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Andrea Godfrey (03)
Marie O'Brien (03)

Perspective

Jacob Olsen (02)

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In the gymnasium, principal Mr. Snyder, serenades the girls' basketball team before they leave for the regional finals. About 20 staff members participated in lip syncing to "Mombo No. Five" along with Mr. Snyder.

In the hallway, freshmen Stephanie Seeley and Robbie Fretz work on their homework as they lean against their lockers during lunch.

At Northmen Stadium, percussionist Greg Justis (00), performs the routine. The band practiced and performed at the field throughout the football season.

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Patterns of Success

People of myriad talents, interests and accomplishments are a part of Petoskey High School. Within each club, team and class are individuals who work to continue patterns of success.

Among the many accomplishments of the students of the 1999-2000 school year was a non-violence pledge, headed by the National Honor Society and backed by students. A petition was available to all students and in signing it they pledged to be non-violent. The year was peppered with many more positive accomplishments as well. Four National Merit Finalists were recognized from the senior class. Several government students performed various types of community service. Teachers and administrators organized the first Communication Camp. In sports, the Girls’ Varsity Basketball Team reached the quarter finals and the Girls’ Tennis Team was fifth in the state.

Students were not simply defined by the status of the classes that they followed or by the remarkable year 2000. High achievement remained a tradition. A wide range of qualities and successes are found... At This Place.

Perspective
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Senior disco divas, Megan Webb (00) and Alissa Gracy (00), dress up seventies style for spirit days during the week of Homecoming.

During a halftime show at a Friday night home football game, Troy Drebonstedt (02) bellows out notes from "Lord of the Dance" on his tuba.

Standing in front of the Ameritech building on the corner of Mitchell and Waukazo, freshmen Bethany Lieberman and Shelby Kear await the Homecoming parade. After the parade, everyone headed for Northmen Stadium to lead the football team to a 29-6 victory over the Gaylord Blue Devils.

During after-school practice, Colleen Maloney (00) serves the ball with an outstretched racquet. The tennis team had a successful season, finishing second in the league and fifth overall in the state.

Working diligently, Cory Ciesielski (02) fills in a pH table during a Water Hydrolysis lab in science class.
Many students go to Mrs. VanWagoner's art room on the day of the Homecoming football game to have their faces painted blue and white. Art student Rachel Tramontini (01) carefully paints a "P" on Jayna Stakoe's (01) cheek.
The year 2,000 marks a passage of time, a passage of two thousand years after the death of Christ. Yet time will pass the same way it did in the year 1 A.D.

Though much attention was focused on the students of the millenium, student life continued as usual. Many students were involved in the annual musical, both on stage and behind the scenes. Many students went to interesting vacation spots over spring break. And many simply continued to participate in their hobbies.

The millenium marked not a year of change but a year of introspection. A group of teachers and administrators headed the first Communication Camp, held at Camp Daggett. Over sixty students were selected to attend. As time passes, the importance of respect and communication stays the same.

Though sports often seem to take precedence in high school, other areas of student life are equally important to many students. Without the creative opportunities of the the musical or the dances, student life would be lacking.

Rather than view the students of the 1999-2000 school year as pioneers into the twenty-first century, one may view them as people who continue to learn, grow and repair areas in which improvement is needed.

-Kelly Tate
Surrounded by the color pink on a warm summer's day, Meagan Burek (00) grabs her things and gets ready to take off for work in her hot pink '93 Geo Metro. "Having my own car during the summer months made it easier for me to get around to the places I needed to get to," commented Burek.

Forgetting to grab the keys out of his Subaru Legacy, Tom Turcott (00) opens his door and grabs them out of it. "I'm always forgetting to take my keys out of my car," explains Turcott.

Patiently waiting for her friend Jami Irelan (01) to come out of the school for a ride home, Stephanie Sevener (01) listens to her radio to keep her occupied. "I love my car," Sevener says, "It's great for summer. When it gets too hot I can just take off the top."
In a hurry to leave after a long day of school, Jamie Kahgee (00) gets into his 1990 Toyota Camry, "It's Friday night and I have a lot going on, I'm glad school is out so I can go cruising with my buddies," said Kahgee.

The Petoskey High School is more than a building made up of students and faculty. It is a building made up of unique individuals who expressed themselves in many different ways. One way self-expression was displayed was through their vehicles.

Entering the school parking lot on Monday morning, both cars and trucks became visible. Each vehicle differed depending on who was driving it and what they personally liked and could afford. They ranged from monstrous trucks with large confederate flags hooked to them, to the old Volkswagen, all the way to the classic Audi. Besides ranging in brands, the vehicles also ranged in colors and patterns. There were yellow, pink, multicolored, plaid and camouflage.

Because of all of those vehicles and the number of new drivers, parking space had become somewhat of a problem. Students and faculty could no longer park wherever they wanted. In order to have a parking space, vehicles had to have a parking sticker. The color of that sticker determined where they could park. If someone was caught parking in the wrong lot, a ticket for five dollars was distributed to them.

"People find this frustrating because most of the time they have no choice but to park in a space where their sticker doesn't allow them," said Jay Legal (00).

There were both drawbacks and benefits to having a vehicle and people had to learn to deal with whatever their vehicles brought them. In a survey of twenty different students asking them what the best part about having a vehicle was, everyone agreed that it was the freedom and the independence that it created. Students said the worst part of owning a vehicle was using their money for gas and insurance.

Although there were drawbacks to having a vehicle, most of the people surveyed said that they could not manage without a car. "I have so much to do and so many places to go, it would be a hassle trying to find rides," said Angie Smith (00).

There were many unique characteristics that expressed each student's individuality and vehicles were only one of those ways. - Meagan Burek
Anticipation

Homecoming began with spirit week, which included Hawaiian Day with winner Herb Shaw (00), College Day with winner Amy Peterson (00), Famous Person Day with winner TJ Chapman (00), Disco Day with winner Alissa Gracey (00), and Blue and White Day with winner Nicole Kelly (00). "I've always enjoyed dressing up for spirit week, but getting recognition with a free Homecoming pass made it all worth while!" -Nicole Kelly (00)

During Homecoming Spirit week, students prepared their class floats for the parade which was held on Friday, the day of the game, October first. The floats followed the theme "decades". The Senior class won for the second consecutive year. Thier float portrayed the decade in which they grew up, the 80's, with the song "Beat It" by Michael Jackson. The Juniors grooved in the 70's with "Charlie's Angels" while the Sophomores sang along with Aretha Franklin to "Respect" in the 60's. Lastly, the Freshmen jived to "Grease" with John Travolta in the 50's.

The Pep rally took place during last hour of school, also on the Friday of the game. The Homecoming court was introduced, and proceeded to take turns applying make-up to eachother's faces. "We did it to make the Pep Rally a little more exciting, so people would really get a kick out of it." added Pat McGuiness (00) of the Homecoming court.

The traditional Homecoming court consisted of Pat McGuiness and Vanessa Dickson, Will Robinson and Katie Markiewicz, Nick Liebler and Angie Smith, Joe Carlson and Anne Cosens, and Brendan Marshall-Rashid with Nicole DeLyon. The excitement arose during halftime when Joe Carlson and Anne Cosens recieved the crowns of royalty. The new Homecoming Queen, Anne Cosens, added "It was the suprise of a lifetime, and a very exciting and overwhelming experience!"

The Northmen only won their Homecoming game during the course of the season, in which they beat the Gaylord Blue Devils with a victory of 29 - 6.

The Homecoming dance was held on Saturday, October second, from 9 pm until midnight. There, the students danced to their favorite tunes with the help of Halfstock Entertainment, the hired DJ. One of the new freshmen, Kathleen Willis, commented "Homecoming was my very first dance in High School, and it was a blast! I'm definitely looking forward to dances in the future."

- Rae Ann Fretz

Adding the finishing touches to their float, sophomores Cassandra Dickson and Nicole Beck await their float's descent down Mitchell Street.

In eachothers' arms, Lyndsey Morales (02) and Gabe Jackson (03) dance to the last slow song, concluding a long night of fun.

Placing together parts of the freshmen float, Katrina Fetchman (03), Marie O'Brien (03), and Bethany Lieberman (03) think of contest winning stratagies.
With a steady hand, Nick Liebler (00) applies make-up to his running mate's, Angie Smith's (00), face during the Homecoming Pep rally.

Waiting for the Homecoming parade to begin downtown, Brooke Kliencrt (00) displays her Northmen Pride for Blue and White day.

Surrounded by the flashing and clicking of cameras, the new Homecoming King, Joe Carlson (00), and Queen, Anne Cosens (00), stand accompanied by the remaining eight court members on the football field.
Keeping everyone on task, Laura Hayes (01) records what topics were discussed in her group while enjoying a humorous remark made by a fellow group member.

Among the rest of their discussion group, Amy Tormey (01) and Andrea Knibbs (02) listen intently to the conversation during one of the two hour long sessions.

Time to go! Joe Carlson (00), Adam Johnson (00), Adam Cross (01), Megan Smith (02), Erica Chippi (02), Franny Bechek (02), and Lee Padget (01) prolong loading the bus after an unforgettable two days.

The entire group is gathered around the bonfire pit for one last picture on the final day of camp. "I don't think anyone expected to have this much fun!" said Matt Rachter.
“Everyone came out of there with a positive attitude.”
Natalie Knibbs

“Many talked to kids they’d never met before!”
Donovan Irish

“"I learned not to judge people before you know them; you misjudge them.”
Katy Ciesielski

Communication is the Key

When asked what she believed lay ahead of her in the next two days at Camp Dagget, sophomore Kathleen Bacon replied, “I didn’t really know what to expect.” Many other participants responded in a similar manner. Some believed this new idea, which involved bringing kids together, was motivated by the numerous shootings that had been occurring in schools around the country. “I thought we were all going to sit in a group and talk about school violence and what we could do to stop it,” commented Matt Richter (02) without enthusiasm. Katy Ciesielski (02) admitted, “I thought it was going to be boring.” It was obvious that no one’s expectations were high.

However, those who were prepared to have a terribly uninteresting time, were surprised to find it was anything but boring.

Communication Camp exceeded everyone’s expectations.
Camp was developed to eliminate cliques by placing students in a group with other kids, many of whom they had never spoken to before. The students, with a little help from the staff, chose and discussed topics they believed were important, interesting or of their concern. These sessions were held three times a day and each one lasted two hours in length.

In those two days, it seemed as if all social walls that had once stood, dividing students into tight cliques, were knocked down. Kids that had never dared to say “hi” to each other in the halls now voluntarily had intense and interesting conversations. Many students seemed to be especially impressed with the way members of their discussion groups jumped right into the conversations, avoiding awkward silences. No one held back.

To answer the question of why some students were invited and others were not, the criteria was rather simple. Teachers were looking for kids who showed leadership qualities and had an impact on others. Although many filled these two requirements, the staff had to keep the group relatively small, and reduce the number of students allowed to participate to about sixty.

For being its rookie year, the staff, who saw with their own eyes the immediate and extraordinary changes in the students’ reactions to other students from different cliques, clearly recognized its success. The positive feedback from everyone made it evident that there will be a next year for Communication Camp.

- Erica Chippi
Working Toward The Future

With the ski resorts open in the winter and the Gas-Light district bustling in the summer, it is no wonder why tourists flock to the area. The summer months are when business make a large percent of their profits, and they depend on local students as their employees. “Students make a big impact on our business, especially during the summer time. I can never have too many students working for me,” commented the manager from La Senorita. Never the less, students are more than happy to earn some extra cash to pay for all their expenses.

When students reach high school, their whole financial world changes for them. The constant demand of keeping up with fashion and the anticipation of receiving their driver’s license can put students in a rut for money. To help pay for expenses, such as car insurance, gas, cell phones and clothes, students look to find a job. Laura Hayes (01) commented, “the reason why I have a job is to have spending money and to occupy my time.” Not only does having a job help pay for the needs and wants of students, but it also teaches them responsibility. Working students learn important values such as time management, people skills, and teamwork.

A program called Co-op also teaches students responsibility through both school and work. Co-op, which was directed by Mrs. Lewis, allowed students to get a career interest job that is related to the career tech class that they are enrolled in. There are 50 students currently enrolled in Co-op and they work on an average of 15 hours per week. Mrs. Lewis helps students find a particular job and visits them on the job-site about five times a year. Vanessa Dickson concluded, “By applying for Co-op, I was able to get a job that I was interested in and earn some extra money for college.”

By taking advantage of living in an area flourishing with tourism, students take advantage of job skills to lead them toward a successful future.

- Liz Prantera

What is your dream job?

Working in Women’s Retail
- Jim Huff (02)

Waiting tables at Lattitudes in Bay Habor
- Adam Rensel (02)

Be a Part Time Actress
- Ursula Anderman (03)

A Vending Machine Repair Man
- Pat McGuiness (00)

Radio Disc Jockey
- Hillary Szajnecki (01)

In the electronics department at Walmart, junior Jordan Wilkerson locates a CD for a customer.

Scooping ice, senior Pam Morey fills up a cup for a customer before a movie. Pam has worked at the Gas-Light Cinema for three years.
While working at Holy Childhood, senior Michelle Evans takes time out to read a preschooler a story book.

With full concentration, junior Aaron Cummings tacks on the molding strip for a sliding door. Working outside is one of the many advantages of building a house.

Standing behind the register, junior Jodie Stradling, patiently waits for her next customer at Rocking Horse Toy Company.
In the Jungle

Leopard and zebra striped dresses, tube tops, knee-high boots, suspenders, gold chains, plaid pants and leisure suits were just some of the articles of clothing seen at Snowcoming on Saturday, February 12. There were lots of people who wore outfits that stuck out at the dance, but there were also many people who wore the traditional outfits, long sparkling dresses, high heeled dress shoes, slacks, dress shirts and ties. “There wasn’t one person who really stuck out to me,” exclaimed Josh Clay (01). “There were a lot of people who were wearing leopard prints though.” Everybody was ready for a night that they would never forget.

Anticipation for Snowcoming began on Monday, the beginning of spirit week. Each day students dressed up for school depending on the day’s theme. Spirit week started with Millenium Day followed by Ribbon Day and then Eighties Day. According to many of the students, Eighties Day was their favorite and allowed for the most variety in clothing. Students agreed that Justin McPhee (00) and Susan Faucett (01) stuck out the most this day. “They stuck out the most. They were wearing black leather pants, shoes that went past their ankles, spikes, punk hairdos, and dark make-up. They really captured ‘punkhood’,” said Jami Irelan (01).

“Nobody else dressed that way, making them stick out more than other students,” added Sharron Shattick (01). Thursday was Rodeo Day and students concluded the week by showing their spirit by wearing the school colors on Blue and White Day. Terri Hibbler (00) and Jason Leech (00) were crowned royalty during Friday night’s victory against Sue Saint Marie.

Although spirit week had ended on Friday, students had one more opportunity to get dressed up: Snowcoming. “The most outrageous outfits that night, in my opinion, were worn by Nicole Delyon (00), Carrie Harrison (00), Sarah Norton (00), and Liz Prantera (00),” said Hillary Szejeki (01). Erica Chipp (02) agreed, “They had some of the craziest outfits. They were wearing frizzed hairdos, fake eyelashes, and three times more make-up than anybody else. It was great!”

Spirit week and Snowcoming created an atmosphere much like a jungle. Students were bursting with energy, were sharing laughs with their friends, and were dressed up in outrageous outfits.

-Meagan Burek

Geared in their leather, Susan Faucett (01) and Justin McPhee (00) dressed up to show everyone their own personal views of the eighties.

To create the look of a real cowboy, Lee Padget (01) dresses up and shows off his western gear for Rodeo Day. This day was just one of the many days created for spirit week.

Through the intense volume of music, Matt Behan (02) was found dressed in a sparkly disco shirt, shaking up the dance floor.
Ending the evening with a slow dance were Josh Daniels (‘01) and Kalie Redder (‘01). "The best part of the dance was getting to dance with all of the fine ladies," commented Rory Murphy (‘01).

King and Queen candidates T.J. Chapman and Nora Corcoran participate in Snowcoming pep assembly activities.

Jason Leech and Terry Hibbler get close to each other for pictures after being announced the Snowcoming King and Queen. Students who were on court included: Noah Bourassa, Jeff Hance, Aaron Bock, Craig Cole, T.J. Chapman, Jason Leech, Haley Clark, Jodi Washburn, Kristin Gale, Nora Corcoran, Libby Ramor, and Terry Hibbler.
A chilling winter breeze whirls across the snow covered hills as the sun's brilliant beams glare off of the vast absence of color. The ski slope is silent except for the scraping of metal on ice that echoes through the half pipe. Snowboarding is how many students fulfill the winter months.

With the recent addition of the pipe dragon, a snow machine used to sculpt the pipe, Nub's Nob is a very popular ski resort for P.H.S. boarders. Nub's has two half pipes, a quarter pipe and two tabletops for freestyle riders. Other area resorts that also have snowboard parks for freestyle riders are Boyne Mountain and Boyne Highlands. Freestyle riding is favored over carving. On a freestyle board, the rider can journey the pipe and perform tricks. Carving is limited to speed riding. Chad Wells (01) has been freestyle riding for six years. He began as a skier, and within only a year after he learned to ski, he switched to snowboarding. "Skiing was getting kind of boring and I just wanted to try something new," he claimed.

Chad is sponsored by Joyride and Street Level and he competes in local, as well as national competitions. In competition, Chad has competed everywhere from Maine to California. He is currently trying to perfect a new trick that he hopes to use in competition someday. He calls it, "Rodeo." It is a back flip 540 degree twist. He inputs, "Just picture me rolling."

At this time, there is not a school affiliated snowboard team. However, there is an area snowboard club. The club meets three nights a week and focuses on skill improvement. They hold their own competitions and compete within the club. Requirements for joining the club include loading and unloading the chairlift and ten consecutive turns.

-Megan Webb

What do you like most about snowboarding?
"I love getting air off of a jump or the pipe. It's amazing how high up you can get. In some states that high up would be illegal."
-Caleb Heier (02)

Making his way down the half pipe, Rory Murphy (01) reaches to grab an edge as he takes off of the lip.

