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The high school received many new additions to its existing building from August to June. Additions included the new gym, which was started in late October.

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Groundbreaking
Preparing for a new, updated school and curriculum brought PHS through a revolution. The school was bursting at the seams. With so many students, it was the perfect time for renovations. A new parking lot, new classrooms, and new technology were added. The temperature of the building shifted between two extremes—summer hot and winter cold. The need of new classrooms was apparent—not only did the number of students increase but the curriculum expanded as well. New classes, such as drama, journalism, and student council, broadened each student’s choice of classes towards an extreme number. A new sport, hockey, and a new club, the equestrian team, were also added, increasing the number of extracurricular activities. The community had expanded as well. More people had moved to the area. New stores, such as Claire’s, Bath and Body Works, and Home Depot, joined the many businesses already in existence. With so many new changes, new additions, and new expansions, the high school student body was Going to Extremes.
In a hurry to eat her Cool Whip and chocolate pudding pie, Kalie Redder (01) sticks her face into the pie tin during the Snowcoming pep assembly. After Redder and the other snowcoming queen candidates finished their pies without using their hands, the king candidates had to jump into a pool of jello. In the pool, the guys had to fish for lipstick with their mouths. After this difficult task, the guys ran back to the girls and attempted to put the lipstick on them, without using their hands.
**What's Hot**

Hot. Cold. Temperatures inside the building ranged from the feeling of winter cold to the feeling of summer warm as students watched new walls being added to the existing building. Even though there were many changes happening around school, students moved on with their daily lives. Each student attended classes, walked through halls, and talked to friends despite the open ceilings, hanging wires, and occasional sounds of jackhammers pounding cement and hammers pounding nails.

New. Old. Friendships and interests changed as students were exposed to new and different things. New friends were made. Old friendships were revived. All were involved in student life—whether it was showing their school spirit during the spirit weeks and sporting events, building a homecoming float, attending dances, talking in The Pit, or hanging with their friends. The building itself also experienced a dramatic change on both the inside and out. The Pit, a popular place to meet and talk with friends, was filled in over spring break, ending its existence but leaving a legacy of memories. New classrooms were added. A parking lot for seniors was added, allowing more students to drive to school. A new gym was started as the last few basketball games at Central School’s gym were played. Whether changing from within or watching the changes surrounding them, students were a part of an evolving atmosphere where change was a part of every-day student life.

In preparation for the snowcoming pep assembly, Connor Dennis (01) carries a tray full of chocolate pies. The pies were used by members on the snowcoming court who smashed them onto each other’s faces.

Relaxing after lunch, Christine Davis (04), Steve Smrekar (04) and Frank Foster (04) trade stories with each other in The Pit.

With big smiles on their faces, Amee Harger (04) and Ashley Bingaman (03) laugh at one of several jokes told at their New Year’s Eve party.
Waiting for the parade to start, Homecoming Court members Beau Platte (01) and Laura Killips (01) smile as they try to stay warm on the chilly Friday afternoon.
Showing their muscles and their moves, Ryan Deery (01), Andy Sciamanna (01), Joe Fifer (01), John Cowan (01), and Torri Peterman (01) pose for a quick picture at the homecoming dance. "I loved the hometown DJs and the atmosphere was electric," Deery.

"I dressed up for spirit week because it adds more originality to homecoming week." -Franny Bechek (02)

"The pep assembly was the best ever. My favorite part of the dance was when Kris Smoot (01) impersonated Fred Bear." -Kristen Wendling (01)

With the aid of stilts, Mr. Snyder does his best to impersonate Mr. Schmoke during the pep rally before the Homecoming Game. Often times, the staff shows a more humorous side to themselves during these assemblies.

During the homecoming pep rally, Beau Platte (01) gets a pie shoved in his face. At the pep rally people were cheering, hands were clapping, and pies were flying. Unfortunately for Beau, the homecoming court was the center of all the action, which included a pie in the face.
After a week of anticipation, Shawn Krueger (01) and Abbi Donaldson (01) are finally announced as king and queen. The court is chosen by seniors and the final decision is then made by the entire student body. "Being on homecoming court was an honor and a total blast! Even though it was freezing, standing in front of everyone during halftime was an exciting moment. The anxious look in everyone's face was great," commented Donaldson.

Throughout homecoming week, many activities promote school spirit and help unite all of the students. Part of this tradition is "Spirit Week". Each year, homecoming week includes five dress up days, each with a different theme. On Monday, several students came to school in their P.J.s on Pajama Day. Harley Davidson tattoos, jean jackets, and leather were found everywhere on Tuesday for Biker Day. Camouflage filled the hallways on Wednesday with Hunter Day. Putting on old seventies clothes and temporary hair dye, students imitated old rock stars on Thursday. Lastly, everyone showed their school spirit by wearing the traditional blue and white on Friday.

During "Spirit Week" the homecoming court was chosen. The five boys and five girls chosen were Liz Foster, Jessica Brines, Ashley Weston, Abbi Donaldson, Laura Killips, Beau Platte, Adam Cross, Steve Kopp, Brian McGeath, and Shawn Krueger. After much anticipation, Abbi Donaldson and Shawn Krueger were announced PHS Royalty during halftime of the Homecoming Game. The game was extremely close with the Northmen losing by two points.

To end the week, the homecoming dance took place on Saturday, October 7, from nine o'clock until Midnight. The music was chosen by the students and played by Brian McGeath (01) and Matt Ondrushek (01). More students seemed to work harder, have more energetic school spirit, and came together to make it a more memorable homecoming than ever before.

Enjoying the music on the dance floor,
Dan Kimball (01) and
Kris Smoot (01) get jiggly with it at the homecoming dance held at the Petoskey High School.

-Alison Simon
These hoop earrings, worn by Liz Carlisle (04), Meagan Killips (04), and Jessica Michelle (04), are yet another example of an old trend on the return.

Fashion plays a big role in many students’ lives because it is a way for us to express our individuality. Whether we wake up late and throw on some clothes, or we dress to impress, the fashions we choose can tell a lot about who we are.

As we enter into the new millennium, we are looking back on some of the crazier fashions of the past and adding our own modern twists. For example, denim jackets have made a huge comeback! Last year, cargo pants and cardigans were one of the hotter trends for girls, but times have changed and now go-go boots, big hoop earrings and colored Adidas Superstars are the craze.

The guys are beginning to dress up more on a day to day basis. Many are also attempting a new, messed up approach to their hair. Add these new hairstyles to their sharp, button-down shirts and you have a pretty good combination!

To top off any look, both guys and girls have been seen sporting visors along with shoulder backpacks to get a fun, yet sophisticated look. And when asked why they choose the styles they do, both guys and girls had the hands down response of, “It’s just who we are and what makes us comfortable.”

-Laura Shattuck and Kristal Chellis

Wearing his famous hat, Noel Bielaczyc (01) shows his laid-back style through a comfortable buttoned-down shirt and a stylish shoulder back pack.
On any given day, you can spot many girls roaming the halls and the pit wearing one of the hottest trends this year; the leather boot.

"Wear what you want because you want to wear it. We should wear nothing because it's even better!"
- Chris Sciamanna (02)

"Who's to decide what fashion is? It's whatever you want it to be, so don't wear some shirt with a name across it because everyone else is. Try something new and be original."
- Jenny Fosmore (02)

Choosing to present her individuality through her own unique style of clothing, Paula Ryan (03) wears a pair of comfortable pink plaid pants, a fashionable hat, and a tremendous amount of creative jewelry.

Here, Jessica Jarvis (02), Krysta Bailey (03), Melissa Cousinea (04), Mallory Gorenzel (04), and Michelle Martinchek (02) are wearing the traditional classic of denim jeans and a white shirt; the trend that will never fade.
Taking a break from dancing, Lindsay Fussman (01) and her date, Alex Cairns, relax outside of the cafeteria. "The shirt was more fashionable than fitting... It came undone by the end of the night!" exclaimed Fussman about her homemade saran wrap top.

Leisure suits and 70's dresses rocked the snowcoming dance this year. The cold weather was no obstacle for the outrageous costumes! Bright colors filled the cafeteria making the shagadellic theme shine through. "The music was great, not to mention the hot girls!" complemented Kirk Souza (01). Snowcoming King, Ryan Deery was unable to be crowned at the snowcoming basketball game because he was playing hockey at the Griffon Arena. He did, however, attend the dance as the 2001 snowcoming king.

"This years' snowcoming dance was the best I have ever been too!" exclaimed Shawn Krueger (01). All of the excitement started at the beginning of spirit week. Monday was Beach Day; Tuesday, Thug Day; Wednesday, Opposite Sex Day; Thursday, Construction Day; ending with Friday’s traditional Blue and White Day. "This night was definitely a night to remember!" said Kole Swiss (02), reminiscing about the fun he had. Everyone who attended the dance had a blast; from the crazy outfits to the unforgettable memories.

-Jessica Cosens

Yeah Baby!

Jammin' to the tunes, Nicki Fettig, Lindsay Hice (02), Kristin Gracy (02) and Josie Klenbert (02) dance till their feet hurt in their shagadellic attire.
Fixing their hair, Andrea Knibbs (02) and Amy Hotchkiss (02) take a break from dancing. "My feet have never been so sore!" laughed Knibbs.

Pretty in pink, D.W. Lucky (03) strikes a pose during spirit week. "Opposite sex day was my favorite! It gave me an excuse to dress up crazy!" joked Lucky.

"The music was great, not to mention the hot girls!" -Kirk Souza (01)

"I was really excited when I was told I won. The dance was a blast!" -Ryan Deery (01)

Showing her enthusiasm and pride, Afton Swenor (01) smiles after being crowned Snowcoming Queen during half-time of the varsity boys’ Feb. 2 basketball game. "I was just happy to make the court, I never thought I would win!" Afton exclaimed.
Putting forth their best looks, Amy (01), Janice (01) and April (01) Schwartzfisher are photographed together for a family picture. Janice describes these differences saying, "We have some similarities but we are also a lot different, especially in our style. We would never be seen wearing the same outfit in school. Also we have different hobbies - I like to drive, April likes kids, and Amy likes to bike."

Have you ever walked down the hallway and seen the same person twice, or even three times? You may think "dejavu" and shrug it off. You probably saw one of the ten sets of twins, or even one of the triplets. In the ninth grade we have the Keiser brothers, the Neil brothers, Katrina and Keith Sterly, and the Harris sisters and the Whipple brothers. The eleventh grade has the Swiss brothers, Ben and Danielle Fredrick, the Rensel brothers, and the Cosens sisters. The senior class has the Love brothers and the Schwartzfisher triplets.

Some of these siblings are very much alike in personality and in appearance. One example is Adam and Mike Rensel. "Adam and Mike hang out with the same people, play the same sports, and even look a lot alike. You have to know them both fairly well to tell them apart. I am pretty close to both of them now, so their differences are really obvious," Travis Biziorek (01) stated. Some of these twins, like Matt and Eric Love, are different in many ways. "Matt and Eric are total opposites, you would never even guess they are brothers," Dani Raiche (01) commented.

So what is it like to be a twin? Chris Keiser answered this question by saying, "I like being a twin but their is always a little competition, who is smarter, better at sports, better looking. You are always being compared. If I had a choice though I would definitely choose to be a twin." So next time you see the same person walk by, look a little closer and you'll discover they are two different people with many individual qualities.

-Melissa Simon

Taking time out from their Fourth of July party in East Jordan, Keith and Katrina pose under an arch. They are one of the few brother sister combinations at P.H.S.
Taking a few minutes to relax, Jeff (09) and Chris Neil (09) lounge in their condo during a ski trip to Colorado. When asked what he thought of being a twin, Jeff answered, "We are best friends. It is cool to be so close though, we have a lot of fun together."

Right before the Snowcoming Dance, Kyle Swiss (02) gives his brother Kole (02) a quick hug. These two brothers can often be seen hanging out together outside of school.

"The best part about being a twin is that I can always blame him for stuff that I did because nobody can tell us apart."

-Nathan Whipple (04)

"The best part about being a twin is that you're never bored, you always have someone to talk to."

-Ryan Whipple (04)

Trying to find their next move, Jennifer (09) and Whitney Harris (09) discuss a strategy for their pool game. "It is really cool to have a twin because you have someone who understands you, even when we do fight it only lasts about five minutes," Whitney comments.
Excited to watch a Varsity Basketball game on a Friday night, Peter Heier (04) pays to get in at the Central Gym ticket window.

“Parties, I love them... girls, dancing, and late nights.” - Chad Wilson (01)

“When we have nothing better to do, we cruise the streets in our cars yelling random comments at people.” - Kim McGeath (02)

Just about to enjoy a slurpee, Colleen Forrester (03) and Megan Serafini (03) fill their cups up at the local 7-11.

Cruising into the weekend, Brett Koch (03), Mack Boening (03), and Kyle Demeuse (03) head out of school to enjoy the next few days ahead.
Taking a break from celebrating a birthday at Las Senotna, Anthony Prantera (02), Andrea Nickerson (02), Ryan Peters (03), Kole Swiss (02), Carl Fosmore (02), A.J Wilbur (02), Brock Robinson (02), Sarah Jared (02), and Heather Kahgee (02) flash their grinning smiles at the camera.

Students look forward to weekends when they can temporarily put aside the books, forget about math and English, and focus on relaxation and having fun. Plans for the weekend always seemed to be the topic of conversation among the students as the week progressed.

Whether it was going to a basketball game to show school spirit, going to the movies to see the latest flick, or just plain relaxing, students here always find something to do. Also, gathering together with friends always seemed to cheer up those who were burnt out from a week of school.

"Some nights when we have nothing better to do we cruise the streets downtown in our cars yelling random comments at people," said Kim McGeath (02). As you can see, a driver’s license makes a big difference in the social scene. Since so many students spread out across the town to multiple neighborhoods, transportation is essential.

Going to parties and dancing are a big hit. Everyone loves to let loose and get their groove on. It’s also a great way to catch up on things with your friends. "Parties, I love them... girls, dancing and late nights," said Chad Wilson (01).

Primarily the popular hangouts are sporting events, attending parties with friends, grabbing a bite to eat, and even driving around. No matter what the weekend brings, students are continually creating new memories. The nighttime is always filled with endless possibilities.

-Megan Smith

Searching far and wide for a movie at Family Video, Eric Love (01) reads the back of “Girls Gone Crazy” on a not so exciting school night.
Resting with her dogs on the couch, Mrs. Vandenhueval, Nixon, and Chancellor pose for a quick picture.

Showing her affection to one of the younger members of the family, Ellen Foltz (02) gives her calf some TLC in her barn.

“My cat Lacey is a big part of my family, everyone loves her.”
-Krysta Grubaugh (02)

“I hate it when my dog barks at night, she keeps me up.”
-Kevin Corcoran (04)

Knowing that a pet expects a lot of exercise and care, Kelsey DeClerck (02) plays a game of chase through the living room with her cat Callie.
At her home in the barn, Afton Swenor’s (01) pet emu, Fricker, receives the attention she deserves. “I love my emu’s, they are unique because not a lot of people have them.”

According to the American Veterinary Association there are 59 million cats and 53 million dogs in the United States today that are kept as pets. Numerous students are among these numbers. These animals sneak their way into student’s hearts and quickly become important members of the family. While cats and dogs are still unrivaled in their popularity as pets, broad ownership has risen by 14.5% in the last five years.

There are many reasons why students acquire pets. Some of the more common reasons are: companionship, security, and someone to play with. As Ryan Chopp (04) stated, “My dog is always there when I need someone or something to talk to; he is a great listener.” Some students prefer more exotic animals as pets. Afton Swenor (01) enjoys spending time with her feathered friend the Emu and Kali Redder (01) finds it fun to hang out with her gerbil. Many classmates do interesting activities with their pets. Erika Fettig (02) loves to take her horse, Cheyenne, to shows, on trail rides, and to work on basic skills with her in the field. Connor Dennis (01) spends some of his quality time outdoors with his chocolate lab, Mahogany.

Animals add pleasure and companionship to our lives. Parents of students feel pets are a good way to teach their children responsibility and learn ways they can have fun without having to be accompanied by a person. What a great family tradition.

-Frika Lucky

The Emmet County Fair Horse Show is the perfect place for Lizz Foster (01) and Erika Lucky(02) to bond with their horses “Lover” and “Miss Ellie.”
Having fun at the homecoming pep-assembly, Kevin Corcoran (04) is on the shoulders of Evan Brownie (04) and Cam Rickard (04) is on the shoulders of Frank Foster (04). They were cheering for the class of 2004.

Colors of blue and white barely begin to describe the importance of school spirit. Pep-assembly, face paint, sports jerseys and the sounds of screaming fans help students to get a better idea of what school spirit really is. School spirit is an essential part in making the school year go around. Whether students have a positive or a negative outlook for school spirit, they always learn something from it.

The homecoming floats were intricate. Each grade level showed that they spent a lot of time and effort into making them. The seniors won overall. Homecoming spirit week was a huge success. Rockstar day and motorcycle day were two new additions. "I had a lot of fun doing rockstar day. It was something different so I went all out," Matt Behan (02) asserted.

Southmen

Pride

Homecoming spirit week was also a big hit. Unfortunately, Thug day was canceled due to a snowday. Thug day is a very popular day that students like to dress up for, but the following day which was cross-dresser day made up for the cancelation. The homecoming shagadelic dance was a night filled with crazy outfits and unforgettable memories. "Snowcoming is the best dance of the year, you can go in jeans and a tank top if you wanted to." Kasey Davenport (03).

Everywhere you look you can see some sort of school spirit. Everyday students walk down the halls wearing Petoskey sweatshirts and blue and white ribbons. No matter what, somehow, somewhere, someone is showing school spirit.

-Jill Daly

Right after their basketball game, Becky Haderer (04) and Bethany Leiberman (03) sit in the stands cheering for the varsity players. Both teams won their games.
Wrapped in a trashbag during the Spring Fling, Caleb Heier (03) pauses to swallow a mouthful of watermelon-seeds and all.

As Brandon Burek (04) was on his way to class, we managed to snap his picture. Burek went all out for spirit week on Hunter Day. He had the camouflage face paint, orange vest and camouflage pants.

"I've got school spirit because I think it's a fun way to show that you have pride for your school."
-Lacey Edwards (02)

"I dressed up for Blue and White Day because I thought that it would be fun plus it was just something different."
-Tom Dutt (04)

Anxiously awaiting instructions as to what game they would play during the Homecoming pep-assembly, the homecoming court Lizz Foster, Jessica Brines, Laura Killips, Abbi Donaldson, and Ashley Weston watch as a member of the student council demonstrates.
Looking at a picture from Madrigals, Becky King (02) and Corey Cieselski (02) sit on carpets in The Pit before school. Since The Pit was filled in with cement, the students were given carpets to sit on as an alternative.

The Pit. Its legacy will never be forgotten. A place for gathering, The Pit brought people together. “I didn’t get what the big deal was at first. But as time went on, The Pit became part of my everyday routine. Before school I would sit with my friends and during lunch I would talk,” stated Jenn Coens (02).

Having four sides, each devoted to a class, The Pit was where many “hung out”. It was a pastime that many will miss in its absence. “My favorite memory of The Pit was when the seniors camped out all day and listened to music last year,” stated Heather Kahgee (02). Many practices were held in The Pit and people hung out before and after classes. The Pit was a place to socialize, while others finished up their homework from the night before. “Everyone would go there. You could always rely on someone to have the homework you didn’t finish,” stated Nick Madrick (03).

Although many were unfamiliar with The Pit, those who knew it well will miss it. “I think it is kind of stupid to fill it in. It’s a place in the school where we don’t have to be quiet and we can always have a good time with our friends,” stated Steve Smrekar (04). The Pit was filled in on March 25, 2001.

-Julie Kimball

Leaving her mark in The Pit, Ashley Kendell (02) signs her name with a red crayon during her lunch period. After the carpet was ripped out, many students proceeded to write their names in The Pit with crayons and markers.
Gathering in The Pit during Homecoming's Blue and White Day, a group of seniors show their pride on their side of The Pit.

"It was a great place to hang out with friends. It didn't really matter where you sat, so it brought people together. But it was pretty gross to sit in the middle once the carpet was ripped out. You had to be careful not to get your pants dirty."
- Ellen Foltz (02)

"The Pit is the best place in the school. It was cool to be able to sit in there at lunch. There was always something going on, whether it was Quiz Bowl or just people talking."
- Eric Liebler (02)

Removing the carpet with a gigantic machine, a construction worker at the high school works diligently after hours. The carpet was removed in mid-May from The Pit and it was filled in during spring break.

Looking at Andrea Knibbs' (02) painting for Advanced Art, Matt Richter (02), Mike Rensel (02), Arris Finkbeiner (02) and Ryan Moore (02) relax in The Pit during their lunch hour.
Located behind the school, the new senior parking lot looks empty as most seniors have already left school for the day. The lot was built especially for seniors to ease traffic congestion as many left school early to attend college classes.

