet, but I hope some day you get that privilege (waaayyyy down that road). Now I get to watch the rest of your life unfold, and I am certain it will be just as wonderful. I am so unspeakably proud of the young man you have become, inside and out. The best is yet to come!!

Always and Forever,
Mom, Kate, Georgia & Grant

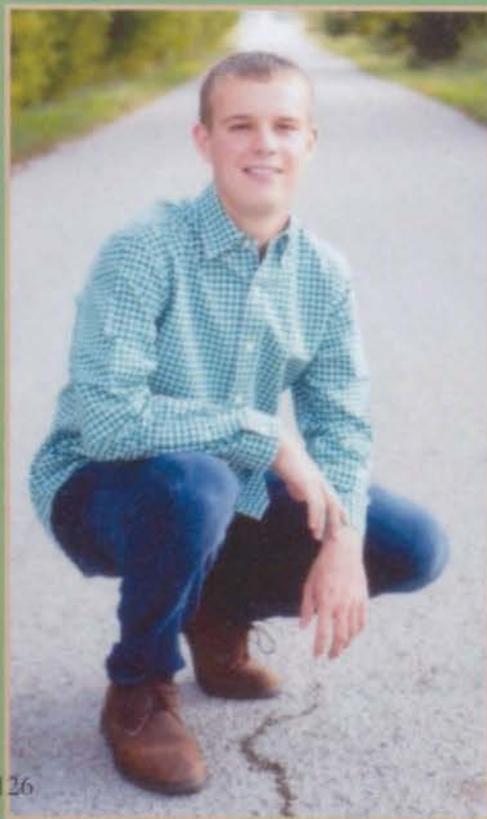
Brooklinn Royer



*We are so proud of you, Brooklinn!
Love,
Dad, Mom & Dylan*

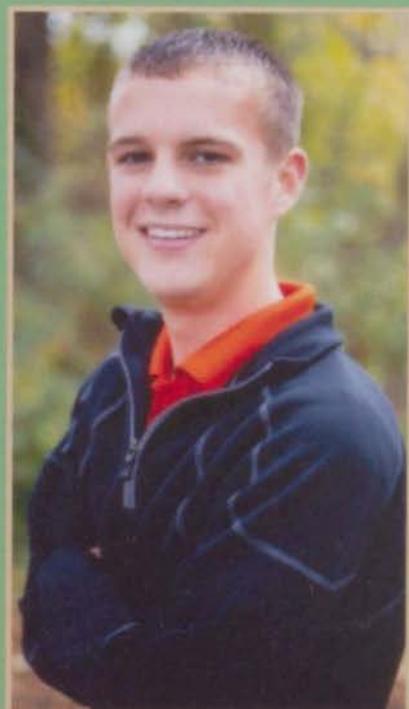
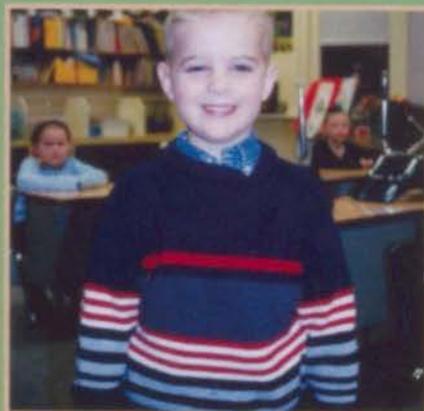
*Stay true to yourself and never let anyone distract you from your dreams.
-Michelle Obama*

Corbyn Hugo



From kindergarten to senior year, we are so proud of all you have achieved! Continue to be the best you can be!

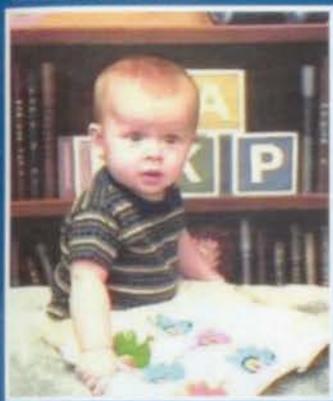
Love, Dad, Mom & Calvin



ROBERT SKAGGS

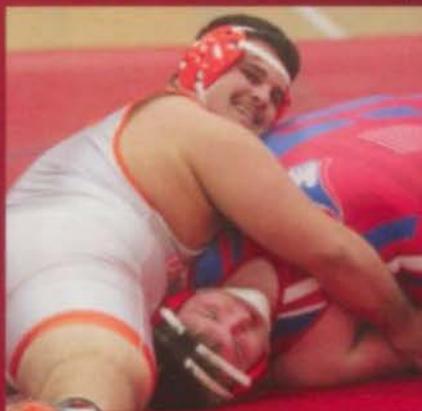
"What lies behind you and what lies in front of you, pales in comparison to what lies inside you."

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



We are so proud of the man you have become. Love you bunches and bunches, Mom, Dad & Quint

SETH STROBLE



I love you high, I love you low, I love you wide, I love you deep, I love you!

Love,

Mommy Stroble

Okay, okay... Love your dad too... and your brother, Ricky... and your grandmas... and your aunts and uncles... and all your cousins.

GO HOUNDDOG GO!!!



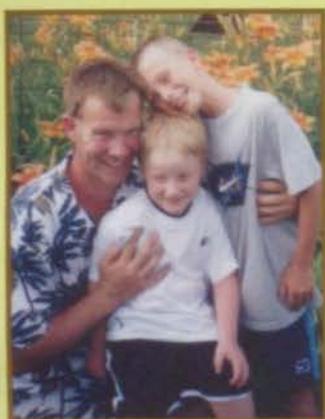
You were a wonderful surprise when you came into this world. I knew God had plans for you. You would always amaze me and your dad as you grew up. I love the man you are becoming. I cannot imagine getting prouder of you, but I'm sure there is still more to come and I will make room for the excess to overflow my heart. May your future be the best as you decide what comes next. Move forward with the confidence that Jesus is with you always. You are amazing!!!!

Skyler Phillips



In the last 18 years we have been through many ups and downs. In every step we took, we took them together and created life lessons and memories. Now that you are a young man, we hope you take your experiences with you and become the best at whatever you choose to be. We are very proud of you! You are a wonderful son and person. We are excited to see where your new adventure will take you!

Love,
Dad & Tab



Avery



RISMER

All glory goes to God for the woman you have become. We are blessed by your presence and look forward to watching you flourish as you embark on life's journey. Don't ever forget to let Jesus shine through you!!
Love,
Mom, Landen, Eva
& Jaxson

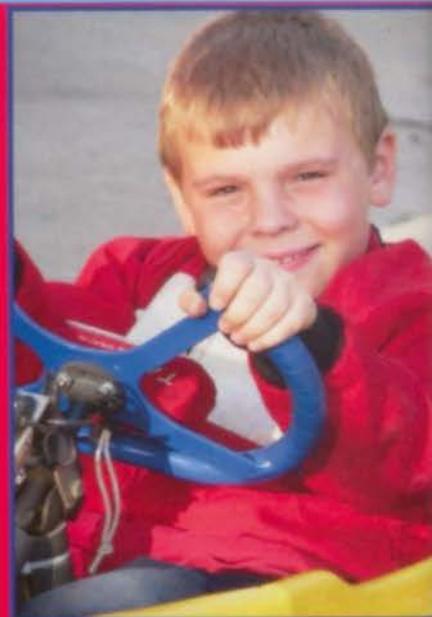


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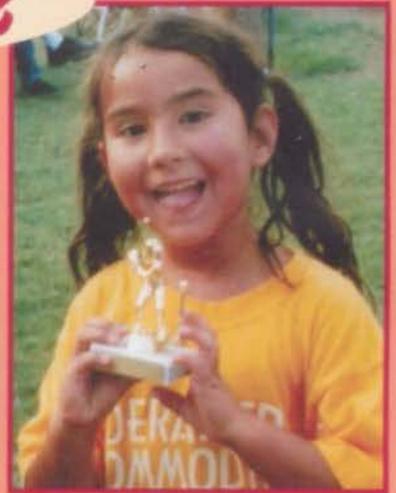


My how these 18 years have whizzed by! We are so proud of you! Never stop striving for first place!

Congratulations!
All our love,
Mom, Dad &
Ashlyn



Rindy Marquez



Pigtails to Princess
You have made us very proud!
Always remember,
"You are stronger than you think
and smarter than you know."
Nothing is impossible; make it happen!
Never forget to stop
and appreciate what's around you
and realize you make it better!

We love you!

Mom, Dad, Sierra, Qwynn & Piper



Braeden Pinkerton

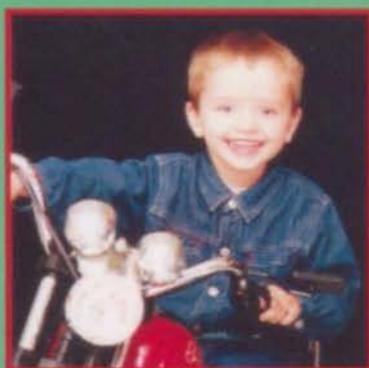
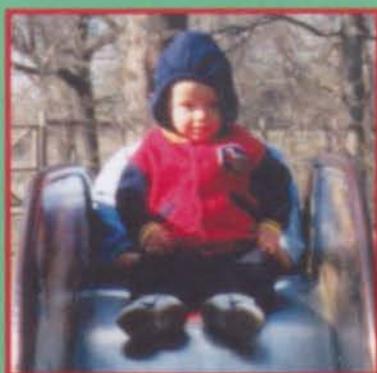
We are so proud of the young man you have become. Continue to follow your heart and make a difference in this world.