With his board under his arm, first year boarder, Eric Love (01), hikes up the side of the pipe to avoid the long chairlift ride.

After hitting the tabletop, Matt Love (01) and Gabe Jackson (03) climb back up the slope to attempt some more tricks on their next run down.
During a Harbor Springs snowboarding competition, freshman Alex Brede drops into the pipe. Alex has been snowboarding for five years and has been competing for three. When he is snowboarding, his motto is, "Ride or Die."

After reaching maximum speed, Chad Wells (01) shows off "Porne Air," a trick that Chad said requires extreme balance and coordination.

Avoiding the other snowboarders, Peter Walstrom (02) rests in the snowboard park at Nub's Nob.

"Snowboarding is being a bird. The bigger you go, the higher you fly."
- Kevin Patalik (00)
Adam Wilson (01) and Angie Courliss (00) hold each other. They played two young people, who were in love with each other. Angie played on Wednesday and Friday and Ashley Fochtman (01) played her on Thursday and Saturday.

Payimg close attention to their teacher, Anne Leonowens, are Julie Larson (03), Molly Martinchek (00), Samantha Hunter (00), Colleen Moloney (00), and Afton Swenor (01). These students played the King of Siams wives.

After learning of the King's death, Anne Leonowens, played by the talented Gillian Westerman (00) and her son played by Lucus Ensiso (00), kneel next to his bed while they mourn for his death.
The King and I

Music filled the middle school auditorium as it was transformed into the royal palace of Siam. Songs like “Getting to know you,” and “Shall I Tell You What I Think of You,” were directed by Carl Brien and played by the talented pit orchestra. With actors and actresses singing along, the stage was set for “The King and I.”

There were many talented students that contributed to the development of the plot. Gillian Westerman (00) played one of the main characters. Anna Leonowens is hired to teach school in the King of Siam’s royal palace. The King of Siam was played by Brendon Marshall-Rashid (00). The king decides that his people and specifically his children need to learn about western culture in order to remain an independent nation. Lady Thiang (the head wife of the King), was played by Anna Balchik (00) on Wednesday and Friday and Molly Martinchek (00) on Thursday and Saturday. Thiang provides much needed insight into the ways of Siam to help Anna deal with the King. These talented students were directed by Mr. Jerry Westerman and Julie Saunders.

All of these talented people worked together to create a memorable experience for the cast members and at the same time provided a show that will not be forgotten.

- Meagan Burek

With one hand in the air, Brendon Marshall-Rashid (00) uses his best acting skills and voice to create a wonderfully preformed solo. Marshall-Rashid played the King of Siam who was one of the main characters.

Dressed up for her performance as a dancer, Rachel Chop (03) is shown in the story of Uncle Tom’s Cabin, which was preformed in The King and I.
While sitting together in the Tiki Lounge, Pat Wonnacott (00) and Elaine Cannon (02) take time to sit back, talk with friends and relax.

Cooling off inside at Aaron and a pre-prom party, Amy Tormey (01), Leigh Topley (01), and Jessica Brines (01) have some refreshments and snacks.

Silence sweeps the room. "And now the moment you've all been waiting for... This year's Prom King and Queen 2000 are Herbie Shaw and Megan Webb (00)." One of the chaperones hands back tickets to Susan Baker (00) and gives her a lei as a souvenir before she hits the dance floor with her date.
As the students walk through the door, with tickets in hand, they see a tropical setting where the night is young and everyone is dressed for fun.

As the music picked up, several couples took the floor to teach the rest of the crowd to line dance. The band "Ceyx," provided by Rusch Entertainment, played a little bit of everything including top hits, rock and roll, disco, country and personal favorites.

Along with dancing, students also enjoyed eating in the Tiki Lounge, visiting with friends, sitting outside in the cool hours of the night talking and swaying to the music.

Every year the prom committee sets up a table where students are asked to pledge against drinking and driving. With their pledge, students were given a demonstration on what can happen when you or someone you know drinks and drives. The committee also hosted a Data Match.

As a result of all the fundraising the committee did, prom was a huge success. The committee was able to raise enough money for decorations and the Tiki Lounge; which hadn't been done before. Along with fundraising, ticket sales sky rocketed and 426 students attended.

-Jenica Bock

Getting her groove on for all to see is Rachel Deschermeier (00). She points to a group of friends and tries to get them to join her on the dance floor.

These seniors were asked "Can you do the Kan Kan?" Dusty Morey, Chad Fate, Josh Swiss, Martin Holzshu, Jamie Koghee and Pat McGuiness proved their point.
"Success comes before work only in the dictionary. PHS students understand this and the academics at Petoskey High School require hard work which insures future success.” Mrs. VandenHeuvel

During a lab in Science I, Freshmen Kyle Bodurka and Jesse Manthei learn how the seasons change based on the earth’s rotation in relation to the sun.
Bustling student life, sporting events, dances and pep assemblies compose the spirited side of the teenage years. Because these components are so demanding, the ultimate reason for high school is often overlooked. With a wide variety of academic and elective courses, Petoskey High School is known and recognized for preparing its students for college and beyond.

Within the past three years, eleven students from Petoskey High School have been honored as National Merit Scholarship Finalists. To help prepare students for college, Petoskey offers Advanced Placement classes in every academic subject except for Social Studies. 75% of students who took an Advanced Placement test last year received an overall score of a three or above on a one to five scale. With the option of dual enrollment through North Central Michigan College, students can prepare themselves for the future by taking college classes while remaining in high school. Through this program, students earn transferable college credits and get a taste of a college environment.

Petoskey High School also offers a diverse array of vocational classes which allows students to participate in career exploration in addition to preparing them for the technical and business world. Through a variety of academic and elective classes and programs, students gain knowledge and skills which provides them with the potential to succeed in life after graduation.

-Megan Webb

Working diligently, sophomore Kristina Krumri answers questions in response to English 10 reading material, *To Kill a Mocking Bird*, during Mrs. Simon's sixth hour class.

Focusing on good form, senior Travis Sullivan builds his biceps using a z-bar to do arm curls during sixth hour Athletes' P.E.
General Art is the beginning point for any student interested in taking art. The guidelines are more strict and projects are assigned, whereas in Studio Art I and II students are able to choose their projects freely.

Not only do they have the freedom of choice but they also have the freedom of expression. In order to find the perfect expression it needs to be captured on film. And because this is so difficult to do, Mrs. Vanwagoner requires her students to think of unique ways in order to make portrait assignments more creative.

The photos students take are ones that would not normally be found in magazines. Sometimes students pose for a full hour. Amy Tormey (01), Advanced Art, was one of many to volunteer to be a living mannequin. She said, “I had to sit there and try not to blink, yawn or giggle and that was really hard to do.”

Another project students do is the pen and ink calendar designs. Students vote on the theme and try to compose one piece of work. They chose to design objects from the past, present and future.

“I really liked the theme because it was never done before. It really gave us a chance to be more creative,” said Jami Ireland (01), Studio Art I.

-Jenica Bock

Trying not to drop the lid to his pottery project, Ryan Biehl (03) makes sure he has just the right fit before putting it into the kiln to be fired.

Sneaking around with mischievous looking faces, Connor Dennis (01), Angie Smith (00), Susan Faucett (01) and Jami Ireland (01) peer around the corner to be shot by the camera, for their portrait project.
Often, seniors take two hours of art to enrich their life or to learn more about their field of study. "I've taken art all four years and there was still lots of things I wanted to try, one being silk painting. And after graduation I'm going to attend an art school in Chicago to study fashion design," said Jenica Bock (00).

Sixth hour always seems to take longer to end. However, students who have art during that time like Laura Kerr (02) and Jesse Tefo (02) enjoy it because they work longer if they need to stay after class or clean up supplies.

The right composition is important to find; as is the break up of positive and negative space. Elly Oom (00) demonstrates for younger classes that there is no wrong or right answer to the rules of art.
Hammering away at the keyboard, Lexie Otto (03) compiles a table by entering bits of information into the computer in Mr. Starkey's first hour class.

Rory Murphy (01) finds a couple extra minutes to relax and listen to his favorite CD while he works on his assignment in Mr. Starkey's fourth hour Business Technology class.

Hastily working in her Accounting textbook, Jamie Thomson (02) aims for no homework in Mr. Starkey's fifth hour class.
Making A Deal

Students learn many significant life skills in the business classes. These classes include: Business Technology, Office Management, Business Careers and Accounting, which are all greatly based on the computer.

The Business Technology curriculum includes balancing a checkbook, typing professional business letters and reports, compiling tables, spreadsheets and databases, creating games and the newest edition to the curriculum, Powerpoint. These specific units teach students money management, employment skills, computer application skills and the new powerpoint project introduces important presentation skills needed for college and possibly a job interview. “I think this class is very important, because we learn how to do things that we’ll have to when we’re older,” said sophomore Katie Flynn, in Mrs. Babcock’s Business Technology class.

Office Management is a second year course designed to prepare students interested in Information Processing. This class is then followed by Business Careers. Kim Grawey (00), added, “I wish I would have taken this class earlier, because it has really helped me in most of my other classes.”

Business Careers is a third year class, offering career preparation in legal and medical offices, human resources, labor relations management and international business.

Accounting introduces students to the basic information on owning a small or large business, such as sole proprietorship, receipts, cash payments, transactions, withdrawals, liabilities, equity, inventories, tax records and banking.

-Katie Flynn

Mr. Starkey’s first hour student, Dan Barnadyn (02), explains, “I am hard at work on my Business Technology project, which was to create a computer program on International Fun and Games.”

With their eyes focused on the computer, Pam Dutt (01) and Pheobe Belk (02) contemplate what their next move will be in a Business Technology game they created in Mrs. Babcock’s sixth hour class.
A Tool For Survival

Whether students talk in Geometry Class, read in Science I or type in Business Technology, the English Language is always existent. As Mrs. Simon put it, “English is the academic area students will use most in life. People forget how much communicating humans do and regardless of what career is chosen, English will preside as the dominating force.”

There are eight teachers that make up the English Department, all of whom have been teaching for at least five years. Among them are two new additions to the school, Mr. Young and Ms. VandenHeuvel. “I chose to teach at Petoskey High School because it has a great academic reputation and it is located in a beautiful area,” said Ms. VandenHeuvel.

At each level of English a student completes, his/her knowledge expands and offers an endless horizon of opportunities that prepare him for the real world. The freshmen, who are enrolled in English 9 read novels such as, Of Mice and Men and “The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet,” while English 10 students read the classic novel, To Kill a Mocking Bird. Both Advanced Composition and Advanced Placement Composition students work on a year-long vocabulary project. Advanced Placement Literature students read an assortment of novels such as The Power of One and The Fountainhead and are asked to respond to their readings in essay form. Senior Sarah Norton said, “I took Advanced Placement Literature because it was highly recommended from past students who found that the course prepared them well for college.”

-Liz Prantera

Engrossed in her reading, freshman Jessica Ard is captured by one of the short stories in her favorite book.

Explaining a part of her essay to her fellow classmates, sophomore Jenna Serafini is determined to help her listeners to understand fully the importance of the issue she is addressing in her paper.
In full swing, Terry Wooten recites one out of the 400 poems he knows by heart. Mr. Wooten, visiting from Elk Rapids, runs the Stone Circle Poetry gatherings in the summer.

Taking time out for charity, the English 10 classes combined to create boxes for the needy. They filled the boxes with candy, toys and toiletries. The sophomores took part in this activity as a project, related to the novel, To Kill a Mocking Bird.

Working together, Seniors Kelly Tate and Rae Ann Fretz practice writing thesis statements in Advanced Placement Literature.
Spanish and French are two of the major languages of the world.

Mr. Esterline has his Spanish II and III classes write to pen pals in Spanish-speaking countries. The pen pals tell about where they are from, their likes, dislikes, hobbies and their families. “It’s fun to be able to communicate with someone so far away, and have so much in common, even though we speak a different language,” said Abbey Fay (01).

Mr. Tramontini helps his Spanish students better understand people of Spanish speaking countries by playing games such as Jeopardy, Goldfish and Battleship in Spanish and by doing creative projects.

A cheese and non-alcoholic wine day in Mrs. Baker-Smith’s French I class introduces students to French culture. French III and IV students taught Ms. Santi’s first grade class French alphabet, colors, numbers, and simple greetings. Rae Anne Fretz concluded, “The teaching experience at Ottawa Elementary school really made me want to become a teacher.”

By learning more than just the languages students better understand the cultures, histories, governments, and customs of people from all over the world.

-Christina Johns

Using “learnables” to study for a quiz, Andrea Nickerson (02) and Jenna Serafini (02) are concentrating on the vocabulary.

With all flags flying, Frank McGlynn (02) works on French colors by coloring flags from around the world.
A first grader at Ottawa Elementary receives a high five from Nick Diedrich (00), a four year French student. The boy greatly admired Nick.

Grading papers, Mr. Tramontini allows students to play a game to help study for a test.

Surrounded by children, Katie Martinchek (01) teaches the first graders their colors in French.
History is the story of our background and the way in which we live. But, that is not all, there are many areas in the social studies department such as Government, Economics, Geography, Ethics, U.S. and World History as well as Psychology. The number one reason why all areas are offered in the high school curriculum is simply to keep future generations from repeating past mistakes.

According to sophomore Erica Chippi, "It is inevitable that we would make the same mistakes twice because we don't pay enough attention to the problems that are occurring everyday to actually learn from them."

Learning is crucial which is why these teachers discuss their lesson plans at the beginning of each new marking period. Mr. Miller and Mr. Jonker joined their group discussion. The teachers work together to show students how important it is to learn from their mistakes and to pay attention to the world around them.

-Jenica Bock

While preparing for a World History test, Rick Smith (02) goes over some questions on his study sheet about significant wars and battles.

Listening to the changes made in the review for the mid-term exam, Abbey Fay (01) quickly jots down Mr. Tamm's every word.
By the end of the day students tend to be tired. Mrs Block reviews the assignment off the overhead to her sixth hour class as they get ready to pack up for the day.

For Mr. Jonker's class students are required to pick a battle and discuss its importance. Sophomores Jay Green and Steve Niezscoda discuss the Battle of Bull Run using a visual.

While their classmates anxiously await the response, Tori Vratanina (03), Howie Baker (03), Katie Burger (03) and Rich Schoski (03) discuss the correct answer to a review problem for their geography test.
Math is one of the essential courses for high school credit and a balanced education. This may seem questionable to some, however it is a necessity that is applied to everyday problems that students will face in the “real world.” For example, students who have checking or savings accounts need to know how to add and subtract. These are the very basic skills, but not having them could be very restricting. Math is an essential subject for anyone interested in banking, architecture, engineering and many other careers as well. “Math dominates the technology fields. You simply need to know it to have the flexibility to find jobs,” said Mr. Ross.

Without knowledge of the basic concepts of math it would be very difficult to get by on a day to day basis, even in a non-math field.

The teachers at PHS try to make their classes fun and interesting, as well as educational. They try to plan activities that require student participation for a break from the everyday grind of mathematics. Some of the students’ favorite math activities include math basketball, making polyhedrons and magic circles. “My favorite thing that we did in math this year was the magic circles. We learned about different shapes and got extra credit for it,” said freshman Cody Wilcox.

- Peter Brown and Trevor Davis

Concentrating on his calculus quiz, Nick Leibler double checks his answers before handing it in.

A very enthusiastic Lisa Blakenship said, “I love geometry and I can’t get enough of those parallelograms!”
Kelly Forester (03) follows along in her book as her geometry teacher lectures on the subject of triangles.

Problem solving is what Katie Berger(03) and Ashley Moyer(03) do best. The girls work quickly to get the problem solved before the bell rings.

During a study hall, Julie Kimball(02) finishes her Algebra 2 assignment from the night before.
The silence of the empty room is instantly transformed as the students enter. The songs they play, chosen by either Mr. Bennett or Mr. Brien, are evidence of one of Michigan’s most prestigious music programs.

Winning competitions or in the classroom, clarinet player Sarah Hautamaki (03) shared her reasoning for joining band. “Ever since I can remember I have loved music. And no matter how much I complain, I will not quit because I would miss all the memories of the class.”

Some attractions of the class are competitions and band camp. The students experience the most extensive practices during the summer at camp, where they march almost eight hours a day. Nicole Straffling (02), french horn player determined, “the highlight of band for me, would be the satisfaction I get from working hard and being the best.”

There are many highlights and factors to the class. Elements of the program are evidence of one of Michigan’s most highly ranked bands.

-Katie Handwerk

During the rainy homecoming parade, percussionist Rick Smith (02) marches downtown Petoskey. The marching band led the parade then met at Curtis Field for their half time presentation.

With eyes focused on Mr. Brien, Kristen Levenovich (02) keeps the rhythm during a class period at the middle school.
Concentrating on his music, Andrew Ettawagbahik (03) belts out notes on his tuba in the middle school band room.

In mid song, Karina Fochtman (03) takes a breath between notes as she and her stand partner, Leah Simon (03), look ahead to the next measure.

During a performance rehearsal in the middle school auditorium, Jessica Parks (01) melodically plays her bassoon.
Harmony

The voices are alive at Petoskey High School. The choir, led by Mrs. Saunders and Mr. Westerman, is a cooperative mix of students in grades 9-12. Their spectrum of music stems from your basic “Do-Re-Mi” to much more sophisticated and complex pieces.

Some students have no choral background. Others have taken basic choir classes, and some students extend their choral education by taking private lessons. According to Sara Koons (01), “Many students choose to take the route of private lessons.” As a result, they have combined their talents and experiences, and have now grown into a mix of voices.

The levels of the choral programs at PHS include choir, Belles and Madrigals. For the Belles program, Mrs. Saunders and Mr. Westerman hold tryouts in the fall. “The tryouts are very high-pressure and they can help some people perform better,” said Zoe Marshall-Rashid (02). Kristin Wendling (01) said, “I like the all-girl atmosphere in belles. You can express yourself more easily.” The next level of choir is Madrigals. This year, there were 24 vocalists, consisting of 14 girls and 9 boys. They did a variety of performances, with their biggest taking place around Christmas. “I have had so much fun doing Madrigals and I improved my singing greatly,” said Amy Hotchkiss (02).