"The bathrooms need the most work. The renovations aren't improving them—they are only getting worse."
-Kevin Adaline (01)

"The whole school needs work. The cafeteria is definitely one of the worst areas, though, due to lack of space. The renovations haven't yet gotten to solving our lunch room problem."
-Amy Sarki (03)

During the construction of the new wing of classrooms, construction workers build the doorway between the new and old halls.

As the building of the new wing nears completion, small details such as painting the walls above the lockers and putting in the new furniture are completed. The new wing was first used by teachers and students on Monday, February 26.
Participating in the groundbreaking of the new gym, a group of student council members, community members, and administrators dig their shovels into the dirt at the gym's site right next to the high school building.

Dim lighting illuminated the faded, musty carpet. Ceiling tiles were stained and moldy. The school was in desperate need of repair. "I think the overall 'look' of the school needs the most changing," commented math teacher Karen Robinson. "The new wing is so light and bright. The rest of the school needs to follow suit."

Many new renovations were started over the course of the year. In addition to the new classrooms, parking lot, filling in of The Pit, and groundbreaking of the new gym, the auditorium was gutted and the chairs were replaced; the classrooms between the junior and senior halls were gutted to start work on the new media center; and plans were made to complete the new cafeteria and student commons over the summer.

With all the construction going on, maintaining a safe environment was important. "The administrators have done an excellent job working with the construction company to make the school safe," said teacher Lisa Rasmussen. Students varied on the subject of safety. "I feel safe—I have no worries," explained Evan Brownie (04). David Czarnecki (02) had some concerns about the ceilings. "I'm afraid of getting hit by a rail or the lights," he stated.

Overall, most students and teachers were excited and happy about all of the new changes. Lynzie Steffel (01) stated, "I think the renovations are great. They will improve the learning environment as well as our PHS reputation."

- Colleen McCoy

Bleeding in with his surroundings, Carl Fosmore (02), who dressed up for Construction Worker day during Snowcoming Week, stands in the new wing of classrooms.
Enjoying another Friday night at the weekly Bereziuk slumber party are Bryan Bereziuk (02), Chris Sciamanna (02), John Napoli (02), Jimmy Evans (02) and Jacob Wilhelm (02).

Trust, loyalty, respect, honesty, and humor are just some of the traits students look for while selecting life-long friendships. These are the people that help sort out future plans, supply a steady source of encouragement for success, assist in escaping rough times, cheer one-another up, and most importantly, are there whenever they are needed. “Without my friends, I don’t know how I would make it through the day,” stated Jodie Stradling (01). “My friends are always there for me, we talk about everything together,” remarked Lacey Gabrick (04).

Grades, parents, members of the opposite sex, rumors, and friends are just a few of the many topics students share with their friends. “I love having someone to share all my thoughts with,” stated Meagan Killips (04). “When I am with my friends, there is never a dull moment,” stated Brandon McCarthy (03). Throughout high school, students do more than go to classes and study for exams. They meet new people and establish solid foundations to start life-long friendships.

- Heidi Hall

Preparing to open presents, freshmen girls celebrate Jessica Michel’s birthday party at her grandparents cabin in nearby Gaylord.
Enjoying the rays after a quick, cool refreshing dip in Burt Lake are Ashley Weston (01), Jordan Wilkerson (01) and Matt Meyer (01).

“My friends are awesome. They can turn any bad or embarrassing moment into a humorous one.”
-P.J. Currey (03)

“Whether or not we are going out to a movie or just sitting around, my friends and I still find ways to have fun.”
-Ursula Anderman (03)

Taking time away from their Snowcoming dance are Jamie Daly (02) and Kim McGeath (02). “It was such a blast and Kim’s hair was the talk of the night,” stated Daly.

Excited about the Dave Matthews concert that they are about to attend, Lindsay Hice (02), Jessica Cosens (02), Jenna Serafini (02), and Megan Smith (02) are all smiles.
Going over a jump on his snowmobile, Connor Dennis (01) holds on tight. Dennis went snowmobiling with many of his friends on trails around his house.

Coming in from their twenty minute ride, Christina Johns (02) and Elaine Cannon (02) sail across the water. The girls were parasailing off the coast of Duck Island in the Florida Keys during their spring break. They reached a height of 500 feet.

"I really love to go snowmobiling in the winter. We just get a big group of people together and go." -Heather Kahgee (02)

"On the days that I didn't have practice, I would go to Bentley's and do the ab wheel. It was a great way to get into shape for spring break in Mexico!" -Matt Meyer (01)

Getting ready for a swim, Sarah Beck (03) listens for the countdown so she can hit her dive and start her lap off quickly.
Keeping a straight face, Emily Denay (03) dances to an N’sync song at Bentley’s. Denay was one of many girls that participated in the routine.

Softball, wrestling, skiing, football, basketball, cheerleading and volleyball are all sports that are available to students, along with many others. What if someone wanted to participate in another sport that is not offered? Well, they go out and do it somewhere else.

“I love swimming because of the endurance and the natural high that I get when I complete one of my workouts,” stated Michelle Cosier (02), who has been on the Harbor Springs swim team since sixth grade. Along with swimming, students lift weights at Bentley’s, snowboard, ski, snowmobile, golf and dance. “I am in a dance routine at Bentley’s, called BackDrop Productions, with a bunch of other people from the high school,” stated Laura Hayes (01). Many students also participated in golfing at Pirate’s Cove or at Crooked Tree. Students also participated in activities on vacations, such as beach volleyball and parasailing.

“It’s fun to go to Bentley’s after school and lift weights. There are a lot of people there and its a great way to stay in shape,” stated Kathleen Bacon (02). Although there are many sports available for students to play, some choose to stay in shape in different ways.

- Julie Kimball

Concentrating on the direction of the wind, Dan Kimball (01) steers the sailboat toward Harbor Springs.
While singing a love song from the musical "Brigadoon" Adam Wilson (01) belts out a few notes while Ami Marshall (03) gazes at him lovingly.

When the lights dimmed low and complete silence spread across the middle school auditorium, the many talented actors and actresses took the stage to act and sing their hearts out. Under the direction of Julie Saunders and Jerry Westerman, these students put on another fantastic performance.

The musical "Brigadoon" was chosen as the spring production. It is a classic love story about two American hunters, played by Adam Wilson (01) and Kevin Chester (01). Their characters, Tommy and Jeff, get lost in the woods and happen to stumble upon a magical, Scottish town called Brigadoon that only awakens every one hundred years. Tommy is engaged to a women back in his home town but happens to fall in love with a beautiful women named Fiona, played by Ashley Fotchman (01) and Ami Marshall (01). He is forced to decide if he wants to leave or stay. In the end he breaks off his engagement and goes back to Brigadoon to marry and live happily ever after with his true love. "I had such a great time doing this musical. We all worked together and I got to meet a lot of new people," said Lynn Rossi (02).

-Aiden Serafini

As the town of Brigadoon watches and claps, Jean McClarin, played by Rachael Chopp (03), gets married to Charles Darumple, played by Derek Smith (01).
Stationed in the middle of the town, Kevin Drummond (03) sits at a booth and sells sweets to the people of Brigadoon.

In tune with the rest of his cast members, Sam Roache (04) sings one of the many songs in the play with several other members of the town.

"Brigadoon was awesome. It wasn't fun wearing a kilt, but it was interesting to see an entire cast talk like Scottie from Star Trek."
-Frank McGlynn (02)

"Playing the part of a dancer gave me a chance to show off my footwork."
-Erica Chippi (02)

After one hundred long years, the town of Brigadoon finally awakens and all of the girls are excitedly welcoming each other with hugs and smiles.
Singing his heart out, Patrick Ryan (03) entertains a crowd full of dancing people at the prom.

“I really Enjoyed the live music.”
-Tyler Boroway (01)

“I loved getting to shake my booty all night.”
-Kristin Gracy (02)

The "other" queen Amy Tormey (01) and her date, Shawn Krueger (01) take advantage of the beautiful day. The vote for queen resulted in a tie letting two queens take the throne.

Following tradition, Erin Sarki (02) pins a boutonniere to Aaris Finkbiner's (02) jacket before they meet their friends for dinner.
The theme for the prom was entitled "Around the World in an Evening." The invitation was designed as a passport, and each room was decorated like a different country. All decorations were done by the junior class.

From Egypt to New Orleans, prom was definitely a success. This last dance of the year gives juniors, seniors and some lucky sophomores and freshmen a chance to dress up and have a good time, and provides everyone with memories they will never forget.

What makes prom so amazing is that everything is done by the student body, from fundraising and decorating to the selection of chaperones. Willing volunteers spent many hours toiling away at Nubs Nob, where prom is held each year. What resulted was a majestic fiesta.

The exotic looking Nubs Nob took students through an array of countries depending on what room they entered. The dance floor resembled Egypt, with sand dunes and palm trees surrounding the walls. Other rooms included New Orleans, Japan, and France.

Whatever the theme, Prom is more than a dance held at a local ski resort, but a fairy tale in which girls get to be princesses swept away into a whole other world. It makes high school a little more bearable, but most of all provides us all with memories we will cherish forever.

-Danielle Charles

Looking very modest despite their recent victory, Megan Watts (01) and Rickey Sanders (01) walk to the dance floor as prom king and queen. Megan was one of the two queens that was crowned.
Devotion. Athletics are a big part of high school for many students. Because of this need to compete, the 2000-2001 year was a successful one for many teams. The fall season kicked off with the Boys' Soccer team winning their District Championship. The Girls' Varsity Tennis team had a winning record and they won Regionals. They competed at the state level and placed 13th. Both the Boys' and the Girls' Cross Country teams went to states. The addition of the Hockey team was a highlight to the winter season. The Boys' Ski team placed first in the state and the Girls' Ski team had individual state qualifiers. The Cheerleading squad competed for the first time ever and were able to compete at states. The Varsity Boys' Basketball team won Districts and also had a winning record. The Varsity Volleyball team won the District Championship and had many individual records broken. The spring season was also successful, with the track team sending many qualifiers to compete at State Finals. Individual records were broken, such as Matt Meyer (01) breaking the shotput record and the 3200 relay breaking the state record for Division II. The Softball team beat the record for the most wins in a season. The Varsity Boys' Tennis team went to the state finals and placed 4th overall. Another year of excellence passed by for athletics.
Looking over his opponent from Cadillac, Matt Meyer (01) tries to get ready to go up with his shot. The Northmen lost a tough game to Cadillac during the last home game in Central Gym.
The Varsity Girls' Basketball Team was in a rebuilding mode after losing eight seniors from the previous season. The objective for the team was to step up to the challenge and fill some of the gaps left by last year's graduates. The girls came together as a team and met this challenge, but it wasn't easy. Many long and hard hours were put in at camp over the summer, through practices and at home. These hours paid off during the season. Ellen Foltz (02) said, "We worked extremely hard over the summer and it really showed once the season got started."

The Lady Northmen faced tough competition throughout the season and they came out on top in many of the closely fought games. Traverse City and Cadillac were two strong teams the Lady Northmen faced. The Sault also gave them tough competition and ultimately came out the winner in the district match up. Despite the competition, the Northmen proved victorious in most instances, ending the season with a 15 and 6 record. Amie Ecker (02) commented, "We faced many challenges this year; rebuilding a strong team, learning to play as a team and tough competition. All in all, we had an outstanding season."

In spite of the ups and downs of the season, the girls enjoyed playing together, practicing together, and hanging out together. "We had a great time and a great group of girls," stated Kate Hutchens (02).

-Erika Lucky


Taking advantage of the open lane, Sam Foltz (01) drives past her opponent from Elk Rapids. Teammate Kate Hutchens (02) backs her up.
In an effort to score two points, Abbi Donaldson (01) goes in for a lay-up. Her opponent from Alpena was unable to stop her drive.

Skillfully shooting the ball, Kate Hutchens (02) contributes two more points, as Shelby Kear (03) looks on with anticipation. The Northmen won with a score of 52-34 over Alpena.

Getting psyched for the game, the Lady Northmen huddle up and get pumped up for a game at Central School gym. "This is a tradition the team has been doing for a long time," commented Julie Kimball (02).
Challenges within the season build and improve any team. The J.V. basketball team faced many obstacles. "We played to the best of our ability and put all of our effort into every game," stated Sarah Carlson (03). With the final record of 3-17, the team learned respect and cooperation. "We grew much closer as a team as the season progressed," said Carlson.

Even though the J.V. record may not have been as good as they had hoped, the girls still felt that the hard work and practice was worth it. "We had many laughs despite all of the obstacles we had to overcome," commented Tori Vratanina (03).

Obstacles are something that all freshmen face coming up from the middle school. Basketball at the high school level was much more competitive and caught them by surprise. "We grew personally and we grew on the court. We weren’t mentally prepared as much as we should’ve been. We learned the hard way and will be more experienced next year," stated Dana Wynn (04). With a final record of 5-15, the girls had a strenuous season with many hard fought games, but they enjoyed it every step of the way.

-Amy Stone

Freshmen: Elk Rapids 43-14; Boyne City 40-41; Alpena 35-61; T.C.West 31-51; Sault Ste. Marie 23-43; Boyne City 42-39; Gaylord 33-23; Cheboygan 31-55; J.V: Harbor Springs 12-32; Boyne City 29-48; Charlevoix 32-58; Alpena 28-48; Sault Ste. Marie 23-62; T.C.Central 29-60; Charlevoix 37-39; Harbor Springs 34-31; Gaylord 34-42;

JV Girls’ Basketball- 
Front Row:  
Becky Hader, Sandy, Krumm, Crystal, Goins, Elizabeth, Phelps.  
Back Row:  

Going for a layup, Ellen Beatty (03), passes by an opponent while playing Elk Rapids at home. The final score was Elk Rapids 36, Petoskey 43.
Looking up court for an open teammate, Megan Rapelje (04) tries to get past the full court pressure at a home game against Cheboygan. The Northmen lost a close game with a score of 32-39.

Looking for an open teammate, Bethany Lieberman (03), tries to pivot around her Elk Rapids opponent. The Northmen lost a tough home game on Halloween night.

Cadillac 39-45; Alpena 33-53; T.C.West 25-47; Sault Ste. Marie 40-54; T.C.East 38-46; Elk Rapids 55-42; Gaylord 43-23; Cheboygan 32-39, Cadillac 36-45
Cheboygan 37-65; Cadillac 27-41; Alpena 33-50; T.C.West 34-32; Sault Ste. Marie 15-55; T.C.Central 26-45; Elk Rapids 36-43; Gaylord 37-33; Cheboygan 18-52; T.C.West 33-48

"Being on the JV team was a lot of fun this year. Since I'm a freshman it's a privilege to be on the team."
-Becky Hader (04).

Gaining control of the ball, Erin Green (04) flies down the open lane towards an opponent from Gaylord. The Northmen won the game with a high score of 43-23.
"It was a tough but fun year and I'm sad to see it end. It went by really fast."
-Shawn Krueger (01)

"The season was fun and promising. It will definitely be something that I won't forget."
-Kyle Beyer (01)

"It seemed as if we all started out in the woods, but in the end we found our way out."
-Kole Swiss (02)

As the end of the summer nears, there is excitement in the air due to the enthusiastic football players, who are anxiously awaiting the opening game of the varsity football season. According to Brock Robinson (02), "The team was made up of a wide diversity of players who all started out as a team, but ended as a family." There were 21 seniors, 16 juniors, and two sophomores, who would all soon approach what would be one of the toughest seasons ever for the greater ratio of the team.

The team started their opening game against Fruitport on August 25, with an "overwhelming loss" of 13-34. "After that game it seemed as if everyone had lost all hopes of winning again," remarked Eric Love (01). Coach Farris added "The injuries this season alone were more than those in all of my 13 years of coaching. Therefore I was unable to start the same line throughout all nine games. Despite all of the hardships that these players faced, they responded as best as possible," said Coach Farris. The team was able to rebound against Alpena on October 13 with a 20-0 victory. This game alone rebuilt the spirit of many players and helped them to further comprehend the accomplishments that they had made.

At some points, it was difficult to force one another to believe that we could make it through the season, but we did it," stated Kyle Swiss (02). Even though the season had tough losses, the players overlooked them and enjoyed the season. "Next year we look to rebound with a much better year filled with more victories and a lot less injuries," concluded Coach Farris.

-Heidi Hall

Fruitport 13-34; Oscoda 21-28; Cheboygan 28-26; Sault Ste. Marie 3-27;
While cutting and shaping the perfect path to find his way out of the massive tackle, Kory Ciesielski (02) is able to free himself with possession of the ball.

While trying to take down one of Traverse City's players, Kole Swiss (02) comes in with a tremendous tackle.

While Kole Swiss (02) and a Traverse City player go down, Josh Daniel (01) is able to maneuver around them so he can make an attempt to stop his opponent from Traverse City.

Determined to break free, Kory Ciesielski (02) reaches out in a desperate attempt to keep his balance, while a Traverse City player is at his feet.

After catching the perfect pass, Drew Anderson (01) regains his concentration on carrying the ball for a touchdown.

T.C.Central 6-23; T.C.West 7-26; Cadillac 6-42; Alpena 28-0; Gaylord 7-9
"This football season was really fun. We had a slow start but we later showed our improvements."
-Nick Madrick (03)

"Being one of the two quarterbacks was a big responsibility but I managed alright."
-Kevin Corcoran (04)

"My strength as a player was that I could catch the ball well at my tight end position."
-Justin Szajneki (04)

"The team wasn’t prepared to come to every game and that is part of the reason we had losses. However, he said that he was greatful for the team’s dedication.

The freshman team had a final record of four wins, four losses, and one tie. Kevin Corcoran (04) stated, “Even though I am a very competitive person, I think that winning and losing doesn’t matter. What matters is that you are out there working hard but having fun at the same time.” The most competitive game was against the Sault. In the end they tied, 28-28. Justin Szajneki (04) said, “I want to get out there next year and beat all of the teams that we lost to this year- that is my goal.”

Overall, both teams had the teamwork it took to have a successful season.

-Jill Daly

Freshman: Posen 28-0; Oscoda 28-8; Cheboygan 12-22; Sault Ste. Marie 28-28;

JV: Fruitport 38-17; Oscoda 22-12; Cheboygan 39-18; Sault Ste. Marie 41-31;
Behind his closed eyes, John Kerton (03) attempts to run through his T.C. opponent.

As Brett Koch (03) is running for the touchdown, his father is the only one in the bleachers.

Freshmen Football - Front Row: Richard Fosmore, Keith Kiqgina, Kevin Caracool, Todd Keiser, Ryan Kalbfleisch, Kris Keiser, Ryan Chopp, Derek Hofbauer, Adam Wilkkiiski.

T.C. East 31-41; T.C. West 16-28; Cadillac 22-12; Alpena 32-8; Gaylord 8-48

T.C. Central 32-8; T.C. West 38-12; Cadillac 28-16; Alpena 41-20; Gaylord 20-0

With his teammates blocking him, Jordan Munson (04) ran with the ball in hopes of a touchdown. He didn't get the touchdown, but he did manage to gain yards for the team. They went home with one of their four wins.

After being tackled on a chilly Thursday evening, Matt Fate (03) was informed that the ball was being turned over to Gaylord.
Before taking the field for the start of every game, the Boy's Varsity Soccer team gathers together in a huddle and yells "1, 2, 3 INTENSITY!". "This brings us all together and helps us mentally prepare for the game and the goals that lay ahead of us," said Matt Love (01).

The Northmen captured the Big North Conference title, won first place in the Petoskey Invitational, was ranked second in division two and won their eleventh district championship in twelve years. "The team unity was strong throughout the whole season," said Coach Batchelor. "If we would not have worked together as a team, we would not have accomplished what we did."

The team was full of outstanding players. Seniors Kevin Connolly, Rob Farrimond, Kyle Lieberman and Matt Ondrusek were named 1st team All-Conference. Kyle Beyer, Matt Love and Brian McGeath were 2nd team All-Conference. Also, Rob Farrimond beat the previous scoring record of 23 goals in one season set back in 1992 with 32 goals. The Northmen cruised through the districts and the first regional game, but were stopped in the regional final game against Grand Rapids Christian with an unfortunate 3-1 loss. When asked how the year went, Matt Ondrusek (01) said, "We had a very successful season and a great all around team. Hopefully it is something that teams in the future try to compare themselves to."

-Jenna Serafini


With a look of concentration, Aaron Sunday (03) tries to beat his opponent to the ball at the district game against Cadillac.
Before the start of the regional final game in Grand Rapids, the team huddles up. Teamwork is the key to success for the varsity boy's soccer team.

On a breakaway, Brian McGeath (01) dribbles down the field as Kyle Beyer (01) watches. The Northmen beat Lowell to advance to the regional finals.