"The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord and he delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down; for the Lord upholdeth him with His hand." Psalm 37:23-24
Love
Dad, Mom & Blaine



Jacob Green

**WE
LOVE
YOU!**



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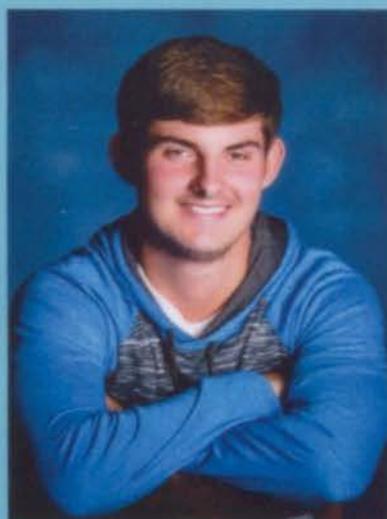


**Today is your day,
You're off to great
places,
You're off and away!
We love you!**

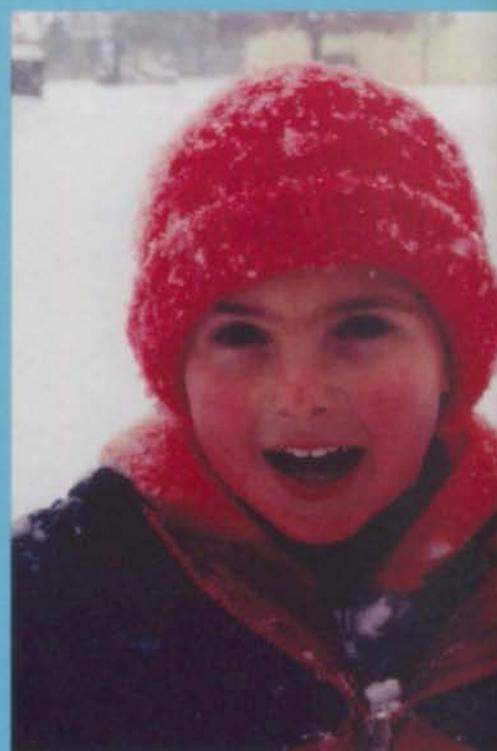
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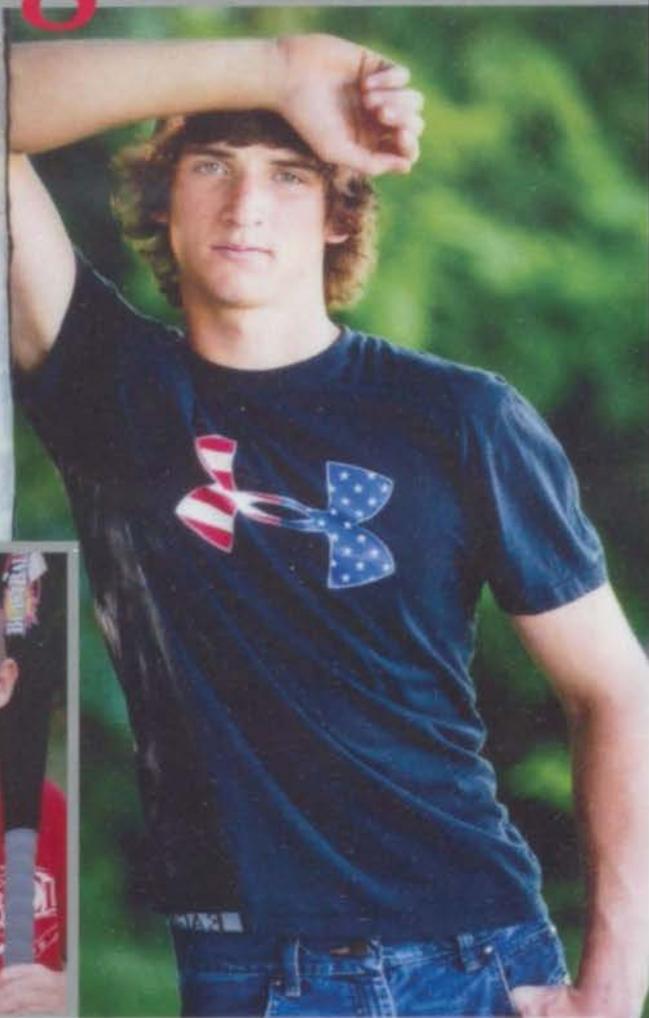
RYAN HARE



**We could not be more proud of
you! Raising you has been one
of the biggest joys of our lives.
We wish you all the love and
happiness that life has to offer.
Go get 'em Ry!
Much love,
Mom & Dad**



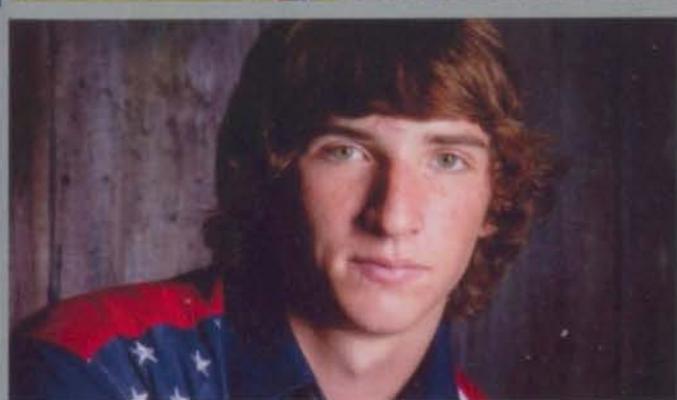
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We are so proud of the young man you have become. We have had the pleasure of watching you grow, mature, and accomplish so much through the years.

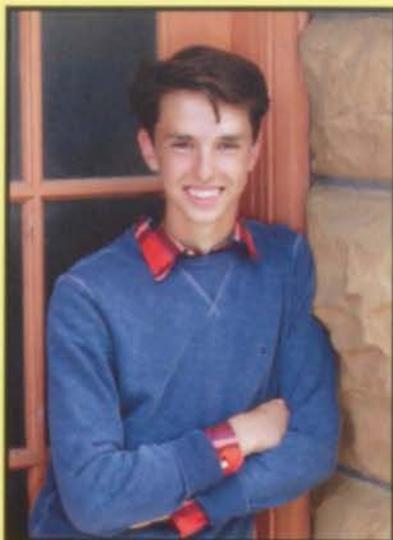
**"You're gonna miss this
You're gonna want this back
You're gonna wish these days
hadn't gone by so fast.
These are some good times,
So take a good look around,
You may not know it now,
But you're gonna miss this."**

**Cherish the Moment
Love,
Dad, Mom, and Zach**



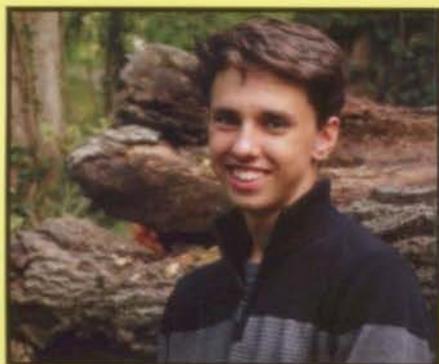
ADAM HAYSE

You may run like the wind, swim like a fish, and sing like a bird... but your heart is second to none!

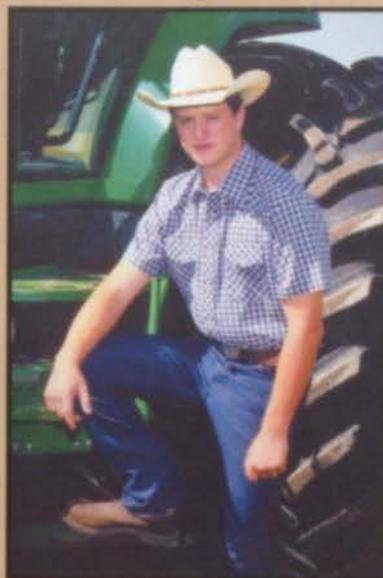


We love you so much and are so proud of you! Congratulations graduate!

Dad, Mom & family



Dylon Leyda



"For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

We love you and are proud of you,

Grandma, Grandpa & Dalton



Emily Wilson



We have loved watching you grow into an amazing young woman! We will "cheer" you on as you pursue your dreams. Love, Mom, Dad & Sam



Brittney Jabben



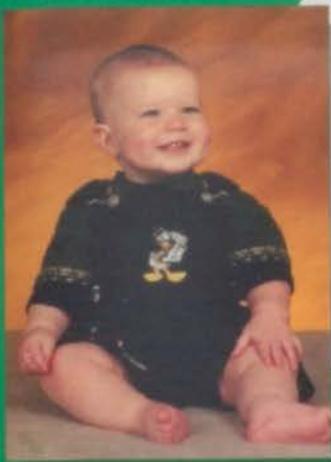
I am very proud of the wonderful person you are. You are loyal, faithful, strong, determined, passionate and have a compassionate heart. I am truly blessed to have watched you grow into such an amazing young woman and so excited to see what awesome plans God has in store for your future. Keep believing in yourself, live life to the fullest and never stop chasing your dreams. I love you very much and know that I am always proud of you!

Love, Mom

AJ Charter

"Let your dreams be bigger than your fears, your actions louder than your words and your faith stronger than your feelings."

We love you,
Mom, Aiden & Lynnsey
Grandma & Grandpa



Drew Pasternak



We are so proud of everything you had done these first 18 years and can't wait to see where your future goes. It's time to rise and shine!

Love,
Mom, Dad & Lauren



Ashley Johnson

"She believed she could, so she did."



There is no doubt you will accomplish whatever you set your mind to! So very proud of you and excited to see what your future holds!
We love you!
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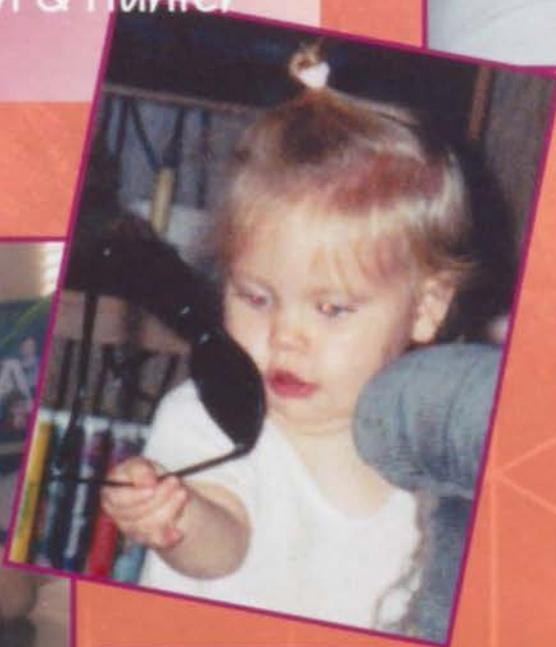


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We are so proud of you!

MOM & Dad

Laney, Blaydan & Hunter



Zeb Campbell



**My Zebediah
Full of charisma and
charm
determined to
believe.
You look at the stars
dream, reach, and
achieve.**

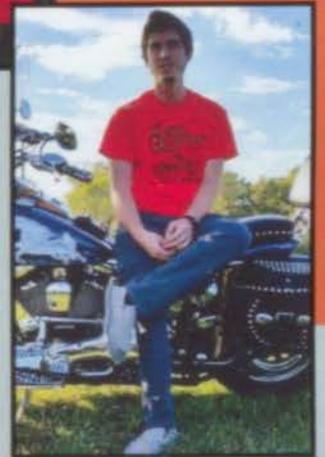
**Always be faithful
to one's self be true.
Strive for greatness
in all that you do.**

**Shine on, little
diamond and brighten
each day.
Stay off the pavement
make your own way.
I've taught you some
lessons
and we've shed some
tears.**

**But you have given
me more
over these years.**

**Thank you for
blessing
my heart and home.
It's been such a
treasure
to watch as you've
grown.**

**"There are NO limits"
Love you to the moon
and stars to infinity,
"Little Grandma"**





From a sassy little girl to a sassy young lady. We are proud of the person you've become. You have a bright future ahead of you!



Love you very much,

Mom & Dad



Taylor Zamora





**FANTastic
memories!
From your
greatest FANS,
Mom & Dad
Sam & Austin**

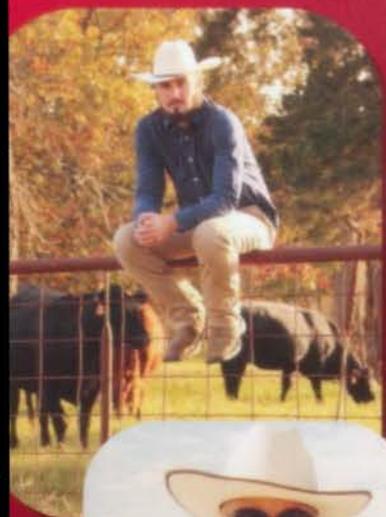


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Kyle Woods



"Don't ever try to be like anybody else and don't be afraid to take risks!"