-Kelly Forrester

With a bell in hand, Kristen Wendling (01) reads her music carefully and sings along to “Life Has Lovliness.”

Concentrating on the music, Jericho Simon (02), Travis Drost (00) and Zac Wolgamott (03) along with the rest of the class.
Putting her heart and soul into her music, Amy Marshall (03) sings along under Mrs. Saunders direction during class.

In the choir room, Mrs. Saunders prepares to direct her 6th hour choir class, while her students take a quick breather.

During the "Pops" concert, Howard Baker (03) sings along to "Glycerine" by Bush. In the background, Ryan Peters (03) plays the electric guitar.
Get a Jumpstart

With fitness being such a vital part of life today, physical education can help one get a jump start on maintaining a healthy life. Exercise, which is a crucial element in maintaining a healthy life, is something that students in physical education are exposed to everyday. Mrs. Biddick, Mr. Ferris, Mr. Starkey and Mr. Arthur work together to make sure that P.E. students get a good workout while having fun.

The physical education teachers keep gym interesting for their students by having them do a variety of activities. Floor hockey, basketball, volleyball, badmitten and weightlifting are just a few sports in which their students participate. When the weather is cooperative, additional games such as soccer, tennis and football can be played outdoors. Mrs. Biddick said that, "getting to be outside in the spring and fall," was one of the most enjoyable parts of physical education.

Being exposed to physical activity is not the only reason for taking physical education. Sophomore Jane Ryanbrandt stated, "I took P.E. to help get my knee back in shape after my ACL replacement surgery." Reasons for taking P.E. do not even have to be health or fitness related. Marie O'Brien, a freshman, said she took P.E. because, "it was a break from doing school work and studying." No matter what the reason for taking physical education, it is a great way to get on the right path to a healthy lifestyle.

- Kathleen Bacon

With encouragement from a fellow classmate, Joe Fifer puts up 135 pounds on the bench press.

Looking ahead to next year's football season, Bryan McGeath, junior, practices his punting.
Serving up the ball during a game of volleyball is sophomore Ellen Foltz. Throughout the cold winter months when going outside is not really an option, P.E. students enjoy playing indoor games such as floor hockey, badminton, volleyball and many more.

Lunging forward to return a volley is sophomore Erika Lucky. When the weather warms up in the Spring, P.E. students quickly change from participating in indoor activities to playing outdoor games such as soccer and tennis.

As part of Athletes' P.E., students are required to weightlift at least twice a week. Junior Matt Ondrusek lifts with the T-bar a part of his weightlifting routine.
A Class For Life

In every subject, a student grows by doing the homework and getting the grades. Questions such as, "How do I improve my grade?" and, "Why do we need science?" are asked. Overall, most students said that taking notes and paying attention helps them understand what they are studying, but for others they need to participate in hands-on activities.

Students suggest some ways others could improve. Nicole Featherly said, "Labs make learning fun." Kevin George agreed by saying, "Labs are interesting and are a better way to learn the material." Kelsey Durst feels that, "Study sessions after school help me on my tests." Another way to obtain knowledge for science is to ask questions when something is not understood and to take notes and study them as the class progresses.

Teachers also feel that labs helped their students learn. New Science I and II Teacher, Ms. Cerrudo said, "I believe students learn science best by doing science." Ms. Nicholson continued, "There's always something new to learn. I'm always thinking of new ways to skin the same cat."

Many students know they want a career in the science field. Examples of these people are Chris Harris, who would like to be a marine biologist, Erica Lucky, who enjoys working with animals and Rachelle Bates whose goal is to become a vet. All of these students have plans of going to college and Ms. Cerrudo would just like them to remember that, "Learning is an on-going process. It does not end with graduation. It is life-long."

-Brenda Hartson

As she carefully places her seeds into the baggy, Katie Markiewicz (00) completes her simulated aquarium. Her goal was to create the best possible growing environment for her seed.

Using the lamp as an example of the sun, Peter Brown, freshman, demonstrates the earth's basic movements.
Desmond Moore (01) looks up in surprise from his creation of a simulated aquarium. He notes that a little water, a little paper towel and some sunlight are the perfect components for his seedlings to grow.

As Heather Kahgee (02) carefully measures out the right amounts of chemicals, her lab partner, Leigh Topley (02), examines some pH paper.

Freshman Travis Keck marks his bag before taping it to the window, so the seeds can grow and get nutrients.
Watch Out, Work Force!

In the vocational education classes, students learn about "real world" jobs and receive hands-on experience for the future work force.

Mrs. Bost has enjoyed teaching the Medical Occupations class for eleven years and sixty percent of all students make it to the medical field after taking her class. Sports Medicine, creative problem solving, patient care and job seeking skills are a few of the many valuable lessons the students learn. With over 3,000 important medical terms to learn, Mrs. Bost said, "It's like learning a second language."

Cashiering and inventory are just a few of the skills Mr. Gunderson's Marketing students learn while running the Pit Stop. The store is open during lunch and the last 20 minutes of every hour.

The Drafting and Building Trades classes come together each year to design and build a house outside of the school. In Drafting classes, taught by Mr. Baldwin, students create blueprints of a variety of complex machines like car engines and airplanes. The Building Trades students, taught by Mr. Leibler, have to measure supplies and estimate the cost of materials. They also build park benches for Camp Daggett and trophy cases for the school. "We don't just do oil changes," said Automotive Technology teacher Mr. Haisler, "every week the students spend three days in the classroom and two days in the shop fixing parts on customer cars." Students also learn how to make and manage money by fixing cars.

Chef Hall manages the Hill Street Cafe and Commercial Foods class. His two cents, "Never trust a skinny Chef." The Hill Street Cafe is open 2-3 days a week and teaches the students customer service, money handling and food preparation, including the intricate art of cutting meat and measuring accurately.

Mrs. Kennedy teaches Early Childhood Development, a preferred class for anyone pursuing a career dealing with children. The students learn all about how children learn, grow and develop emotionally. Periodically, children from the Char-Em district come to the high school to interact with the students. The children always have a great time, playing their favorite games, and tinkering with toys.

The newest addition to the vocational wing is Machine Tool, taught by Mr. Devitt. "Machine Tool gives me a great insight on how industry works," said Senior Martin Holzschuh. Machine Tool is a class where the students basically construct finished products out of raw metal. They use complex pieces of machinery such as micrometers, surface grinders, lathes and mills. Safety is a huge concern in every class, so students are always prepared and alert.

Rae Ann Fretz

In the Pit Stop, Levi Jaqua (02) purchases a sweater from Herbie Shaw (00). The Pit Stop is a prime location for Petoskey memorabilia, pencils, chapstick, coffee, cappuccino, and other useful items.

As Nick Fosmore (01) balances on a ladder in AutoShop, he carefully maneuvers the dipstick housing on this truck while his classmates install the transmission.
Harley Peet (01) shows his vegetable tray during his fourth and fifth hour Commercial Foods block. Later, the tray was taken to the middle school for a "Travel and Adventure Film Festival."

Bethany Neill (00) loves to play with the Char-Em children during her Early Childhood Development class with Mrs. Kennedy. Here, she is cooking with a few of the girls.

On a typical day in Mr. Leibler's Building Trades class, Senior Nathan Berg peers through the rungs of a ladder to see that his fellow students are also on task.
Why do you participate in an organization?

"I wanted to go to France with the French Club to see the Eiffel Tower, Le Centre Pompidou and to try the cheese."
-Robbie Fretz (03)

"I have a lot of fun in choir. It's great because a lot of my friends are in it, also."
-Anna Balchick (00)

"Band is a good class because it is a break from all of the academic classes that I have throughout the day."
-Nikkie Leibold (00)

During a varsity basketball game held in Central School's gym, colorguard member Allison Brown (00) acts out her routine. Jessica Lowery (00) moves in sync in the background.
Being a part of an organization or a club is very rewarding for many students. A club can provide a forum for creative expression.

Many of the clubs follow annual traditions with trips to foreign countries, different states and competition. Yet, from time to time, a club will begin a new tradition. Under the direction of Heidi Wade, the Art Club held a talent show.

As the clubs that are offered range from forensics to student council to the vocational clubs, students have the opportunity to join an organization that is appealing to them. Organizations such as the Madrigals, Yearbook, the Art Club, Debate, Forensics, Stat Club and The FFA allow students to use their talents. Clubs such as the International Club, French Club and Spanish Club provide opportunities for students to expand their horizons with direct cultural exposure. Student Council members gain experience in their positions.

Skills such as group dynamics, communication and organization are gained through club participation. The French Club has been under the direction of Mrs. Baker-Smith for four years. She concluded that, “observing students working together toward a common goal is a rewarding experience.”

Mrs. Rasmussen, the head of the National Honor Society, stated, “Clubs and organizations are vital to communities. They offer a way for students to be involved in the school and they give students an opportunity to use their leadership skills.” The National Honor Society members offered their services both inside and outside of the school.

Students acquire a sense of pride through their experiences as a member of a club or an organization at Petoskey High School.

-Kelly Tate

O n their last evening out, in Rome, on the French Club’s trip to Europe, seniors Brooke Kleinert, Alissa Gracey, Libby Romer, Adam Johnson, Nick Diedrich and juniors Dave Vanderland and Afton Swenor enjoy their dinner at an Italian restaurant.

I n preparation for later forensic tournaments, Sarah Joquith (03), Rachel McIntosh (03) and Katy Willens (03) practice their multiple in the auditorium.
National Honor Society is about being part of a school, a community and a family. Members of the National Honor Society (NHS) worked together to tutor peers, sponsor two blood drives, go caroling and create a non-violence pledge. “I think everyone should be involved in some kind of community service because it helps the whole world,” Abbi Donaldson (03) remarked.

To become a member of NHS, students must be a junior or senior and maintain a 3.3 grade point. They must also turn in an application to be reviewed by a team of teachers. Each student is required to serve ten hours of community service by the end of the year. Seniors who complete this task receive a special tassel for their cap during graduation.

Another club whose members act as if they were a family is the yearbook. Ms. Pawley gives students the freedom to create their own unique book. They do research on the pages they are assigned, take pictures and write articles about events happening during the year. Although each student is personally responsible for his own pages, everyone works together to make the yearbook a success.

Members of the yearbook staff often stay after school to work on their pages. If students do not complete their pages by the end of the year, they must stay during the summer to finish them. To become part of the yearbook staff, students must be nominated by their English teachers. This year’s editors were Kelly Tate and Megan Webb.

The closeness offered in these clubs gives students a chance to grow and express themselves freely.

-Christina Johns
Scoping out a new article, Kelly Tate (00), yearbook editor, checks for mispelled words, run-on sentences and errors. To improve her editing skills, she attended summer training sessions at M.S.U.

National Honor Society Juniors: Katie Kresnak, Sara Strong, Sharon Shattuck, Matt Meyer, Jayna Stokoe, Steve Kopp, Sarah Pennington, Pete Munson, Jamie Powers, Adam Wilson, Melissa VanSlembrouck, Dan Kimball, Leigh Topley, John Cowan, Sarah Koons, Josh Daniels, Alison Simon, Kim Johnson, Dani Raiche, Lauren Keidtke, Ashley Fochtman, Jessica Nelle, Claire Johnson, Emily Compton, Ryan Deery, Abbi Donaldson, Laura Hayes, Brad Demeuse, Brandi Vargo, Becky Sterly, Colleen McCoy, Lisa Hanson, Krista Timpf

Giving advice, the yearbook adviser, Ms. Pawley, helps Rae Anne Fretz (00) capture her audience's attention in an article. Ms. Pawley said, "Rae Ann was an invaluable asset. She worked diligently every day and was a major influence, especially in the clubs and organizations section of the book."

Working hard to construct a home for a family in need, Nathaniel Newsted (00) finishes up for the day by pounding in one last nail.
At a district meet in Traverse City, Freshman Lisa Blanken accepts her trophy. The team received such awards on a weekly basis.

Creative Challenge

Both debate and forensics expand minds. Through many different opportunities, twenty-seven students were able to earn letters this year under the guidance of Ms. Bauman and Mr. Young.

This year’s debate issue was “Resolved: That the U.S. federal government should establish an educational policy to significantly increase academic achievement in secondary schools of the United States.” This topic allowed many of the students to question the benefits and drawbacks of public and private schools in the state and the nation.

For most first-year debaters, the season is a time to learn how to analyze and speak swiftly. The team placed at several meets and qualified many students for the state tournament. These included Freshmen Kevin Drummond, Mike Miller, Kel Powers, Jeremiah Thompson and Juniors Erinn Beck and Jessica Parks. Partners Adam Johnson and Joanna Lakatos, both seniors, qualified for the fourth consecutive year. Johnson also qualified for the prestigious John S. Knight tournament, a competition open only to the top debaters in the state.

Forensics gave students various options of public speaking. Students could choose to compete alone or in multiples, as a storyteller or extemporaneous speaker, the opportunities abound. The forensics team, like the debate students, had a lot of success at the state level. Several students qualified for the state tournament including Junior Ashley Fochtman, Senior Adam Johnson and the freshmen multiple of Tracy Thompson, Katy Willens, Roz Heidtke, Sarah Jaquith and Rachel McIntosh.

These students have surely benefitted from their diligent work and an outstanding program.

-Katie Duggan
Preparing to shake hands, Senior Adam Johnson takes his route to receive his award at a district meet in Traverse City.

Being recognized at the end of the year banquet, Emilie Selden, Abbey Fay, Kate Lueck and Heather May show off their trophy.

Performing a dramatic portion of her group's multiple, Freshman Sarah Jaquith shows her anguish. Her team qualified for the state tournament.

Practicing for the state tournament, Freshmen Rachel McIntosh, Katy Willens and Roz Heidtke perform in the auditorium.
Unbeknownst to most, Mrs. VanWagoner and the Art Club do a lot of fundraisers to raise money for art supplies such as paints, brushes and paper. For example, the Art Club put on the Rare and Random talent show on May third. Anyone who wanted to join had the opportunity to sign up and try out the week prior to the talent show. Fourteen acts entered, with talents ranging from lip sync to a father-daughter chopsticks duet. The prizes were awarded to the contestants in three categories: individual, group and band. For the group effort, Hot 2 Trot came in first and the Backstreet Boys Group came in second. The Art Club raised approximately $326 on the talent show, half of which was donated to the local homeless center, the Nehemiah House. "I really hope the Rare and Random continues as a tradition, because it made a lot of money, and it was a lot of fun!" added Art Club President Heidi Wade (00).

The International Club, with the help of the adviser Mrs. Kennedy, continuously held fundraisers such as bake sales, two pop can drives, selling cookie dough, collecting grocery receipts and holding a Maredy Christmas Sale, selling various Christmas items. Their dedication paid off, as they went by bus to Chicago on Thursday, April 27, and stayed for 3 days. In Chicago, the students got to visit the John Hancock Observatory, the Shedd Aquarium, Buckingham Fountain and the Mercantile Exchange, among others. This years' exchange student, Jorgen Poulson (00) from Denmark, added "My favorite part of the trip was the Medieval Times restaurant, because people were fighting and jousting while we were eating." The group anticipates next years' trip, the location of which will be decided upon by the club members.

-Rae Ann Fretz
At the John Hancock Observatory in Chicago, Bethany Lieberman (03), Kristal Chellis (03), and Ursula Anderman (03) pretend to wash the windows on a scaffolding. Be careful girls!

Not pictured: Dan Barnadyn, Kristal Chellis, Mary Czarnecki, Arris Finkbeiner, Christy Hiatt, Jericho Simon, Jessica Wager, Jenica Bock, Cole Cherrette, Jorgan Poulsen, Laura Rojas, April Schwartzfisher, Katie Gregory, Megan Nelson, and Mrs. Lewis.

International Club:
(top) Mrs. Kennedy, Kristina Oliver, Beth Neill, Katy Cieselski, Melissa Hall, Karen Sheppard, Kristina Sterly, Rachel King, Emily Denay, Bethany Leiberman, Ursula Anderman, (bottom) Danielle Frederick, Elaine Cannon, Abbey Fay, Karen Dederich, Jessica Lownsberry, Lindsey Brecheisen and Marianne Moellering.

What a Workout!
Performing her fabulous jump-roping talent at The Rare and Random, Ashley Moyer (03) does the difficult can-can kick.

The first place winners in the band category, Axis. Axis consisted of juniors Coe Lacy, Frank McGlynn, Rick Smith and Adam Engelman. They were awarded various cash prizes and instruments donated by local businesses. Industry Goons came in second place.
Dressed up as a pumpkin, both Katie Berger (03) and Ben Biddick (03) try to make it through the night without falling over at the Halloween Spanish Club dance.

Eagerly selling carnations for the French Club, Libby Ramer (00) and Brooke Kleinert (00) sit in the pit during lunch to sell around Valentine’s Day. The club raised nearly $300 on the sale.

The French Club stands in front of the Leaning Tower of Pisa in Italy. Nick Diedrich (00), Adam Johnson (00), and Robbie Fretz (03) also hold a copy of the News-Review to submit to the paper.

Going over seas to beautiful countries, such as France and Italy are but a few of the perks that the French Club proudly offers. Twenty-eight students were lucky enough to have traveled to France and Italy, where they experienced various aspects of the culture. For instance, they visited the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, L'Arc de Triomphe, Chartres and the famous Centre Pompidou in France. The students also stayed with homestay families for three days, where they got to see what French life was really like.

The Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Statue of David and the Colosseum are among the many sights the students witnessed while in Italy. After taking a tour through the Vatican, Meghan McKinney (01) stated “Michelangelo’s work was the most amazing I’ve ever seen.”

The French Club goes to a foreign country every other year with the French teacher, Madame Baker-Smith, and a few other chaperones.