In hopes of scoring a goal, Rob Farrimond (01) tries to beat the goalie to the ball and put it in the back of the net. The Northmen won against Gaylord 10-0.

Using his power of speed, Matt Behan (02) propels the ball down the field in a home game at Curtis Field.

Carefully trying to maneuver his way around a Cheboygan player, Beau Platte (01) uses his best footwork.

7-0: T.C. West 3-0; Cheboygan 3-3; Ludington 1-1; Gaylord 10-0; Forest Hills Central 3-4; Forest Hills Northern 3-1; Alpena 3-0; Cadillac 8-1; Gaylord 2-0; Lowell 2-1; G.R. Christian 1-3
Pushing Ahead
To find out who is #1!

Greatly improving from last year’s season, the junior varsity soccer team proved that it is no secret that they had an outstanding year. “We started off slowly in the beginning but in the end we pulled through,” said Chris Hutchinson (03).

According to the team, their most difficult game was against T.C. West. Dustin Jonson (02) commented, “During the game, our defense and offense were strong, but at the end we started to fall apart.” Their main goals were to develop better skills and to have a successful season. The team did meet those goals, according to Coach Gunderson. Their overall record was 9-4-4.

With an almost flawless season, the freshmen took the record of 12-1-1. The team’s main focus was to beat their rival T.C. Central. “They were a large team physically and possessed very good skills,” commented Coach Jonker. All in all, Jonker was pleased with how his team played in that game. “With our speed, we worked on spreading out on the field, then we were able to use the space we created with our dribbling skills,” added Coach Jonker.

Overall, the two teams captured many victories and achieved many goals. Every player contributed to the success of each team and showed a great amount of skill as well as a positive attitude.

-Megan Smith

Freshman Boys
Soccer - Front row: Keith Braddock, Josh Antonishen, Matt Hamel, Jon Ducastel, Jeff Neill, Chris Neill, Bret O'Neil, Back row: Coach Jonker, Damon Huffman, Trevor Vandenbrink, Andrew Evans, Justin Beyer, Kyle Lawrason, Nick Tahitinen, Tim Batchelder, Not Pictured: Caleb Wojcik

In a hurry to steal the ball from a Houghton Lake opponent, Jeff Neill (04) attempts to make a pass to a fellow teammate, Keith Braddock (04).
Attempting to break through the Cheboygan players, Pat Maloney (03) pushes the ball ahead. This was one of the first home games for the JV team.

After completing a successful save, Howard Baker (03) punts the ball to his fellow teammates.

In an attempt to pass the ball to a fellow teammate, Skip Grannis (03) moves around his Cheboygan opponents.

Cadillac 4-0; Elk Rapids 7-0; T.C. West 0-1; Cheboygan 1-3; Ludington 1-1; Gaylord 6-0; Alpena 0-1; Sault Ste. Marie 6-1

T.C. Central 4-4; T.C. Central 1-2; East Jordan 5-2; T.C. Christian 4-1; Roscommon 5-0; Harbor Light Christian 2-0; Houghton Lake 3-2

I think we gained a lot of experience and learned to play better as a team. When our JV team comes together as a whole, we can make everything happen.”

-Jacob Wilhelm (02).

After following through from a pass, Justin Beyer (04) shows off his defending skills as he steals the ball from a Houghton Lake player.
Aiming for Victory

"To be a successful golfer you must be determined, skilled, and concentrated," said Mark Matz (02). That is definitely what it took for the boys' golf team. They practiced at least four times a week at the Bay View Country Club and also at Crooked Tree. "Practice wasn't hard at all. It was really fun because we played with our team," commented Dan McNamara (02). Their goals for the season were to lower the team stroke average, improve their standing in the conference and qualify for states. They lowered their average by almost six strokes.

At the Big North Conference, Petoskey ended up in 7th place, with Mark Matz getting 7th on the all conference team. Petoskey placed 4th at the Boyne Mountain Invitational, with Kevin Adaline shooting an 82. At T.C. Central, Petoskey placed 6th, with Matz shooting 76. The team was most successful in the tournament in Petoskey. They placed 3rd overall, with Brian Jakeway shooting a 79.

"The best part of the season was the season itself," said Coach Hines. "We love the game, so playing it daily makes the season very enjoyable."

The team voted Joe Stakoe and Steve Manning as the most improved players. "The most challenging part of the season was golfing with kids that were better than me. It just made me mork more and try harder," replied Josh Robinson (04).

As the season came to an end, the team had incredible unity and the players were very pleased on how they improved their games.

Jessica Cosens

After an amazing hit by his opponent, Mark Matz (02) shows him up with a perfect putt. Matz was filled with determination and excitement. Petoskey placed 3rd here at the Walloon Lake Country Club.
Driving from the tee, Josh Robinson (04) hits off on the front nine. He ended up driving the ball 200 yards and was very happy with his performance.

Waiting patiently, Eric Hendricks (01) is the last to putt on the 18th hole. All of his work paid off when he shot a perfect putt. Having good sportsmanship, his opponents complimented him on his great game.

Full of concentration, Kevin Adaline (01) tees off. His opponent's hit was hard to beat, but Adaline was successful by landing on the green.

With a few extra minutes, Dan McNamara (02) returns to the lodge. McNamara recalled the day as "successful and challenging."

Bursting with determination, Cam Rickard (04) tees off with power. Rickard had a wonderful game and a wonderful season.

Sault Ste. Marie 5th; Alpena 6th; Petoskey 3rd; Gaylord 6th; Cadillac 6th; T.C. Invitational 7th
According to all of the Varsity Girls' Tennis team members, they were expected to have a rebuilding season. They lost seven seniors from the previous season and weren't getting their hopes up. They set many goals for themselves and met many accomplishments.

“Our biggest accomplishment as a team was becoming so close. We treated each other like sisters,” stated Courtney Leestma (02). Along with being great friends, the team was also triumphant with having a winning season. The team had an overall record of 7-2-1. They came in second place in the Big North Conference. The team won the Regional Championship, with 19 points and their opponent, Grand Rapids Catholic Central came in second with 18 points. The Championship came down to the last match, and the #2 Doubles, Kristin Levanovich and Rebecca Gabrick, won the close match. After regionals, the team went to the State Finals and took 13th place in the state.

“I play tennis because our team is so close, we had a very successful season and we all love to play the game,” stated Rebecca Gabrick (02). -Julie Kimball
Hitting the ball as hard as she can, Megan Killips (04) serves, as her doubles partner Becky King (02) gets ready to return the ball when it comes back over. This #1 duo went 1-1 in the state finals.

Throwing the ball up in the air, Andrea Knibbs (02) gets ready to serve the ball with full force.

After the big match that determined the Regional Championship, team members ran out to congratulate the #2 doubles, Kristin Levanovich (02) and Rebecca Gabrick (02) on their win.

Waiting to serve, Shanell Ryan (01) warms up before her Alpena match. Ryan was one of the four girls returning from the previous season.

Reaching out to save the ball, Rebecca Gabrick (02) sails it across the net. Gabrick and her doubles partner, Kristin Levanovich (02) beat their T.C. West opponent 4-6, 6-1, 6-2.
Taking a Time Out

Balancing hard work and fun yields success

"I play tennis to keep in shape, to meet people, to support the school, and because it’s a lifelong sport.”
- Katie Capaldi (02)

"The most exciting thing that happened this year was when we got to play at Ferris - college guys!"
- Erica Chippi (02)

"The team was very close. We were always there to cheer each other on at the matches.”
- Chelsea Phelps (03)

Every now and then, everyone needs to take some time out. It could be time to have fun, or time to relax and gather thoughts. Either way, it is something necessary for everyone to function. The JV tennis team understood this. However, they did not let it disrupt their work. There was a clear boundary.

According to Coach Marilyn Smith, "The girls certainly knew how to have fun, but they never let it interfere with their work. The greatest thing about tennis is that it’s a sport you can play for life.” Many of the girls will agree with how unique tennis is. Katie Capaldi (02) stated, “Tennis is different because the players cannot rely on the team to win their matches for them. Each individual must have confidence and discipline.”

In contrast, it is still very important to have the rest of the team there for cheering. Chelsea Phelps (03), who has been playing tennis for two years now on the JV team, claimed that the practices were important because “everyone started to come together as a team,” which lead to “full support of one another during the matches.” As with most sports, practice is the key to succeeding. Capaldi said, “The most important part of practice was not only the physical preparation, but the mental preparation as well. You have to have a positive attitude to be a successful tennis player.”

Coach Smith added, “Having the JV members practice with the varsity members was helpful because it forced the JV members to hit the ball harder.” All of these aspects and more helped the team perform well in their matches.

Overall, the JV team won 91 matches and lost only 57. The team consisted of five freshman, four sophomores, four juniors, and one senior, all of whom contributed greatly to a season well accomplished.

- Rebecca Toporek

T.C. East Jr. High 1-7; Alpena 8-0; Grayling 8-0; Petoskey JV Inv. 20-4; T.C. Central 0-8; T.C. East Jr. High 1-7; Big Rapids 4-4; Midland


Waiting for the ball, Katie Ryan (04) stands ready for her Grayling match on Thursday afternoon. Ryan and her doubles partner Katy Willens (03) won the match.
Hitting the ball back to her Grayling opponent, Katie Capaldi (02) scores a point. She and her teammate, Lacey Gabrick (04), won the September 6th match.

Ready to go, Laura Shattick (04) steps forward in an attempt to hit the ball that is being served by Harbor Springs on the September 19th match. She played #1 singles. Shattick claimed, "The serving drills were the hardest part of practice, so I improved for my matches."

With feet off of the ground, practice makes perfect for Laura Shattick (04) as she slams the ball across the court and over the net at the Petoskey home match against Harbor Springs. Shattick won with a final score of 6-2.

Concentrating on the ball, Lauren Doherty (02) serves the ball to Big Rapids on the September 15th match. Lauren, who had just started her match, ended up winning against her Big Rapids opponent. This particular match was held at Ferris State University.

While taking a breather, Katy Willens (03) and Katy Ryan (04) switch spots after scoring a point at Grayling on September 28th. They won the match.
How does it feel to be a new team composed mostly of new members and take first or second place at your first competition? To find the answer, just ask the varsity and junior varsity cheerleading teams.

The varsity cheerleading team, under the leadership of Coach Erin Vandenheuvel, proved that hard work and dedication pay off. The girls took second place in their competition at the Grand Traverse Mall. "Many people don’t think cheerleading is a sport, but when you have to work for a place against other teams it shows that it is," commented Stephanie Seeley (03).

The junior varsity team, with the help of Coach Jen Hopkins, traveled to Traverse City for their first competition as well. They ended up placing first. "It was definitely a memorable event. I smiled so hard I started crying," Polly Kiffer (03) said.

Coach Vandenheuvel summed up the year the best when she said, "To realize your full potential, you must be willing to strive for what lies beyond your grasp."

- Christina Johns and Matt Love


Focused on firing up the crowd, Karleigh Simon (04), Trisha Budek (04), Molly Preston (04), Laura Koons (04), and Corey Higley (03) raise their arms to coax the crowd into cheering with them.
Extremely excited after taking second place in their first competition, Jessica Cosens (02) and Jenna Serafini (02) show off their red ribbons. "I am very proud of us. I think we really showed everybody what we could do," said Jessica Cosens (02).

Varsity Cheerleading-
Front Row: Christina Johns, Sarah Jared.
Middle Row: Beth Kerton, Jessica Laurie, Jenna Hodgkiss, Kaitlin Cinnion, Sara Meyer. Back Row: Lindsay Hice, Jenna Serafini, Jessica Cosens, Megan Smith, Pam Dutt, Krysta Grubaugh, Hilary Newcomb, Coach Erin Vandenheuval, Stephanie Seeley.

With smiles on their faces, Sarah Porter (04), Hayley Marzec (04) and Kayla Kline (04) whip their arms during a defensive cheer to empower the JV football team.

Showing off their skills, Hilary Newcomb (02), Krysta Grubaugh (02), Jenna Hodgkiss (02) and Beth Kerton (01) execute a stunt during a competition in the Grand Traverse Mall.

Pumping up the crowd at the homecoming pep assembly, Pam Dutt (01) dances to "Pump Up the Volume," with the help of the rest of the varsity and junior varsity teams.

Showing their support for the football team, the varsity cheerleaders make a tunnel for the football players to get them pumped up before the game.
Team Unity
Sticking Together

"Camp was awesome. We really came together as a team."
- Lyndsey Morales (02)

"Being a teammate is critical. Everybody needs all the support they can get."
- Erin Sarki (02)

"Cross Country has been a positive experience for me through high school."
- Laura Hayes (01)

Most people think sports are all about physical strength, but cross country requires as much mental strength as it does physical. The Girls Cross Country team had a very successful season. Some outstanding accomplishments were a first place in the Charlevoix Classic Mud Run and placing in the top ten of the Carson City Invitational. Also, there were 30 girls on the team making it the biggest girls cross country team in P.H.S. history.

They held their team camp at Camp Daggett. Conditioning is a big part of camp, but building a "family unit" and developing team unity plays a large role in the camp experience. Lyndsey Morales (02) explained, "Camp was awesome. We really came together as a team, which made the whole experience more meaningful." Coach Dickman stressed the importance of team unity. "Our training is very demanding and difficult. When everyone shares in the misery of running hills, it tends to pull people together and they become closer."

In cross country, being a loyal teammate is essential to success. Erin Sarki (02) explained, "Being a teammate is critical. Everybody needs all of the support they can get. I stay positive and always try my best."

To finish off the extraordinary season, the girls placed fourth in the state meet. The girls cross country team is an outstanding example of how united a team should be.

-Lindsay Hice


In a close race, Ashley Kendall (02) and Sara Strong (01) are neck and neck with a Sault runner.
With a look of determination, Marlie Johnson (04) keeps on going after jumping over one of the many obstacles in the Charlevoix Mud Run. Being a freshman, this was Johnson's first race.

Eager to finish, Laura Hayes (01) strives to complete the race. All of her efforts paid off in the end.

Looking a little muddy, but very satisfied, the girls team takes first in the mud run. They left with smiles on their faces.

With huge grins on their faces, Michelle Cosier (02), Amy Nathe (04), and Jessica Michel (04) think about Cross Country. The team had the largest number of girls in history this year.

Running into the wind, Jessica Brines (01) approaches the finish line with every step. Brines has been in Cross Country all four years of her high school career.
The Boys’ Cross Country team ran it all at the first meet of the season, the Charlevoix Classic Invitational, known as the Mud Run. It was a fun but tough meet, and only the beginning of their adventures. Coach Don Dickman credited his team with having a “pretty solid season.” Twelve out of the 19 members on the team were running their first high school cross country race. “At first, I felt a little overwhelmed since I am a freshmen, but we worked together and it made me feel confident in myself, so I became a better runner,” said Scott Cole (04).

As Regionals approached, the team needed to stay focused. Through rigorous daily practice, the team conditioned themselves physically and mentally. “Practices help the team stay motivated,” explained teammate Travis Bizorek (01).

As a result of their hard work, the team qualified for State Finals for the sixth straight season in a row. This itself was a victory for the team, but it was not the only thing that the team was proud of. They also placed 5th out of 27 teams at States, rewarding the team with a spectacular triumph. -Cara Reid

Charlevoix Classic 5th; Petoskey Inv. 4th; Ludington Inv. 5th; Boyne City Jamboree #1 5th; Petoskey Inv. 9/10 grade-4th, 11/12 grade-3rd; Carson

Boys Cross Country- Front Row: Matt Wilson, Joe Briones, Jack VanTreese, Deskin Miller, Joe Leetsma, David Czarnecki, David Vanslubrouck, Scott Cole, Grant shaw, Adam Renzel. Back Row: Coach Don Dickman, Justin Bryan, Torri Peterman, Ben O'Brien, Travis Bizorek, Donovan Irish, Derek Lightfoot, Nick Touran, David Eicke, Ernesto DeLarosa, Keith Henning. Keeping up his speed, Joe Leetsma (04) runs hard during the Mud Run. His speed helped the team place 5th out of 16 teams.
R
edy for the jump, Matt Wilson (04) prepares himself for the long hurdle at the Charlevoix Classic Invitational.

Running hardest, Dave Vanslembrouck (04) pushes himself to the finish line at the Charlevoix Mud Run.

Warming up for a run, Joe Briones (01) and Ben O'Brien (01) prepare themselves for a conditioning run through the woods of Camp Dagget.

FOCUsing on the path ahead, Justin Bryan (02) gives it his all at the Charlevoix Classic Mud Run.

Improving their strengths through meditation, Donovan Irish (02), Travis Bizorek (01), Matt Wilson (04) and Adam Renzel (02) perform the "Green Blob Meditation" to improve their ability before the Sault Ste. Marie Invitational.

City Crystal Inv. 12th; Boyne City Jamboree #2 3rd; Boyne City #3 4th; Elk Rapids Inv. 4th; Gaylord Inv.(JV) 9th; Regionals 2nd; States 5th
"Wrestling will help me in the future because I learned the value of hard work and commitment."
-Ryan Peters (03)

"Practice is what you make of it. The harder you push yourself, the harder practice is."
-Andrew Farnsworth (01)

"Wrestling is one of the hardest sports, because of all the thinking involved."
-Jacob Engle (02)

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Many people think that a sport that doesn’t involve using a ball shouldn’t be considered a sport. Wrestling doesn’t use a ball, but it is definitely a sport: a very competitive one. It involves a great deal of physical strength and determination. It also involves logical thinking about the next move to make.

The Varsity Northmen had a solid season with an 18 win, 11 loss, 1 tie record. They were tournament runner-ups in the Big Rapids duel, the Petoskey duels and the Big North Conference. The team captains were Andrew Farnsworth and Adam Wilson. Farnsworth made it to the state tournament and talked about the difficulty of making it to states. "The state tournament was the hardest because it was very difficult to get to and the hardest to compete in. Only the best wrestlers in the state are competing there."

Varsity coach Ray Arthur was proud of the team’s accomplishments for the season. "It was an interesting year with many underclassmen having an opportunity to start on the Varsity team. The future looks bright for PHS wrestling," stated Arthur.

-Lindsay Hice

Petoskey Big North Conference (6-1): T.C.West (W); Alpena (W); Cadillac (W); Sault Ste. Marie (W); Cheboygan (W); T.C.Central

Varsity Wrestling
Front Row: James Archambault, Mitch Duty, Jake Stradling, Matt Wilson, Carl Fosmore, Matt Fate, Mike Goldsmith.
Back Row: Adam Wilson, Troy Debenstedt, Dan Firman, Brock Robinson, Nate Grangood, Andrew Farnsworth, Jay Krimbill, Tyrell Lewis.

With a look of determination, Dan Firman (02) works for the takedown against his Cadillac opponent. Firman won the match.
Doing his best to pin down his opponent, Jacob Engle (02) gives it his all. This was Engle's third year on Varsity.

Heavyweight Keith Starkey (04) gets a victory for his team. Keith wrestled as a freshman on the Varsity team.

While going for the win, Carl Fosmore (02) fights off the double leg takedown attempt from his Cadillac opponent.

Anxiously watching a home meet, Dan Firman (02), Andrew Farnsworth (01), and Jay Krimbill (03) look on in wonder.

During a victorious match, Ryan Peters (03), turns over his opponent. This was Peters' first year as a Varsity wrestler.

(W): Gaylord (L) Non-Conference (12-10): Big Rapids Dual Tournament-2nd place; Petoskey Dual Tournament-2nd place
A Firm Hold

The Key to Winning

Just like the varsity team, the junior varsity and B-Team wrestlers dedicate their time and strength to the sport of wrestling. The two hours of after school, vacation, and weekends practices, consisted of learning new moves, jump roping, weight lifting, and running. The team members worked to do everything in their power to keep their weight at a steady level.

The B-Team wrestlers are a second varsity team. They are not yet ready to be on the varsity team but the talent moves up to the varsity team the following season. The B-Team’s record was 10-4 overall and they proudly took the Mancelona Duals title. “The toughest thing about losing a close match is to have the composure to get up and shake the opponents hand,” said Anthony Prantera (02). With that attitude Prantera received the best sportsmanship award for the season.

The junior varsity’s record was 6-2-1 overall. The team had many accomplishments. One of them was the Team Dual Match Win for the PHS Wrestling. Also, many team members were acknowledged for certain awards such as Most Takedowns, Most Pins, and MVP. Jason Rybinski (03) claimed the MVP award for the blue season, while Troy Drebenstedt (02) received the same award for the white season. “When I was presented that award, the feeling of pride and achievement came over me,” commented Troy Drebenstedt (02).

-Megan Smith

In his starting position, Nathan Whipple (04) prepares for the match that lies ahead of him.