Congratulations & Good luck!

**Love,
Mom, Dad & Tommy**



With God's love you have grown into a wonderful young woman. Alexis, you have gained confidence and strength, along with wisdom, the last four years. Pursue your dreams, and you will go far in life.

We are all behind you always and so proud of you!

Love,
Mom & Dad
Grace, Sophie & Grand



2016 State Swim Results:

50 Free: 3rd place 24.97

100 Free: 3rd place 54.27

200 Free relay: 11th place 1:50.29

2017 State Qualifier:

100 Free

50 Free

Danielle Rathbun

Refuse to be a princess when you can choose to be a dragon!

Love always. Mom & Dad

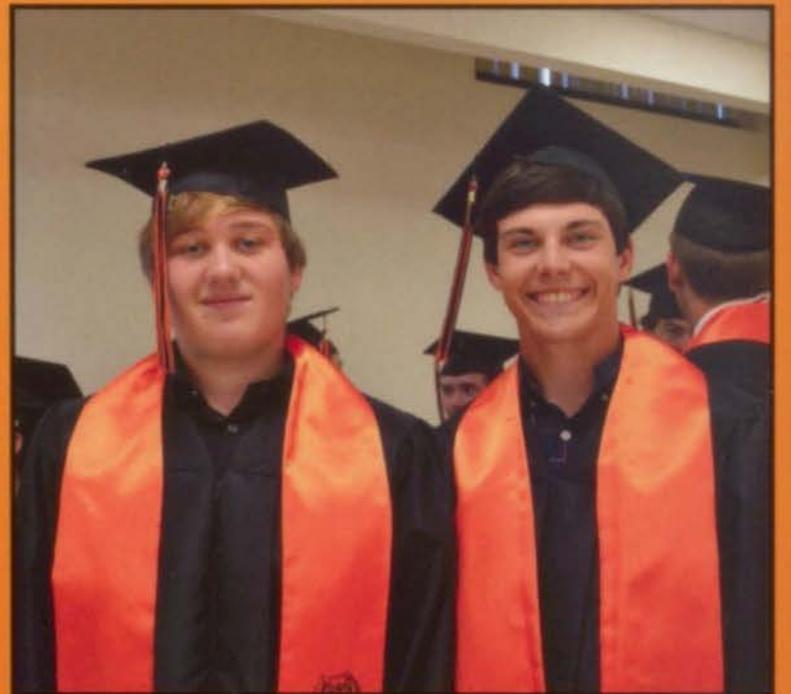
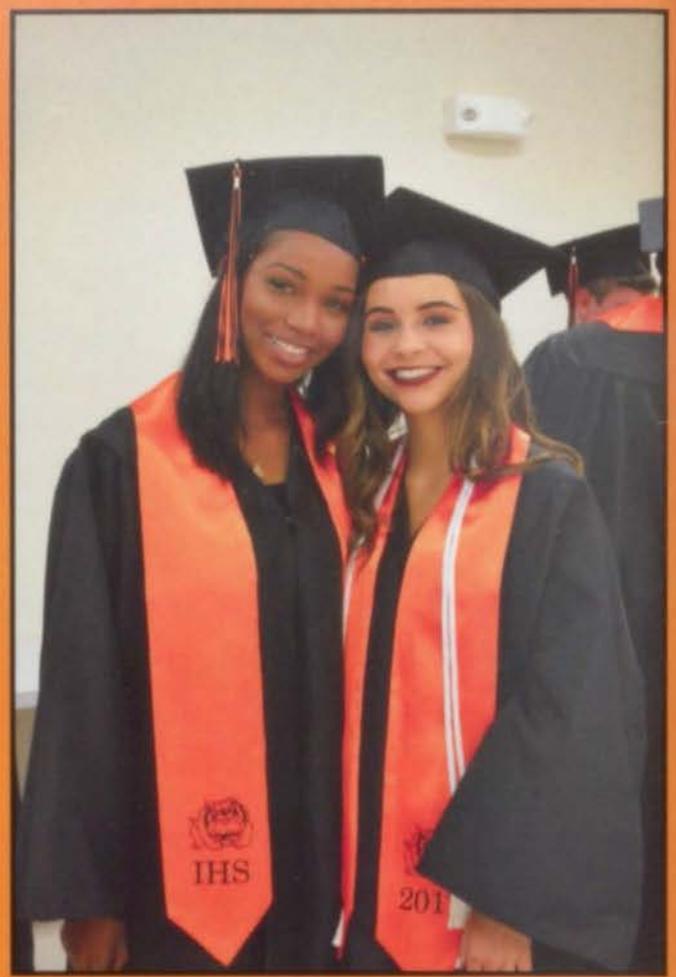


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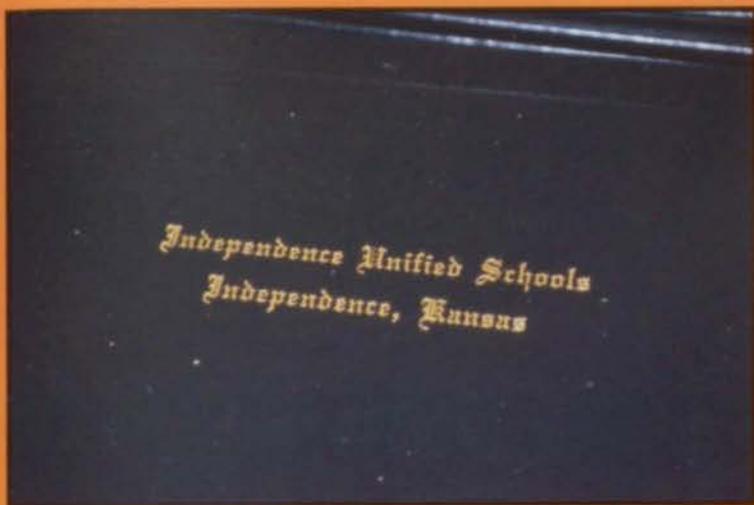


Senior/Faculty Kickball





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Class of 2017

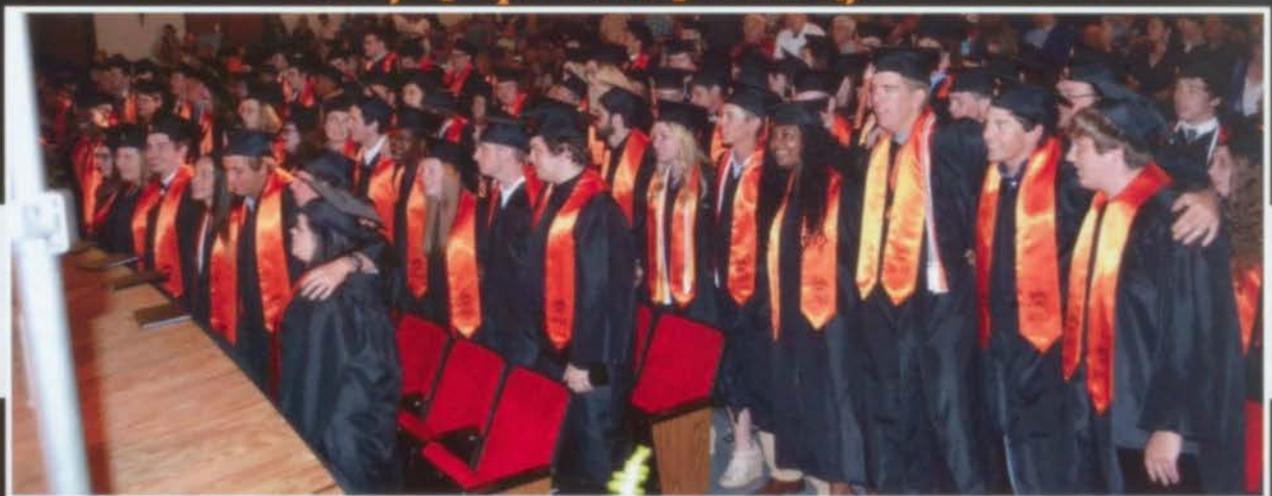
IHS Class of 2017



**KS HSAA Citizenship Award
Winners:
Cameron Goodrich & Emily
Wilson**



**Kathryn Kidd Memorial
Scholarship Winners:
Cameron Goodrich, Emily Wilson,
Levi Kemp, Andrew McCarty,
Rindy Marquez and Madeline Kyle**