The French Club made their way over seas by selling flower bulbs, carnations and homemade wreaths, which the students cut the boughs for. They also arranged the wreaths, and decorated them, held a garage sale and a pop can drive.

With the guidance of Mr. Esterline and Mr. Tramontini, the Spanish Club also contributed to the fundraiser for an anticipated trip to Costa Rica. The Spanish Club held a bake sale, a Halloween Dance, a Christmas carnation sale with candy and a spring, rose sale the week before Prom. Jane Rynbrandt (02) added “We wanted to try some new things, like the Secret Santa and the Spring Rose Sale. I think the students really enjoyed it.”

-Rae Ann Fretz
Each vocational class is involved with a national organization pertaining to that specific vocation. The Medical Occupations class participate in HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America). The HOSA Team made it to nationals, which was held June 17-22 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Marketing has DECA (An Association of Marketing Students). The DECA Team hosted a Quizbowl, where Petoskey placed both first and second. Surprisingly, only one student made it to nationals, sophomore Lacey Edwards. Doug Krusell, aka “Deca Doug,” added, “DECA is an association that can change lives, opinions and perspectives.”

The Drafting students better their education by competing in MITES (Michigan Industrial Technical Education Society), in which the competitors work on complex drawing projects that take basically all year. Then they are taken to the MITES competition to be judged.

Skills USA VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America) is a huge part of the vocational wing, incorporating Building Trades, Automotive Technology, Machine Tool and Commercial Foods. Every class made it to nationals, which was held in Kansas City on June 26th. Building Trades Teacher, Mr. Liebler, has a motto: “Do it right, or do it over.” Senior Josh Greenman jokingly added, “It takes studs to build a house.”

The FFA is a natural organization that is open to every student, if they work with Mrs. Scholl, the FFA adviser. The FFA competes in agriscience events, such as the Agriscience Decathlon and the Spring Skills event held at MSU. The Agriscience Decathlon consists of ten events, with three students on a team, and the top fifteen teams get trophies. The students compete in different categories including wildlife, aquascience and natural resources, among others.

-Rae Ann Fretz
DECA Team: (top) Mr. Gunderson, Melinda Fosmore, Dan Barnadyn, Joe McPherson, Martin Holzschu, Herb Shaw, Nick Liebler, Nathanial Newstead, David Ernsberger, Brendan Marshall-Rashid, Nick Lightfoot. (bottom) Jessica Lowery, Jenny Fosmore, Lacee Burrelson, Tracy Turcott, Kalie Simon and Leah Bryhan.

HOSA Team includes: (top) Jeff Mays, Beth Watts, Lisa Parent, Peggy Newman, Laura Hayes, (bottom) Debbie Ross, Molly McBride, Sarah LaCount, Jorel Wester, Tina Malek, Kim Johnson, and Brandon Churchman.

Bobby Brown (00) stands next to the Commercial Foods ice sculpture a swan. The class presented the sculpture at the annual Winterfest.

Competing in the Agriscience Decathlon, Meagan Nelson (00), Nate Grangood (03) and Dustin Drost (03) identify the different types of trees by their leaves.
During 6th hour Belles class, Mrs. Saunders directs freshman Rachel Chopp along to "Life has loveliness."

Singing with Prestige

The Madrigals and Belles had another mesmerizing year. They are a cooperative mix of voices who blend together well to produce a beautiful sound. The process of becoming part of these groups is very simple, yet competitive. The tryouts for the Madrigals and Belles are similar. "At first, we had to sing a solo. Then if you were called back, you had to go and sing in groups," said Julie Larson (02) whose part of the Belles group. This year, the Madrigals consists of 24 people and the Belles has 30 members. This year, the groups performed concerts at various places such as St. Francis, Stafford’s Perry Hotel, Teddy Griffin’s Road House, and at the Lincoln Center in New York City. "Our Valentine’s Day Dinner at the Perry Hotel was my favorite performance.

We got to wear poodle skirts and perform before our parents and friends," said Kristen Wendling (01) whose also in Belles. According to Joe Brown (02), "Singing in the Streets of New York was cool too. There were a lot of people watching us.”

These groups wouldn’t be possible without the directors. The choirs are led by Mrs. Saunders and Mr. Westerman. All of the students said that they have definitely had a positive affect on their singing ability. "Mrs. Saunders has taught us to never give up, and that singing would have a very positive affect on us during our highschool years, and beyond," said Sarah Jared (02).

Domain one of the Madrigals performances at the Perry Hotel, Brian Gustman (00) Adam Wilson (01), Derek Smith (01), Joe Brown (02), Ashley Fitchman (01), Ben Fox (00), and Kevin Chester (01) gather for a picture.
On June 4, 2000, at the John M. Hall Auditorium in Bay View, seniors Helen Parks and Daemian Koehler sing their final performance in Madrigals.

At the "Pops" concert, senior Brendan Marshall-Rashid sings "Lily's Eyes." It was his last performance at P.H.S.
Concentrating on the music, senior Angie Couriss plays her flute while marching in the homecoming parade.

Both day and night, the members of the PHS band played on. They perfected their skills during the summer and fall in order to perform their best during the marching season. The year began with band camp. This week-long activity allowed the students to form friendships that lasted through the entire year.

Freshman Tracy Thompson said the experience "helped [him] to get to know everyone before summer had even ended." Under the direction of Mr. Brien, Mr. Bennett and Mr. Kan, students spent hours practicing the marching season's music. They learned "Nightmare," "Lord of the Dance," and "Simple Gifts" in preparation for home football games; competitions at Jenison, Grandville, and Kenowa Hills; as well as an exhibition in Traverse City. The percussionists also learned a special solo using the school's new taiko drums. The drums were handmade in the community with the help of parents and area craftsmen.

The dedication and hard work of the students led to many successes at competitions. Honors won included: Best Percussion, Best Colorguard, Best Wind Ensemble, Best Horn Line, Best Marching, and Best Band Overall.

The colorguard continued their performances through the winter, performing during the halftime of home basketball games. They performed to songs by Madonna, Chicago, and Santana.

Senior Samantha Hunter commented that this allowed the girls to "show their stuff" again.

This season was no exception to the tradition of excellence. The continued endeavors of the students assured continued success from years past.

-Katie Duggan
Playing the xylophone, Freshman Nate Strauss performs during a home football game. The marching band season allowed many students to show off their talents.

Looping her arm through the air, Sophomore Erin Beck executes a part of her winterguard routine during a home basketball game.

Jumping into the air, Junior Melissa VanSlembrouck performs without her flag for a portion of a winterguard presentation.

Focused on the music, Senior Gillian Westerman and Junior Sarah Koons play together during the homecoming football game.
**Student Council:** Andrea Godfrey (03), Laura Hayes (01), Vanessa Dickson (00), Katie Markiewicz (00), Katie Ondrusek (02), Lacey Edwards (02), Katie Berger (03), Ashley Fochtman (01), and Kate Hutchens (02).

**Student Council members Lacey Edwards (02) and Katie Markiewicz (00), along with Krissy Everson (00) for moral support, sit in the foyer during lunch in order to get students to vote for the homecoming court. Katie and Krissy are also sporting their unique 80's Day outfits for Spirit Week.

**After a rough home meet, some of the Stat Girls including Kim Johnson (01), Melissa VanSlembrouck (01), Rae Ann Fretz (00), Renee Palmateer (01), Jenica Bock (00), Lacey Edwards (02), and Erika Fettig (02) take a small break.**

**Filling out State Forms at a home meet, Melissa VanSlembrouck (01) helps to teach two eighth graders the ropes for their hectic freshman year of stats.**
Both the stat club and student council took control and did numerous activities to help out.

For example, the wrestling stat club keeps score and takes individual stats for the wrestling teams. They travel with them to away meets and come to every home meet. They also run the biggest and only home tournament, the Junior Varsity Tournament. Each statistician has her own job, ranging from actually taking the individual stats to creating the brackets and making sure that every wrestler is wrestling who he/she is supposed to be.

The Stat Club consisted of seventeen girls who devoted their time to the coach, Mr. Ray Arthur. They met every Monday after school until 4pm to discuss impending events. Rae Ann Fretz, the senior leader of the Stat Club, went beyond the call of duty and created the Petoskey Schools’ Wrestling Web Page.

The Student Council is a group of students, four officers from each grade who are elected to decide what happens with our school dances, homecoming, pep rallies and other important issues. Mr. Snyder guides the student council by officially approving most of their ideas and proposals. Some of the proposals took place during Christmas. They were held a food drive, and successfully collected over 3,000 cans. This donation provided gifts for the needy with the Wish Book Families, where a class chose a family to donate certain items to. They also sponsored a donation for Muscular Dystrophy and placed paper recycling baskets in every room of the school. The entire student body also enjoyed having ice cream during lunch one day as a treat from the student council. Lauren Heidtke (01) added “A bunch of people really worked hard on student council, and they should be congratulated.”

-Rae Ann Fretz
What is one thing that you wish to accomplish or become?

"I want to travel abroad, especially to the south of France."
-Megan McKinney (01)

"I think it would be fun to be the captain of a tugboat."
-Dustin Kurtz (00)

"After I graduate from college I want to become a major film director and spend my summers on a private island."
-Tom Turcott (00)

On the last day of Communication Camp, Mrs. Simon holds up a frog in the girls' room. "As a prank we let frogs loose to scare the teachers at night," said Liz Prantera (00).
Myriad qualities are found among the students of Petoskey High School. The divisions of grade level only begin to point out the distinctions among students. Each day, students from each grade level attend their classes. From one hall to the next, classes vary from Advanced Placement Composition to Auto Shop to Athlete’s P.E. The array of classes a student takes is an expression, in itself, of a student’s interests and personality.

Freshman and sophomore years are often the years in which students take the majority of their required classes. Junior and senior years allow for more freedom of selection. Many seniors also take advantage of the courses which are offered at North Central Michigan College.

The four years of high school are not simply preparation for later life. Within each grade level are several unique opportunities and experiences.

The classes of 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 moved through each day, often together, in many of the same classes.

After graduation, the members of each class would disperse, yet the four years spent as a part of a class would remain a strong memory for most.

Within each class are hundreds of individuals with different drives, different successes, different goals. Yet all of the students have one common binding: they have each passed through the doors of Petoskey High School daily, from beginning to end.

-Kelly Tate

Friends

Martin Holszhu (00) and Jason Leech (00) stand together in Mr. Gunderson’s classroom as they wait for the bell to ring.

In

Miss. Pawley’s classroom, Ryan Peters (03) serenades his class with his guitar.
Kristina Everson
Chad Fate
Ryan Fettig
James Foltice
Melinda Fosmore
Sandra Foster
Benjamin Fox

Rae Ann Fretz
Kristin Gale
Alissa Gracy
Lauren Graves
Kimberly Gravey
Chad Green
Joshua Greenman

Troy Greyerbiehl
Brian Gustman
Joshua Haas
Luke Hagelberg
Jamie Hall
Jeffrey Hance
Dustin Hardy

James Harmon
Jason Harris
Blake Harris
Carrie Harrison
Yuuki Hattori
Andrew Hausler
Ryan Hayes
Jenilee Haynes
Matthew Herbert
Chad Helton
Terri Hibbler
Heidi Hofstetter
Martin Holzschu
Samantha Hunter

Carrie Ingalls
Suzanne Inglis
Louis Ives IV
Martin Jackemowicz
Melissa Jakeway
Adam Johnson
Clyde Johnson

Gregory Justis
James Kahgee
Jennifer Kelley
Jacob Kibler
Cynthia Kilmer
Brooke Kleinert
Natalie Knebbs

Daemian Koehler
Leigh Kolinski
Nicole Kolly
Lyndsay Konkus
Douglas Krusell
Dustin Kurtz
Zachary Kuznicki
JoAnna Lakatos
Jason Leech
Nikola Leibold
Nicholas Liebler
John Liegl
Nicholas Lightfoot
Jessica Lowery

Jessica Lownsberry
Molly Maier
Tina Malak
Colleen Maloney
Scott Marble
Katie Markiewicz
Brendan Marshall-Rashid

Molly Martinchek
April Matz
Jordan Maxwell
Ryan Maxwell
Carolyn May
Nicole McGarey
Patrick McGuiness

Brooks McIntosh
Justin McPhee
David Miller III
Amber Moore
Robert Morales
Pamela Morey
Cole Morison
Before the departure for the Girls Basketball Regional Finals, senior, Anna Balchick runs through a tunnel of fellow student fans.
Pumped for the pep assembly festivities, Nick Liebler (00) lifts Susan Baker (00) to his shoulders to better her view.

During a New Year’s Eve get-together at Nikola Liebold’s (00) house, a group of seniors celebrate the millennium with a bang.

Playing in sync, snare drum players, Gill Westerman (00) and Mahrie Splan (00) keep perfect rhythm while warming up before the Homecoming parade.

Filled with Northmen pride, seniors Alisson Richardson, Meagan Burek and Alissa Gracy observe the activities at a pep assembly.
Celebration to Remember

Following the commencement reception after graduation, the senior class was invited to an all night senior class party conducted and created by The Senior Class Parents Committee. The party was held at Boyne Highlands and began around 10:30 pm on Sunday night.

As the recent graduates entered the dining area at Boyne Highlands, they were greeted by Yoda, Princess Leigh and other “Star Wars” characters that decorated the room. The theme, “May the Future Be with You,” carried on through the night.

A hair stylist, from Carol’s Place created futuristic hair dos for the seniors adorned themselves with glow sticks and “Star Wars” played on the televisions. Other entertainment included Henna tattoos by Capricorn Moon, Sumo wrestling, body massages, karaoke, limbo contest, dance contest, casino games and food galore. The celebration raged on until the party ended at 5:00 am the following morning.

The previous week, the seniors boarded four travel buses for Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio. At approximately 12:00 am, Thursday morning, the loaded busses departed from the high school parking lot for the eight hour journey.

Nearly a half an hour before the busses reached the roller coaster park, two tires blew out on bus #3. Stranded on the expressway as the busy morning traffic roared by, the driver had no other choice but to load the anxious passengers onto the other already crammed busses. Each bus, overloaded and without air conditioning, continued on and arrived at Cedar Point with time to spare. Jenica Webster remembers laughing, “You should have seen how full the busses were. In our bus, four people were crowded into each seat and people were still standing and sitting in the aisle. It was so hot and stuffy because the air conditioner was broken. Sarah Norton and I were sitting right under it and it dripped on her head. She couldn’t move because we were so squished, so she sat there for a half an hour with the moisture from the air conditioner dripping down her face.”

Once the gates opened, some rushed to the biggest and fastest coasters while others held back, trying to build up some courage. When Anne Cosens first arrived she wasn’t sure she wanted to ride at all. “I even brought my swim suit because I was considering going to the water park instead, but after a little persuasion from my friends, I rode some of the roller coasters and I had a lot of fun!” Liz Prantera on the other hand, rushed to The Millenium Force: the biggest, fastest coaster at the park that breaks ten world records. “As soon as we got there, a friend and I sprinted to the Millenium Force because we wanted it to be our first ride of the day. It was the biggest rush of my life.” After a full day of thrills and scares, the seniors boarded the busses for home. Reminiscing about the senior class trip, Elly Oom commented, “That was a trip I will definately remember.”

-Megan Webb

Prepared for a thrill on The Mine Shaft, Evan Rice, Nathaniel Newsted, Kyle Nowak and Dustin Kurtz, buckle themselves in.

Cruising through the kiddie park at Cedar Point, Rae Ann Fretz takes a ride in a red convertible. In addition to some of the kiddie rides, Rae Ann rode all of the coasters except for Millenium Force. “The roller coasters were a lot of fun because it was so foggy you couldn’t see.”
Working the stage, Justin McPhee belts out Madonna's "Material Girl" during the Karaoke contest at the all night senior party.

With wide spread fingers, Haleigh Clark frantically grabs as much cash as she can in the money booth. Haleigh won 15 seconds in the booth for participating in the senior class t-shirt design.

Cooling off after a long day in the hot sun, Anna Balchik and Heidi Wade splash in a fountain in the middle of the food court at Cedar Point.
Petoskey’s first commencement of the new millennium took place on June 4th, inside of Bay View Auditorium. Selected band members began the evening with a lively rendition of “Pomp and Circumstance,” while the seniors found their seats.

The high school wind ensemble then played “The Hounds of Spring,” followed by Dr. John Jeffrey’s welcome and a Class of 2000 speech by Katie Markiewicz. The Madrigals brought the crowd to tears as they sang “In My Life,” which was followed by the meaningful words of senior speakers, Adam Johnson and Amy Peterson.

Class President, Katie Markiewicz, stands at the podium marking “the beginning of the rest of our lives.” As she takes a deep breath she looks around the room and recognizes the faces of her friends and family.

The night concluded with the commencement address by Mr. Lou Kasischke, who described his Mount Everest experience. Through his speech, he inspired listeners to work toward their goals and to make educated decisions when faced with unique challenges. After this speech, each student walked across the stage to receive his/her diploma and tassels were turned.

When Hillary Clinton graduated from Wesley College she said “Throw yourself into the world and make your voice count. Enjoy life’s journey. There is no dress rehearsal...”
Caught up in the excitement of graduation, Courtney Sherk receives a kiss from classmate Shawn Clay, as they wait outside Bay View Auditorium.

After receiving her diploma, Katie Duggan is congratulated by board of education member, Mrs. Christina DeMoore. Mrs. Babs Kutciple, who retired from the board in 2000, also congratulated Katie.

Nathaniel Newsted displays some of his bubbling excitement, just before entering Bay View Auditorium.

Waiting patiently for their moment to come, Bobby Brown, Alison Brown, Andy Brower and Paul Bricker remain seated and listening as Mr. Lou Kasischke speaks about his difficult journey on Mount Everest.

Students excitedly await the beginning of commencement on the lawn of the stately Bay View Auditorium.
Working diligently, Scott Johnson and Eric Hendricks finish their work in Mr. Gunderson’s class.