Just before taking the mat, Jason Rybinski (03) warms up and prepares to be victorious.
Team member Spencer Lemieur (02) works the wing turn to pick up a near fall against his opponent.

With a flushed face, Ryan Peters (03) struggles to take his Cadillac opponent down.


Working the half nelson, Matt Cowan (03) tries to pin his opponent.

Working to turn his opponent with a cross face cradle, Troy Drebenstedt (02) tries to get the pin.
Starting a precedent and beginning an interest in high school hockey is exactly what 18 players and two coaches did. Determination and will was at their heels while going through the rough times. "I have never played for a team that improved so much over such a short period of time," stated Ryan Deery (01). "We made huge improvements during the season and became a very competitive team," stated Derek Chapel (01), "even though our record doesn’t show it," continued Chris Firman (01).

The team started out their season with an opening game against Cheboygan, that ended with a score of 0-11. The loss did not keep members of the team from giving up. Instead they continued to practice daily at Griffin Arena. "Practice helped us bond because we were constantly together," stated Tim Forton (04). After some tough losses, the team was able to rebound in their fourth game against Saginaw Nouvel.

Even though they had a rough season, they were able to overlook it by "having fun and making memories," stated Dan Barnadyn (02).

-Heidi Hall

Cheboygan 0-11; Cheboygan 0-10; Waterford 5-6; Saginaw Nouvel 3-1; Swartz Creek 2-4; Goodrich 1-3; Davison 1-2/3-7; Alpena 0-8; Lapeer E 0-1; Linden 2-11; Cadillac 1-5. Grand Regionals Ga

**Varsity Hockey** - Front Row: Grant Newstead, Peter Howard, Ian Londo, Derek Chapel, Ryan Deery, Cody Webster, Seth Green, Troy Scarbrough and Dan Barnadyn. Back Row: Assistant Coach Tim Londo, Jim Howard, Eric Riek, Chris Deery, Chris Firman, Mike Royalty, Riley Justis, Tim Forton, Ben Biddick, and Head Coach Jeff Baldwin.

*With full endurance Mike Royalty (01) uses all of his energy to hold a T.C Central player.*
P reparing to face off, Ian Londo (01) concentrates on stealing the puck from a Fenton player so he can pass it back to the defense, Jim Howard (01).

I n an effort to obtain an edge, Cody Webster (04) maneuvers between two Traverse City players, so that he can get the puck out of the zone.

A ll tied up, Seth Green (03) holds one of the Fentons players into the boards in a desperate attempt to free the puck free.

In hopes of tying up a Cadillac player, Erik Rizk (02) tries to hold him into the boards until another player can come to his rescue.

T rying to avoid two Fenton players who are being held back by Chad Kalbfleisch (04) and Peter Howard (04) so that Seth Green (03) can attempt a slap shot on Fenton's goalie.

Rapids S.Christian 5-1; GRSC 6-2; Fenton 0-4; Saginaw Nouvel 6-4; Gaylord 1-4; Gaylord 0-11; Sault Ste. Marie 2-9; T.C.West 1-11; Cheboygan 2-6; T.C.Central 1-5; Cadillac 0-3;
"This season was unforgettable. It was filled with hardwork, determination, and laughs."
-Lizz Foster (01)

"The best thing about our team was that we cliqued so well. Everybody got along."
-Jenn Cosens (02)

"Beating T.C. West was one of the most exciting moments of the season."
- Ellen Foltz (02)

Volleyball is a mental sport just as much as it is a physical sport. When out on the court, every player has to be on their feet and ready for anything. It's a strategy game. In order to be successful in a game, teamwork is a necessity.

"Our whole team got along great! We got along both on and off the court," stated Jamie Powers (01).

"The team had many achievements to be proud of," said Coach Pearsall. Their overall record was 37-18-6. They were the second team to reach the Honorable Mention State Ranking in class B. They were the district champs for the third year in a row. They won the Petoskey and St. Ignace invitational. They won the All State Academic Team Award for the fifth year in a row (3.52). And on top of that, two school records were broken. Erin Fralick got most solos/assists in a single season (134) and Marie O'Brien got most assists as a setter (824).

"Overall the team was outstanding! The players had a good chemistry. They played with determination, heart and soul," stated Coach Pearsall.

-Jill Daly
Perfectly aligned, Marie O'Brien (03) and Erin Fralick (02) jump up high to block the ball.

Away in Cadillac, the starting players share a high-five huddle to get themselves pumped up for the first play. The Northmen went home with a sweet victory.

Sharing a couple words of encouragement, Coach Pearsall attempts to fire up the team. After their talk, the team went onto the floor and showed their Sault opponents that they wanted to win.

With excitement and eagerness in her eyes, Heather Kahgee (02) patiently awaits for the ball to be served over. Kahgee was a defensive specialist.

High in the air, Hilary Szajnecki (01) concentrates on getting good contact with the ball so she can spike it over with power. Szajnecki was a middle hitter all season.
"Bump, set, spike, score", was the motto of the JV and Freshmen Volleyball teams. After losing their first game, the JV team was determined to change the way they played. "We really came together after the first loss. Instead of getting frustrated at each other, we encouraged one another," commented Kathleen Willis (03). With an overall record of 20-12-1, they were happy with the outcome. "Their strengths were definitely their athletic ability and their ability to grunt!" explained JV Coach Heather Miller.

The Freshmen team, with an overall record of 11-11-3, played hard and kept high spirits throughout the season. "They had the most fun diving, imagining the ball was made of glass," said Freshman Coach Kristin Meyer.

Both the JV and freshmen teams worked hard throughout the entire season. "The girls had a strong work ethic. They have all developed the skills to become great volleyball players," Coach Miller exclaimed.

-Jessica Cosens
Ready for anything, Shelby Kear (03), Megan Rapelje (04) and Kayla Frycznski (04) get set to return the ball and win the game at the Petoskey Invitational.

Reaching high, Talina LaCount (04) and Lindsey DeRue (04) go up to block a spike against Cadillac.

Determined to win, Ashley Coulson (03) jumps up high to spike the ball hard. It was a successful spike when it went over the net and tied the score.

“Throughout the season, we showed devotion and interest to volleyball. This season was unforgettable!” exclaimed Jil Daly (04)

With a burst of energy, Heidi Hall (04) uses all of her strength as she serves the ball to the opponent. Practice made perfect when it resulted in a point for Petoskey.
With nine seniors returning, the Northmen were hoping to have the experience and determination for an outstanding season. “Our games were always packed with fans which really helped boost our confidence level and made us want to win even more,” said Adam Cross (01). With the theme “One More Time” for the last year of basketball in Central gym, the boys’ Varsity Basketball team wanted to make it a memorable one.

“My favorite game was the one at Cadillac. It was so intense and we really surprised them when we won after double overtime. We gave them their only loss of the season,” said Brad Demeuse (01).

The Northmen took home a district trophy after a nail biting game against Grayling with a final score of 76-72. The boys fell short in the regional game against Beaverton with a 60-77 loss. “This season had its ups and downs but with each game we picked up the momentum we needed to be successful,” said Coach Starkey.

-Jenna Serafini

With eyes focused on the basket, Eric Liebler (02) holds his follow through after shooting a three pointer.

Varsity Boys Basketball- Front Row: Manager Cal Tracy, Brad Demeuse, Paul Schafer, D2 Huffman, Manager Kevin Starkey, Middle Row: Assistant Coach Pollion, Eric Liebler, Ben Brown, Scott Johnson, Jordan Wilkerson, Mike Rhoads, John Cowan, Assistant Coach Chad Lee. Back Row: Coach Starkey, Kyle Lieberman, Ryan High, Dan Kimball, Matt Meyer, Adam Cross, Manager Ben Carlson.
With an outstretched arm, Matt Meyer (01) jumps with all of his might to gain possession of the ball at an away game against Charlevoix.

Putting the pressure on his opponent, Scott Johnson (01) uses his best defending skills at the district game against Cheboygan. The Northmen won 59-50.

Huddling up at the start of a game, the team gathers together to wish each other luck one last time before they take on their opponent.

On a break away, Jordan Wilkerson (01) dribbles down the court quickly, in an attempt to score two points.

After grabbing a rebound, Adam Cross (01) looks around to find an open teammate.
Soaring

A Leap Toward Perfection

Both the junior varsity and the freshmen basketball teams had ups and downs in their seasons. As underclassmen, improvements were an imperative goal for a winning season. The coaches pushed them hard to accomplish this goal and both teams had a winning record because of it.

Starting out with two tough losses, the JV basketball team was determined to improve. “In the start of the season, we would just run down the floor and shoot three pointers. Then we started to swing the ball and we got a lot of good looks. When we started making these changes, we won,” stated Nick Madrick (03). The season had many close games. Some games were won and lost by a difference of one or two points, while others had a large point spread. It took a lot of concentration and hard work to come out victorious in the games.

“We worked the ball inside and outside. We tried really hard to get the ball moving faster. We drilled on this everyday in practice,” stated Cam Rickard (04). With a record of 10-8, the freshmen team showed their improvements as the season went along. “I think our biggest improvement was our fast breaks. This was accomplished by practicing as a team,” stated Todd Keiser (04). The season consisted of many ups and downs.

Many improvements were made throughout the season. Through their hard work in practice, both teams were able to have winning records.

-Julie Kimball

Freshmen: Charlevoix 69-60; Cadillac 53-58; Alpena 52-50; T.C. West 39-58; Cheboygan 62-18; Boyne City 46-48; T.C. East 70-28; Charlevoix 38-52; Gaylord 53-57.

JV: Charlevoix 49-62; Alpena 41-58; T.C. West 56-46; Sault 63-53; Cheboygan 55-44; Boyne City 56-55; T.C. Central 44-56; Charlevoix 60-55; Gaylord 53-67; Marquette 56-7.

Cadillac

JV Boys’ Basketball-

At the start of the game, Nick Madrick (03) jumps to get the first possession of the ball during the home game against Gaylord.
Finishing off his fast break, Cody Wilcox (03) goes in for the lay-up, while his teammate runs behind him to back him up.

Dribbling past his opponent, Todd Keiser (04) uses a screen to get rid of the T.C. West player.

Freshman Boys’ Basketball - Front

Holding the ball above his head, Cam Rickard (04) looks for an open teammate to pass to. The freshmen team had a tough loss to T.C. West, with a score of 35-56.

Trying to keep his dribble going, Anthony Wilhelm (04) struggles to get up from a dive that he took with his Gaylord opponent.
"Go Blue!"

**An Unknown Sport**

Believe it or not, there are still people who maintain that cheerleading is not a sport. Hayley Marzec (04) says it best when she says, “For all those people, why don’t you try it for a season and then we’ll see what you say.” They may have made their performances look easy with the great skill and ease they portrayed, but it definitely took a lot of work, as proved by their dedication and grueling practices. As Hayley Marzec describes, “We run, we stretch, we practice stunts, jumps, and that’s just the jest of it.”

Composed of freshmen through seniors, the team not only provided a great show at sporting events, but also won the title of first place at both East Jordan and Regionals. They also had the opportunity to attend the state competition. Their hard work definitely paid off, and they have proved beyond a doubt to all those nonbelievers that cheerleading should be considered a sport.

- Danielle Charles

**East Jordan competition:** Petoskey (462), Alpena (456), Roscommon (354), Kalkaska (151)

**Regionals:** Petoskey (355), Harrison (352), Cheboygan (302).

At one of their many half time performances, Hayley Marzec (04), shows off her flexibility, while from right to left, Meghan Watts (01), Pam Dutt (01), and Stephanie Seely (03) hold up Kaitlin Cinnion (04).
Standing atop her teammates hands, Kaitlin Crinnion (04) smiles at the cheering fans.

All decked out in blue, Pam Dutt (01) smiles brightly while preparing brightly for the game.

At a local competition in East Jordan, the girls show off their skills with smiles on their faces. On top, from back to front, are Kaitlin Crinnion (04). On bottom are Pam Dutt (01), Hayley Marzec (04), Sarah Meyer (02), Stephanie Sealy (03), and Mehgan Watts (01).

Houghton Lake Competition: Midland Dow (470), Harrison (461), Alpena (384), Cheboygan (384), Petoskey (382), Roscommon (361), Manistee (292), Tawas (464), Roscommon (105)

Focusing on the routine, Jessica Bobola (04) follows the cheer and puts her all into practice. Aside from practicing cheers, the team does running drills, stunts and various other activities.

With lit up faces, the group prepares to lift Corey Higley (03) into the air while the crowded Central School gym watches and cheers.
As if state-level judges and competing against teams with gymnasts on them weren’t enough, the JV cheer team had to create and perfect an entire new cheer only two days prior to their second competition of the season. And despite the fact that they only lost by three points, they left with smiles on their faces, recognizing what a great accomplishment it was.

Even though the freshman cheer team was the only team in their division at East Jordan, the girls had a great performance and took home a deserving score of 182/200. Coach Simon was very proud of her girls and stated that “Most Northern Michigan schools don’t have a freshman cheer squad - let alone one that competes. We compete against our personal goals to improve.”

But not all the glory comes from the competitions. Ashley Budek (04) said, “When we’ve done our best not only in performing, but in practice and we get high ranks in competition, all the bad practices go away and we see what a good team we’ve made.” The girls also had to attend the usual daily practices where they practiced their cheers with full voices, large smiles, and stiff arms. “We go over everything so many times in one practice that you are sick of it by the time you get home.” noted Budek. “Our coach works us really hard but we respect her for it and understand why she wants PERFECTION!” mentioned Karleigh Simon (04). Pauline Kiffer (03) invites anyone who argues that cheering isn’t a sport to a simple challenge: “Come to one practice. We’ll make you cry.”

-Kristal Chellis
Sounds of stomping feet and clapping hands helped inspire freshman Sarah Porter to emphasize her every move as the JV Cheer team rallied on the crowd at a home basketball game this fall.

With their arms in the air, Ashley Mania (04) and Megan Goclen (04) are lifted into the air during the half-time show at one of their earlier games of the season.

JV Cheerleading - Front Row: Molly Preston (04), Karleigh Simon (04), Trisha Budek (04), Pauline Kiffer (03), Kayla Kline (04), Sarah Porter (04) Back Row: Jessica Sherman (03), Amber Wormell (03), Nicole Cook (03), Jessica Michelle (04), Ashley Budek (04), Coach Hopkins

Spreading the holiday spirit, the JV girls get together with the Varsity team to help out needy families. Kaitlin Crippon (04) and Kayla Kline (04) wrap one of the presents.

"It rocks when you see the crowd join in the cheer to help support the team. That's when you know you've done your best. Just give us an R-E-S-P-E-C-T; what's that spell? Respect!"

-Ursula Anderman

Celebrating their second place win at the Houghton Lake Competition, the JV team gets together to express their enthusiasm as they recall how much hard work went into their great performance.
Once again the boys’ ski team ended the season by claiming first in the state ski meet at Boyne Mountain. With a team composed primarily of underclassmen, expectations were high for a repeat performance in the years to come. “It looks like next years team will be strong again because the team is only losing one senior, Brendan Ryan,” said Jacob Olsen (02).

Dry land conditioning began in November in preparation for the season. Daily practices focused on conditioning and strength training until the snow fell and the team could hit the slopes. When the hills were ready for skiers, the team began practices at Nub’s Nob. “The best part of ski team was meeting and skiing with the new team members I met,” said Mitch McLellan (04).

The boys connected as a team and encouraged each other throughout the season. “My favorite meet was regionals because it was far away and we all got to spend the night in a hotel,” Jacob Olsen (02) said.

The boys’ ski team accomplished the goal they set for themselves from the beginning to win state finals.

-Erika Lucky

Harbor Petskey Inv. 3rd, Boyne Inv. 1st, Nub’s Nob with Harbor 1st, Traverse City Inv. 1st Nub’s Nob (BNC)
Getting ready for their runs, Nick McIntosh (02) and Brendan Ryan (01) help each other wax and sharpen their skis before one of the races. They do this in order for the skis to go as fast as they can.

Finishing the course, Matt Behan (02) breathes a breath of fresh air and a sigh of relief for a run well executed.

Sliding quickly past the gate, Nick McIntosh (02) heads for the finish line at the state meet at Boyne Mountain.

Tucked in for the final dash of the race, Trevor Davis (03) glides past one of the many gates on the course for his picture perfect finish.

Controlling the corners in order to maneuver through the gates, Karl Rohr (02) shows perfect form, class, and style.
"As a team, we were much closer and that helped us win the conference."
-Colleen Forrester (03)

"I had a good time and I became friends with a lot of new people."
-Melissa Cosier (04)

"We worked hard this year, but I think everyone enjoyed it."
-Amanda Vigneau (03)

Girls Ski Team—Front
Row: Tracy Gunderson, Kelly Forrester, Allison Simon, Tracy Sullivan.

Nearing the finishing line
Ashley Bingaman (03) looks to finish her race. Ashley participated in the state meet and was announced as one of the BNC All Conference skiers.

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Going for the Gold

The girl’s ski team defended the reputation of a winning team that was earned in previous years. The girls put in many hours practicing at Nubs Nob before the races began. “We practiced hard and learned so much. I didn’t really know how to race until this year when I joined the team,” commented Kristin Levanovich (02).

After all of the competitions that were held at Nub’s Nob, Boyne Mountain other various locations throughout Michigan, the team ended up winning the Big North Conference. It was exciting for them because the year before, they had come in second place in the BNC. Ellen Beatty, Jane Rynbrandt, Andy Stillings, Tracy Gunderson and Ashley Bingaman made the BNC All Conference. The all regional racers were Ellen Beatty, Tracy Gunderson and Jane Rynbrandt. MHSSCA Scholar and Athlete Awards were given out to Kristin Levanovich, Jane Ryanbrandt, Alison Simon and Tracy Sullivan. All of the girls worked, skied and challenged themselves and ended up receiving the ultimate reward.

-Amy Stone
Keeping her balance, Ellen Beatty (03) races to the bottom of the hill. She was one of the qualifying skiers to compete in the state finals which were held at Boyne Mountain.

Speeding past a gate, Nicol Beck (02) tries to complete the course in record time. The team was at Nubs Nob and finished second overall.

Turning sharply, Tracy Gunderson (01) focuses on the course ahead of her. She skied in the state finals and made the Second Team All State.

Knocking over the gate, Jane Rynbrandt (02) flies down the hill at the Nubs Nob ski meet. The team placed first against many other teams from across the state.

Receiving a hug from Tracy Gunderson (01), Nicol Beck (02) waits at the top of the hill for her next run. The team completed the meet at Schuss Mountain in first place.

Invitational 2nd place; Nubs Nob (BNC) 1st place; Boyne Mountain (BNC) 1st place; Blackjack Regional 4th place; Schuss Mountain (BNC) 1st place
Base running, conditioning, and field work started off the varsity boys baseball season. When asked how the season went, Dan Plichta (02) said, "We struggled at times, but when we would work as a team, we would come out victorious." This sums up the ups and downs of the baseball season. Despite losing some key players from the previous year's season, the team managed to pull off some exciting highlights.

Beating teams on their own turf is tough enough but the Northmen defeated the Blue Devils in the Sault. The team worked hard for 11 straight innings to pull off a 5-4 victory against the Blue Devils. Another bright spot in the season was defeating Roger City, who was a team with a record of 24-2 and Petoskey was one of the two teams that were able to break their almost perfect season.

The leading hitters were Kory Ciesielski (02), Paul Schafer (01) and Nick McIntosh (02). The variety of pitchers also had their fair share of work. The team finished the season with a .291 batting average and 16 home runs. -Megan Smith
Right in step with his pitch, Paul Schafer (01) uses much force to strike his opponent out.

To get to third base, Dan Plichta (02) uses his sliding tactics before a Boyne City opponent can get him out.

After making a home run, Nick McIntosh (02) gets congratulated by all of his team members.

Following through with his swing, batter Matt Mayer (01) prepares himself to sprint to first base.

Concentrating on beating the runner to the base, Scott Johnson (01) tags the runner to get the out.
Stretching to catch the ball, Nate Golding (03) watches for the throw from the outfielder. He managed to keep his foot on the base and make the out.

Waiting for the baseball to be thrown to him, PJ Currey (03) keeps his foot on the base. He caught the ball and got the out at first base during a home game against Cadillac.

Waiting the ball fly forward, Ryan Peters (03) hits the ball. The team won a tough game against Cheboygan 13-8.

Swinging around after hitting the ball, Matt Cowan (03) watches the foul ball. He ended up hitting the next pitch and making it to second base.

Concentrating on the pitch, Joe Stakoe (04) catches the ball. The Northmen were playing the Hurons and were victorious.

East Jordan 21-4; Alpena 3-10, 7-8; T.C. West 15-5, 18-3; Sault Ste. Marie 15-5, 18-3; Cadillac 6-3, 6-3; Roger City 10-4, 15-5; Mackinaw City 8-2.
The two goals that the JV baseball team set for themselves were improving their game and challenging themselves. The team consisted of both sophomores and freshmen. "Being a freshman and playing with the sophomores was really an exciting experience," stated Kris Keiser (04).