Levi Kemp



Andy McCarty



Rindy Marquez

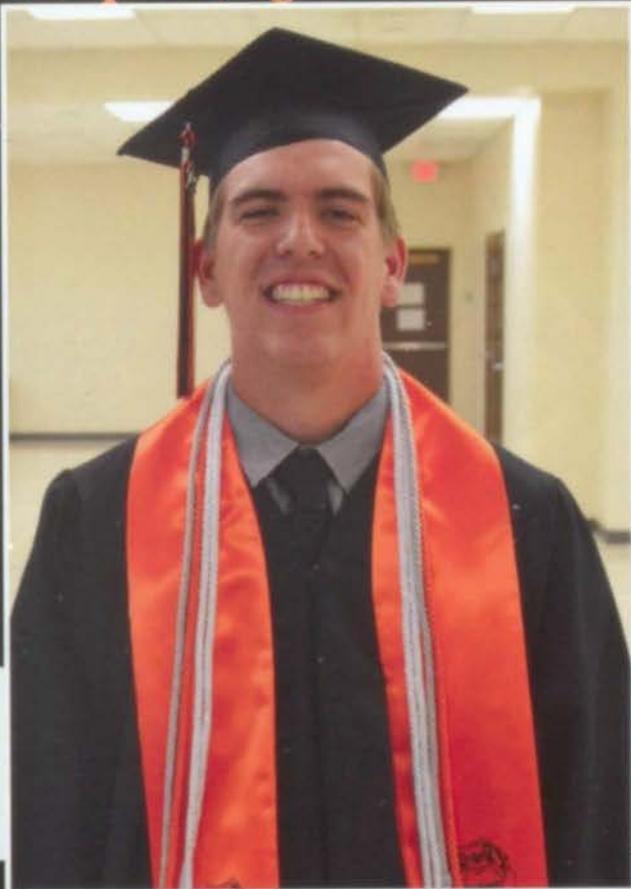
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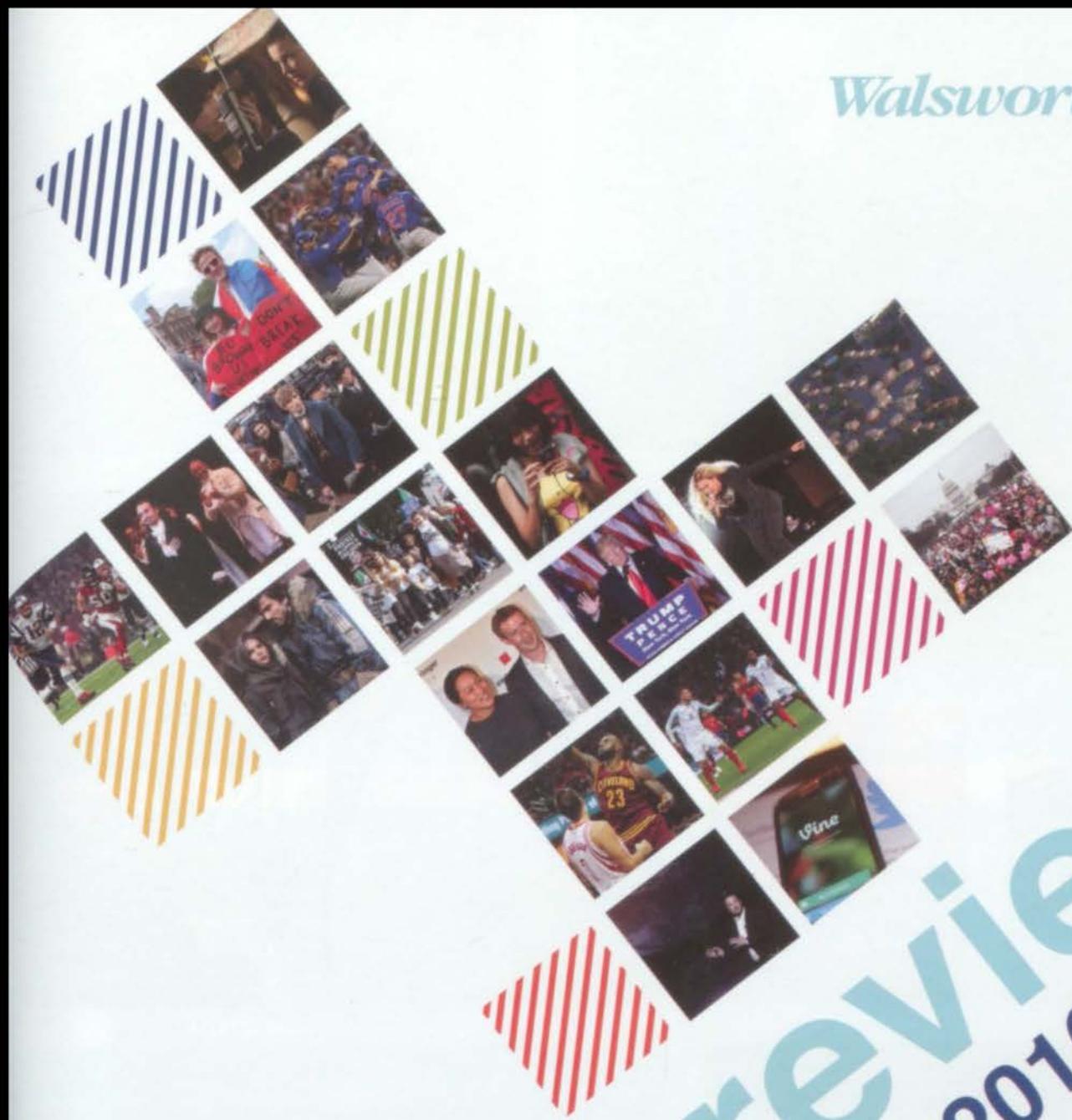
"And will you succeed? Yes!
You will, indeed. (It's 98 and
3/4 percent guaranteed)"

-Dr. Seuss



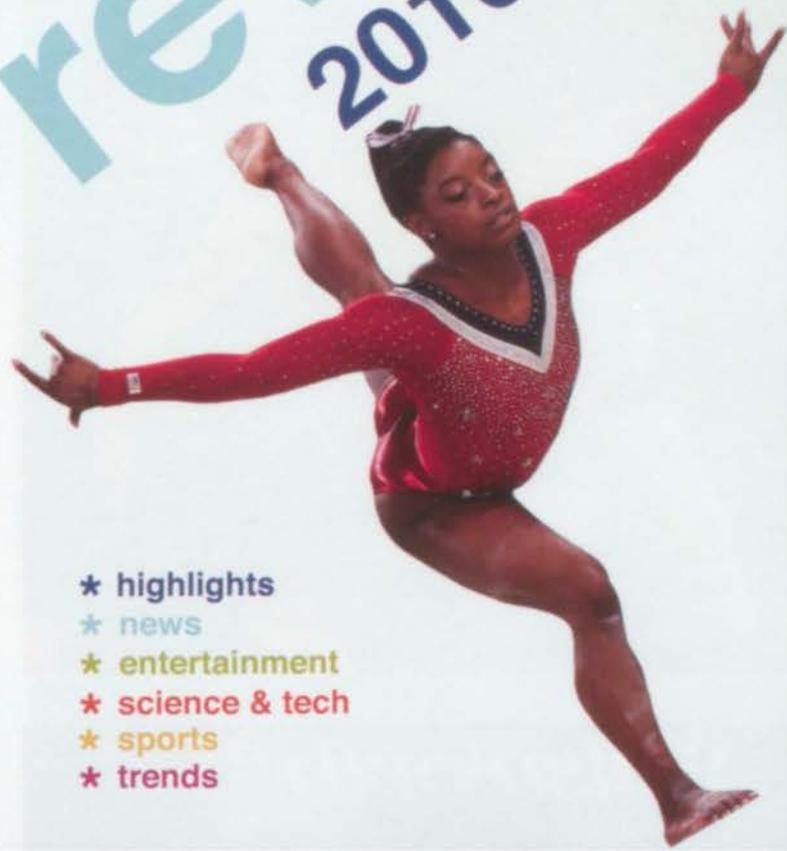
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Year in review

2016-2017



- ★ highlights
- ★ news
- ★ entertainment
- ★ science & tech
- ★ sports
- ★ trends



Popular songs of the year



- "Closer" – The Chainsmokers
- "Cheap Thrills" – Sia
- "Treat You Better" – Shawn Mendes
- "7 Years" – Lukas Graham
- "One Dance" – Drake

Source: Spotify

Streaming music service Spotify said that **Drake, Rihanna** and **Justin Bieber** were the most listened to artists on its platform this year. Drake's music accounted for more than 4.7 billion streams in 2016.



Twitter discontinued its short-form video service **Vine**. The decision was made so Twitter could focus on live streaming with its Periscope product, rather than Vine's short video loops.

Songwriter **Bob Dylan** received the Nobel Peace Prize for literature, making him the first musician to win the award.

NBA All-Star **Kevin Durant** surprised many when he chose to leave the Oklahoma City Thunder after eight seasons via free agency and sign with the Golden State Warriors.

Samsung's newest Android smartphone, the **Galaxy Note7**, was discontinued after less than two months when it was discovered that battery defects led to excessive heat, causing fires and even explosions.





▲ **Donald J. Trump**, billionaire businessman and reality TV show star, was elected as the 45th president of the United States on Nov. 8. While his opponent, Democrat Hillary Clinton, the first woman nominated by a major political party to run for president, received more popular votes, Trump won in the Electoral College, 304-227. He is the first non-military leader and non-politician to win the job.

Trump said it was time for Americans “to come together as one united people.” In her concession speech, Clinton said, “Donald Trump is going to be our president. We owe him an open mind and a chance to lead.” President Obama reminded Americans that we are “all on the same team.”

Trump, a Republican, was inaugurated on Jan. 20 and went to work with a Republican majority in both the House and Senate.

▼ Long-time sports broadcaster **Craig Sager** died after a long battle with leukemia. Sager, who worked as an NBA sideline reporter for TNT and TBS, gained wide fame and popularity for his entertaining interviews and colorful suits.



◀ **Hurricane Matthew** pounded Caribbean nations before heading up the Southeast U.S. coast, making landfall in South Carolina Oct. 8. At one point, 2.3 million people were without power.



◀ After 108 years, it finally happened. **The Chicago Cubs** ended the longest championship drought in sports when they defeated the Cleveland Indians in seven games to win the 2016 World Series.

Naturally it wasn't easy, as the Cubs became just the sixth team in baseball history to overcome a three-games-to-one deficit to do it. The seventh and final game dramatically went into extra innings, and through a rain delay, before Chicago clinched an 8-7 win.

The city of Chicago estimated that nearly five million fans swarmed into downtown Chicago two days later to attend the Cubs victory parade.



◀ More than **30 wildfires** raged in the Southeast U.S. in the fall, including one that damaged much of Gatlinburg, Tennessee. Singer Dolly Parton donated \$1,000 per month for six months to affected families.

✔ Drug manufacturer Mylan faced harsh criticism after costs of their **EpiPen** injection device, commonly used to treat those who suffer severe allergic reactions, soared to \$600. Mylan responded by releasing a generic version.

Walsworth yearbooks





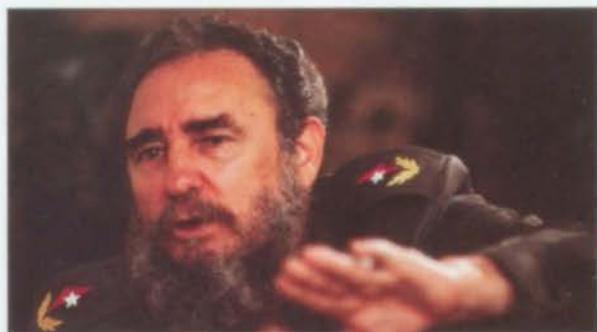
For the second straight year, Alabama and Clemson played in the championship game of the **College Football Playoffs**. This time the Tigers beat the Crimson Tide, 35-31, to win Clemson's first national title in 36 years. Quarterback Deshaun Watson was the hero, throwing for 420 yards and three touchdowns, including the game winner with one second left.



Pokémon Go, a new location-based augmented reality game, became a sensation. Millions of players took to the streets to hunt Pokémon with their mobile devices and the app sparked renewed interest in the 20-year-old franchise.



Facebook CEO **Mark Zuckerberg** and his wife, **Priscilla Chan**, donated \$3 billion to the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, their company aimed at curing, managing and preventing all disease by 2100.



Fidel Castro, who took over Cuba in a 1959 Communist revolution, died at age 90 in November. Castro also nearly brought the world to nuclear war in 1962 with the Cuban Missile Crisis.



LeBron James led his hometown Cleveland Cavaliers to the 2016 NBA title in an upset win over the Golden State Warriors, who won 73 games during the regular season.



Most Instagram Followers - U.S. Athletes

- LeBron James – 26.4 million
- Steph Curry – 13.9 million
- Ronda Rousey – 8.8 million
- Dwayne Wade – 8.1 million
- Kyrie Irving – 7.5 million

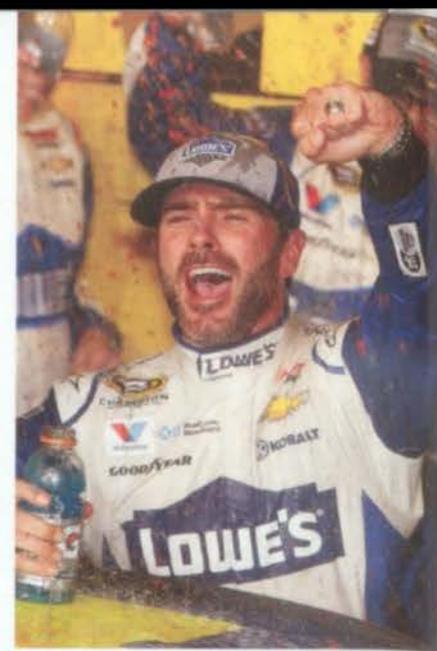
Source: socialblade.com



▲ The number of **refugees around the world** reached 21.3 million, according to UNHCR, the United Nations human relief agency. Most of them were from Syria, Afghanistan and Somalia, and were fleeing war or persecution.