Stepping Up

Kevin Adaline
Brody Alcantar
Drew Anderson
Jason Armfield
Carolyn Baker
Jonathan Barrett

Keelee Beaudet
Erin Beck
Stephanie Becker
Samantha Beer
Channa Belk
Kyle Beyer

Meghan Biddick
Noel Bielaczyc
Travis Biziorek
Tyler Borowy
Nathan Bowen
Jessica Brines
Trying to see the reflection of their hair in the camera, Kelly Forrester, Sam Foltz and Shannon Parent get ready to go to the Snowcoming dance.

Jose Briones
Becky Brosseau
Piccola Brown
Leah Bryhan
Bryan Burns
Ben Carlson

Jamie Chamblee
Derek Chapel
Kevin Chester
Sean Clancy
Melissa Clark
Josh Clay

Emily Compton
Kevin Connolly
Zachary Coonrod
John Cowan
Adam Cross
Aaron Cummings
Dan Currey  
Josh Daniel  
Charlie Daniels  
Laine Dawley  
Karen Dederich  
Ryan Deery  

Brad Demewe  
Connor Dennis  
Sean Dennis  
Abbi Donaldson  
Trista Dowker  
Tara Dunshee  

Pom Dutt  
Mitch Duty  
Andrew Farnsworth  
Rob Farrimond  
Susan Fawcett  
Abbey Fay  

Gary Fettig  
Max Field  
Joe Fifer  
Jennifer Fifield  
Jessica Fifield  
Ashley Fochtman  

Sam Foltz  
Ashley Forbes  
Kelly Forrester  
Nick Fosmore  
Alan Foster  
Liz Foster  

Ryan Friske  
Justin Furgeson  
Lindsay Fussman  
Irlene Gardner  
Kaleena Gardner  
Michael Goldsmith  

Tracy Gunderson  
Melissa Hall  
Adam Handwerk  
Crystal Hanna  
Lisa Hanson  
Lindsay Harris
Marie Hawkins
Kendra Hayes
Laura Hayes
Lauren Heidtke
Eric Hendricks
Andrea Herron

Ian Hitsman
Valerie Horniman
Evie Houghton
Jim Howard
Jami Irelan
Janna Jarvis

Claire Johnson
Kim Johnson
Scott Johnson
Andrew Kapalin
Beth Kerton
Laura Killips

Dan Kimball
Krystal Kiqigima
Sarah Koons
Steven Kopp
Katie Kresnak
Shawn Krueger

Dressed up for Hawaiian Day, Megan Krull and Ashley Fotechnman get ready to head to their next class.
Trying to beat the competition, Brody Alcanter, Pam Dutt and Leah Bryhan smother Kelly Forrester and Sean Krueger with toilet paper at the homecoming pep rally.

Waiting for his change, Kevin Connolly buys an item in the Pit Stop from Dan Currey.
Anxiously waiting for the Homecoming football game, Jennifer Maginnis and Connor Dennis sit in the pit during lunch.
Showing their support for our soccer teams, Zoe Marshall-Rashid and Heather Kahgee wrap up in a blanket to keep warm.

Taking time to snap a photo with junior Hillary Szajnecki, Amy Beyer and Érika Lucky take a breather from the dance floor.
Franny Bechek and Alex Kopenskokey pause momentarily from working on the float to have a laugh.

Tasha Blackburn
Jessica Blain
Marlene Bowe
Chris Brazier
Heather Bringard
Aaron Brooks

Ben Brown
Joe Brown
Nathaniel Bruin-Slot
Justin Bryan
Justin Burmeister
Erica Burns

Steve Butwell
Elaine Cannon
Katie Capaldi
Maggie Casteel
Danielle Charles
Cole Cherette

Erica Chippi
Katy Ciesielski
Kory Ciesielski
Christina Colby
Erin Conger
Jen Cosens
Concentrating on completing an assignment in Mrs. Simon's class, Becky King demonstrates hard work and determination.

Enjoying the music, Jane Rynbrandt and Jacob Wilhelm share one of the last songs played at Homecoming.
During a pep assembly, Tony Prantera mummifies a fellow sophomore with toilet paper.

Cory Ciesielski hamms it up for the camera in Mr. Jorgensen's Science II class, while working on a lab experiment.
Playing his saxophone in the rain, Jon Larson(03) marches through town during homecoming parade.

Participating in a pep assembly activity Emily Denay(03) and Skip Grannis(03) are all wrapped up by fellow students D.W. Lucky(03), Riley Justis(03) and Luke Schafer(03).

Ursula Anderman
Judy Archambault
Jessica Ard
Justin Baetsen
Howard Baker III
Nick Baker

Emily Denay(03) and Skip Grannis(03) are all wrapped up by fellow students D.W. Lucky(03), Riley Justis(03) and Luke Schafer(03).
Shaking the egg from her hands during an egg toss at a pep assembly Marie O'Brien (03) looks on for further instructions.

Visualizing the basket, Brian Jakeway (03) takes his chances at the free throw line after being fouled.
Listening tentively, Kyle Demeuse(03) looks at Peter Brown(03) for help on the sun and earth lab.
Eagerly waiting for the marshmallow, Polly Kiffer (03) sits with big eyes and wide mouth at one of the first pep rallies.

Limboing low, Ursula Anderman (03) participates in an English class activity.

Brad McBride
Brandon McCarthy
Rachel McIntosh
Scott McNees
Matt Meehan
J.B. Moses

Ashley Moyer
Trisha Mulholland
John Murner
Jennifer Muscott
Grant Newsted
Adam Newville

Diana Niswander
Marie O'Brien
Mike O'Connor
Melissa O'Neal
Breanna O'Neil
Lexie Otto

Justin Page
Jennifer Pennell
Tian Peterman
Ryan Peters
Kevin Phelan
Chelsea Phelps
Kayla Wyss
Eli Xiong

Figuring out a science lab, Sarah Jaquith (03) and Andrea Godfrey (03) continue to read and understand the lab.

Figuring out her protractor's direction Elizabeth Phelps (03) practices her 6th hour geometry homework.

Chris Taylor
Corey Tebo
Garrett Thatcher
Tracy Thomson
Danae Timmer
Becca Turner
Joe Upton
Dean Vanhollebeke
Charlie Vankalker
Amy Vannocker
Jon Vieau
Tori Vratanina
Abby Wagenschutz
Marc Washburn
Mike Washburn
Robert Waterson
Steve Welsh
Mari Wester
Melissa Weston
Travis White
Cody Wilcox
Matt Wilcox
Katy Willens
Kathleen Willis
Jason Wilson
Stacy Wilson
Cheanoa Wiser
Zach Wolgamott
Amber Wormell
Emily Wynn

Kayla Wyss
Eli Xiong
Going to a new school is an exciting yet nerve-wracking experience for new students each year. This anxiety may be eclipsed, however, by the excitement felt by new school faculty on their first day of school and the days that follow.

This year, PHS welcomed nine new teachers: Mrs. Babcock, Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Cerrudo, Mr. Devitt, Mr. Jonker, Mr. Miller, Mr. Ochs, Ms. VandenHeuvel and Mr. Young. Many came to Petoskey from other schools because of Petoskey’s reputation. Mr. Young credited, “the strong reputation of the academic programs,” as the deciding factor in his coming, while Ms. VandenHeuvel cited the many opportunities for students and the beauty of the area as her reasons. For Mr. Jonker and Mr. Young, teaching at Petoskey has been reminiscent of the past as both are PHS alumni.

Many of the new teachers chose education as a profession because of the role models they had and their enjoyment of their own high school experience. They also like watching students succeed. Mr. Ochs’s favorite aspect of teaching is “watching students reach that ‘Ah ha’ moment when all the pieces of the puzzle fit together to make a clear image.”

PHS also welcomed two new counselors and a dean of students this school year. While Mrs. Starkey’s and Ms. Kolodie’s jobs as counselors are widely understood, Mr Hewitt’s and Mrs. Meyer’s job as dean are less well-known. These two are in charge of handling discipline and makes sure students are where they are supposed to be throughout the day. When a student is found to have an unexcused absence, he or she will undoubtedly meet with Mrs. Meyer or Mr. Hewitt to discuss why the absence occurred. Students may also meet them if they have a dispute that they would like to have solved.

All of these new faculty members are working to help students succeed through their hard work and dedication.

-Katie Duggan

William Arthur
Jane Babcock
Susan Baker-Smith
Steve Banwell
Ruth Bardanyn
Scott Batchelor

Julie Biddick
Kim Block
Sandy Bollinger
Claudia Bost
Rosemarie Bower
Jamie Buchanan
Looking for near perfection, Mr. Westerman directs the class on a new song they have been learning. Mr. Westerman comes over from the middle school to teach choir class.

During his presentation on cameras and photography, guest speaker Mr. Wojcik shows yearbook students how to focus on a moving object along with other photography basics.

Kim Cerrudo
Erica Chamberlain
Barry Cole
Barbara Couture
Greg Czarnecki
Alan Devitt
Don Dickman
Dirk Esterline
Dave Farris
Mary-Beth Fischer
Louis Futchman
Nathan Gross
Looking on intently, Coach Chapman and Coach Arthur see what their wrestlers are made of in a tournament. The wrestling team did very well under the coaching of Chapman and Arthur, winning 90% of their meets.

Mrs. Meyer, New Dean of Students, shows fellow staff members how to make a decent "Smore" at one of the night activities during Communications Camp.
A New Perspective
A better way to look at the staff of the Petoskey High School:

Age
20-30 years old 14%
30-40 years old 24%
40-50 years old 38%
50-60 years old 24%

Car
S.U.V 32%
Car 27%
Truck 14%
Van 27%

Residence
Rural area of Petoskey 50%
City of Petoskey 40%
Harbor Springs 4%
Charlevoix 3%
Other 3%

These statistics are derived from a survey sent out to all teachers in order to gain a new perspective of the staff of P.H.S.

If you won a vacation for two, who would you bring?
Friend 3%
Spouse 97%
The 1999-2000 Public Schools of Petoskey
Board of Education:
Thomas Rellinger, Jack Waldvogel, William Graham, Christina DeMoore and Barbara Kutcipal

Public Schools of Petoskey
Superintendent:
Dr. John Jeffrey

Thomas Ochs
Robin Pawley
Lisa Rasmussen
Cathy Richardson
Steve Ross

Chris Schmoke
Becky Scholl-Stauffer
Lisa Self
Agnes Shaw
Stasha Simon
After their performance, teachers show their school spirit at a pep assembly honoring the girls' basketball team. The staff celebrated the success of the girls by singing a surprise parody of "Mambo #5," complete with a Carribean wardrobe.

Running in celebration, Mr. Tamm races through a tunnel of people at a pep assembly recognizing the girls' basketball team. The 2000 squad broke many school record and made it to the state quarterfinals.

Dave Snyder
Dennis Starkey
Karen Starkey
Ralph Tramontini
Margaret VanWagoner

Paul VanWagoner
Erin Vandenhueval
Linda VanTreese
Rick Wiles
Glen Young
What is your favorite sports quote?

"It is the lioness that hunts."
-Katie Touran (00)
CC and Track

"Practice and play as if it were your last day. Don’t be one of the many who say, I wish I would have done it in a very different way."
-Erin Fralick (02)
Basketball, Volleyball, and Track

"Effort is everything."
-Mr. Farris
Varsity Football Coach

Driving down the court, Jordan Wilkerson attempts a break away. This was the final game of the season for the Northmen, who lost to Grayling in district play.
Sweeping the slopes, dominating the courts and tearing up the playing field, the fighting Northmen reigned over area, as well as state competition. Making it all the way, the boys ski team claimed their second state championship since 1998. The girls basketball team also made history. Battling through a competitive season, the girls were the first to ever win the regional title. They also broke the record for the most wins in a season. The boys tennis team pushed all the way to state finals after winning a deserved league championship. The track team also fought until the end, sending ten members to the state finals.

Successes, however, did not come easily. The fighting Northmen committed to numerous hours of practice driven by continuous focus and heart. English teacher Mrs. Simon commented, “With the countless hours the athletes practice, it isn’t surprising the Northmen teams are as successful as they are...They know how to set goals and work until they achieve them.”

Relentless dedication, combined with countless hours of practice, proved to pay off. From early September to mid June, the Northmen persevered.

-Megan Webb

Driving toward the basket, senior Sarah Norton works to get around her Charlevoix opponent. Due to the renovation of Central Elementary, the girls were forced to re-locate their games to the high school gymnasium.

With relentless determination, sophomore Andy Ruemenapp hits a forehand. At the conference meet, Andy won the number two singles.
Taking a short jumper in the lane, Michelle Welch adds two points to the 60-33 win over Traverse City Central High School.

With outstretched arms, Sarah Norton and Abbi Donaldson attempt to secure the ball before Traverse City can.

Capturing the attention of the crowd, senior guard Liz Prantera leaps through the air for an underhand layup.
Returning with eight seniors, Coach Matt Tamm went into the season, "quietly optimistic," but knew there was some tough competition in store. The team worked very vigorously throughout the summer and went to a team camp, which definitely helped the girls improve. After strong play in summer scrimmages, Tamm had the girls set high standards individually and for the team.

"During the summer, we decided as a team that we wanted to be the Big North Conference Champions," stated junior Hillary Szajnecki. As a team, they accomplished this goal by beating Cadillac in their final game of the season. The win was very meaningful because Cadillac had beaten the Northmen in the six previous contests. Along with seizing the BNC Championship, the girls were also district and regional champions, with the school’s all time best record of 24-2. The regional championship was the first ever in Petoskey Girls’ Basketball history. Michelle Welch, a senior, felt that the team’s success, “came because of how well everyone stepped up during tournaments.” The girls were finally knocked out of the tournament in the quarter finals after losing a tough game to Dewitt, 36-44. Due to the success of the team, Michelle Welch and Sarah Norton broke many school records and received much recognition for their fine play. Liz Prantera noted, “It was an honor to be able to play with two girls who are such outstanding players.”

Ending the season with only two losses was definitely a triumph for the entire team. The season was very successful and Coach Tamm was very pleased with the girls. From their tenacious defense, to always working diligently in both practices and games, the team was able to accomplish a lot of their goals they set for the season. Nicole Delyon said, "I think that we were so successful because we are such close friends, we played together for many years and we left everything on the court.”

-Kathleen Bacon & Julie Kimball
Driving to the basket, Bethany Lieberman (03) goes up strong, contributing two points to the score. Petoskey beat Gaylord 39-31.
The freshman girls’ basketball team’s first experience of high school basketball proved to be a challenging one, ending the season with a record of 6-13. The freshman season started off well when the girls captured the Kewanis Tournament hosted by Petoskey. Even though it was a tough season at times, the freshman girls continued to grow as a team. Bethany Lieberman (03) said, “we wanted to improve our skills and concentrate on the right techniques in all games and practices.” When the freshman girls came to the high school they found a major difference from 8th grade basketball which is learning the system that Varsity Coach Tamm teaches. Coach Hewitt commented, “It doesn’t matter if girls win or lose as long as they improve their skills throughout the season.” Not only were the freshmen adjusting but so were the junior varsity as they received a new coach.

Kelly Flynn led her team to a 10-10 record for her first season, which showed to be a smooth transition.

Kate Hutchens (02) said, “losing Mrs. Wright was hard to believe at first, but Coach Kelly did a good job of coming in and making the team her own.” Finishing seemed to be the problem this year for the junior varsity. There were many close games that could have resulted in wins if only the junior varsity would keep composure in the 4th quarter. “There are four quarters per game and you have to play hard in all of them to win,” said Kathleen Bacon (02). Seven out of the ten games lost were by nine points or less, proving the potential of these girls. With both teams rebuilding, it gave them a chance to improve their seasons and grow more as a team.

-Liz Prantera

During double bonus, Katie Flynn concentrates before contributing another two points to the scoreboard. The J.V. lost to Cheboygan 39-56.

Pivoting with the ball, Kasey Davenport looks to pass to the open player while being guarded by three Gaylord opponents.
The men’s varsity football team was off to a challenging start with two sophomores, 32 juniors and just 15 seniors. Coach Farris said, “Our season record of one win and seven losses isn’t great, but at the same time it’s incredible that we came so close to winning so many games. We have a great group of juniors coming up in the 2000 season who have a great chance at winning the Big North Conference next year.” Just because the boys had a rough season doesn’t mean that they didn’t have fun. Every Thursday night the team would go out for dinner at a local Mexican restaurant.

At the awards banquet, Coach Loper and Coach Farris noted that Josh Swiss (00) made the most touchdowns. Most improved players were juniors Andrew Farnsworth and Kris Smoot.

With only one win, the best game was their 29-6 victory over the Gaylord Blue Devils, during Petoskey’s Homecoming game.

“It was the biggest and best game of the season, it always is. But, this time it was more than just a ‘big game’ it was the most crucial time during the entire season and I know it really meant a lot for our fans to watch us win after a slow start to our season,” concluded coach Farris.

-Jenica Bock

The team consisted of two sophomores, 32 juniors and 15 seniors. They are from top to bottom: Kevin Chester, Jason Lecie, Joe Fifer, Asst. Coach Mike Loper, Mr. Kurt VanOrman, Head Coach Dave Farris, Doug Kruessel, Scott Schmidt, Kirk Souza, Dan Curry, Connor Dennis, Drew Anderson, Ben Carlson, Nate Bowen, Eric Love, Matt Meyer, Adam Wilson, Tyler Lewis, Rob Tergening, Dan Casteneda, Matt Denuyser, Jeremy Wilson, Brad Alcanter, Brian McGeath, Chad Welz, Dan Kimball, Adam Willson, Andrew Farnsworth, Kris Smoot, Josh Daniels, Paul Schafer, Tyler Boraway, Kory Ciesielski, John Cowan, Brad Demulie, Shawn Krueger, T.J. Chapman, Aaron Bock, Marty Jackimowicz, Josh Swiss, Nick Diedrich, Bryce Weston, Matt Herbert, Craig Cole, Dusty Marey, Chad Faye and not pictured are Kyle Beyer, Mike Goldsmith, Mark Cook and Matt Meyer.
While watching from the sidelines, team manager Chad Fate (00) cheers for the team. The other players join hands and wait for the Northmen to make the play.