"Hard work definitely helped to improve our season overall," commented Joe Stakoe (04). "We started off great and won ten games in a row. Then we had a six game slide, but we came back and finished the season strong." The JV baseball team ended up finishing the season with a final record of 17-10.

Becoming close as a team was important for the team to be successful. They had a car wash at Wal-Mart to help raise money and they also had an overnight at Coach Grangood’s house. "Being on the team took a lot of time out of our regular schedule so being dedicated was important," said Nate Golding (03). The team stuck together, helped each other and ended up having a fantastic season.

-Amy Stone

10-4, 5-15: Cheboygan 13-8, 2-12; T.C.Central 6-8, 3-9; T.C.West 2-17; Alpena 2-12; T.C.West 3-13, 10-8; Gaylord 7-8, 10-8; Boyne City 8-7, 8-5

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Throwing the ball to second base, John Heinrich (03) assists in making an out. The team lost a hard game 6-8 against T.C. Central.

Before the season started, the Girls’ Varsity Softball team had high hopes of having a very successful season despite having little experience. Behind the pitching of seniors Katie August and Abbi Donaldson, the Lady Northmen worked hard to beat school records. “We knew each other’s individual strengths and weaknesses and when we came together and played as a team we were unbeatable,” commented Jenn Cosens (02).

Throughout the season they practiced to improve their basic skills and teamwork. Coach Bill Delyon said, “We all agreed to be successful and we had to have an amazing amount of team trust.” This was what brought the team the best record in Petoskey High School history and a second place finish in the Big North Conference. Other highlights of the season were winning the Charlevoix tournament and placing second in the Traverse City West tournament. The team went to Sault Ste. Marie for the district game but had a tough loss to Gladstone with a final score of 0-9.

-Jenna Serafini

East Jordan 4-1, 6-5; Elk Rapids 8-4, 11-4; Alpena 1-9, 2-4; Charlevoix 15-0; St. Ignace 5-0; Cadillac 12-3, 15-3; Coloma 0-6; Kenowa Hills 5-0; Saginaw Heritage 7-3; Gaylord 3-2, 5-4; Reeths Puffer 3-1; T.C. West Gold Team 8-4; Sault Ste. Marie 1-2, 10-3; Boyne City 3-2, 7-0; Saginaw Heritage 2-5; Gladstone 0-9

**Sliding to Victory**

Smashing School Records

With a determined look, Katie August (01) winds up to fire a fast pitch to a Grayling player in a game at the Waterfront.

**Varsity Softball**

*Front Row:* Liz Foster, Kelly Forrester, Katie August, Abbi Donaldson, Sam Foltz

*Back Row:* Coach Michelle Sysko, Amy Beyer, Head Coach Bill Delyon, Michelle Martinchek, Ellen Foltz, Katy Ciesielski, Kathleen Willis, Heather Kahgee, Cassandra Dickson, Jenn Cosens, Coach Mike Welch, Coach Pete Wooters.
Beating the catcher to the ball, Abbi Donaldson (01) slides safely into home to get the Lady Northmen another run.

Preparing for a bunt, Ellen Foltz (02) positions her body as she patiently waits for the next pitch.

With an open glove and a look of concentration, Liz Foster (01) waits in the outfield for any sudden balls in a game against Boyne City.

Having her bat ready in hand, Kathleen Willis (03) keeps her eyes focused on the ball in a game against Cadillac.

Getting ready to steal a base, Katy Ciesielski (02) prepares her body for a quick run to second, hoping to make it there safely.
With a look of eagerness and determination, Dana Wynn (04) quickly tries to beat the runner to first base. Becky Haderer (04) was behind her for assistance.

While Dana Wynn (04) is batting, the other players on the bench are cheering her on and hoping for a base hit.

With both eyes glued to the ball, Becky Haderer (04) prepares herself for the next pitch.

With all eyes on Coach Serafini, the team listens to him say a few words of encouragement.

East Jordan 17-6, 16-5; Elk Rapids 16-5, 5-6; Alpena 0-15, 4-15; T.C. West Frosh 16-5, 14-11; Sault Ste. Marie 12-20, 20-2; Cadillac 15-2, 11-2; T.C. St. Francis 1-8; 5-2, 16-8; Gaylord 5-3, 6-3; Alpena Frosh 5-3; Sault Ste. Marie Tourn.-1st; Boyne City 3-1, 7-9
Defensively Making It to the Top

Hardwork, determination, and practice all played an important part in making the junior varsity softball team so successful. “We practiced a lot and I think all that practice definitely showed during our performance,” Dana Wynn (04) stated. The team’s overall record was 18-12-1. Their league record was 8-6. They played 30 games all together, all of which were double headers. The team also participated in a tournament in Sault St. Marie. They finished in first place and were awarded with a trophy. “We really worked hard that day and we definitely proved that we deserved that trophy,” Megan Serafini (03) said. The team also took part in a car wash to help raise money for next season. The team was split up into two groups; one was at Wal-Mart and the other was at Carter’s. The weather didn’t cooperate but that didn’t stop them from raising money. “It was so cold, by the end of the day my hands and fingers were numb!” stated Shelby Kear (03).

The team consisted of eight freshmen and six sophomores. Four of these sophomores were returning players and captains. “As the season started the team was playing surprisingly well and at the half-way point our record stood 8-8. It was great to see these young ladies grow and develop as a team and overcome their lack of experience and desire to succeed. Our team motto was ‘Never Give Up’ and it was quite evident as we won the Sault St. Marie tournament,” Coach Dave Serafini stated.

-Jill Daly

“We made a lot of mistakes but we learned from them and improved so much!”
-Amy Nathe (04)

“We worked hard as a team and because of that we almost broke the school record.”
-Karleigh Simon (04)

Roger City 2-2, 6-7, 1-13; Benzie Central 0-17; Mackinaw City 20-9, 20-9; Cheboygan 3-5, 7-10; T.C. Central 6-5, 3-17; T.C. West

Concentrating hard on pitching a strike, Megan Serafini (03) sets up to strike out her Gaylord opponent.
"As a team, the highlight of the season was tying Midland Dow, who is ranked 5th in division one."
-Brad McBride (03)

"The way we stepped up at states shows that we can compete at any level."
-Mike Rhoads (02)

"It was a great season—we overcame a lot of obstacles and reached the goals we set."
-Chris Hutchinson (03)

They marched out onto the court, dressed in matching white uniforms, with their rackets ready in hand. It was more than evident in just looking at the Varsity Tennis team that they were ready to win, and everyone knew that they had the power and the ability to do so.

For the team, however, the competition did not just lie in the competitor. Challenges for placement on the team started the season off and continued throughout it. One might think that all of the competition made it hard to come together, but Chris Sciamanna added, “It doesn’t affect us at all to challenge. For the most part we are comfortable to be playing at the spots we play at, and we do not let it affect us as a team or in the way we play.”

Obviously, it didn’t bring the team down, for the season was incredible with only one loss, resulting in an overall record of 6-1-2. Together they swept the Holly Invitational as well as claiming first place in the Big North Conference championship tournament. The team also took first place at regionals, winning the opportunity to travel to states in Lansing. At states they took an amazing 4th place. They definitely proved that they possessed the power to win and finished the season with the smell of victory under their noses.

-Danielle Charles

Varsity Boys Tennis

Winding up for the shot, Michael Rhoads (02) awaits the ball with a vengeance to win, at the Boyne North Country Conference in Boyne Falls.
In perfect form, Patrick Maloney (03) prepares to serve the ball and hopefully win the point at State Finals held in Lansing, Michigan.

Anticipating the ball, Aaron Sunday (03) waits to smash it at his opponent at the Boyne North Country Conference, the last tennis match before State Finals.

Flipping the score card between games, Aaron Sunday (03) and his opponent prepare to continue on with the match.

Taking a break between matches, Michael Gano (03), Jacob Olsen (02) and Pat Maloney (02) relax and cheer on their teammates at State Finals.

Inspiring those still on the court to victory, Jacob Olsen (02) and Andy Ruemenapp (02) cheer for a great shot hit by a fellow teammate. "Cheering is really important when it comes to tennis," said Jonathon Meyer (02). "It's really a mental sport."
Standing in the ready position, Chris Deery (03) pays close attention to his opponent's ball and prepares to return his serve.

With eyes focused on the ball, Brandon McCarthy (03) tosses the ball high into the air and prepares to serve it.

JV Boys's Tennis: Front row: Alex Brede, Tyler Neal, Josh Pettit, Chris Deery, Grant Shaw, Josh Antonishen. Back row: Matt Hammel, Tori Petermann, Dustin Johnson, Caleb Wojik, Brandon McCarthy, Brenden Carson, Peter Walstrom, Trevor Davis, Coach Gene Champion

Preparing to smash the ball into the opposing players court, Brenden Carson (02) concentrates on the position of the ball and hopes to hit an ace.

Getting in their share of physical fitness, Tyler Neal (04), Grant Shaw (04) and Josh Antonishen (04) take laps around the tennis courts to stay in shape for the season.
JV Tennis would mean nothing to Petoskey High School without the 17 dedicated players and supportive coach Gene Champion. Working hard throughout the season, players give their all during practices. By preparing both mentally and physically for the demanding tennis matches, the players have what they need to stay focused.

When asked how to be a successful tennis player, Coach Gene Champion stated, “Working hard and giving everything you have in practice and during matches along with being consistent is what puts you ahead of other players.” Strategy and incredible stamina were needed to play the game. Competing at top levels during the season, the team gave their all and consistently came out on top to win.

With a strong dedication to the sport, many players put the extra time and effort in on the court to improve their overall game. Alex Brede (03) stated, “You can not take a break from the sport and expect to play with the same intensity the next time you pick up your racket. In order to become a better player you need to be at the courts on your own time. The difference between those who practice and those who do not is apparent.” As the season drew to an end there was an obvious improvement in how the members on the team played and the game really came together.

-Laura Shattuck

"We worked hard throughout the season and had a great time!"
-Matt Hamel (04)

“I never thought that I could have so much fun hitting a yellow ball!”
-Josh Antonishion (03)

“Playing tennis allows me to get rid of aggression and get a workout at the same time.”
-Tori Peterman (01)

Giving their arms a good pull, Tyler Neal (04) and Josh Antonishion (04) reduce their risk of injury by stretching.

Taking an advantage of a break during practice, Tori Peterman (01) shows off the team’s motto: “Play big or go home”.

Traverse City Central 4-5; Alpena 4-2; Traverse City East 2-6; Grayling Varsity 7-0; Cadillac tournament 3rd place; BNC tournament 2nd place
Goals

Motivation and Determination

For most people, doing well doesn’t come easy. It’s something that takes a lot of planning and hard work. Chelsea Townsend (02) would agree. She said, “Our one goal as a team was to do our best, and have a blast doing it. To accomplish that, we gave it our all—that’s all anyone could really do.”

The soccer team consisted of ten seniors, six juniors, and three sophomores. Ashley Kendell (02) said, “I think one of our most crucial players was Tracy Gunderson (01), our goalie. Without her, we would not have been so close.” The team also knew it was important that they worked as a team. Marie O’Brien (03) said, “Our goals were accomplished by playing together and learning each other’s skill level.” The soccer team found out that all this hard work paid off. They ended their season at nine wins, six losses, and five ties.

- Rebecca Toporek

Gaylord 1-1; T.C.West 0-5; Roscommon 4-1; Alpena 1-0; T.C.Central; Cadillac 1-0; T.C.West 0-0; Cheboygan 2-2; Charlevoix 1-0; T.C.Central 0-3; Gaylord 1-1.
Practice makes perfect for Jane Rynbrandt (02) as she blocks the ball from her opponent. The team ended up winning the April 24th game against Cadillac with a final score of 1-0.

Blocking the ball with her foot, Kali Rellinger (03) gains possession of the ball as her opponents get ready to steal it. The team ended up winning against Harbor Springs with an overall score of 1-0.

Surrounded in glory, the team celebrates their victory against Harbor Springs. Ashley Kendell (02) claims the victory against Harbor Springs was "the most memorable point in the season because Harbor Springs had an undefeated record." They ended up beating them by only one point on the May 23rd game.

Williamston 0-0; Greenville 0-1; Elk Rapids 0-1; Alpena 3-0; Cadillac 4-0; Cheboygan 2-1; Harbor Springs Districts 1-0; Midland Dow 2-1; Gaylord Districts 3-4

With eyes focused on the ball, Jennifer Wagar (02) struggles to keep the ball from her opponent. Wagar was able to pass the ball. The team ended up winning the May 23rd game against Harbor Springs with a close score of 1-0.

Full of concentration, Sarah Foltz (02) works her way down the field as her teammate waits at the opponent's goal for Foltz's pass. The girls ended up winning the May 5th game against Alpena with a final score of 3-0.
Dribbling the ball towards the net, Sarah Porter (04) prepares to square up and face her Houghton Lake opponent one on one.

As a T.C. Central player rushes towards her, Ashley Moyer (03) heads the ball away from her opponent's pressure.

Using all her might, Kelly Stewart (03) prepares to kick the ball down the field to her waiting teammates.

As the ball comes towards her in the air, Ashley Bingaman (03) heads the ball out of the defensive end as several teammates and Cheboygan opponents look on.

Looking down the field, Lindsey Spencer (04) prepares to make a long pass as a Harbor Springs opponent puts pressure on the ball.

Freshmen: Gaylord 1-0; T.C.West 1-2; T.C.Central 5-1; East Jordan 6-0; Harbor Springs 3-1; Suttons Bay 0-1.

JV: Gaylord 0-0; T.C.West 1-4; Roscommon 9-1; Alpena 3-1; T.C.Central 0-0; Cadillac 7-2; T.C.West 2-2; Cheboygan 3-0; T.C.Central 2-3; Gaylord 0-1.

Improvement on the soccer field paid off for both the JV and freshmen girls’ soccer teams. “Our number one goal was to push ourselves to get better during each training session and game,” stated freshmen coach Zach Jonker. Throughout the season, the girls’ first touch, awareness, and decision making all improved. “We accomplished our goals by doing the basics and getting good at them,” stated Erin Everest (04). Because of their hard work and dedication, the freshmen team had a record of 7-3-3. “We worked hard all year and we were rewarded,” said Lindsey Spencer (04).

Hard work and dedication also led to success on the Girls’ JV Soccer team, who finished with a record of 9-3-4. “Some of our goals were to two-touch and pass to feet more,” stated teammate Amy VanNocker (03). “And we improved these skills a lot through practice!” Through all of their practices and games, many memories were created. “Our favorite moment as a team was beating Harbor,” stated Ashley Bingaman (03). “We played hard, and we succeeded.”

-Colleen McCoy
Reaching to Win

Striving for Success

Many different talents and skills come together to make a track team. Unlike most sports where all the team members have to excel at the same thing, track has something for everyone. Whether your passion is long distance running or jumping hurdles, there is a way for everyone to show their skills.

Matt Meyer (01) helped lead his team to success after breaking the 48-year record for shot put. His record throw was 53 feet and 3 inches. Adam Rensel (02), Nick Touran (02), Travis Bizorek (01) and Donovan Irish (02) were also record breakers in the 3200 meter relay. They had an outstanding time of 8:12. The team came in 3rd overall at regionals and there were six boys who went to states. "Track is an awesome sport, not only because of the variety of things you can do, but because the team is so huge. There is always someone there to talk to; it's like a big family," stated Jon Larsen (03).

Coach Schmoke was pleased that the team was huge, with almost one-hundred team members. His comments on the season’s results were, "I was proud of the kid’s overall effort—we should have won regionals though."

-Lindsay Hice


With great strength and agility, Matt Meyer (01) throws the shot put at the state meet. Meyer broke the school record for shot put earlier in the season.
Flying high into the air, Brock Robinson (02) travels an outstanding distance for the long jump.

With a great burst of energy and speed, Jordan Munson (04) passes the baton to his teammate Shawn Richardson (04) at a home meet.

With perfect form, Dane Doctor (04) hands off the baton to his teammate Josh Daniel (01), in the 800 meter relay.

T.C. West-2nd; Houghton Lake Invitational-1st; Gaylord/St. Ignace-2nd; Regionals-2nd; BNC-3rd
Out-running the competition, Kate Hutchens (02) turns on the speed in the 1600 meter relay.

Determination showing on her face, Erin Sarki (02) keeps a step ahead of her opponents.

Pacing herself, Sarah Beck (03) shows good form during her part of the 3200 meter relay.

Gaining ground on the competition, Sarah Jaquith (03) rounds the corner at the state track meet.

At the state finals, Hilary Szjanecki (01) shows her winning style. Szjanecki was a member of the track team all four years of high school.
The Lady Northmen track team, under the guidance of coaches Mark Fralick and Susan Baker-Smith, ended their season with an impressive finish. The team's successes included a first place finish at the Houghton Lake Invitational, second place finishes at the Clare Invitational, against the Sault and Cheygan, and again at the Gaylord Relays. Regional competition saw the girls advance to state finals.

Representing Petoskey at the state meet was Hilary Szajnecki (01) in shot put and discus along with the 1600 relay team of Erin Sarki (02), Kate Hutchens (02), Erin Fralick (02), Jenny Wright (04), and the 3200 relay team of Katy Brines (03), Jessica Brines (01), Sarah Jaquith (03), and Sarah Beck (03). According to Coach Fralick, "We ran tough against great competition and Hillary was solid."

The season ended up with the ladies taking 6th place in the Big North Conference and finishing 7th out of 16 teams in regional competition. Katie Brines (03) stated, "It was awesome making it to the state finals; we had so much fun just being there." Many of the girls will be returning next year, because the team is only saying goodbye to two seniors.

-Erika Lucky

"I liked how we all worked as a team and rooted for each other."
- Carla Ingram (02)

"The best part of track was getting to meet all the new people."
- Rachel Ducastel (02)

"We had a lot of fun, but it was also a lot of hard work."
- Sarah Carlson (03)

T.C. West-3rd; Houghton Lake Invitational-1st; Gaylord/St. Ignace-3rd; Regionals-7th; BNC-6th

Curiosity for the sport drew in many of the team’s 19 players, but the encouragement and cooperation between members were what really brought the team together and kept them going. Making it all the way to regionals, the girl’s golf team had what it took to play the game.

At the start of the season, many girls showed strong interest in the game of golf. Lacking prior experience on the golf course, an open mind gave new players the initiative needed to give the game a whirl. Chrissy Lamberti (03), a golfer new to the sport, stated, “The uncertainty of your personal ups and downs during the game are incredibly frustrating. But patience and a positive attitude help me out when my ball is either in the woods, or in a sand trap!”

Much more than khaki pants and collared shirts, golf is a game of skill. A skill that is not so easy to master. With more then six years of golfing experience, Kathleen Bacon (02) still finds the sport very challenging. Her motto to play the sport is, “You have got to hit it to get it. The overall outcome depends on how you play the game.”

Showing tremendous improvement towards the end of the season, the girls new to the team showed that they would be ready for all of the challenges that the game of golf could bring.

-Laura Shattuck


Big Rapids 302-250; Interlochen (V)237-204, (JV)308-235; Alpena 229-199; Alpena (V)209-224; Petoskey Invitational (V)208-260, (JV)252-292;
Skillfully swinging a golf club, Kari Hodgkiss (04) follows through on her shot and pays close attention to where her ball has landed.

Placing the ball nearby, Kasey Davenport (03) prepares to put the ball carefully into the hole during a match.

While on a break, Franny Bechek (02), Katie Luek (02) and the assistant coach take advantage of a few free minutes during practice and get a bite to eat.

Practicing chipping balls while on difficult terrain, Kristle Goins (03) and Renata Intropedi (01) work on perfecting difficult shots during practice.

Working to improve her swing, Co-Captain Lynn Rossi (02) concentrates on her form and follows through with a desire to drive the ball farther with each swing.

T.C.Central Invitational-8th; T.C.Central 220-163; T.C.West (V)220-163, (JV)239-201; Petoskey Invitational (V)226-191, (JV)239-201; Regionals-11th
**Involvement.** Being a member of an organization or a club at the high school is a completely different way to get involved within the student body. Each club and organization raised money or carried out services for a specific goal. There are many different types of clubs, so each student is able to fit in somewhere, according to their interests. Whether it is raising money for a trip, carrying out a service to help a cause or just getting the school more involved, the many clubs at the high school kept busy all year.

**Participation.** Each organization or club worked toward some sort of goal. A new addition was made to the high school, which broadened the students choices for getting involved; the Equestrian Club. This group went all the way to states. The Spanish Club made their trip to Costa Rica during Spring Break.