➤ NASCAR's **Jimmie Johnson** won his seventh Sprint Cup championship during the 2016 season, tying him with Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt for the most all-time wins.



◀ Audiences flocked to theaters around the December holidays to see "**Rogue One: A Star Wars Story.**"

The new stand-alone film was unique, as it was the first spin-off in the Star Wars series. It told the origin story of the Death Star, and the group of rebel spies who stole the plans to destroy it.

"Rogue One" earned more than \$200 million at the box office in its first week, making it the second biggest December movie opening ever, only behind another Star Wars movie, "The Force Awakens."



▲ **The Harry Potter universe returned!** Author J.K. Rowling wrote "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child," a stage play script that was also published into a new book. A new movie, "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them," was released based on one of Rowling's previous books and it became a box office hit.



▲ The U.S. won more medals, 121, than any other country at the **2016 Summer Olympics in Brazil**. Stars included swimmer Michael Phelps, who won five gold medals in his final Olympics, and gymnast Simone Biles, who won four gold medals.



◀ After voting in favor of **Brexit**, as it was known, the United Kingdom began the process to exit from the European Union. People in England and Wales voted for Brexit, while Scotland and Northern Ireland wanted to stay in the EU.

▼ The **Mannequin Challenge** became a viral video trend. It involved groups of people freezing in action like mannequins while being recorded. The craze started with students but soon spread to various celebrities and sports teams.

Top-selling video games of the year

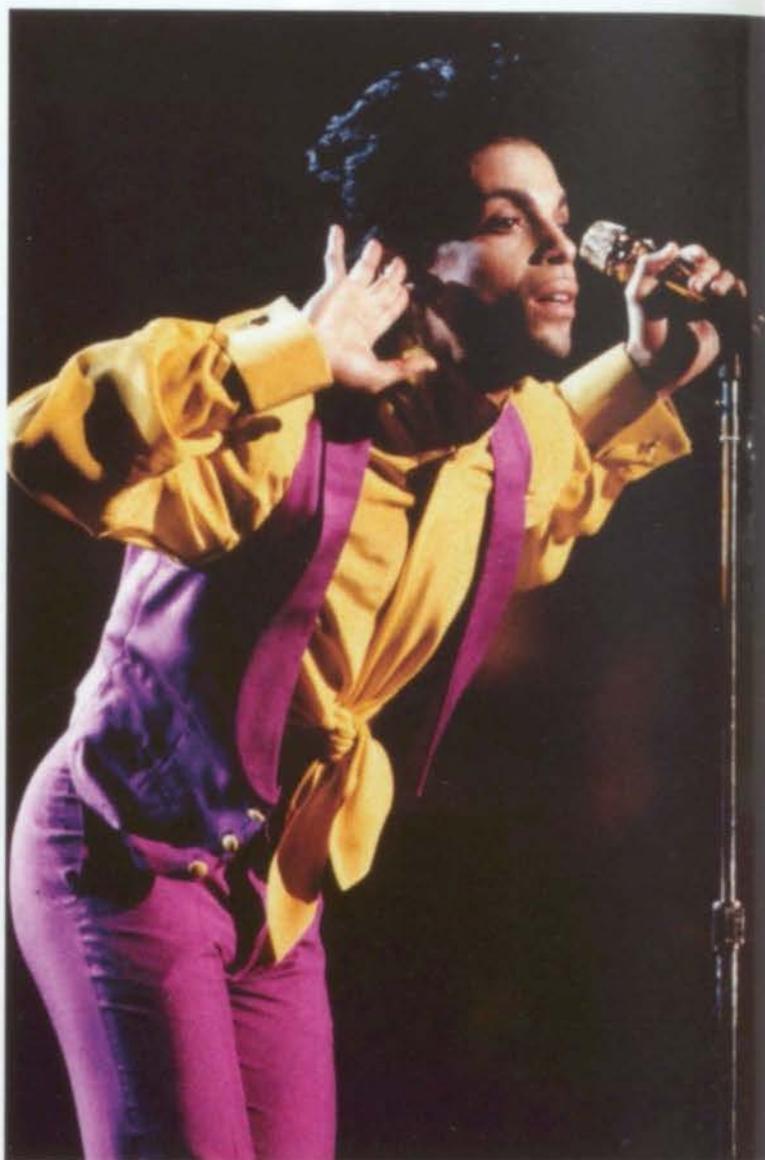
- "Uncharted 4: A Thief's End"
- "Tom Clancy's The Division"
- "The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim"
- "Final Fantasy XV"
- "Madden 17"

Source: Amazon



▲ Aerospace company **SpaceX** and CEO Elon Musk unveiled plans to build a new Interplanetary Transport System, with the goal of taking people to Mars and building a self-sustaining colony within the next 50-100 years.





↳ Fans were shocked and saddened by the deaths of several entertainment icons.

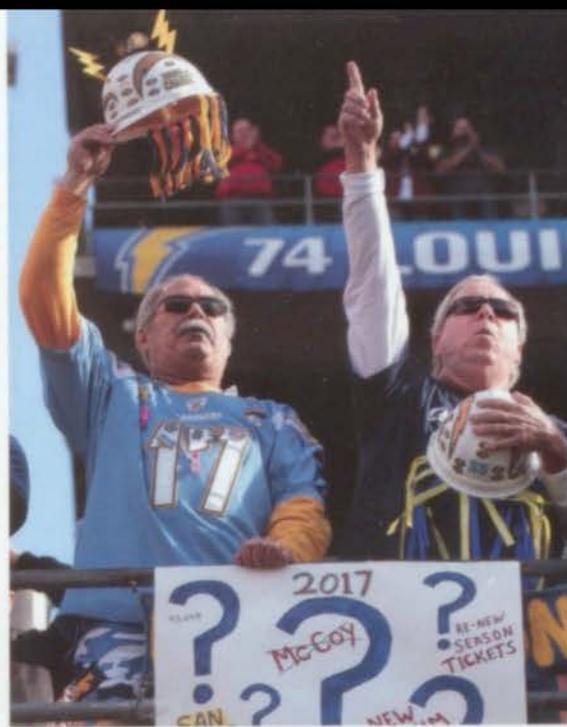
Actress **Carrie Fisher**, most famous for playing the role of Princess Leia in the Star Wars movies, died two days after Christmas after suffering a heart attack on a flight. Fisher's mother, actress/singer Debbie Reynolds, tragically passed away the following day.

Pop star **George Michael**, who sold more than 100 million records worldwide and had eight number one hit songs in the U.S., died at his home in England on Christmas Day.

Rock star **Prince**, the multiple Grammy Award winning artist remembered for his flamboyant stage presence and innovative sound, also passed away at his Minneapolis-area home.



Smart speakers, like **Amazon Echo** and **Google Home**, became available for the first time. The voice-controlled devices worked like home personal assistants, with the ability to play music and audiobooks, provide news and weather and connect with other devices in the home.



The **San Diego Chargers** ended a 56-year stay in the city and announced they would be moving to Los Angeles. The team's ownership made the decision after they were unable to reach a new stadium deal in San Diego.



Carpool Karaoke, a regular segment on "The Late Late Show with James Corden," became popular on YouTube. The segments, which showed Corden driving around Los Angeles singing with musical guests, featured Madonna, Mariah Carey and Bruno Mars this year among others.

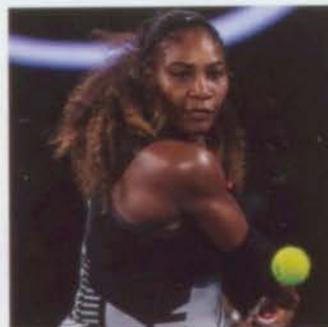
Stargazers had a large object to behold as a supermoon appeared in November. The moon had not been this close to the Earth since 1948.



Highest-rated TV Shows

- "The Big Bang Theory"
- "Empire"
- "The Voice"
- "This is Us"
- "Modern Family"

Source: tvline.com

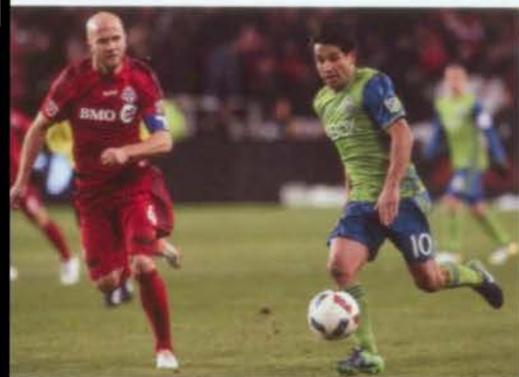


Serena Williams defeated her sister, Venus, to win the 2017 Australian Open title, and her 23rd Grand Slam title overall. The win broke Steffi Graf's previous record for the most ever by a tennis player in the Open Era.

➤ **New England Patriots** quarterback Tom Brady led the biggest comeback in **Super Bowl** history in Super Bowl LI, as the Patriots rallied from down 28-3 in the second half to defeat the Atlanta Falcons, 34-28 in overtime.

Brady was chosen the game's MVP after throwing for 466 yards, another Super Bowl record, and leading New England to 19 fourth-quarter points to tie the game. It was the fifth championship for Brady and coach Bill Belichick.

The heartbreaking loss for Atlanta prevented the Falcons from winning their first Super Bowl in team history.



⬆️ The **Seattle Sounders** won the first MLS Cup in team history, defeating Toronto FC 5-4 on penalty kicks after the two teams battled through regulation and overtime, tied 0-0.



⬅️ The year 2016 looked to be the **hottest year** since records started being kept in 1880. According to NASA, each of the first six months of 2016 set heat records.

You Tube Popular YouTube Stars

- The Dolan Twins
- Lilly Singh
- Connor Franta
- Kian Lawley

Source: Teen Choice Awards



➤ Bomber jackets were in style for both guys and girls. Comfort also was in, as girls wore leggings with long tunic tops and some guys sported the man bun.



◀ Health organizations continued to fight the spread of the **Zika virus**, particularly in South America and Central America. By the end of 2016, it was estimated that 1.5 million people had been infected by Zika in Brazil.



➤ Led by Patrick Reed, the U.S. defeated Europe at the 2016 **Ryder Cup**. It was the first win for the U.S. in the event since 2008, and the American team dedicated the victory to Arnold Palmer, who passed away the week of the event.



✔ The Army Corps of Engineers stopped construction on part of the **Dakota Access Pipeline** in North Dakota in September, pending a review of other routes. Thousands of people protested the pipeline near the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation. Despite protests, President Trump signed an executive order in January to restart the construction with an environmental review.

➤ It wasn't an easy year for rapper **Kanye West**. In October, West left one of his New York concerts early after he learned his wife Kim Kardashian had been robbed at gunpoint in France. Later in November, West cancelled the rest of his tour, citing exhaustion.