At a home game, Matt Hebert (00) gets the ball set up just right for Kyle Beyer (01) to punt. Beyer was recorded as the first Northmen to have a perfect record of 15-for-15 in extra point attempts; since the school record set in 1981.
As the yellow school bus pulls into the parking lot of Ferris State University, the anxious passengers gaze out the windows at the college stadium. The natural grass playing field that the players usually play on at home hardly compares to the perfect green turf that lays before them. Despite playing their first game in this intimidating university stadium against a tough out-of-league, down-state team, the junior varsity football team pulled through strong, beginning their season with a big win over Benton Harbor. The team continued to overcome obstacles throughout the season. At the beginning of the season, the team lost their starting quarterback to the varsity team, and then, mid-way through the season, they lost another key player, Brock Robinson (02) when he, too, was moved up to varsity. Tony Prantera (02) commented, "Even though we lost key players throughout the season, other players were always stepping up to contribute to the wins.” Another barrier that challenged the team happened during a rainy game against the Alpena Wildcats. Starting running back, Carl Fosmore (02), broke his ankle while running the ball. Once again, the team managed to pull together to add another win to their record. Head Coach Schmoke observed, “The guys played tough all season long. When the team was down they picked each other up. They worked well as a team and were always prepared for a battle. As they continue to play and become bigger and stronger, I think they will be very successful in the future.”

The freshman team also started off their season with a win. Then, in their second game they faced quite a challenge against Benton Harbor. After the game, Head Coach Buchannan annotated, “It was a lot of fun, but playing on a turf field at a college stadium for their second game of their high school football career was definitely overwhelming for a lot of the players.” Although Ferris State was a bit overwhelming, two players that stood out as leaders on the team were running back Mike O’Conner (03) and linebacker Luke Schafer (03). Buchannan observed, “O’Conner is flat out ‘fast’. He can go the distance, plus he’s strong enough to break down tackles.” Schafer, who led the team in tackles was considered, “the toughest kid on the team. He is simply a great linebacker.” Even though both the j.v. and varsity teams faced struggles during the season, they were able to pull together and overcome many obstacles. 

-Megan Webb


Petoskey 4 - 3

Petoskey J.V. 18
Benton Harbor 12
Cadillac 10
Cheboygan 12
Sault 8
T.C. Central 8
Alpena 6
Ogemaw Heights 8

Petoskey Freshmen 3 - 6

Pellston J.V. 18
Benton Harbor 12
Cadillac 10
Cheboygan 12
Sault 8
Gaylord 8
T.C. East 8
Alpena 6
Ogemaw Heights 8
Taking a quick breather, Tony Prantera (02) cools himself off as he waits on the sidelines before going back into the game. Tony played fullback, inside linebacker and contributed six touchdowns to his team's winning record.

Firing up before the Benton Harbor game at Ferris State University, the freshmen starting line-up huddle around Coach Buchanan for a pre-game pep talk.
Ambition, skill, and motivation all led to a great season for the boy’s Varsity Soccer team. With only five returning players, the team was composed of mostly new players. Despite this obstacle, the team came together and ended the season with an outstanding record.

“The practices were the best times of the season. We were always laughing too hard to do anything.” said Chad Green (00). The team unity was evident throughout the season. Many of the players have been playing soccer together for ten years or more. Head Coach, Scott Bachelor, agrees: “The players were food to work with. It wasn’t too difficult to coach them because of the travel team program. The biggest challenge was getting them to work as a team.” Some of the members on the team really stood out.

There were many outstanding players on the team. Jeff Hance (00) was nominated for Third-Team All-State. Rob Farrimond (01), Matt Ondrusek (01), Kyle Lieberman (01), and Brian McGeath (01), were all nominated for All-District and received honorable mentions to the All-State Team. All of this skill on one team propelled Petoskey all the way to the MHSAA Regional.

At the end of regulation time, the score was tied at two-two. During the sudden-death overtime, Lapeer West snuck in a goal and ended the game, and the season.

-Noah Bourassa

Back Row: Kyle Lieberman, Brendan Ryan, Kyle Beyer, Matt Ondrusek, Brian McGeath, Nick Liebler, Jeff Hance, Matt Love, Jimmy Evans, Travis Sullivan; Front Row: Damien Koehler, Aaron Sunday, Chad Green, Matt Behan, Kevin Connelly, Chris Teal, Rob Farrimond, Ian Londo, and coach: Scott Bachelor

With a burst of speed, Chris Teal (01), blasts past a player from the opposing team.

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Trying to stay warm, Daemian Koehler (00), Kevin Connoly (01), Matt Behan (02), and Kyle Lieberman (01), take a break from the action.

Struggling against an opponent, Rob Farrimond (01), attempts to win the ball. Kevin Connoly (01) moves to an open space to give Rob an option for a pass.

With a powerful kick, Jeff Hance (00) sends the ball out from a goal kick. The keeper, Travis Sullivan (00), looks on.
Junior Varsity Coach Gunderson mentioned, "I had the best season of my career." This was shown through the overall record and improvement in technique of the team. He stated, "The team's goals, were to improve skills and have fun while winning games."

Team skills were multiple even though short passes were the most sufficient on the field. Short passes are a part of teamwork.

Teamwork was not played to its fullest at the Sault Ste. Marie game according to Coach Gunderson who stated, "the players were getting flat and did not play as well as they could have."

The Freshman team's major focus was to improve skill level throughout the season. Their intense training at practice was the key to their improvements.

Training included practicing technical skills, aerobic conditioning and weight lifting. "All of our training helped to mix short passes with limited touches to get the ball in the attacking end of the field," informed Coach Jonker. Training helped for the improvements for each player in different ways. According to Kyle Bodurka, "I think Trevor Davis improved the most. Though I improved in being more aggressive, passing the ball, and playing defense rather than offense."

The Freshmen team focused particularly on improving skill level. This is because unlike other teams at Petoskey High School, this team competes only against Junior Varsity and Varsity opponents. "The team then improved their skill level and aggressiveness," Coach Jonker concluded.

-Katie Handwerk

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Pushing his way, Trevor Davis (03) comes from behind on a Roscommon play during a home game on October 13.

J.V. Soccer
12-3-2

Petoskey  Opponent
3  Sault  3
1  T.C. Central  1
7  Cadillac  0
2  Gaylord  1
2  Alpena  0
4  Cheboygan  1
1  T.C. West  2
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3  Cheboygan  1
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3  Alpena  0
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Freshmen   Soccer
3-1-10

Petoskey  Opponent
3  Roscommon  0
0  Bellaire  3
0  Harbor Springs  4
0  T.C. Central  3
2  Harbor Light  3
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1  T.C. Central  3
4  Charlevoix  1
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1  Charlevoix  1
1  T.C. Central (O.T.)  2
2  Harbor Light  3
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0  T.C. Central  1
Freshman Boy's Soccer
from Bottom left:
Micheal Gano, Cody Wilcox,
Kyle Bodurka, Gabe Jackson,
Chris Hutchinson, Skipper
Grannis
Top: Ben Hayes, Ryan
Biehl, Peter Brown, Trevor
Davis, Jon Larson, Pat
Maloney, Howard Baker,
Coach Jonker

Against Elk Rapids,
Petoskey player, Joe
Green (02), dominates his way
for the ball during the away
game on October 14.
Endurance, self-motivation and conditioning are just some of the many qualities of a cross country team. The team used these characteristics to their advantage, which led to a very successful season. Lauren Heidtke attributes the success to teamwork. She explained, “Even though the race is primarily individual, supportive teammates are a big part of cross country.”

Their diligence was not the only thing that helped in their success, training also helped condition the runners. The practices were quite challenging according to Ashley Kendall, “Practices were tough, we ran 20-28 miles per week and we also attended cross country camp to improve our running skills.”

The season ended with everyone proud of their accomplishments, including Coach Don Dickman who explained, “I believe that this season was a big success. Our girls worked very hard to get the job done and I am very proud of them.”

-Christina Colby

“In Search of the lead, Sarah Jaquith tries to outrun part of the Whitehale team. After the race, Sara Jaquith commented, “Whitehale is one of our toughest opponents this season, but we kept up with them the whole race.”

Girls Cross Country

Charlevoix Classic 3rd
Ludington Inv. 5th
BNC #1 3rd
Petoskey Inv. 2nd
Carson City 4th
BNC #2 4th
Claire Martin 2nd
BNC #3 5th
Elk Rapids 2nd
Gaylord 6th
Regionals 4th

“The key for us was not to get discouraged with early season results and to strive to improve from meet to meet.”

-Coach Don Dickman

With her sights set on the finish line, Leigh Topley completes one of her last hurdles before the conclusion of the race. "The race was very tough and the obstacles were especially hard," Leigh mentioned about the Carson City Invitational.

Setting the pace, Alissa Gracy starts the Elk Rapids Invitational in the lead. The Petoskey Girls went on to place 2nd in the invitational.
Dressed to kill, Joe Briones (02) strides out on the Elk Rapids course. It had the highest winds and coldest temperatures of the season.

Covered in mud and running with one shoe, Torri Peterman (01) attempts to pass another runner in the fields of the Charlevoix European Style race.
Nothing runs like a Deere, except our boys’ cross country team! When half of the previous varsity team graduated or moved away, the runners knew there would be big shoes to fill this year. And the boys did more than just fill them, they exceeded everyone’s expectations and ended a great season with a trip to the state meet. It was the fifth time in a row that the boys’ team qualified for the state finals, breaking the school record of four. Coach Dickmann commented, “Before the season started it would have been hard to imagine our boys’ team qualifying for the state meet, but when people work hard together and take advantage of their opportunities, good things will happen.”

Not only did the team make it to the state finals, but every member ran his best time of the season there.

Another highlight of the season was a week at Camp Daggett. In late August the team packed up and prepared for seven days of bonding through running. “Camp is always cool.” said senior Nick Lightfoot.

There were always the practices to run early in the day, but later at night the team kept themselves busy by playing various card games, hiking, or just throwing a dance party. The last night at camp was reserved for the members to perform skits. The skits got as crazy as shaving a guy’s legs to singing popular boy band hits. The skits were recorded to be played later at the team banquet. At the end of the year the team was able to look back at the season with pride. They had turned their aspirations into a memorable reality. - Alissa Gracy

Boys Cross Country

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On the last night of camp, Nathaniel Newsted (00), Nate Denay (00), and Dave Ernsberger (00) sing along with the Backstreet Boys ballad, “I Want It That Way.”
"They were off to a great start," said coach Hines. The boys' golf team had a successful season which was due, in part, to an experienced varsity team that had endured several seasons of learning.

The varsity players' practice paid off with Kevin Adaline (00), Mike Phillips (00), Mark Matz (02), Jack Blayceart (00) and Brooks McIntosh (00) all ending the season with game averages below 87.

The Big North Conference meet was held on October first. At the conference, the varsity team placed sixth out of the eight teams in attendance. The junior varsity team tied with Cadillac's team for sixth place. Traverse City Central's teams placed first for both varsity and junior varsity.

Regionals was held at the Katke Golf Course in Big Rapids. The varsity team played very well, placing fourth out of the thirty-two teams in attendance. The team came very close to state finals, missing qualification by only two strokes.

Hines explained that some of the key points to being a good golfer are: devotion, attitude, focus, patience and love of the game. "Having access to the best courses in Northern Michigan is also a great advantage," he added.

As a first year golf coach, Hines commented, "Golf is a fun sport and I enjoy working with the kids."

Kolby Andrews (00) said, "There was only one time that someone got a hole in one. It was by Seth Green." In addition to Green, the team recognized Adaline as the most valuable player and Nick Whitehead (02) as the most improved player.

To conclude the season, Hines said that he hopes to get more students interested in golf at a younger age and at a greater rate in order for them to have more opportunities in golf in the future.

-Kelly Tate

In anticipation, Kevin Adaline (01) crouches to the ground and watches a teammate's shot during competition. Adaline's game average was the best on the team: 80.33.

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After the team banquet, Brian Jakeway (03), Mark Matz (02) and Jack Bleyaert (00) receive end of the year recognition.

After executing a shot, Mike Phillips (00) watches his ball reach the hole. Phillips' game average was second best on the team: 83.
This tennis season was one of the most successful for the Northmen girls. The team won four invitationals: Allegan, Alma, Boyne Mountain and Escanaba and repeated as Regional champions. The girls placed second in Conference to perennial Division II powerhouse, Traverse City Central, by only four points, 34-38, the closest battle in Conference history. To cap off this terrific season, the girls placed fifth at the State Finals, the best finish ever for a Petoskey team.

This tremendous success can be attributed in large part to experience. With three four-year lettermen and two more three-year letter winners, the team had high expectations. "We knew we were capable of a lot because we had done so well last year," senior Colleen Maloney said. Number one singles player, Jenny DeWitt, a senior, best exemplified experience’s aid. After playing two singles for three years, she moved up to one singles in fine fashion, finishing with an impressive 24-2 record for the season.

The team also achieved a lot because of the strong sense of comradere. Before the season began, team members attended sleepovers and team dinners to get to know one another. They also became closer because of the enormous amount of travelling they did each week. In one two week span, the team travelled over 500 miles, from one end of the state to the other. "It was impossible not to become close to everyone because we were always together," said Lisa Snyder.

Overall, the team was pleased with their performance and excited about the friendships made. Junior Molly McBride commented, "It was a season never to forget."

-Katie Duggan

Varsity Girls’ Tennis:
(Front) Natalie Knibbs, Lisa Snyder, Becky King, Alison Richardson, Shannel Ryan, Katie Duggan, Rachel Tramontini, Coach Karen Langs, Molly McBride, Gillian Westerman, Jennifer DeWitt, Colleen Maloney, Heidi Hofstetter and Andrea Knibbs
Concentrating on the ball, Senior Jennifer DeWitt slices a forehand shot to her opponent, Traverse City Central, at the Big North Conference Finals at Boyne Mountain.

In preparation for her match against Grosse Ile, Senior Lisa Snyder warms up during the State tournament. Snyder and partner King won the match, aiding in the team's fifth place finish.

Taking advantage of a short ball, Senior Colleen Maloney prepares to overhead a ball during her State Finals match against Flint Powers.
An unsteady season would be the best way to describe the 1999 Petoskey junior varsity's season. With large victories over Harbor Springs, Alpena, Cadillac, Grayling, and others, the season was very successful. However, the team did have some ups and downs season. They had alternating wins and losses throughout the entire season.

This tennis season not only formed better players, but it also formed friendships. Team unity helps to improve the team's success in a season. The team supported each other during every game, by cheering each other on. Courtney Leestma (02) said, “Both of the JV and varsity girl's teams are very close. We always supported each other and we remained friends throughout the school year.”

It was a rocky season, but definitely a fun one for the girls. Rebecca Gabrick (02) stated, “The best part of the season was when we were playing two to three matches a week. I had such a fun season and I am really glad that I played.” All of the girls were very optimistic throughout the season, proving a perfect record was not needed for a fun-filled season. Marilyn Smith, the JV coach, made the season what the girls wanted it to be improvement, fun and games.
Stepping back to serve the ball, Chelsea Phelps (03) concentrates on serving to her Alpena opponent at the home court.

Practicing on a cold day, Angie Courliss (00) gets ready to return the ball to her opponent.
With the loss of six players from the previous year, the varsity volleyball team had a lot of positions to fill. Senior Michelle Welch said, "We were a young team that never stopped working hard and improving, and it all payed off because we pulled together to win the districts."

Along with winning the districts, the varsity volleyball Team was also Regional runner-up. Led by Coach Edie Pearsall, the team ended the season with an impressive 37-16-5 record.

Several players on the team also received area recognition. Michelle Welch (00), Megan Webb (00), Erin Fralick (02) and Marie O’Brian (03) received All Regional Honors, while Welch was also nominated for First Team All Big North Conference and All-State Honorable Mention. Sophomore Erin Fralick commented, "We really worked together as a team and when things got tough people really stepped up."

By working hard and pulling together as a team, the varsity volleyball team had a successful season.

Senior Megan Webb concluded, "Our team started this year as a rebuilding season but we surprised ourselves because we ended up having the third best season in varsity volleyball History."

-Liz Prantera

In perfect position, Senior Lisa Snyder passes a serve to the team setter, Marie O’Brien (03).

With quick feet, junior Jamie Powers gets in position underneath the ball, ready for serve reception. During regionals, Jamie stepped up to fill a tough position as setter when Marie O’Brien became injured.

Girls’ Varsity Volleyball:
(Bottom) Marie O’Brien, Jessica Brines, Megan Webb, Lizz Foster, Sam Foltz, Allison Brown
(Top) Coach Edie Pearsall, Michelle Welch, Jodie Washburn, Hillary Szajnecki, Erin Fralick, Lisa Snyder
Diving low, senior Michelle Welch digs up a hard kill during a home game against TC West.

With arms stretched out, sophomore Erin Fralick blocks senior Michelle Welch during warm-ups before playing Alpena.
Petoskey J.V. Volleyball
Charlevoix Invitational 1st
Kalkaska Inv. 1st
Alpena Inv. 1st
Northwood Inv. 1st
T.C. West Inv. 1st

Final Record 37-3-3

Petoskey Freshmen Volleyball
Charlevoix Invitational Did not place
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T.C. Invitational Did not place

Final Record 7-15-3

Their two to one victory against Traverse City, Kate Hutchens has a great spike to win a crucial point.
Once again, the junior varsity and freshman volleyball teams bumped their way through another season. "We lost our first game against the Sault, but that didn’t stop us. We placed first at the Northwood tournament and it felt awesome. Not just because it was the toughest, but because we were so pumped that day,” said Heather Kaghee (02). “Winning the Northwood tournament was one of our team’s goals for the season and when it finally came true it was amazing. We had worked so hard and it finally paid off,” added Michelle Martincheck. The J.V. team finished an outstanding season with a record of 37-3-3. They won tournaments in Charlevoix, Kalkaska, Alpena, Northwood, and Traverse City.