The Student Council put many hours into organizing dances and working to improve the school. The Yearbook staff worked on cramming the entire year's events and memories into one book, while the National Honors Society carried out services, such as the Blood Drive and the Rake and Run.

The Madrigals and the Belles practiced everyday for the performances of the year, along with the band and colorguard. Forensics was able to compete in the state competition after their many practices. The organizations at the high school all work toward individual goals, depending on the club.
In the middle of a game of charades, Trisha Budek (04) motions to her teammates for a clue. The Forensics class participated in many exercises such as this to make them more comfortable with speaking in front of groups.
Glancing through a microscope during their Agriscience class, Steve Butwell (02) identifies various types of soil while Megan Smith (02) writes down their observations. Jason George (04) and Dan Warren (04) look on. Busy identifying various types of leaves, John Caviness (03) and Josh Karam (03) glue leaves they found around town to a poster for a project.
Show 'em What You're Made of...

Between one of the new teams in town and a club that is striving for acknowledgment, many goals were attained over the course of the year for the Equestrian club and the FFA.

"Since the FFA was created, people seem to have been wrong about the purpose of the FFA and its goals," exclaimed Adrienne Dufina (02). It is often seen as a club only for those few students who wish to go into a future of farming, but as any member of the FFA will tell you, it really is an important field of study. "It’s not about wanting to be a farmer, but about wanting to preserve farming and natural resources," stated Mrs. Scholl. Each year, the FFA competes in a Decathalon consisting of ten events pertaining to some aspect of Agriscience or Natural Resources. This year, three of their five teams ranked 10th, 12th, and 14th out of more than one hundred teams that participated.

As the new kids in town, the Equestrian Team worked hard to set the stage for future years and strived to create lasting traditions that would be carried on for years to come. At the beginning of the year, their main goal was "to make it through Districts and attend States," mentioned Mrs. Lucky. By the end of the year, they had accomplished their goal, and had taken 9th place over all.

-Krystal Chellis

Extremely confident that she will do well, Erin Beck (01) gives her horse, Azaads Razl Daz, a little pep-talk before their performance at states. Whitney Harris (04) gets ready to fly over a jump with her horse, Tis-A-Prince at the Western Equatation in Gaylord.

Exhibiting good posture while walking her horse, Zippie Roanie, Erika Lucky (02) practices for the competition. Jotting down their answers for the English Saddle sitting in front of them, Ashley Stafford (01) and Colin Anderson (04) compete in the Horse Track and Equipment event of the National FFA Organization Decathalon.


EQUESTRIAN- Front row: Jennifer Harris, Julie Johnson, Emily Weiland, Whitney Harris, Erika Lucky, Nicole Beck. Back row: Megan Biddick, Clare Johnson, Emily Compton, Coach Miller, Liz Foster, Megan Lamont, Erika Fettig, Coach Biddick, Erin Beck, and Weiland’s horse, Milo.
Another look...

The yearbook staff has devoted much time and effort to capture each and every high school memory for their fellow students. "I want to look back 25 years from now and realize that I made a book that will remind people of the memories they had in high school," said Jenna Serafini (02).

The whole process of making the book began when co-editors Julie Kimball and Colleen McCoy, along with other staff members attended the Herff Jones Fundamentals summer camp. At camp, the cover and theme were composed.

For a yearbook to be created, money is one of the top priorities. The staff had to sell advertisements to a wide variety of businesses as well as spending two weeks with yearbook sales.

The Art Club is designed to get students together to engage in art related activities beyond what is done at school.

Mry VanWagoner, the Art Club director, commented, "The most enjoyable thing about being the teacher of this club is watching the members improve their talent. The club also gets a lot of interaction with artists in the community."

For fundraising, the Art Club painted holiday designs on the Horizon Books Store and Las Senorita's windows. They are hoping next year to put on the talent show that was cancelled due to construction.

-Megan Smith

YEARBOOK- Front row: Jill Daly, Heidi Hall, Megan Smith, Danielle Charles. Middle row: Jessica Cosens, Lindsay Hice, Jenna Serafini, Rebecca Toporek, Ericka Lucky, Julie Kimball, Amy Stone, Laura Shattuck, Mrs. Ingalls. Back row: Kristal Chellis, Colleen McCoy, Alison Simon, Christina Johns.


To create the look of perfection, Alison Simon (01) crops a picture to add to her current layout. Browsing over one of the academic pages, Christina Johns (02) makes corrections to finalize the page.

Flipping through the copy envelopes, Jill Daly (04) grabs one to place her final volleyball page in. Art Club member, Josh Clay (01), uses his after school time to complete his artwork for his library display.
To add a little Christmas cheer, Chelsea Townsend (02), Jessica Parks (01), Heather May (01), and Carol Crosby (01) paint Christmas designs on the windows at the Horizon Books Store. As Christmas nears, Art Club members Michael Winter (02) and Andrew Farnsworth (01) also paint on the windows of Horizon Books.
Looking happy to be in a warm climate, Will Lambert (03) stands in front of the Arenal Volcano. This was just one of the many places the group visited in Costa Rica. Teaching about cultures around the world, the French Club’s guest speaker explains a specific location in France.
Making memories that will last for a lifetime, a group of Spanish Club members bond together after a long day of sightseeing. Mr. Esterline takes a flying leap as he jumps into the river. While in Costa Rica, the group visited River Reventazon.

With smiles on their faces, Aleta Daniels (04), Leah Simon (03), and Jessica Jarvis (02) play in one of the beautiful waterfalls they visited on the trip to Costa Rica. Just lounging around, Jon Larsen (03), sits back and relaxes. Larsen was taking a dip in the pool and trying to stay cool.

While many students traveled to Florida and Mexico over spring break, the Spanish Club had the opportunity to visit Costa Rica. The trip didn’t come easily, as it took many fundraisers to make it happen. They visited the city of San José, the Arenal Volcano and a national park. The group had the opportunity to stay with homestay families in Liberia. “They let their kids go out really late on weekends, until about 12 or 1 o’clock in the morning. The students have school at 7 o’clock in the morning though,” said Jessica Jarvis (02).

An unexpected surprise came when the group was having lunch at a local restaurant. David Hasselhoff, the Bay Watch star, happened to be eating there, too. Pictures were taken and a video camera was even secretly placed on a table, that taped him while eating.

The French Club consisted of 16 members. They are looking forward to their trip to Europe in the spring of 2002. In preparation for this trip, they have held various fundraisers throughout the school year. Both clubs give students the opportunity to learn about different cultures and have fun doing it.


Critical thinking is a crucial element in education. It is an element that is found in abundance in the debate and forensics programs. Under the guidance of Ms. Bauman and Ms. Meister, both groups advanced to the state finals.

The debate topic was, “Resolved: that the United States Federal government should significantly increase protection of privacy in the United States, in one or more of the following areas: employment, medical records, consumer information, search and seizure.” This broad topic took the debaters into a variety of interesting areas.

The first year debators had a fantastic season with first place finishes in Traverse City and the Cadillac Invitational, and 13th place at the state finals. The varsity team took semi-finalist honors at the MSU invitational with a record of 5-1 in districts. Jessica Parks (01) qualified for the John S. Knight award based on her performance at districts.

Forensics is the counterpart of debate. In forensics, students have the choice of competing alone or with others. The students have the opportunity to participate in everything from dramatic interpretation of literature to informative speaking. Success was also apparent in forensics with six students: Jim Howard (01), Jessica Parks (01), Kate Lueck (01), Ashly Fochtman (01), and Ryan Deery (01), all qualifying for state finals.

Critical thinking under pressure was evident in the debate and forensics program. This skill brought PHS team members success and many wonderful memories.

-Erica Lucky


Getting help from Ms. Meister, Lizz Baldwin (04) goes over her skit in class to check for any mistakes. Holding her trophy from state finals, Ashley Fochtmen (01) smiles after a very successful season.

Making a flying motion with his hands, Chris Neil (04) acts a word out to see if his team can guess what the word is. At novice prelims, Phil Slocum (04) digs out evidence to support his position. The novice team advanced to state finals with a 6-2 record.
During a game of boys vs. girls charades, Kayla Klein (04) acts out a movie for her teammate to try and guess. Taking a look at the ending to Laura Killips’ (01) speech, Jim Howard (01) says everything is “A-okay.”
Rehearsing during the sixth hour Belles class, Katelyn Farrell (03) sings along with Kristin Wendling (01) and Molly Brien (04). Keeping the class together, Mrs. Saunders instructs the students.
Continuing the high quality in the program, Belles and Madrigals had a busy year. The Belles class was composed of twenty girls. Before the school year began, all of the girls interested in Belles tried out. They performed at many concerts including the Fall and Winter Concert, the Valentine’s Concert, the Spring Concert, the Baccalaureate and the Pops Concert. The Pops Concert has the choir students perform along with individual performers.

The Madrigals had many of the same performances as the Belles. The Madrigal dinners were held at the Perry Hotel, Mahogany’s and The Rowe Inn. They also sang at Bay Harbor for a few performances. The Madrigals took a trip to the Presidential Inauguration in Washington D.C.

Performing at the Inauguration was the best achievement I’ve had in Madrigals. I feel very privileged that I was able to go,” commented Becky King (02). During the trip to Washington D.C., the Madrigals competed in a competition and took first place. “It was really exciting when we won because there were a lot of other great choirs competing and we came out on top.” stated Matt Meyer (01).

The Belles and Madrigals kept themselves busy with performances and trips. They worked everyday and put in extra effort. “I enjoyed participating this year and look forward to doing it again,” said Sarah Jared (02).
Moving to the Beat. . .

When most people hear the word “band” they think of costume clad people marching around a football field, but programs such as color guard and the steel drum band make it into so much more. Students who participated in these programs were open to numerous opportunities and plenty of hours of fun. Afton Swenor (01), a participant of color guard, stated, “It’s not only an opportunity to participate in something great, but also a chance to meet new people and make new friends.” But it was not all fun and games for these groups. Behind the smiling faces hid the hours of work and dedication required to reach the perfection they portrayed. Of course, all the practice seemed worthy in the end, especially with opportunities to travel such as the Steel Drum Band received. Their trip to New Orleans was a success and gave them the chance to experience live bands performing all sorts of genres of music. Kristin Levanovich (02) said, “It was a great experience for everyone and definitely something I will not soon forget.” So whether dancing to the music, or creating it, band provides students with the chance to drum to their own beat.

-Danielle Charles


Prepping before a performance, Megan Krull (01) and Afton Swenor (01) smile brightly. Taking a break from the festivities of New Orleans, Courtney Londo (04), Katie Wills (03), Kristin Levanovich (02), Tori Vratanina (03), Sarah Jaquith (03), and Sarah Koons (01) show off their many necklaces.

Caught in mid-dance, Katie Capaldi (02) concentrates on her next move. Striking a pose in the middle of Central Gym during one of numerous routines, Hayley Marzec (04) and Laura Koons (04) are full of spirit.
Glowing with spirit, Betony Furgeson (02) is all smiles before a performance. Percussion in hand, Jillian Seager (04), Sarah Jacquith (03), Kristin Levanovich (02) and Leader Barry Bennett entertain guests as they played festive dinner music at Miss Pawley's wedding reception. "The Steel Drum Band was a perfect way to begin the evening of celebration. They were spectacular!" noted one out of town guest.
Perfecting his work, Ryan Friske (01) measures and cuts the rafter tails of the garage. Getting exact measurements, Chris Upton (01) works on the plumbing of the building trades house.
Building for a Better Tommorrow...

Aside from the Vocational Education classes, there are clubs and organizations that are based on the class. VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America) competes each year in many areas such as construction, auto, culinary, design, math, residential and electrical plumbing. To raise money to go to the competition in Lansing, VICA members held dances and car washes. "Most of our money comes from the dances; they are a big help," explained James Morgan (01). This year at competition, they received many first place awards. "We really tried hard this year, and I feel like I accomplished a lot. It was awesome to hear that we won first place," said Ryan Friske (01). The president of VICA was Adam Handwerk (01), the Vice President, James Morgan (01), Treasurer, Katie Handwerk, and the Secretary is Ben Carlson (01).

In order to have a good wrestling team, a stat club is necessary. The Stat Club travels with the wrestlers and helps out with the statistics. "It's fun to help out. I think wrestling is an interesting sport, so it gives me a chance to learn more about it," explained Megan Lamont (01). Coach Aurther commented, "Without the Stat Club, the wrestling team would be unorganized."

-Jessica Cosens

Taking his time, Eric Love (01) uses his speed square to layout a wall for the garage that the VICA members built for the Home Show. Perfecting each side, Jennifer Hall (02) saws the jagged edges off the O.S.B. board.

Filled with concentration, Steve Morris (01) cuts O.S.B. boards for the foundation of the house they are building. Finishing up, Brad Demeuse (01) finishes the wiring needed for the building trades house.


STAT CLUB- Front row: Renata Intropedi, Maggie Casteel, Emily Strobal, Katrina Sterly. Back Row: Leah Bryhan, Judy Archanbault, Megan Lamont, Mindy Wirgau.
Loosening up before giving blood, Adam Willson (01) relaxes with the help of NHS blood drive coordinates Sarah Penninton (01) and Dani Raiche (01). Setting up bowling pins of sunscreen, Kate Hutchens (02) prepares the alley of Beach Bowling during the Spring Fling.
Student council members said good-bye to early morning meetings and hello to a new leadership class. Faculty and students agreed that in order to provide more to the school and the community, more time would be needed to work. An hour long class was created and ran smoothly with the help of Mr. Tamm.

A variety of activities were created to benefit the school and different organizations giving Petoskey an excellent credit reputation throughout the community. There were obvious improvements over the last year in the way the school is run and hopefully it will only get better. When asked what made this year special Ryan Deery (01) stated, “We created a building block for future generations.” Next year’s class will further work on the foundation started this year and will hopefully come together more smoothly, resulting in more accomplishments.

The honorable title of NHS does not come without a price. Members of this organization work hard throughout the school year contributing to activities ranging from Student Council to coordinating blood drives...

Being involved with NHS is an excellent experience; members are always being pushed further to actively participate throughout the community and school making a difference. Feelings about NHS differ from member to member. Some students enjoy the volunteer aspect of NHS while others like the team effort and commitment involved with the organization.

Whatever the reason for being involved, NHS members and Student Council members feel the time is valuable and worth the hard work.

-Laura Shattuck


Finally Katie Scheel (02), Gayle White (02), and Afton Swenor (01) can take a minute to stop and smile before getting White out of the equipment, so she can move. Patiently, Tori Schmidt (02) sits with his eyes closed and waits for Rebecca Sterly (01) and Gayle White (02) to make their final touches.
Preparing for the future by participating in clubs such as HOSA and DECA “was a big help,” stated Molly McBride (01).

The Medical Occupations class participated in HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America). This class helps lead the path for students who want a future in health care professions. Mrs. Bost’s motto is “students must be willing to dig in and do the work now, so that later their transitions into the real world will be a lot easier.”

On February 22, HOSA traveled to Ferris State University where regionals were held. While there, HOSA students received 17 medals. “Going to regionals made me pretty apprehensive, but once it was over I wished that it would have never ended,” concluded Rebecca Sterly (01). During the week of April 25th, HOSA traveled to Traverse City where state competitions were held. Next, the students continued by qualifying for national competition.

Students interested in going into this business field participated in a marketing class and competed at DECA competitions (an association of marketing students). The students traveled to regional competitions which were held at Northwood University. Eighteen of these students continued on to state competition, at Hyatt Regency in Dearborn. While at state finals, Eric Heindricks (01) placed first and was able to continue on to nationals. “DECA experience provides students with the basis for success, both professionally and personally,” stated Mr. Gunderson. “DECA is also a great way to meet new people and interact,” concluded Jennifer Fosmore (02).

-Hedi Hall

Keeping The Record...
Bursting. With so many students in the building, there seemed to be a shortage of space, especially with all the construction going on. Several classrooms were also overcrowded. The hallways were always crowded between classes, especially near The Pit. The Pit, after it was filled in, had students spilling out of the student commons area into the surrounding hallways. The cafeteria was crammed with students every day at lunch---empty chairs were hard to come by. During pep assemblies, seating in the gym was very tight. Each corner of the building was filled with people.

Expanding. The fall of 2000 brought many new faces into the school building. Because of all the new students and freshmen, the school building contained more students than ever before. New teachers and administrators added to the mix of new people in the building. With so many people, there was an eclectic mix of personalities among the student body. As the year progressed, each student tried to find where they fit into their web of classmates. Freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors all mixed, making new friends while holding on to friendships already in existence. Even though there were many differences and individual qualities among students, a sense of unity formed between each person because of a common goal: to have fun and make their years at PHS a valuable, unique experience.

Sitting in the middle of 182 students, band members watch the Snowcoming pep assembly from their usual spot on the gym floor. At each pep assembly, the band always sat in the same corner of the gym to save space in the stands.

At the last home basketball game ever to be played in the Central School Gym, a group of seniors showed off their school spirit in the crowded gymnasium.

Cheering to one of the cheers at a pep assembly, a group of seniors clap and pump their fists into the air, showing off their school spirit in the crowded gym.
Carrying boxes of science equipment, Lynzie Steffel (01), Ian Londo (01), and Kyle Beyer (01) help their teacher Mr. VanWagoner move out of his old, crowded classroom into his new modern room in the new wing.
Looking at the progress of a clay pot in the kiln, Mrs. VanWagoner along with C.C Bechek (04) and Andrew Farnsworth (03) peer at their art projects hoping they turned out as planned.

"I keep my door closed, shades pulled down and I try to pause during my lectures when the jack hammer is going outside my window!"
-Mr. Batchelor

"I ignore it!"
-Mrs. Henley

"In the gym we can accommodate the noise factor much more than in the classroom. How much of a problem can noise be when you are running the mile? Not much!"
-Mr. Farris

"I try to keep a good sense of humor, what other schools do you know of where there is no ceiling and there are tire tracks down the hallway?"
-Mrs. Cerrudo
Taste testing the food at cross country camp, Coach Dickman puts away a spoonful of the team's pudding.

Tackling the obstacle course, Miss Robinson enjoys the fun day by fully participating in the activities along with the students.

Explaining a thoughtful question asked by Amanda Batchelor (04), Mrs. Ceruddo provides her knowledge and teaching skills to one of her Science One classes.

Jamie Buchanan  
Kim Cerudo  
Erica Chamberlain  
Barry Cole  
Barbara Couture  
Greg Czarnecki  
Don Dickman  
Dirk Esterline  
David Farris  
Julie Flynn  
Lois Fotchman  
Nelson Greenier  
Nathan Gross  
Larry Gunderson
Getting prepared for a Kiwanas dinner, Chef Hall's assistant Hal Johnson helps Trista Dowker pack and freeze cookies for the large dinner. Commercial foods prepared numerous dinners, and has received positive feedback for their meals.

Enjoying a free day, Mrs. Chamberlain joins in on a game of checkers with Joe McGovern. Mrs. Chamberlain can often be found participating in many activities with her students.

Checking over attendance, Mrs. Henley carefully enters the absences into her computer. She comments, "The best part of working here is talking to the kids. They are wonderful!"

Roy Hall
Adam Hausler
Denise Henley
Donald Honaker
Jane Howard
Robin Ingalls
Zachary Jonker

Chris Jorgenson
Barb Kennedy
Tamara Kolodziej
Jeanette Lewis
Larry Liebler
Chad Loe
Gretchen Lucky
“Schools are not nearly as strictly disciplined as they were when I went to high school. Also, there are greater opportunities for students to excel.”
-Mr. Rummer

“I attended Petoskey when seniors always had to take final exams, plus they didn’t finish before everyone else.”
-Mrs. Rasmussen

“Teachers were less accessible. I see a lot more student-to-teacher interaction now than when I was in high school.”
-Mr. Farris

“The issues I see kids dealing with today are much more serious than they used to be. I never had to deal with school violence.”
-Mr. Weston

Checking out their grades in Spanish II, juniors Sarah Foltz, Kile Swiss and Pete Walstrom listen attentively.

James McBride
Angela Meister
Garth Miller
Cindy Nelson
Randy Newstead
Maria Nicholson
Thomas Ochs

Lisa Rasmussen
Sarah Rice
Cathy Richardson
Karen Robinson
Steve Ross
Steve Saunders
Becky Scholl-Stauffer
Working on his second album, Mr. Newstead sings into the microphone. When asked how much of a role music plays in his life, he stated, “If I only had six months to live, I’d spend it in the recording studio.”

- Mr. Newstead

“What is your favorite out of school past time?”

“Coaching football and baseball is a very rewarding experience because I get a lot closer to the students and see them in a different setting. It is something I really enjoy doing.”

-Mr. Ross

“Outside of school I like to watch and play sports a lot, especially hockey. I just bought some new equipment so I am really looking forward to using it.”