◀ **The Women's March** on Jan. 21 was a worldwide demonstration in support of women's rights and a variety of other causes, including health care reform and protection of the environment. The March began as an event in Washington, D.C., but companion events were held in cities worldwide and were estimated to involve nearly five million people.



Most Popular Fast Food Restaurants

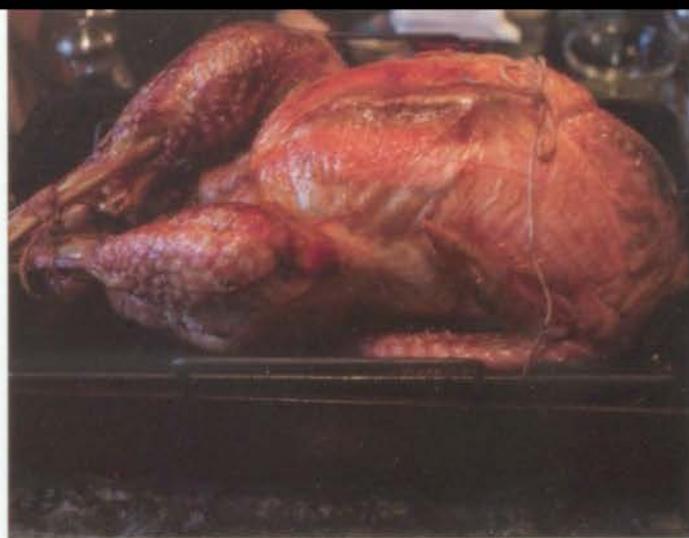
- Starbucks
- Chipotle
- Chick-fil-A
- Panera
- McDonald's

Sources: Mashable, Piper Jaffray

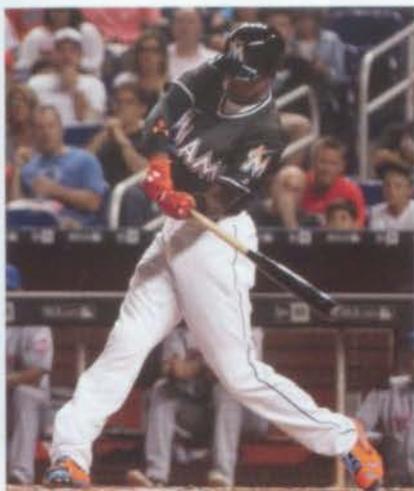
◀ **“La La Land,”** a musical romantic comedy starring Ryan Gosling and Emma Stone as a musician and actress trying to make it in Hollywood, was nominated for 14 **Academy Awards**, tied for the most ever by one movie. The movie earned five Oscars, but Best Picture went to “Moonlight,” the story of the life of a young black man growing up in a rough section of Miami.

“Moonlight” also won Best Adapted Screenplay and Mahershala Ali earned Best Supporting Actor.

Other movies nominated for Best Picture at the Oscars included “Arrival,” “Hidden Figures,” and “Manchester by the Sea.”



⬆️ A Phoenix, Arizona, teen received a text from a grandma inviting him to **Thanksgiving dinner**, but it wasn't his grandma. Jamal Hinton, whose cell phone number was the old number of Grandma Wanda's grandson, asked if he could come anyway, and the families got together for the annual meal.



◀ After Miami Marlins All-Star pitcher Jose Fernandez was tragically killed in a boating accident, his teammate **Dee Gordon** memorably led off the Marlins next home game with a home run he dedicated to Fernandez.

▼ **Popular action movies** of the year featured all types of superheroes, including “Deadpool,” “Doctor Strange,” and the latest chapter from the Avengers story, “Captain America: Civil War.”



⬆️ With the release of the **iPhone 7**, Apple made several changes that got mixed reviews from users, most notably removing the headphone jack.



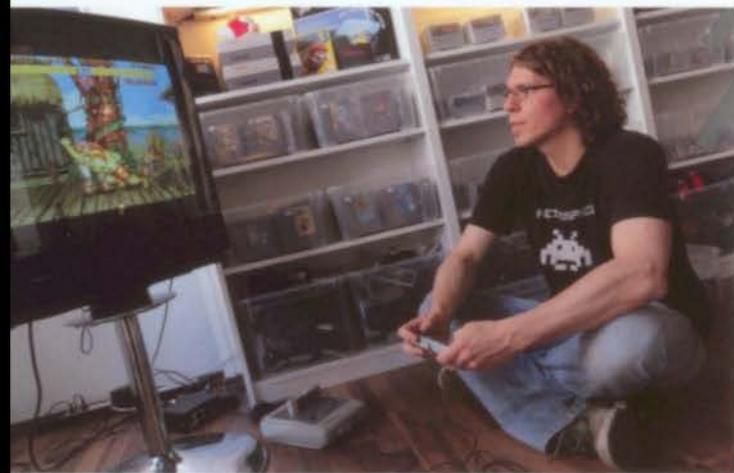
Photo credit: AP Images

◀ Oklahoma continued to be rattled by **earthquakes**, which have been increasing in number in the past decade. The quakes have become stronger, too, such as the 5.0 magnitude quake just west of Cushing, Oklahoma, in November.

Top 5 bestselling young adult books

- "The Hammer of Thor" by Rick Riordan
- "Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children" by Ransom Riggs
- "March" by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, Nate Powell
- "The Fever Code" by James Dashner
- "The Sword of Summer" by Rick Riordan

Source: Barnes and Noble



▲ Nintendo released the **NES Classic Edition**, a miniature replica of the original Nintendo video game system from the 1980s. The console was met with wild demand and sold out quickly, along with old school games like "Super Mario Bros." and The "Legend of Zelda."

➤ **Auston Matthews**, the 19-year old hockey phenom who was drafted first overall by the Toronto Maple Leafs in the 2016 NHL Draft, scored four goals in his regular season debut on Oct. 12 against the Ottawa Senators.



◀ Season 11 of reality singing show "**The Voice**" once again made it one of the most popular shows on TV. More than 12 million viewers tuned in for the finale, where country singer **Sundance Head** was chosen the winner over Billy Gilman.





✓ **Flossing** came under scrutiny, as a report by the Associated Press stated there was not enough sufficient research to show the benefits of daily flossing your teeth.

▲ Netflix TV series **“Stranger Things”** told the story of a 12-year old boy who disappears from his Indiana town in the 1980s and the search to find him. The show became a hit with more than 14 million viewers in the first month.

Viewed by many as a tribute to 80s pop culture and inspired by the works of Steven Spielberg and George Lucas, the show also received critical acclaim and made stars out of its quartet of young actors, including Millie Bobby Brown and Finn Wolfhard.

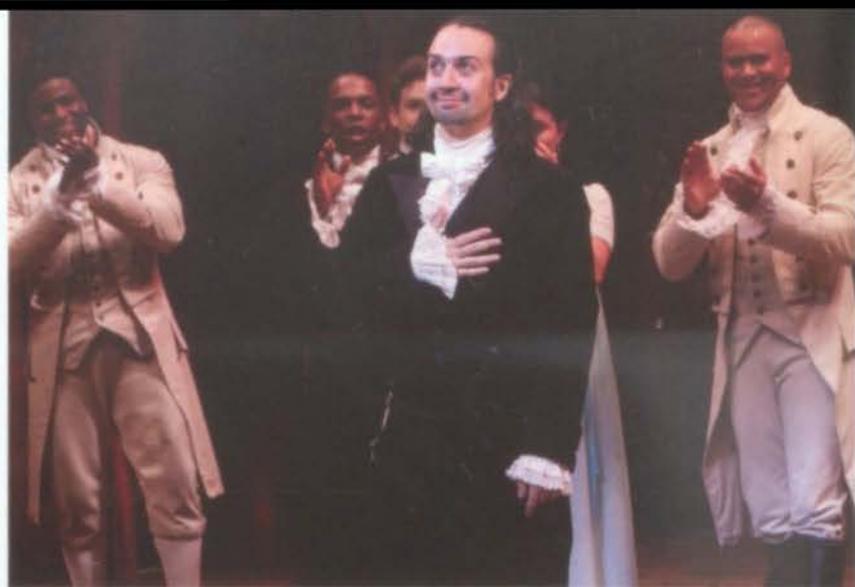
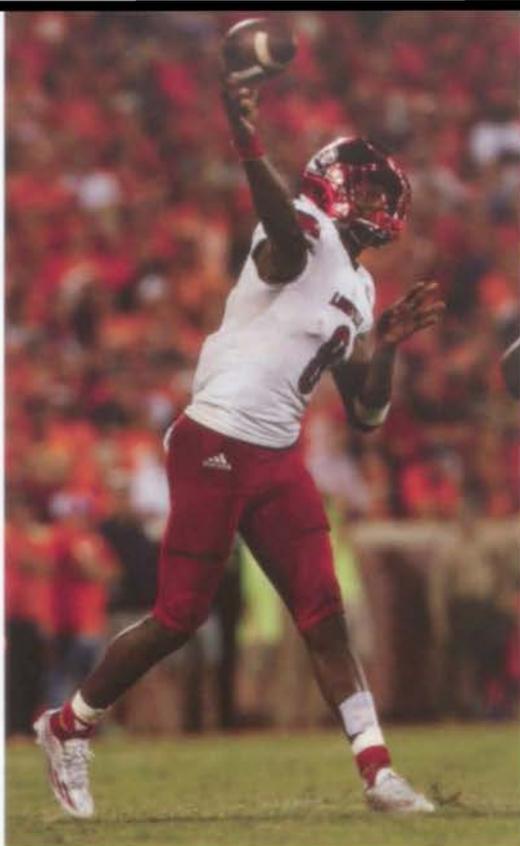
A second season of “Stranger Things” was scheduled for release in 2017.



➤ **The Ringling Bros. Circus**, often known as “The Greatest Show on Earth,” announced they would be ending operations after 146 years in business, due to declining attendance and rising costs.



▲ **Wells Fargo**, a financial services company, was fined \$185 million for opening fake accounts under customers’ names without their knowledge.



▲ **"Hamilton,"** the hip-hop Broadway musical about our nation's first treasury secretary, Alexander Hamilton, continued its success without its author, Lin-Manuel Miranda, in the lead role.