The freshmen had a rough season, playing an array of challenging opponents, including nine junior varsity teams. “Everyone managed to stay positive even after a few rough losses,” said Emily Denay (03). All of the freshmen players agreed that by the end of the season they were really coming together as a team, and that their skill level improved immensely. Their season was summed up well when Sarah Jaquith (03) said, "We had a rough season, but at our last game in Gaylord we pulled together and we at least had fun.” The freshmen finished the season with a final record of 7-15-3.

Many of the J.V. team members are looking forward to stepping up to fill the void left by five graduating seniors on the varsity team. With talented players at all levels Petoskey volleyball should remain a force to be reckoned within the Big North Conference for years to come.

- Trevor Davis and Peter Brown.

In a home victory, Karina Fotchman leaps for a block to save the point.

Freshman Beathy Lieberman reaches for a spike in a home game against Rudyard.
Driving into the lane, Andrew Hausler (00) races his opponent to the basket, with the rest of his team behind him.

Going up for a short jumper, Kyle Lieberman (01) adds two more points to the big victory over Cheboygan, 56-37.

Grabbing the rebound, Adam Cross (01) draws the foul and goes to the free-throw line to shoot two. The Northmen lost a tough game to Grayling, 48-64.
Despite a tough season and many challenging competitors in the league, the team worked hard throughout the season. Since there were only three seniors on the team, they did not have much experience. All of the players set individual goals, they were determined to work diligently in practice and they set team goals as a whole.

The year consisted of alternating wins and losses, but they still constantly tried to improve. "We spent a lot of time in practice working in individual skills, such as dribbling and shooting. We all knew that that was the only way we could get better, so we really pushed ourselves in practice," stated Dan Kimball (01). The team did have an enormous victory over Gaylord at home, for the snowcoming game. Matt Meyer (01) said, "My favorite part of the season was the Snowcoming night game because we had all of our fans there, the gym was hot and we came out and beat Gaylord who was higher in the conference rankings than us."

Two of their team goals were to value the ball and to not give up easy scoring chances, but they were difficult to meet, due to the lack of experience. By the end of the season, the team had improved and they were beginning to play a lot better. John Cowan (01) added, "At the end of the year, we started to come together as a team and we were winning some games. This was a result of hard work in practice."

Although the season did not have as many wins as the team would have liked, they worked hard and had fun. The season led to improvements, which will prepare the team for next year. A competitive season made the players much more experienced.

-Julie Kimball
“It isn’t whether you win or lose, it is how you play the game.” The junior varsity boys’ basketball team only won six of their 20 games, but their focus was concentrated on more important aspects of the game than just winning. Coach Miller had the team concentrate on hustling, never giving up and always having a positive attitude. Ben Frederick said, “Our coach was always proud of us because we always stuck through it until the end, even though we didn’t have the best record.”

Coach VanWagoner also had his freshman team concentrate on a few key points of the game. A few of the things he had his team work on were sharing the ball and teamwork. The team performed many different drills during practice to help improve in these areas. Chris Hutchinson said his favorite drill during the season was, “When we got to use the football pads.” This was a drill Coach VanWagoner used to help the team, “get used to contact. This game is very physical and they have to be ready for it.”

The team then applied all they had been practicing to their games. They displayed how relying on your teammates really helps. This became evident when they all worked together to win a double overtime game against Traverse City East, 54-48. The Freshmen finished their season with a record of 10-10.

-Kathleen Bacon
With determination, Dan McNamara sophomore, attempts to drive by his defender. Hounded by Cheboygan defender, freshman Luke Schafer attempts to get the loose ball before his opponent. The freshman came away with a victory against Cheboygan, 55-50.

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Back Row: Nick Madrick, Chris Grabowski, Patrick Ryan, Tom Knoel, Brett Kock, Dustin Drost, Phil Goldsmith, Coach Paul VanWagoner
Getting the crowd pumped up for the game ahead, Katie Markiewicz and Corey Higley effortlessly demonstrate their flexibility and grace.

Rehearsing a cheer for half-time, Stephanie Seeley energetically shows her school spirit.

While holding her head high, Leah Bryhan energetically finishes a cheer routine seconds before the game begins.
For a while, it seemed as if our cheer team was fading out. But things have changed now. Petoskey High School’s cheer team is no longer disappearing, it’s making a huge comeback.

Although the fall season wasn’t particularly fulfilling, both J.V. and Varsity, have turned things around almost overnight. Cheerleading has bounced back and is now stronger than ever. Who might you ask is mainly responsible for such an amazing recovery? Her name is Erin VandenHeuvel and she’s the new cheerleading coach.

Ms. VandenHeuvel is the newest addition to the teaching team. She came to PHS from Cheboygan, where she taught a variety of English courses and coached their cheer teams for four years as well. Under her guidance, Cheboygan took fourth in the Cheerleading State Competition in 1999.

Eventually, she would like to take our own team to a level of competition which Petoskey has yet to experience. Ms. VandenHeuvel is convinced her new team has the potential and the drive to be successful in competition. “Petoskey’s cheer team wants to improve. They are motivated, talented and willing to work hard,” she says.

Among her goals for the team include advancing stunt skills, creating new material and increasing the size of the team for next year.

She believes in her team and encourages them to believe in themselves. “I am confident that cheerleading is on the rise. With the tremendous improvement I’ve seen, I have no doubt that we can advance our skills!” Cheerleading is back in the game and coming on stronger than ever before!

-Erica Chippi

As the team’s new coach, Ms. VandenHeuvel helps to shape these talented girls into great cheerleaders. "Cheerleading is a very unique sport, it is based on teamwork and trust," she explains.

Minay Wirgwe shows her school spirit and gets the crowd on their feet at the same time with her lively and energetic cheers.

Team: Mindy Wirgou, Pam Dutt, Abby Wogenschutz, Leah Bryhan, Amber Wormell, Beth Kerton, Ashley Weston, Katie Markiewicz, Corey Higley, Stephanie Sealey, and Coach’s VandenHeuvel and Kopenkosky.
When one thinks of sports, the first thing to come to mind is usually basketball or football, seldom wrestling. Wrestling is more than just pinning and competition, it's about self-control, determination and constantly thinking about the next move, somewhat like a game of chess. First time wrestler, Dusty Morey (00), explained that "You have to be really dedicated and willing to sacrifice to be a wrestler." The varsity wrestling team checked off yet another year with victory. They worked incredibly hard with the Head Coaches, Ray Arthur and Steve Chapman, in order to place any potential opponent in a checkmate.

Winning 90% of their dual meets, and bringing home the first place trophies from the Petoskey Duals, the Big Rapids Duals, the Wyoming Parks Duals, the Big North Conference (7-0), and Team Districts were among many of their accomplishments. They placed 13th overall in the state.

The Varsity Team had fourteen men on the team, including eleven seniors and three juniors. Five guys made it to individual state finals. They were Shawn Clay (00) 103 lbs., Bob Morales (00), Craig Cole (00) 130 lbs., Jamie Kahgee (00) 135 lbs., and Josh Swiss (00) 171 lbs. Three wrestlers placed, Clay seventh, Morales fourth, and Kahgee fifth place. The varsity team also achieved a 29 win, 4 loss overall record. Chad Fate (00) has been a wrestler for six years, and he stated, "This sport also helps to succeed in life, because you have to learn important life skills to be in wrestling."

-Rae Ann Fretz

Craig Cole (00) fiercely takes his Gaylord Blue Devil opponent to the cold mat, at regionals in Middleville. Craig pinned his opponent in 1:27.

Getting the upperhand on his Mason City opponent at Regionals, TJ Chapman (00) uses the arm-bar setup to help turn his opponent with a half nelson, for a quick pin.

Men’s Varsity Wrestling: (bottom) Shawn Clay, Dusty Morey, Mitch Duty, Joe Briones, Bob Morales, Craig Cole, Jamie Kahgee, Mike Goldsmith, (middle) Aaron Bock, James Morgan, Chad Fate, TJ Chapman, Paul Bricker, Eric Wagenschutz, Adam Wilson, (top) Herbie Shaw, Josh Swiss, Andrew Farnsworth, Ryan Roberts, Tarrel Lewis, Dan Curry, and Evan Rice.

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In the first period of a match, Shawn Clay (00) and his Mason City opponent battle it out at regionals in Middleville. The typical match consists of three, two minute periods.

Using the fatal cradle technique, Josh Swiss (00) uses all of his strength to flip this 171 lb. Alpena wrestler onto his back. Swiss won this match by a 42 pin.

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Sweeping his opponent off his feet, Junior B-Team wrestler Adam Wilson slams him back down on the mat. Adam uses this often practiced technique in order to control his opponent. Adam pinned him in 1:15.

Junior Varsity/ B-Team Wrestling
10-0

Benzie Win
Shelby Win
Grayling Win
Rogers City Win
Whittemore/ Prescott Win
Roscommon Win
TC West Win
Alpena Win
TC Central Win
Cheboygan Win
Gaylord Win
Cadillac Win
Kalkaska Win

Paul Bricker (00) pulls his opponent towards him by the hip, in order to work in the navy ride. The navy ride allows wrestlers to then set up the cradle or the stack.
Maneuvering his opponent into a Reverse Half Nelson, Matt Fate (03) awaits the referee's whistle. Fate pinned his Kalkaska opponent in 2:13.

Much like the varsity team, junior varsity and B-Team wrestlers also sacrifice a lot of time and even strength. For example, they go through about two hours of practice every day after school, even on half days and vacations. They learn new moves, lift weights, exercise and do everything possible to maintain their weight.

The Wrestling B-Team is a second string varsity team, not quite varsity material yet, although the dedication pays off when most of the B-Team wrestlers move up to varsity next year. The B-Team only wrestles other varsity wrestlers, as opposed to junior varsity wrestlers who only wrestle other junior varsity. The B-Team finished off their season with a 22-4 overall record and the Petoskey North Star Tournament and the Mancelona Duals titles. They were also the Tournament runner-up at the Charlevoix Duals.

Along with dominating the mats, the wrestlers got to know each other better, and learn what really goes on behind the muscle. As B-Team wrestler Carl Fosmore (02) put it, "My favorite part of being on the wrestling team, besides humiliating my opponents, is going to the away meets, because we joke around and have fun.”

The junior varsity wrestlers were undefeated, with their overall record at 10-0, and a 7-0 record at the Big North Conference. They also proudly received the tournament title for the West Branch Invitational. Freshman John Heinrich added, “What most people don't know is that sometimes we have to wrestle girls, and that’s actually one of the hardest parts.”

-Rae Ann Fretz

At a home meet, as John Caviness (03) struggles to lock his Pine River opponent into a reverse cradle, his teammates and the Stat Girls cheer him on to a victory. Caviness pinned his opponent in 1:48.

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The team left to right: Coach Olsen, Coach Ramer, Tracy Sullivan (01), Nicole Stradling (03), Krystle Gains (03), Libby Ramer (00), Jane Rynbrandt (02), Kristen Tebo (00), Tracy Gunderson (01), Ellen Beatty (03), Heidi Hofstetter (00), Kelly Forrester (01), Ashley Bingammon (03), Allison Simon (01), Colleen Forrester (03), Coach McVicker

Leading into her turn with a pole plant, Jane Rynbrandt (02) looks ahead down the hill as she makes her run.
Cutting hard into her turn, Libby Ramer (00) prepares for the next gate in the giant slalom course.

Transitioning between turns during her run at State Finals, Kristen Tebo (00), executes her route down the hill.

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Girls’ Ski

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History was made by the boy's ski team this season. The team swept eight out of the ten meets, which included the state finals. "They battled against the odds, and fought hard throughout the season," said Coach Brewster McVicker.

In preparation for the season, the team endured workouts and conditioning called "dry land." Dry land began in early November and was held everyday after school until early December. When the snow started to fly, the team moved out to Nub's Nob where they began intensive, daily training.

At the beginning of the season, the team set goals for themselves. The main goal that they wanted to achieve was winning the state finals. Their goal was met at the end of the season. "Winning states by fifty points was the highlight of my season," said Trevor Davis (03).

Before every ski meet, the teams gathered at someone's house for a pre-meet dinner. "We were very close and stayed that way for the whole season," said Nick Liebler (00). Also, on the mornings of home ski meets, most of the team gathered at McDonald's for what they called "McMeetings."

The boy's ski team went out with a bang in the new millennium. They definitely set the standard for the upcoming teams.

-Kelly Forrester

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1st Team All-State:
Jay Liegl, Jacob Olsen, Matt Behan

2nd Team All-State:
Nick McIntosh

Honorable Mention:
Nick Liebler

What was the highlight of your season?

"The highlight of the season was being able to stand at the State Finals knowing that we were the best."

-Travis Sullivan (00)
During the state ski meet, Trevor Davis (03) catches air while racing down Scarface in slalom course.

Nick McIntosh (02) is ripping up the course, as he takes down a slalom gate.

While looking down the hill, Jacob Olsen (02) sets up for the next slalom gate on the slalom course set up on Scarface.

With a trail of snow left behind, Jay Liegl (00) carves his turn beautifully and completes the G.S. course.
This year’s successful team consisted of 19 girls, three of whom were seniors, making it a young team. “It was different this year, most of us had never played with each other, but we ended up molding into a great team,” added Carrie Harrison (00). The season ended with a 11-7-6 record, which was an improvement from the previous year. The team moved one step up by making history in girls’ soccer.

For the 6th year in a row, the girls won the district title, but this year was the first year that the girls won a regional game. Dropping from Division II to Division III also helped them to take advantage of regional play. “We played awesome against Cedar Springs and it was exciting to make it to regional finals,” said Sarah Pennington (01). “We played hard all year and it finally paid off in the end,” added sophomore Stephanie Fettig.

Even though the team was young, there was a lot of talent. Much credit can go to Tracy Gunderson, the team’s goalie, who had 9 shut outs this season. “Tracy is a great goalie, without her we wouldn’t have had the success we did,” commented Kale Redder (01). The team had a great amount of speed and skill both on the offensive and defensive sides. All of these factors created a great team which was able to move one step up and make history for the girls’ soccer team.

-Liz Prantera
Cutting back on the ball, senior Cathy Borowski prepares to kick the ball into the net, while being guarded by a Cheboygan opponent. Petoskey beat Cheboygan 5-1.

Running with the ball, sophomore Sarah Foltz dribbles toward the goal on a breakaway against Gaylord. Petoskey tied with Gaylord, 2 to 2.

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In their home victory against Traverse City West, Jennifer Pennell takes a touch before ripping a shot on their unsuspecting goalie.
Improving basics was a common goal for the junior varsity and freshmen girls. As they worked on making sure that as they reach the next level, weather that is the junior varsity or varsity team, they are the best they can be. This year, the team goal was to improve individually and as a team. We achieved this goal by learning from our errors on the field and by practicing those skills we found to be weak,” said Coach Karen Robinson. This way, by the time that they reach the varsity team, they have finely honed ball-handling and passing skills.

The junior varsity team had some ups and downs this season, and they finished with a record of eight wins and nine losses. Even though they had a schedule full of Northern Michigan’s toughest competition, playing both Traverse City teams and Alpena, they improved constantly throughout the season and finished better than they began.

The freshmen team had a great start to their high school careers by finishing the season with a record of nine wins, two ties, and two losses. When asked what she enjoyed the most about coaching this season, Coach Robinson replied, “The girls I coached have a great enthusiasm for the game and for their friendships, and that type of attitude is a lot of fun to be associated with.” Sarah Jaquith(03) added, “This season was a lot more fun than previous experiences because we actually won most of the games. Winning isn’t everything, but it sure made things a lot more fun.”

Captain Marie O’Brien(03) said, “This season was very exciting because we had many wins and few losses.”

There were a lot of goals scored and accomplished on the junior varsity and freshmen soccer teams this season.

-Trevor Davis

Preparing for a cross, Chelsea Townsend(02) squares her hips to the goal in their one to zero home loss against the powerful Traverse City West team.

Kendra Hayes(01) advances the ball up field in their seven to zero home victory against Marquette.
"We have to keep our focus for the entire season," stated junior Brad Demuse, and that is exactly what they did. The team finished with the best record in Petoskey Boy's Baseball history. The only losses came when the Traverse City Central Trojans swept the team during a regular season double header and when they lost to the Mt. Pleasant Oilers. The loss to the number 1 ranked Oilers took place during the Division II quarterfinal.

After a landslide victory over Cheboygan, to claim the district title, the team celebrates as they walk over to shake hands with their opponent.


game, which was the farthest the Northmen have gone in the quest for the state championship since 1987. Before playing Mt. Pleasant, the boys won landslide victories over Ludington and Kalkaska to win the regional title.

"Senior leadership helped make the team more successful," said Paul Schafer. The team was enriched with veteran leadership, with 8 out of the 13 members being seniors. Many of them had been playing together since Little League. "Because of all the games they have played together, they know each other's strengths and weaknesses. This was a huge bonus and probably one of the main reasons why they were so successful," stated Coach Mike Loper.

The hard work paid off for the Northmen and the team had a very successful season.

-Kathleen Bacon
Sliding to catch the ball, first baseman Matt Hebert (01) attempts to tag out his opponent in the 14-0 victory over T.C. West.

Sliding into home, Marty Jackimowicz (00) is safe at base before the Kalkaska pitcher tags him out. The Northmen beat Kalkaska 22-2 to claim the regional championship.

After getting the sign from his catcher, Andrew Hausler winds up for the pitch.

### Varsity Boy’s Baseball

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#### League Games

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"My favorite game of the season was our very first game because we finally got to play after all of our hard work," said Tony Prantera (02). The team was successful and they had a winning record which allowed them to accomplish their team goal. Every player worked hard in practice and it definitely paid off in their games.

The team had a record of 17-7. Nick McIntosh (02) stated, "I think that we were so successful because our entire team always worked together and got along great."

The first game was very close, and in the end, the team lost by one. Then, the team stepped up and won the next thirteen games in a row. The end of the season resulted in alternating wins and losses.

The team won a lot of games by a wide spread. They faced a lot of tough competition and still played extremely well. "We had good coaches," said McIntosh. They helped every player work on their individual techniques and all of the players were very happy with both coaches.