-Mr. Buchanan

“In the summer, I love to go kayaking, hiking and camping. I love to be outdoors, so I try to spend as much time as possible outside.”

-Mr. Thomas

“I like power walking, shopping, and attending craft shows. I also enjoy collecting antiques.”

-Mrs. Nelson

Chris Schmoke
Lisa Self
Stasha Simon
Dennis Starkey
Karen Starkey
Matt Tamm
Chris Thomas

Ralph Tramontini
Linda VanTreese
Maggie VanWagoner
Paul VanWagoner
Erin VandenHeuvel
Rick Wiles
Lynite Zimmer
Emphasizing his game strategy, Coach Starkey gives direction to his players in the final moments of the game against Gaylord. Starkey stated, "I enjoy working with students who have a passion to learn, improve and compete."

After fishing on the Maple River, Mr. Czarnecki proudly shows off his eight pound fish. He stated, "Fishing is a great recreation and a big part of living Up North for me."

Resting after a long hike in Saginaw, Michigan, Mr. Garth Miller, his son Alexander and his niece Hillary take a minute to enjoy the outdoors.

While feeding her new born baby Tacey Looze, Ms. Meyer attempts to multitask and watch the evening news.
Finally
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"This has all been wonderful, but now I’m on my way.”
-Trey Anastasio

Friendships. Memories. Inside jokes. As their last year of high school passed by, seniors realized how important friends are—their support, loyalty, and kindness are priceless. “When you’re a senior, you become really close to all your friends because you realize that you’re never going to have this again,” stated Lisa Hanson.

Of course, senior year is also a time of realization that there is a big world beyond the doors of PHS. Classes are only a small fraction of a senior’s life. College applications, scholarships, after-school jobs, and friends, along with classes, make up most of a senior’s concerns. But just as much was learned outside of the classroom as was learned inside. “The lessons you learn in the hallways are more important than the lessons you learn in the classroom,” said Kate Lueck.

Keeping grades up was a concern for many seniors, especially when seniors started to kick in. Good grades and good ACT and SAT scores were required to get into the college of choice. “I did a lot of practice tests to prepare for the ACT because a good score was necessary to get accepted into my first-choice college,” commented Sarah Pennington.

Senior year was not all hard work, though. Relaxation and fun were two keys to having a great year. “Being a senior is about being able to pick on everybody and anybody, and being able to make a complete idiot out of yourself and not care,” explained Adam Willson. It was this kind of attitude that allowed the seniors to find how they fit in with their friends and classmates while enjoying who they really were.

The last year of high school was a year of preparation, a year to enjoy the hard work and friendships that had developed over the last four years.

-Colleen McCoy

Covered in chocolate and Jell-O, Ryan Deery, Jenny Maginnis, and Afton Swenor smile after the Snowcoming Court’s games at the Snowcoming pep assembly.

Showing off their senior pride, Sam Foltz and Matt Ondruske jump ahead of their competitors in one of the class games during the Homecoming pep assembly.

“What is so special to me about being a senior is the fact that our senior class is so close. Everybody is friends with everybody. It’s really, really nice.”
-Valerie Wester

“My boyfriend has made my senior year so special. He bought me roses on Valentine’s Day.”
-Rob Terpening
Taking a break from one of her classes, Laura Hayes rests her head on her books on a Friday afternoon.

Enjoying the last moments of the Homecoming dance, Katie August and Kyle Lieberman dance in each other's arms during one of the slow songs.

Ben Carlson
Derek Chapel
Kevin Chester
Tereasa Christopherson

Josh Clay
Jessica Clegg
Emily Compton
Kevin Connolly

John Cowan
Adam Cross
Aaron Cummings
Dan Currey
Taking a short break from helping her science teacher move, Lynzie Steffel shows how much fun she is having in her fourth hour class.

In preparation for an upcoming test, Coe Lacy, Kevin Adaline, Rob Wills, and Mike Royalty review their notes in the middle of all the boxes in Mr. VanWagoner's room.

Kelly Forrester
Nick Fosmore
Lizz Foster
Ryan Friske

Lindsay Fussman
Irlene Gardner
Kaleena Gardner
Michael Goldsmith

Tracy Gunderson
Melissa Hall
Adam Handwerk
Lisa Hanson
With mischievous looks on their faces, Jessica Nelle, Marie Hawkins, and Marianne Moellering hang out with their friend Diane Stout on a warm summer’s evening. Caught in the spirit of his upcoming football game, Kris Smoot takes a moment out of his class to show his “peaceful” mood.
Before the game starts, Paul Schafer runs out with his fellow basketball teammates to start the traditional Northmen warm-up drills.

Working on the senior class float, Laura Killips and Connor Dennis put together a palm tree that was part of the "Gilligan's Island" theme of the float while Scott Johnson looks on during Homecoming Spirit Week.

Christine Miller
Carl Mills
Marianne Moellering
Desmond Moore

James Morgan
Steve Morris
Peter Munson
Maxwell Murphy

Rory Murphy
Ashley Nabuurs
Jessica Nelle
Ben O'Brien
Cory O'Neil
Lee Padgett
Renee Palmateer
Shannon Parent

Jessica Parks
Sarah Pennington
Tori Peterman
Josh Petit

Beau Platte
Jamie Powers
Ashley Premo
Dani Raiche

Kalie Redder
Louise Rosendahl
Michael Royalty
Brendan Ryan

Shanell Ryan
Ricky Sanders
Paul Schafer
Scott Schmit
On a brief break from training, Lauren Heidtke, Liz Winnel, and Sharon Shattuck smile, showing how much fun they are having at cross country camp.

Dressed up to the Shagadelic theme, Laura Killips, Laura Hayes, Dani Raiche, Kristin Wendling, and Sarah Pennington enjoy each other’s company at the Snowcoming dance.

Amy Schwartzfishe
April Schwartzfishe
Janice Schwartzfishe
Andy Sciamanna

Juliet Serra
Stephanie Sevener
Sharon Shattuck
Alison Simon

Phil Slocum
Courtney Smith
Derek Smith
Kris Smoot
In the spirit of the holiday, Andrew Farnsworth shows off his bunny Halloween costume.

Watching the Homecoming pep assembly, Shanell Ryan and Katie Kresnak laugh at one of the many skits performed during the assembly.
During the Homecoming pep assembly, Melissa Vanslembrouck performs to one of the marching band's songs with the colorguard.

With smiles on their faces, Ashley Fotchman and Sarah Koons carry winterguard flags in preparation for the Snowcoming pep assembly.
Into The Future

As the school year progressed, seniors prepared themselves for the next four years of their lives. Seniors had a wide range of ways to prepare themselves for their upcoming futures. "I've been concentrating on my music and academics more than normal because this year it's a reality that I am leaving," stated Jessica Parks. Keeping up grades and filling out applications had been a part of most seniors' preparation. "I have been filling out apps, apps, and more apps!" exclaimed Erin Beck.

Money was also a big concern. "I've spent a lot of time on scholarship applications," said Pam Dutt. Scholarships were a necessity for many seniors--many of their first-choice schools weren't cheap. A lot of seniors checked the scholarship box in the CRC regularly, or searched on-line.

Of course, many seniors found that the best way to prepare for the next four years of their lives was to relax and enjoy the time they had left. "I've been trying to enjoy the time I have left with my friends and the time I have left with sports. I know everything will change and I'll never have this again," stated Andrew Farnsworth.

All seniors agreed that college preparation is stressful. "It's stressful because what you do now to prepare for college will determine how successful you'll be in your future," explained Alison Simon.

Whether they enjoyed their last few months at PHS or concentrated on academics, seniors did what they needed to do to feel prepared for their futures.

- by Colleen McCoy

"I plan to go to St. Mary's College in California. I'm planning on majoring in economics and either genetics or chemistry. I am also going to run there."
- Travis Bizorek

"Right now I am planning on going to Grand Valley to major in French and International Affairs."
- Meghan McKinney

"I am going to culinary school. I am going to Johnson and Wales University in Rhode Island."
- Joe Briones
"I am planning on attending Northern Michigan University to major in Accounting."
-Ashley Nabuurs

"I am going to ITT, probably in Troy, Michigan, to study Computer Graphics Design."
-Mitch Duty

"I would love to play basketball in college. I am looking at Grand Valley right now."
-Abbi Donaldson

Gaining valuable skills, Kalie Redder works diligently on a project given to her while Kim Johnson looks on.

Showing her empathy for animals, Kristen Spears speaks for deer on Hunter Day during Homecoming Spirit Week.

Enjoying one day out of his last year of high school, Adam Wilson stops and shows his enthusiasm of being a senior on his way to his locker after school.
Showing their excitement after Commencement, Jamie Powers and Colleen McCoy smile in the midst of all of their fellow graduates at Bay View Auditorium.

Singing "Prelude to Peace," senior Madrigal singers perform one last time with their fellow choir classmates during the Commencement at Bay View Auditorium.

After the graduation ceremony, Josh Daniel and his parents take time to smile at the reception held at the high school for the graduates and their parents.

Full of pride, Rob Farrimond walks down the aisle to "Pomp and Circumstance," played by the Petoskey High School Band. Farrimond was one of 213 seniors who participated in Commencement Sunday evening.

Gathering together for one last picture, Jamie Thomson, Ali Simon and Sharon Shattuck anxiously await their senior party.
At a special ceremony during their church service, Ben Carlson, Joe Fifer, John Cowan, and Ryan Deery are honored for their accomplishments throughout their high school career.

Months of hard work and preparation all came to an end in one night. The 116th annual PHS Commencement exercises celebrated the class of 2001 in the Bay View Auditorium at seven pm, Sunday, June third. The PHS Wind Ensemble played “Sedona” with its senior members one last time. The Madrigals performed “Prelude to Peace,” and, with the help of the other senior choir members, “Hold my Hand.” The ceremony also had something new--more student speakers. Jessica Parks and Jimmy Howard both gave honor speeches. Parks honored the “unsung heroes--” the parents whose hard work she recognized. Howard honored the “surrogate parents,” or all the teachers who impacted the seniors’ lives. Laura Killips gave a special presedential address to her fellow classmates, reminding them that what was important was the lives that they will touch, not the money they will make. Laura Hayes introduced the guest speaker, Ms. Kerri Finlayson, a professor at NCMC, who traveled to the North Pole. Ms. Finlayson’s message to the senior class was simple: to not let go of their goals, and to “enjoy the journey” taken to reach them. As diplomas were passed out, each senior stepped on a carpet square, in honor of The Pit, one last time. To end the ceremony, Colleen McCoy led her class in the tassel-turning, and the four years of high school came to a finality fit to honor the graduates of 2001.

After receiving her diploma and shaking hands with Superintendent Dr. John Jeffery, Piccola Brown leaves the stage with a huge smile. Brown shows a sense of enthusiasm that was shared with many of her classmates.
Proving that they really can swing dance, Kate Lueck (01) and Jessica Parks (01) show their moves during the dance contest.

With all their might, Ian Hitsman (01) and Charlie Daniels (01) arm wrestle. A group of students signed up for the competition and went against each other until a champion was found.

Starting off the evening with relaxation, Kyle Lieberman (01) receives a massage from one of the four masseuses.

After a short wait in line, Renatta Intropedi (01) anxiously takes her spot on the Mantis and waits for the ride to begin. The Mantis was one of the many thrilling rides that Intropedi rode during the day.
Flexing his "muscles," Chris Upton (01) prepares to sumo-wrestle his partner. This station was extremely popular, having a steady line and audience during the entire time it was open.

Concluding the senior year, the Class of 2001 all met at Nub’s Nob to enjoy each other’s company one last time before heading their separate ways. The all-night party was diligently decorated by volunteer parents with the theme borrowed from Dr. Suess, "The Places You Will Go".

Throughout the night, different stations were placed throughout Nub’s Nob, allowing students to participate in a variety of activities ranging from a casino to psychic readings. Jamie Thompson comments on the night stating, "There were so many different things going on at once, I never even got a chance to be tired. It was a really fun night!"

The Places We’ll Go

This party was not the first time during their busy week that the seniors had gotten together as a group. Three days before the senior class had traveled to Cedar Point together. The Wednesday before graduation the senior class gathered together at midnight to pack into four charter buses. After all the students’ baggage was checked by the staff members, the bus departed the high school for the seven hour ride to Cedar Point. The students’ arrived at the amusement park at nine o’clock and spent a long day riding the rides and enjoying each other’s company.

These two events gave the senior class a chance to be together one last time before heading their separate ways. Oh, the places we’ll go...

-Climbing their way up the Corkscrew, Jodie Stradling (01) and Jayna Stakoe (01) show their anticipation for the big drop ahead of them. "We started off with the smaller rollercoasters like the Corkscrew and then worked our way up to the bigger rides." Stradling commented.
Planning Ahead

The junior year is a year for planning. Because the students are no longer underclassmen, more responsibilities are given to them. These responsibilities range from school to personal aspects. In school, juniors are at the point where college preparation is needed, if college is the right direction for them. Deciding which way to go after high school is highly encouraged by the teachers and counselors. Juniors are responsible for taking the ACT or SAT, depending on which college they plan to apply.

Other planning is also needed for juniors. The prom is organized by the junior class every year. The planning begins at the start of the school year and goes all the way up to the day of Prom. Not only does planning help students, but it will also help in the future by teaching responsibility.

-Amy Stone
Waiting for their float to be judged, the hard workers of the junior homecoming float hope to win first place. The floats were built after school during the week of homecoming at the fair grounds. The junior float came in second place overall.

Preparing for a pep assembly, Lindsey Morales (02) tapes Amy Beyer’s (02) wrist. The color guard performed their routine for the Snowcoming pep assembly for the first time.

Cole Cherrette
Erica Chipps
Katy Ciesielki
Kory Ciesielki
Christina Colby
Erin Conger
John Cool

Jennifer Cosens
Jessica Cosens
Michelle Cosier
Ryan Craig
Carol Crosby
Robert Cunningham
Todd Cunningham

Robin Curnow
David Czarnecki
Jamie Daly
Kelsey Declerck
Cassandra Dickson
Erika Jo Dielman
Lauren Doherty

Troy Drebensteclt
Rachel Ducastel
Adrienne Dufina
Michelle Dulin
Erika Duval
Amie Ecker
Jessica Edington

Lacey Edwards
Josh Eedy
David Eicke
Annika Enciso
Adam Engelman
Jacob Engle
Jimmy Evans
"Open campus would be great for our school. I don't like eating the cafeteria food all week."
-Ryan High

"I think open campus should be approved. Maybe not for the underclassmen, but definitely for the juniors and seniors."
-Rachel Bizorek

"Having open campus would be cool. It makes lunch a lot more fun instead of sitting in the cafeteria."
-Kole Swiss

"I think having open campus would be really fun. We'd be able to go eat lunch with our friends."
-Kristina Oliver

Observe the activities during the Snowcoming pep assembly, Steve Butwell, Jae Green, and Jesse Tefo participate in the excitement. The assembly included the cheer "What's your number."

"Junior year is a lot more exciting. We have more privileges and have more respect."
-Katie Flynn

Explain the question to Eric Rizk, Ellen Foltz takes a minute to help him as she passes by his locker. Many students finish last minute homework for their next class during the five minutes between hours.
"I'm taking classes that colleges consider challenging so that I can keep my options open for whatever school I'll apply to."
-Rebecca Gabrick

"Colleges have been sending me information in the mail, so I've been reading all of it and keeping in mind what I'm interested in."
-Travis Kary

"My friends and I have been researching jobs that interest us and finding colleges that specialize in those areas."
-Rachelle Bates
While dissecting a grasshopper in Zoology, Marlene Bowe, Jenifer Wager, and Sarah Hautamaki finish analysis questions. The class does a variety of dissections including fish and worms.

Escorted by Carl Fosmore and Tony Prantera, Mr. Schmoke represents the junior class during the Snowcoming pep assembly. The representatives had to do a run-way walk and show their beauty pageant qualities.

Frank McGlynn
Nicholas McIntosh
Douglas McKinstry
Dan McNamara
Kristen McPhee
Jonathan Meyer
Sara Meyer

Julia Miller
Ryan Moore
Sabrina Moore
Lyndsey Morales
Robert Morgan
Eric Mulholland
John Napoli

Hilary Newcomb
Andrea Nickerson
Stefan Niezgoda
Elizabeth Nitchman
Evan Nowak
Stephanie O. Neill
Kristina Oliver

Jacob Olsen
Katherine Ondrusek
Amanda Palmer
Daniel Plichta
Margaret Pockrandt
Anthony Prantera
Adam Rensel

Michael Rensel
Mike Rhoads
Matthew Richter
Eric Rizk
Matthew Roberts
Brock Robinson
Jessica Robinson

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What's your curfew?

Warming up to go running during Athlete's P.E., Amy Hotchkiss and Andrea Knibbs stretch outside the gym. Athlete's P.E. helps to train athletes in whatever sport they participate in during the year.

"Being a junior definitely has its ups and downs. But I like that we have more freedom to do what we want."
-Jenn Cosens

"My parents always start to worry if I'm gone for too long, so they make me be home by 11 pm."
-James Baker

"My curfew depends on what I'm doing that night. I usually have to be home by midnight because I'm still 16 and can't drive after midnight."
-Sarah Foltz

"My parents haven't set a real curfew for me. They just want to know where I am going."
-Amanda Kurburski

"I don't really have a curfew because my friends come over to my house most of the time."
-Jonathan Meyer

"With a steady hand, Arnie Ecker paints sunsets for her Advanced Art class. "I love working on my art projects because they relax me and I can be creative," stated Ecker. Different art classes are offered including a general class for beginners."
"I hate that we have to park in the lower parking lot. It's a really cold walk in the winter!"  
-Erica Chippi

"When you're a junior you get more to look forward to, like prom."
-Karl Rohe

"I really enjoy being challenged with my classes. It will help me in the future."
-Jericho Simon

Karl Rohe  
Scott Rose  
Lynn Rossi  
Andrew Ruemenapp  
Justin Zachary Rushing  
Ian Russell  
Jane Rynbrandt

Nancy Sandomierski  
Erin Sarki  
Sean Scarbrough  
Katherine Scheel  
Torey Schmit  
Chris Sciamanna  
Amy Scott

Jenna Serafini  
Alan Shanks  
Todd Sheldon  
Daniel Shuten  
Jericho Simon  
Benjamin Slocum  
Megan Smith

Rick Smith  
Kara Steely  
Amy Stone  
Abbi Stover  
Kile Swiss  
Kole Swiss  
Sarah Tamminga

Jesse Tefo  
Christopher Thompson  
Jeremiah Thompson  
Rebecca Toporek  
Nicholas Touran  
Chelsea Townsend  
Keith Tuerffs

John Vandeventer  
Jenifer Wagar  
Peter Walstrom  
Steven Whaley  
Justin Whipple  
Gayle White  
Nicholas Wiklanski

Adam Wilbur  
Jacob Wilhelm  
Michael Winter  
Kazhua Xiong  
Mary Zaremba
Growing Up
Caught in the Middle

Somewhere between seniors and freshman can be found another group of students. Not quite at the top of the ladder, but not on the first rung either. These unique personalities are all grouped into the classification of sophomores. The “caught in the middle” class is experiencing the same situations and events that those that have come before then went through. Many middle activities occur during the sophomore year of school. They will somewhere in the middle of the year acquire their driver’s license. That is the first step to adulthood and growing up.

-Erika Lucky
Sitting in the pit, Ryan Peters, Mark Washburn, and Matt Fate procrastinate going to class after their lunch.

Concentrating on her colors, Kristle Goins prepares a watercolor for art class.
The theme for the Homecoming floats was T.V. sitcoms; but even after all their hard work the MASH float only took third place.

"All my friends either have or are getting their drivers licence; I don't get mine until september."
-Megan Ermler

"I like my name - its very eccentric. I think it shows who I really am."
-Zack Wolgamott

"My name is unique, not too many people have it."
-Colleen Forrester

"My name can be meant for many different things, a Mack Truck, a Big Mack burger, or just plain mackin."
-Mack Boening

"Marie is a name that is not heard very often anymore. It makes me feel special."
-Marie O'Brien

Commercial foods class teaches students how to prepare, present, and serve delicious meals.
Zack Belicini and Andrew Etagewages diligently prepare pudding for a dinner later that evening.

"All my friends either have or are getting their drivers licence; I don't get mine until september."
-Megan Ermler
What if the power went out?

"I would probably just sit there. I would do what the teacher told us to do, and hope that we go home."
-Megan Serafini

"I would probably try to leave, but if I couldn't get out I would just hang out with my friends."
-Raliegh Goodspeed

"I'd probably leave with my friends because there's no point in staying, plus a bunch of other people would probably leave too."
-Stacy Rose

"I would just sit there and hope that the power didn't come back on and we could go home."
-Mark Washburn
While working on a science experiment in measuring thrust, Brandon McCarthy pauses for a refreshing drink at the water fountain.