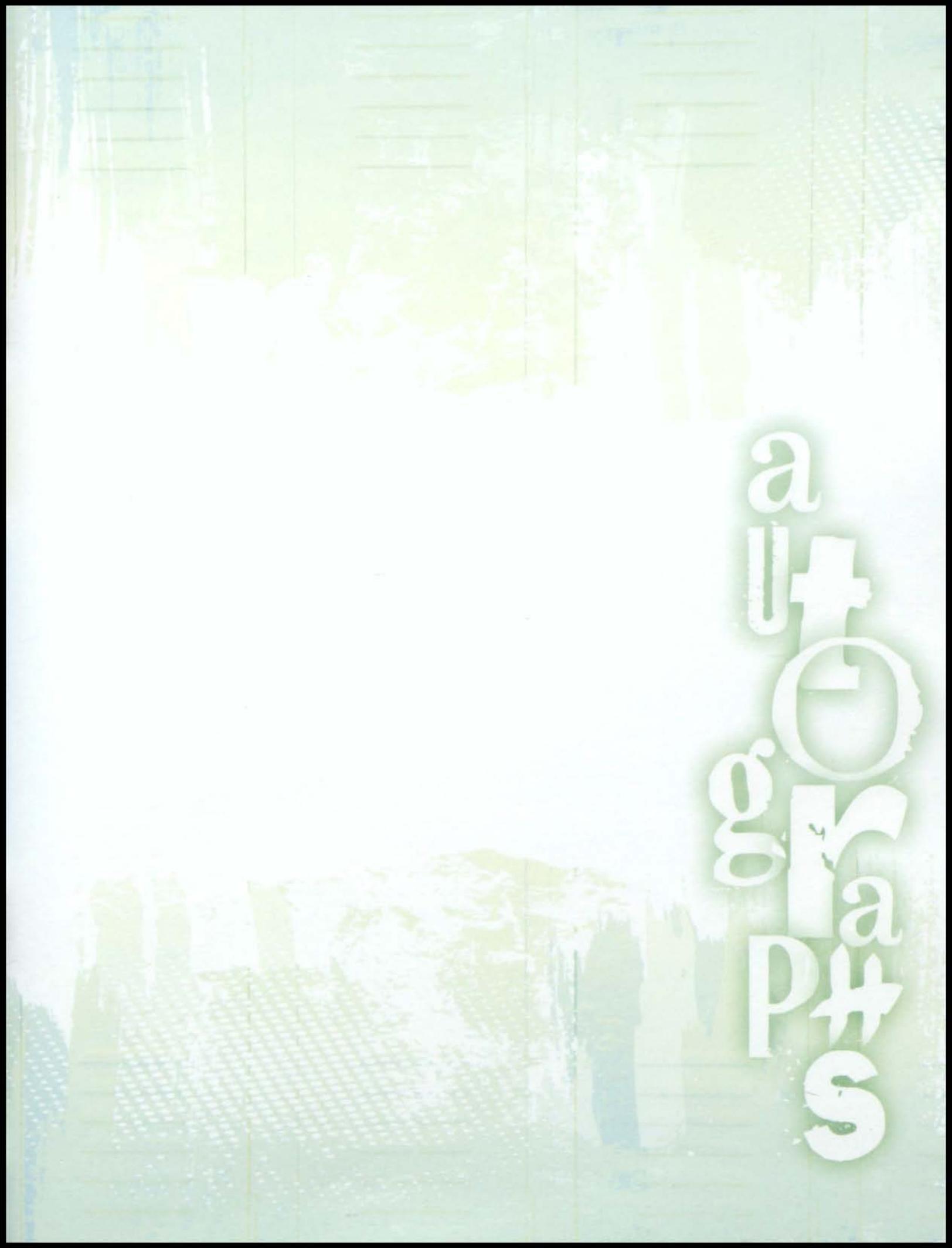
▲ Louisville quarterback **Lamar Jackson** became the youngest player ever to win the Heisman Trophy at just 19 years old, after a sophomore season where he passed for more than 3,000 yards and 30 touchdowns and ran for 21 more touchdowns.



◀ **Fake news** stories appeared on Facebook, and there was debate as to whether it affected the 2016 presidential election. Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg said only 1 percent of the news on Facebook's news feed was fake and said it could not have swayed voters.



◀ **Beyoncé** led all musical artists with nine Grammy nominations for her latest album "Lemonade." Right behind her was Adele, who received five nominations for her hit album "25," and won Album of the Year.



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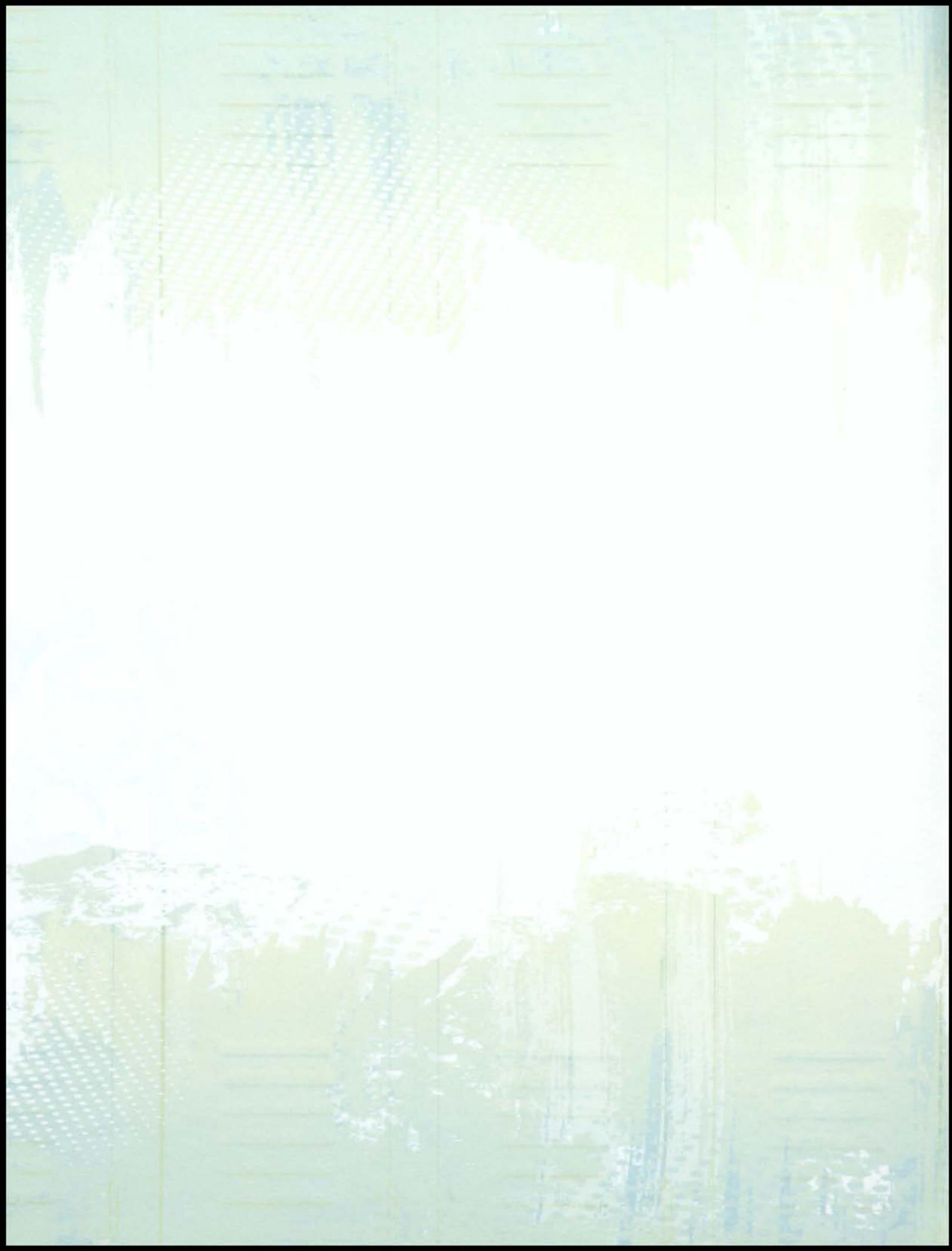