Coach Ross and Coach Mcintosh had the the players learn to play as a team and communicate better. "I improved the most on my play in the outfield. I did this by doing drills on setting up behind the ball and then throwing it as hard as I could," said Chris Thompson (02).

The team had a great season and they were happy with the way that it ended. "The season was successful, because every player worked hard and they did the fundamentals correctly," said Coach Ross.

-Julie Kimball

Diving back to first base, Dan Plichta (02) tries to beat the pitcher's throw. The Northmen lost a tough and close game to Traverse City Central, 1-2.
Getting low enough to bolt to third base when necessary, Dan Plichta (02) eyes the pitcher.

Waiting for the ball to come to him, Ryan Peters (01) gets in his ready stance to make a catch.
A team, by definition, is a group of peers working together toward a common goal. But what this definition fails to show is the ultimate closeness that is needed to make a team a well-oiled machine.

“Camaraderie is a must to make a team work,” said Michelle Welch (00). “Our unit needed to maintain closeness to succeed.” With this group that comment rings true. “Our team is very close and we look out for each other,” added Nicole DeLyon (00). With the level of friendship this team has, people don’t have to go far to see how much this team has grown since their freshman year.

Varsity did very well, winning 6 games before they lost one. Most contribute such success to the excellent pitching roster. Pitchers Abbi Donaldson, Cortney Sherk, and Kelly Forrester led this team to twenty one victories.

While the girls were able to make it look easy, all of these victories didn’t come naturally. Coach Bill DeLyon attributes this to, “hard work and lots of practice.” Practice consisted of batting practice and other drills to get the girls ready for the season.

After the season started, it was clear how much practice time was invested in the team. Coach DeLyon commented, “We started out great; the girls worked together to get the job done.”

But even though they were injury-free, the team went on to lose in the first round of the districts. “We really played hard and I was very disappointed when we lost,” revealed Cortney Sherk.

With almost half the team consisting of seniors, the team will be losing some “valuable players,” said Coach DeLyon. But it is no doubt that the underclassmen will step up and make sure the team will dedicate themselves on hard work.

-Christina Colby

"This is truly a team sport and we worked really hard together."

-Nicole DeLyon (00)

Scoreboard

Varsity Softball

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Cheboygan 7-2
Trying to receive the incoming ball, Michelle Welch (00) gets set to make the play. Michelle played second base during the season. Her position played a vital role in each game.

In mid-pitch, Abbi Donaldson (01) tries striking out the batter in the closing minutes of the game. Abbi Donaldson was a part of the pitching along with Cortney Sherk (00) and Kelly Forrester (01).

Varsity Girls Softball: From back left: Coach Mike Welch, Coach Michelle Sysco, Megan Lamont, Michelle Welch, Abbi Donaldson, Renee Morrison, Katie Kresnak, Courtney Sherk, Ann Cosens, Ashley Weston, Coach Bill DeLyon, Amanda Swartfischer, Elizabeth Foster, Jen Cosens, Erin Beck, Cassandra Dickson, Nicole DeLyon, Sam Foltz.
Starting off the season with determination, the girls' junior varsity softball team came together to make themselves better as a whole. Helping each other improve, the girls never let their losses out-number their wins, ending the season with a record of 14-14.

Goals were set at the beginning of the season to have fun, play good fundamental softball, and to work together. The team started working on these goals on day one. The goals were achieved by working hard in practice. Practices included stretching, running, everyone individually working on their skills, and having fun.

Along with working hard in practice teamwork also showed during games. "We were always cheering one another on. I think it made us better that we were all comrades," said Shelby Kear. The coaches enforced good sportsmanship, even if the team lost they were to hold their heads high and be proud.

There was never a dull moment for the softball team. Everyone was always joking and goofing off. Kelly Forrester remembers, "My favorite part of the season was at the Sault when our first base coach would give us weird signs.

The season ended with the team as well as personals goals achieved. The team came together at the beginning of the season and stayed together until the end.

-Christina Johns

JV Softball: Colleen Forrester, Megan Serafini, Ellen Foltz, Lisa Blankenship, Shelby Kear, Michelle Martinchek, Andrea Godfrey, Danielle Frederic, Amy Beyer, Kathleen Willis, Sarah Jared, Katie Ciesielski, Kelly Forrester, Tawni Mercer, Heather Kahgee, Nicole Beck

Protecting her territory, Kathleen Willis gets between her enemy and the base. Looking for an out, she stands with her feet apart to block the attacker.

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Setting the team up for loaded bases Lisa Blankenship bunts, the ball. Keeping it close to home plate allows her teammates to advance bases.

Perching her lips in concentration, pitcher Megan Serafini, sets up to strike out an opponent from the other team.
Concentrating on his target, Jarod Dainoviec (00) steps into position to serve.

Swinging his racket back, Pat Maloney (03) follows through after he makes contact with the ball.
An excellent foundation in tennis was a key element that caused the varsity tennis team work hard to succeed. The team was relatively young, as it included four seniors, four sophomores and four freshmen.

A sensational record, outstanding individual accomplishments and teamwork were evidence of an exceptional season. Practices were also a very important part of this, as the team worked on their backhand, forehand, and serving swings. "I envision a good hit through concentration," said Ben Fox, describing his thoughts as he awaited his time on the court.

Key elements of the team ranged from hard practice, communication on the doubles teams, team work, and support for each other.

There were many achievers on this team, that accomplished many goals. The most improved player was awarded to Jorgen Poulsen, the Danish exchange student. Poulsen was a badminton player turned tennis player. "Coach Tramontini stated.

The most valuable player was awarded to Pat Maloney. And "Mr. Hustle" was presented to Aaron Sunday. The highest number of career victories was achieved by Jarod Dainovec, with seventy-six wins and twenty-six loses for his four year career. Maloney and Dainovec both won twenty-nine matches for the season. For the first time, Petoskey won the Big North Conference. Also, the team placed sixth in the state finals. This was the best that Petoskey has ever done.

They won all of their dual matches, the Big North Conference, and placed sixth in state finals. The team was very successful and received many awards.
Experiencing a strong season of success, the JV tennis team has proven itself cooperative, supportive and dominant. Evidence of this can be found in the fact that the team ended with seven wins and three losses.

The team, made up of mostly freshman, but including a few sophomores, and one senior, demonstrated an enormous amount of determination. They generated more than enough effort to capture a first place victory in the Big North Conference, as well as dominating the opposition in the Cadillac Invitational. As with every team, the J.V. had its obstacles to overcome. However, the strengths outweighed the weaknesses by far.

The team excelled when it came to consistency, team support and cooperation. The coach, Mr. Champion, was particularly impressed with this year’s team. He stated, “There was a great number of good players and everyone had a positive attitude.”

Brendon Carson (03), expressed both his team’s and his own appreciation for Coach Champion’s guidance when he said, “I thought Mr. Champion was a great leader and really helped encourage us. We couldn’t have done it without him.”

Mr. Champion has had a long history of tennis. Along with playing on his own high school team, he has been a volunteer coach from 1970 until 1996, and had coached varsity in ‘67, ‘68, and ‘69. However, he isn’t the only one with previous experience. “This year’s team was the first time we have had a significant number of players with this much previous match experience,” stated Champion. Good relations and communication between both a coach and his team are mandatory, and this team seems to have it in spades.

-Erica Chippi

With utmost concentration and determination, Rich Shoskey (03), strains to reach the ball in time and return it to his opponent.

JV Tennis: Coach Champion, Steve Welsh, Adam Vohs, Donovan Irish, Brendan Carson, Peter Walstrom, Brandon McCarthy, Marc Washburn. Front Row: Jacob Olsen, Brad McBride, Alex Brede, Chris Hutchinson, Rich Shoskey, Michael Gano
Setting an excellent example of teamwork, Peter Walstrom (02) prepares for an overhead smash while Adam Vohs (00) keeps his own eye on the ball as well.

In flawless form, Brad McBride (03), uses this stance so that he is ready and prepared for any direction the ball might be hit by his opponent.

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**JV Boys Tennis**

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**Invitational**

Cadillac Invitational 1st

Big North Conference 1st
As the first runner in the 1600 M relay, Kate Hutchens prepares for the gun as Coach Crandall holds the block.

The only four year state finalist, Megan Webb makes a ferocious jump off the runway.

Comming down the stretch of the 3200 M relay, Katie Brines pushes herself to perform.
Under the leadership of Coaches Becky Crandall and Anne Murray, the girls track team brought home five meet wins, two third place trophies from invitational, and sent eight girls to state finals. Hillary Szajnecki ('01) broke the school record for the discus by throwing an amazing 120' 5". Katie Touran ('00) broke the meet record of the Clare Invitational 800 m by running an impressive 2:29.54. Lyndsey Morales ('02) said, “My favorite meet was The Herald Times in Gaylord. I liked it because I did my personal best for the pole vault.” She added, “The team atmosphere is very friendly. We all seem to get along with each other quite well.” Melissa VanSlembrouck ('01) said, “Track was fun this year. We really had a good time, and we did really well.”

Leigh Topley ('01) added, “Yeah [the girls team] really did well this year, we took first place in a bunch of meets and had a great time with the team.”

Polly Kiffer ('02) was upbeat about the season saying, “We had a great season and we had fun at the meets. Overall track was a great experience.”

Going to state finals for the Lady Northmen were the 3200 m relay team of Sarah Beck ('03), Jessica Brines ('01), Katie Brines ('03) and Erin Fralick ('02). The 1600 m relay team of Erin Sarki ('02), Megan Webb ('00), Kate Hutchens ('02) and Erin Fralick, tied their best time all year at state competition. Katie Touran went in the 1600 m race, her second year at state finals. And Megan Webb returned to state finals for her fourth year, in the long jump taking home a medal. This is her third consecutive year medaling in state competition.

The girls team took sixth place in regionals in Gaylord, and sixth place in the Big North Conference meet in Cadillac.

-Jim Howard

**Girls Track**

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With a final burst of speed, Daemian Koehler (00) sprints past his competitors for first place in the 100 meter dash at a varsity track meet.

Withing up to throw discus, Drew Anderson (01) concentrates on his form before the release.
The Northmen boys' track team ended a tough season after enormous improvements in race times and in field events. The focus of the season according to Coach Schmoke was, "constant improvement and dedication to the team." This attitude was quite visible from the grueling practices in all weather conditions. The whole team worked hard all season, but some people went beyond what was asked of them at practice and put in extra miles of running on the days when they didn't have practice. One of these people was Dave Ernsberger. "Dave worked the hardest and scored the most points," said Coach Schmoke.

With only a few seniors returning from a very successful team last year, there were many events that needed to be filled by underclassmen. This year's team was comprised mainly of sophomores and juniors. Also, new to the team was Coach Zach Jonker, who helped with both the varsity and the JV teams.

Although the team started out strong at the beginning of the season with many 1st and 2nd places, their momentum slowed toward the end of the season. "We won a few meets early in the season, but we were not able to finish out the year as strong as most of us would have liked," said Nick Touran (02). The Northmen took 4th place at the regional meet and 5th place at the Big North Conference meet.

-Peter Brown

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Boys Varsity
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Focusing on his race, Josh Daniel (01) stares down the track before the start of the 400 meter dash. Josh medaled in the event.

Flying high over the bar, Nick Touran (02) clears 5 feet 6 inches in the high jump at a meet in Gaylord.
During an away meet against Newberry, Franny Becheck(02) lines up her putt as she waits for her opponents to putt out.

Enjoying an evening of practice, a few girls take some time for a water break before moving to the next hole.

Before the Petoskey Invitational, Jennifer Dewitt (00) cleans her ball while her dad, Assistant Coach Fred Dewitt, tells her what she can do to improve her stoke and distance.

Teeing off at the Traverse City Invitational, Heidi Hoffstedder (00) concentrates on her follow through as she watches to see where her ball is on the fairway.
"The womens team had a great start to regionals from the beginning," said head coach Margie Graham.

At their first meet they hosted Newberry and Sault Ste. Marie; they finished with a final score of 204 followed by Sault Ste. Marie with a 232. From that point on, high shooters throughout the season were Jenny Dewitt (00), and Heidi Hofstedder (00), along with Kathleen Bacon (02), and Kasey Davenport (03). Katie Markiewicz (00) said "I remember when I had to crouch so low to 'read the green,' that I almost fell."

At the end of the season the team was given a survey, and asked what advice they would give to anyone who was new to golf. Jessica Lownsberry (00) said, "All you have to remember is breathe, then stand and swing." Kristie Gions (03) added, "Its a mind game! Golf is 90% attitude and 10% swinging."

The team was also asked if they had any traditions that they would like to see carried on. Senior Mahrie Splan commented, "they need to continue the girl's moms to make spaghetti and homemade alfredo sauce for them." This was one of the traditions that had been started the previous year.

Their banquet was held at a local mexican restaurant where coach Margie Graham commented on overall achievement and their placing at regionals.

-Jenica Bock

Girl's Golf
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Petoskey Invitational 3rd
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Grayling 1st
T.C. Invitational 14th
Regionals 6th

Women's Golf: Kristle Goins(03), Lynn Rossi (02), Kasey Davenport(03), Kathleen Bacon (02), Franny Beecheck(02), Ashley Fotchman (01), Coach Margie Graham, Asst. coaches Fred Dewitt, Jess Dakoske. Middle: seniors; Jessica Lowery, Lindsey Brechiesen, Jessica Lownsberry. Front: seniors; Susie Borths, Mahrie Splan, Jenny Dewitt, Heidi Hofstetter, Colleen Maloney and Jenica Bock.
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-Lou Kasischke, volunteer commencement speaker

Emmet County Department of Public Works Director, Elisa Seltzer, introduces a book, "Common Sense Pest Control" to seniors, Jodi Washburn, Natalie Knibbs and librarian, Mrs. Bollinger. The DPW donated the book to Petoskey High School as well as ten other local libraries in honor of Pollution Prevention Week.
Beyond These Doors

Beyond the doors of Petoskey High School, a complex and active community exists. The local businesses contribute to the schools regularly. The Petosegan, itself, is a publication which requires much fundraising in the form of advertising sales. Without the local business owners who purchase ads, the Petosegan would not have funds enough to be printed and sold to students and staff.

On many occasions, Petoskey business owners have given donations to students in charge of school-related events. Art club members were able to collect a variety of prizes for the Rare and Random Talent Show. Much of the show's profit was donated to the Nehemiah House, a homeless shelter. This example illustrates the circle in which the schools and the outer community so often work.

The Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce donated portfolios to the graduating seniors. The portfolios contained information and advice to students who were seeking jobs in the area. In turn, the members of the National Honor Society and some government students volunteered throughout the year, giving their time to others.

The Petosegan staff sold the largest amount of ads in years. The funds raised in ad sales allowed both the printing of the color pages which appear at the beginning of the yearbook and the publication of the book itself.

Parent volunteers are also an important part of the community that contributes to the school. They help in such events as the annual senior all-night party. The students' successes are shared with the outer community.

-Kelly Tate

In honor of her recent retirement after volunteering 18 years on the Petoskey School Board, Kathy Biggs was declared Grand Marshall of the Homecoming Parade.

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Setting the mood for the football game, Varsity football cheerleader Megan Watts (01) marches the streets of downtown Petoskey, leading her team in a pre-game cheer.

Before walking across the Bayview auditorium stage to receive his diploma, Ms. Robinson gives Herbie Shaw (00) a good luck hug.
In the passage of time over the 1999-2000 school year, students continued to learn, to grow and to reach their potentials. The variety of teachers, students and administrators at Petoskey High School creates a diverse atmosphere. The constant activity of clubs and teams adds dimension to both the students’ lives and to the school itself.

Throughout the year, classrooms were constantly filled with sounds of discussion, debate, explanation or simply the quiet scratching of pencils during tests. Students took exams and wrote their last papers in the final days of the school year. Students would return in the fall and the seniors would find their places outside of Petoskey High School.

The year’s finish was the culmination of four years of secondary schooling for the seniors. But for the underclassmen, it marked simply the passage of one of the four years which constitutes a high school career. Yet, as the final days approached and finally passed, teachers and students alike awaited the passage of time which would begin its cycle once again, in the coming months.

Kelly Tate
The staff members of the Petoskey High School yearbook class from Petoskey High School at 1500 Hill Street, Petoskey, Michigan 49770 created the seventy-seventh volume of Petosegan, At This Place. The book was printed by Herff Jones, 6015 Travis Lane, Shawnee Mission, Kansas. Five hundred and forty books were produced at $35.00 per book. All 218 pages were completed using Adobe Pagemaker 6.5 with Herff Jones Page Master template on six in class computers, all which were Pentium 100's.

The theme of the book, At This Place, was composed in class at the beginning of the school year. Co-editors Kelly Tate and Megan Webb along with staff members Rae Ann Fretz and Jenica Bock created the cover and page layouts at the Herff Jones Fundamentals summer camp at Michigan State University last August. Our business manager, Katie Duggan, handled all of the advertisements, billing and account work. Other staff members created additional design work and layouts throughout the school year.

The cover is a lithograph with matte lamination. The cover fonts are printed in black and navy ink at 60%. The endsheet specs are Color Text CE-4 printed with black ink. There are a total of 24 Vintage Color pages, and all of the pages were printed on Bordeaux Special 80# paper.

The body copy font is Times New Roman throughout the book.

Caption font, Comic Sans MS, was also carried throughout. Headline fonts varied in different sections of the book. Student identification photographs were taken by Lifetouch photographers from Lifetouch Studios.

The staff wishes to thank Sally Manke, our Herff Jones representative, for her patience, help and dedication. We are very thankful for the many long, devoted hours she put in to help us put this book together. Thanks to our Adviser, Robin Pawley, for keeping us on track and for all of her positive words of encouragement. Another thanks to the Petoskey News Review and Kevin Johnston for helping us with some of the sports photographs. Also, a big thank you is sent to the support of the community, especially the area businesses who funded this book. We couldn't have done this without your financial support.

-Megan Webb and Kelly Tate