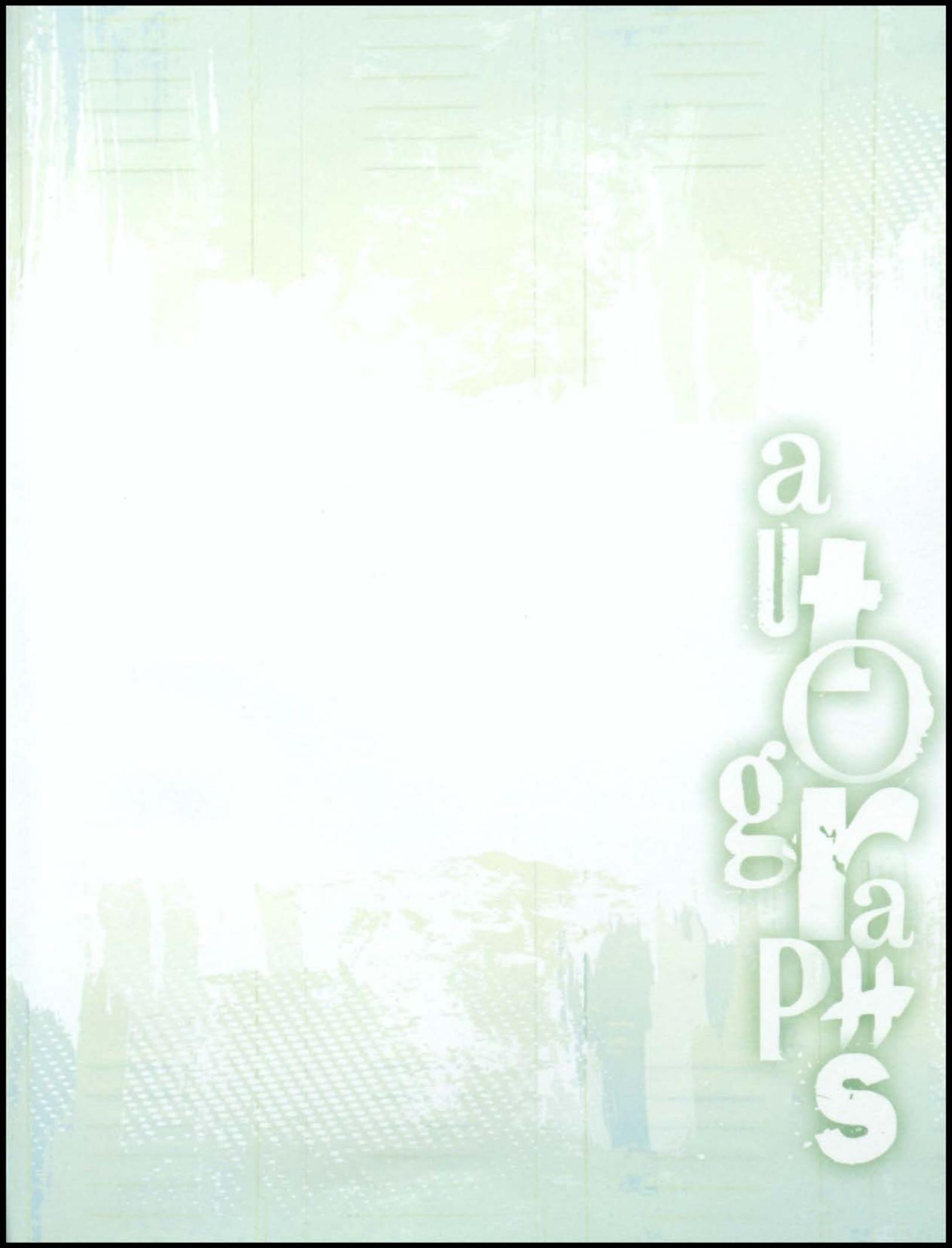
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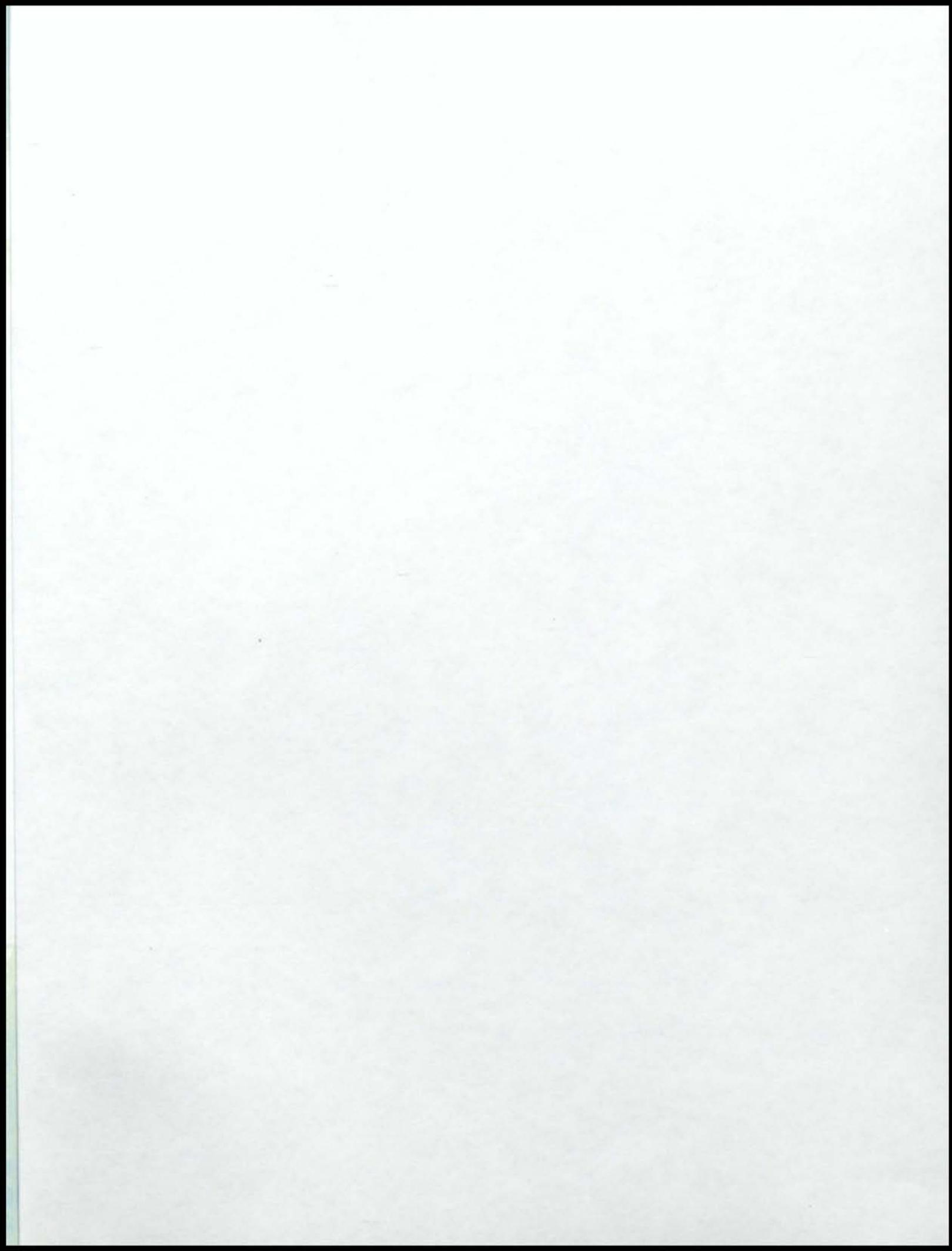
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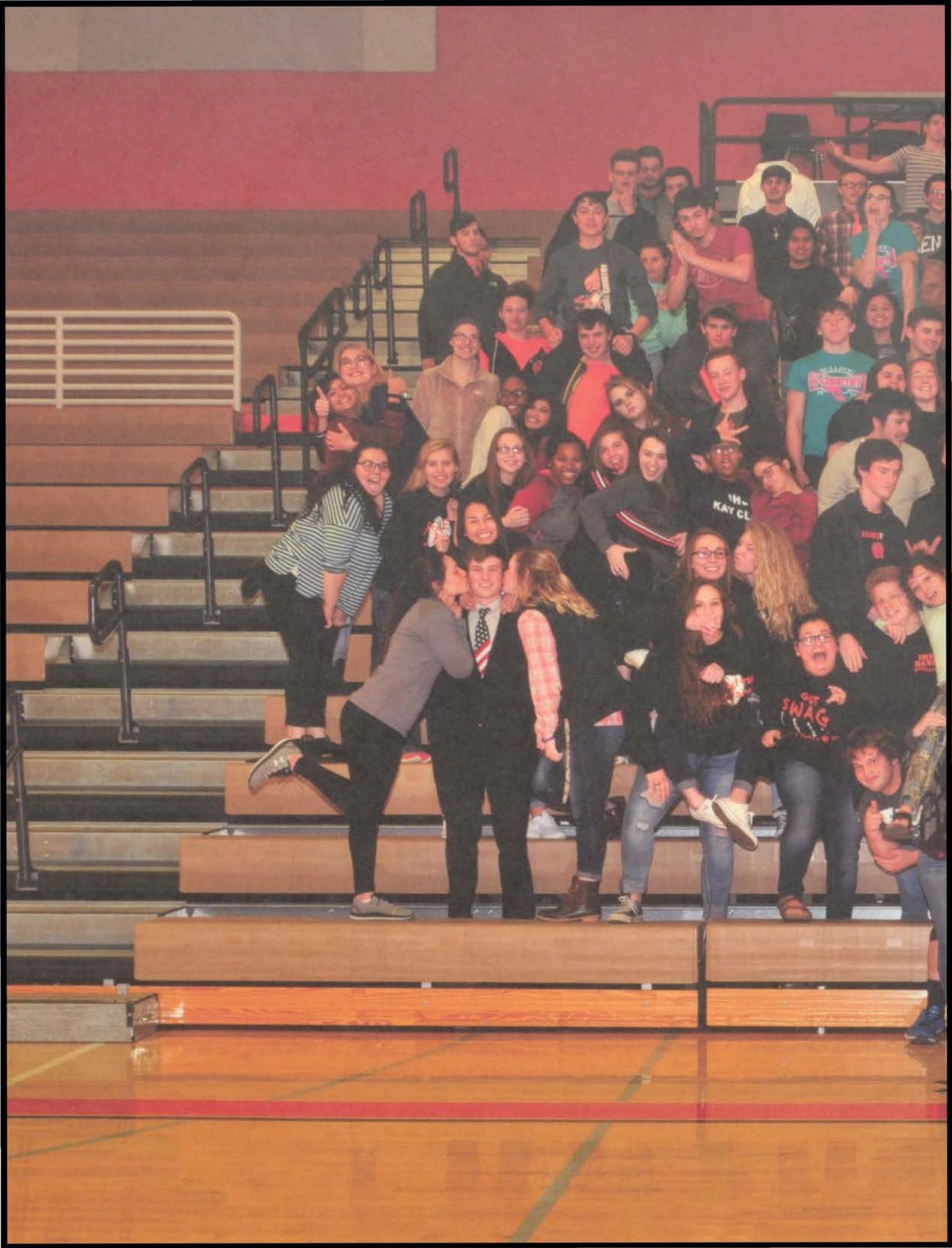




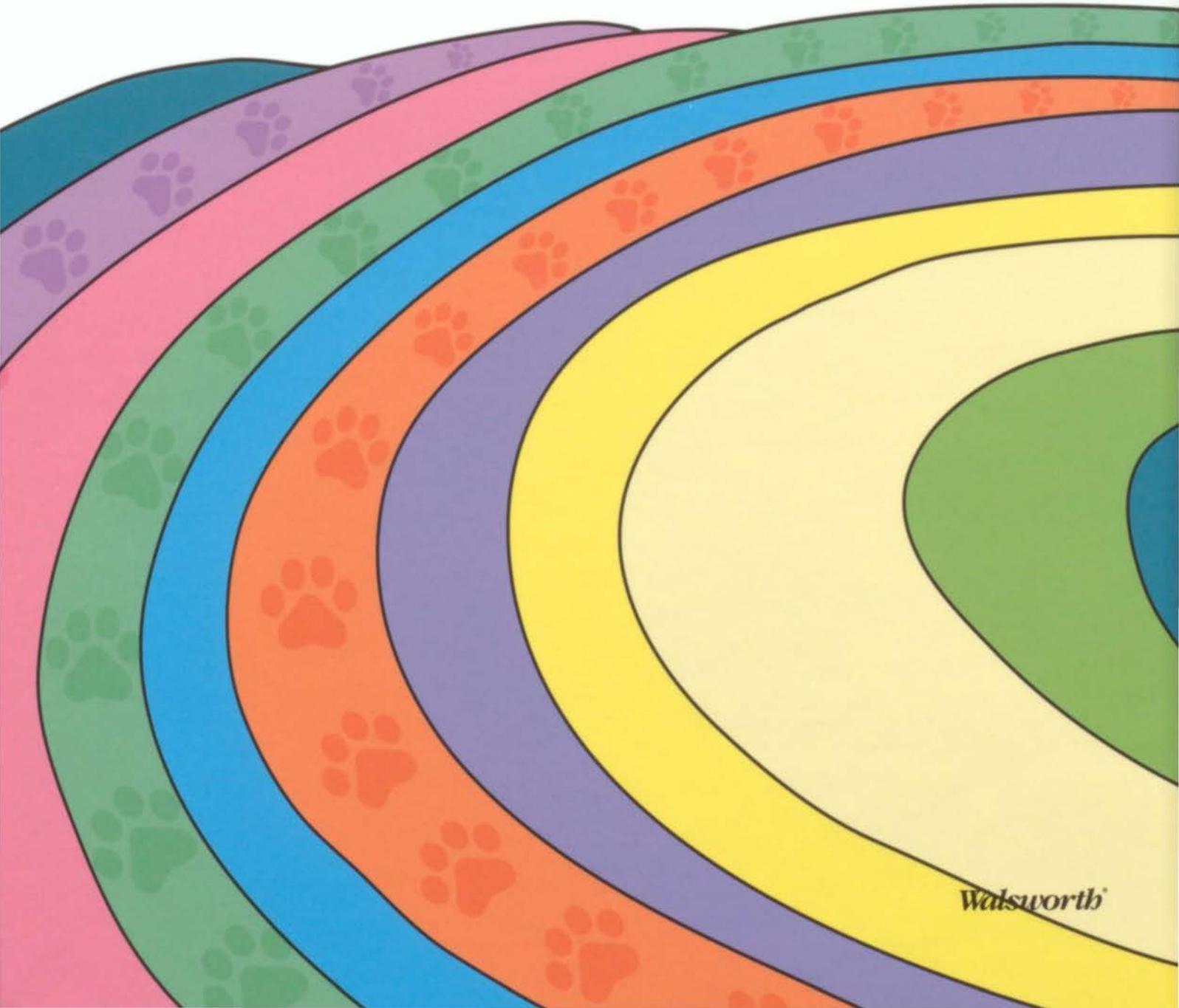
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