During athletes P.E. Katie Brines gets in shape by running in the hall by The Pit.

Adam Newville
Diana Niswander
Breanna O'Neel
Marie O. Brien
Melissa O. Neal
Breanna O. Neil
Lexie Otto

Justin Page
Jennifer Pennell
Tian Peterman
Ryan Peters
Jamie Pettyjohn
Kevin Phelan
Chelsea Phelps

Elizabeth Phelps
Alyce Pickett
Leahrose Place
Kel Powers
Kimberley Raber
Allison Racignol
Ryan Raiche

Derek Raisanen
Kali Rellinger
Ian Reno
Erica Richards
Sean Richardson
Laura Rojas
Stacy Rose

Jennifer Russell
Patrick Ryan
Paula Ryan
Jason Rybinski
Scott Ryenbrandt
David Sanders
Amy Sarki
“Sports and studying are my biggest stresses because there is no time to do anything between the two things.”
-Nate Strauss

“School itself would be my biggest stress, having to worry about boys, homework, and my personal life is a big deal.”
-Sarah Jaquith

“Basketball is my biggest stress, but it is the good stress, if there is such a thing.”
-Shelby Kear

“I would have to say studying for exams would be my biggest stress.”
-Leah Simon

“High school is a lot easier now that I am a sophomore because now I know my way around and I don’t get lost as much.”
- Bree Marsh
Fresh Start

Year of Changes

It's the first day of school for freshmen. They feel scared but at the same time excited. Many changes are happening around them. They’re around different people, they’ve got different teachers, they’re in a totally different school and, on top of that, they are not only changing physically but also mentally and emotionally. Their freshman year is said to be the year of changes, so once they overcome being scared, they can start concentrating on the fun aspects of high school. High school is supposed to be a place for study, socialization and pure fun so live those four precious years to their fullest. Freshmen year prepares students for the changes that are to come. The years that follow are unpredictable...there’s no telling what they’ll bring you.

-Jill Daly
With a face full of cake, Courtney Londo manages to snap a smile. She was celebrating her friend’s birthday. They were at a cabin right outside of Gaylord.

Justin Beyer grabs a quick drink of water in between his soccer game and the first half. He played a lot and was exhausted.

Carli Carver
Sara Casto
David Charbeneau
Samantha Chaves
Fernando Chingwa
Ryan Chopp
Kyle Ciesielski

Nick Colby
Scott Cole
Craig Conboy
Mark Connolly
Jacquelyn Cook
Kevin Corcoran
Melissa Cosier

Melissa Cousineau
Kaitlin Cinnion
Katie Crosby
Jill Daly
Aleta Daniels
Edward David III
Christine Davis

Stephanie Dean
Ernesto Delarosa
Lindsey Derue
Michael Deschermeier
Westley Dios
Kevin Dickson
Eric Dies

Dane Doctor
Jameson Dubois
Jonathan Ducastel
Lisa Dulinski
Thomas Dutt
Erica East
Christopher Eckhold
Your biggest change entering high school?

Working hard in art class, Dan Warren and Meagen Goalen try to finish their projects.

"The thing that was a lot different from last year was that we were the oldest in the school and people looked up to us. Now that we are in high school, people look down on us."
-Becky Haderer

"The thing that was a lot different from middle school was our freedom. We have a lot more here."
-Peter Heier

"There is a lot more work that goes into high school. Teachers are way harder on you and expect more."
-Emily Weiland

"My biggest change entering the high school was having all new surroundings. The students, teachers and school were all different."
-Aleta Daniels

"My biggest change was seeing all the different people. It's really weird going to school with 18 year olds."
-Dan Warren

Standing at the front of the class, Chris Neil prepares to give a speech. He was really nervous but he still managed to get an A.
“It’s not really a big of deal to me because I make my sister drive me places but that won’t last very long so I’ve got to get mine soon.
-Kari Hodgkiss

“Three words...I hate it!”
-Kevin Corcoran

“I really want my license, but I’ve got my friends to drive me places for now.”
-Kara Lusher

“I don’t really care, I’ve got my mom and friends to drive me where I need to go. It sure would be nice though to just hop in a car and drive.”
-Nicole Lennemen

“I’ll be able to drive next year and I’m counting down the days. I can’t wait to get my license. All I will ever do is drive.”
-Steve Smrekar
"I could not live without my friends. They are always there to talk to and goof off with."
-Talina LaCount

"Basketball and other sports. If I didn't play any sports, I would be so bored!"
-Todd Keiser

"Food...I love to eat. When I have friends over all we do is pig out. It's so much fun!"
-Dana Wynn

"I couldn't live without my family. They can get annoying at times but you've got to love them."
-Christine Davis

"I can't live with out my friends. They are always there to talk to and goof off with."
-Craig Russel

Taking a break from playing loud at the homecoming pep-assembly, Emily Weiland and Emily Sussman get ready to cheer.

Marcy Rogers
Tyler Roth
Craig Russell
Katie Ryan
Jeremiah Sands
Troy Scarbrough
Adam Schmidt

Laura Shattuck
Grant Shaw
Jolene Siegrist
Herman Simon
Karleigh Simon
Paul Simon
Rojill Skiba

Eagerly starting another Wednesday morning, Kari Hodgkiss gets her books out of her locker. She was on her way to science class.
Diversity. Students face many challenges when it comes to choosing their classes for the upcoming years. There seems to be numerous options with not enough hours to fill. Although there are certain classes, such as Gym, Science 1 and Health that are required to graduate, many are left open for the student to choose according to their interests. Whether a student wants to be a doctor or a carpenter, there are classes offered that will benefit students in the future. For example, Medical Occupations may be an option for someone interested in becoming a doctor and The Building Traits class may be taken for someone interested in carpentry. There are many classes that are offered that will fit many different interests.

Additions. New classes have also been added to the curriculum to broaden the students’ choices, such as Journalism, Drama and Leadership Counsel. Journalism, which is a class that devotes students’ time to writing the school newspaper, the Hill Street Journal. Another new class is Drama, which focuses on learning the techniques of acting. The other class that was added to the curriculum was the Leadership Counsel. This is actually the Student Counsel, along with other students who applied to be in the class. This class organizes dances and petitions for issues, such as open campus, and plans important days for the school. These new additions, along with all of the other classes offered, allow for a well-rounded education.

Painting with bright pastels, Donna Habitiz (02) holds her brush with a steady hand. The General Arts class takes time to learn designs and colors for their projects.

Reading the newspaper in her Journalism class, Erica Chippi (02) concentrates on the class assignment.

Securing the Saran Wrap to store some pudding, Matt Olsen (02) cleans up after a lunch made by Commercial Foods. Commercial Foods serves lunch about once a week in the Hill Street Cafe.
Blowing bubbles in her juice, Dana Begley (01) works on her Child Education project in Mrs. Kennedy's class. This project was devised so the students could find activities that deal with children.
The social studies classes were getting out of the classroom and out of the book to learn a true understanding of what was being taught.

One such event was the Close Up trip to Washington D.C. This field trip included a group of eight juniors, accompanied by Mr. Miller, to view our nation's capitol and to watch the Presidential Inauguration. Steve Niezgoda (02) commented on the trip, "From this trip I have a better understanding of the government and how it runs the country." But this is not all the students took away from the trip. More importantly, as Donavan Irish (02) commented, "The whole experience really got to me, and sent the message that I have to be a good person and not oppress, judge, or hate anyone." All of the participants agreed that it was a touching experience that will stay with them for years to come.

Another class that is doing many hands on activities is the Leadership Class taught by Mr. Tamm. The leadership class mixes lessons on history and leadership skills. The class was made up of the class officers from all four grades, along with other students that were chosen as leaders among their classmates. This class helps organize pep assemblies, dances, fundraisers, and other school functions.

Along with the new additions, other social studies classes include economics, world geography, U.S. history, psychology, and government. The social studies teachers were keeping busy helping to give students a better understanding of the world and how they can leave a mark in their future.

-Alison Simon

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<td>&quot;I have learned to be a leader and when to let others take charge.&quot;</td>
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<td>&quot;Mr. Tamm's upbeat personality makes material fun to learn.&quot;</td>
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<td>Laura Hayes (01)</td>
<td>Collen Forrester (03)</td>
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Paying close attention, Christina Kelly (04) takes a few notes while listening to Mr. Lowe talk about the geography of South Africa.

During a class discussion, Megan LaMont (01) describes her timeline to Mr. Grangood's World History class. Mr. Grangood took Mrs. Block's place from November through June, as she was on maternity leave.
Scooping out the leftover jello from the Snowcoming pep rally, Ashley Fotchman (01) is careful not to spill any on her clothes. Part of the leadership class included organizing the pep assemblies and also cleaning up afterwards.

Always eager to answer a question, Mrs. Vantreese helps Melissa Hall (01) and April Schwartfisher (01) answer their questions in psychology about the different functions of the left and right side of the brain.

Government  Geography  Psychology  Leadership Council

I have learned about how our government runs and how laws are made."  
Elaine Cannon (02)  

“We get to talk about what we are learning so it is more interesting.”  
Amanda Vigneau (04)  

“It is different than any other class I have ever taken, I really enjoy it.”  
Sarah Follitz (02)

“There is extra work but I get to see my actions making a difference.”  
Kyle Lieberman (01)

Helping each other finish up an assignment, Lacey Edwards (02), Heather Kahgee (02), Michelle Martincek (02), and Jennifer Cosens (02) discuss their final answers before their papers are collected by Mr. Cole during government class.
Trying to complete his lab, Science Two student Cory Conger (03) concentrates on finishing his work before the bell rings.

Working with the new CBLs and calculators, Science One students Sarah Porter (04) and Laura Hawkins (04) test pulleys during a lab in Ms. Carrudo's sixth hour class.

"I learn better with labs and working with people." Molly Preston (04)

"The new technology? I guess we didn't get to use that yet." Amy Vannocker (03)

"Imagine the hardest class you have and multiply by 10. That's Science Three." Franny Becheck (02)

"The new technology has given us the ability to experience more of a hands-on science class." Janna Jarvis (01)

While studying the solar system, Matt Behan (03), Ben Biddick (03), and John Heinrich (03) complete a lab on the planets, stars, and their relationships to one another during Mr. Jorgenson's Science Two class.
"My favorite part of teaching science is that it is always changing. There’s always something new," stated Science One and Four teacher Kim Cerrudo. "I also love to foster a sense of self-discovery in labs." The science department went through changes to keep up with the evolving subject of science. New classrooms and technology made a big impact on the science curriculum. "The new tools are allowing us to investigate some variables we couldn’t before," said Science Three and Four teacher Paul VanWagoner. "Students are able to collect data in ways that were originally only possible in college because of expense. The technology is highly accurate and visual, greatly enhancing student learning," added Mrs. Cerrudo.

Students were also happy about the new technology. "The new technology is helpful to our class, and I guess that anything that helps me grasp the concepts of science better is worth it," commented Science One student Tyler Roth (04).

Grasping the concepts of science can be challenging, but they prepared students for future learning. "Science teaches you that the answers are out there and with hard work and perseverance, you can find them," stated Science Four student Janna Jarvis (01). Added Tyler Roth, "I think science confronts you with challenges. They may not be as significant as real world challenges, but it gives you somewhere to start."

The new technology allowed the students to understand their class material better, but the science teachers wanted their students to take more away from their classes besides just pieces of information about various science subjects. Mr. VanWagoner stated, "I want you to find something you can have a passion for and explore it."

Through new technology and new experiences, science students gained valuable information that prepared them for not only science lessons but life lessons as well.

-Colleen McCoy

AP Biology
"It’s definitely the hardest class I’ve taken, but I am glad I did. It really has prepared me for college." Ashley Fochman (01)

Zoology
"The technology has changed the lab process. Instead of killing frogs we did a virtual dissection." Meghan McKinney (01)

Science Two
"Science is one of my favorite classes because it’s challenging and I actually learn things." Ashley Moyer (03)

Science One
"Fun labs, repetition, and a good sense of humor helped me understand the material better." Stephanie Dean (04)

In preparation for the move to the new wing, Science Four student Claire Johnson (01) helps box the science equipment laying on the lab stations a week before her teacher, Mr. VanWagoner, moved into his new classroom.

Working diligently, Science One student Sean Felz (04) enters his calculations from his physics lab onto his data sheet.
For Success.

Equations, theorems and mathematical rules can be extremely confusing. But the dedicated teachers are always willing to help and explain the problems to students. “There is always some point where math becomes difficult. When that happens you have to work harder to get through what’s challenging,” commented Mr. Dickmann.

Coming in early and staying after school for additional help is almost always an option that many of the math teachers stress to their students. Mr. Dickmann also said, “One on one help is very effective and allows me to focus on just one person and his or her specific needs.”

There are many different levels of mathematics offered. It begins with integrated math class and goes all the way to A.P. Calculus. At all of the different levels that are offered, the teachers try to keep the students involved as much as possible. “I think it’s really difficult to pay attention in a class when I have to take notes all hour, so I like it when my teacher gives us activities and problems to do out loud,” stated Jay Krimball (03). Miss Rice, who is new to the department and likes to keep her students up and moving, said, “I try to get the students to do problems on the board or to research questions for extra credit.”

Keeping the students interested in the subject of the class is something that the teachers all feel is extremely important. Students can pay attention and then stay interested. Math is one of the subjects that involves extra work and dedication. Staying focused and applying yourself will almost guarantee success.

-Amy Stone

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<td>“It’s a difficult class for me, but it’s something I need to understand.”</td>
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Presenting his work, Jacob Wilhelm (02) shows off his polyhedra that he made in his Geometry class. Every year the classes construct the polyhedrons to demonstrate the relationship between the shapes.

Researching for a report, Chris Braizer (02) finds information on circles for his Algebra II class. “I liked this assignment because it was a lot different than just sitting in the classroom,” commented Braizer.
Caught up in thought, David VanSlembrough (04) reads over the question in his Pre-Algebra class. The class covered material that will lead into the Algebra I class that most students will continue on to take next year.

Finishing an assignment from the night before, Ellen Beatty (03) attempts to concentrate while Matt Behan (02) and Brenden Ryan (01) look on in an attempt to help.

Algebra II

"Mr. Batchelor has helped me a lot by explaining problems."
Jae Green (02)

Trigonometry

"It's not as hard as I expected it to be. Some parts are actually easy!"
Matt Meyer (01)

A.P. Calculus

"This class will help me do well on the AP test so I can get a college credit."
Travis Biziorek (01)

Pre-Algebra

"I actually don't mind this class. I have fun during it!"
Tripp Fay (04)

Folding a piece of paper, Kristin Levanovich (02) makes a snowflake for her Trigonometry class. The class took a break before Christmas and learned how triangles can make different shapes when folded.
With only a little bit of class time remaining, Marlie Johnson (04) concentrates on reading "The lady and the tiger" from her English 9 literature book.

Hastily working, Mrs. Ingalls records her grades, so that the report cards can be sent out.

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<td>&quot;English 10 has strengthened my writing skills and I love Julius Caesar!&quot;</td>
<td>&quot;Advanced Comp requires a lot of writing but the experience will help me later in life.&quot;</td>
<td>&quot;It's fun to be in a class where kids come together to express their ideas in writing.&quot;</td>
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<td>Jenna Hodgkiss (02)</td>
<td>Lauren Wiley (01)</td>
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With an effort to finish her homework before the bell, Kazhua Xiong (02) works on the daily assignment from "The Lively Art of Writing."
Out Standing

Students seem to take advantage of how important English is to our everyday lives. Reading books, writing papers, typing on a computer, and studying for tests would not be possible without it. English is the key factor to survive in the world around us.

English teachers love what they teach because in the long run it will benefit the students, in both college and the future. According to Mrs. Simon the most enjoyable feeling about being an English teacher is, “watching students unravel literature they thought was hard but slowly figure it out. It’s cool to see that light bulb turn on!”

Many changes have taken place in the English department. Enhancements with computers and textbooks have widened students’ resources, as well as benefited the teachers. Students were moved and desks were added due to the class sizes being larger than ever. Also, a new teacher, Ms. Meister was added to the department’s staff and a new class, Journalism, has been added to the curriculum.

This year the freshmen read a number of novels and plays. For example, “Of Mice and Men”, “The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet”, and “The Odyssey”. Were all read by English 9 students. The sophomores in English 10, read “To Kill a Mockingbird” and most would agree that it is an excellent novel. While the Advanced Composition classes worked on the ever so famous vocabulary project, the Journalism class worked throughout the year on the school newspaper.

Each English class prepares students for the lifetime of opportunities that lie ahead of them.

-Megan Smith

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<td>&quot;Advanced Reading is a good class to take if you plan on going to college.&quot;</td>
<td>&quot;American Literature has taught me a lot of facts about old authors.&quot;</td>
<td>&quot;It is a very intriguing class, thanks to Mrs. Flynn who opens doors to my literary world.&quot;</td>
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P utting in her share of work, Quinn Moore (04) reads questions out loud to help her group finish the chapter 18 review.

H olding the mouse in hand, Leigh Topley (01) browses a column for the school newspaper.
Classes that contribute to life after school are an important part of education. Drafting, Auto Technology, Building Trades, Medical Occupations, Marketing, Early Childhood Development and Commercial Foods all help students learn the basics about specific careers after high school and help them to determine what they want to do with their life. After having realized that students who graduate from high school with an education in specific fields perform much better in the work force, a great deal of time and money were focused on bettering these programs.

“These are some of the best vocational courses I have seen,” remarked building trades instructor and head of the vocational department, Mr. Larry Leibler. And while each of the vocational classes are different, they all help to give students a reality check over what their future career choices may be holding for them.

At the end of the year, students have a chance to show how much they’ve learned by participating in the annual V.I.C.A. competition. V.I.C.A., Vocational Industrial Clubs of America, is a nation wide competition for all of the vocational courses.

Classes such as these have great potential and have certainly proved their worth. There are even 49 students that travel from surrounding schools everyday to take part in these career preparatory classes. With fantastic programs such as these, students from all over can have a great opportunity to get a head start on the jobs that are going to be waiting after high school.

-Matt Love and Krystal Chellis

### TECHNICAL

#### Getting

Auto Technology

“Adam and I worked on the principal’s car... let’s just leave it at that.”
Charlie Daniels (01)

Marketing

“DECA gives us a chance to apply concepts of marketing to the real world.”
Justin Bryan (02)

Med. Oc.

“It’s surprising how much hands-on experience they cram into this class!”
Sarah Tamminga (02)

Business Trades

“It makes me proud to know that we built a house for a family to live in.”
Shawn Krueger (01)

Using entrepreneurship skills he learned in Marketing, Rory Murphy (01) rings up Brandon McCarthy’s (03) gatorade. There to help, Jay Kolt (02) asks Ricky Sanders (01) how his day is going.

Awaiting his own dinner to be served, Hal Johnson watches the waiter lay tantalizing appetizers in front of Brenda Hartson (02). Chef Roy Hall was able to take his Commercial Foods students on a cruise to the Bahamas, along with participating in other activities as well.

Focusing on the task at hand, Brad Demeuse (01) hammers trusses together under the direction of Mr. Leibler. Throughout the course of a year, Mr. Leibler assists his class in building an actual house. From the floor joists to the electrical, right down to the drywall, this class does it all.
Reaching far into the depths of creativity, Amy Tormey (01) oversees the kindergartner's in Mrs. Swenor's art class at Ottawa Elementary for Early Childhood Development.

Recalling previous kinesthetic learning experiences, Ian Hitzman (01) and Carl Mills (01) replace the transmission in a truck. Mills is currently employed at Fletches, where he practices what he's learned. Whether it be the excitement of doing it yourself, the grease and the grime, or the requirement of both the mind and body, Auto Technology has it all.

Commercial Foods

“From a cruise to competitions, there are extreme varieties.”
Andrew Ettawageshik (03)

Med. Oc.

“Teamwork is an important part of any career, and we learn it before we leave here.”
Gayle White (02)

Early Child. Develop.

“By working with children on a first-hand basis, I am giving myself a head-start for my future.”
Krista Timpf (01)

Drafting

“Because we're always starting something new, we have to be dedicated to our work.”
Nicole Lennemann (04)

After the annual HOSA Regionals competition, Mrs. Bost and her Medical Occupations students pose for a picture. After taking Intro to Medical Occupations, students can follow up with Medical Occupations I and II, where they focus on a particular medical career. This year, the HOSA competition took place on February 22, and a total of 17 medals were brought home.
strain apparent on his face, Brad Demuse (01) presses on, while running sprints with his fellow classmates in the gym. Sprinting is just one of the many activities the class participates in. Other activities include soccer, basketball, weightlifting, tennis, and softball, depending on the class.

Anticipating the ball, Leah Bryhan (04) reaches out her mitt clad hand and focuses on the catch. Athletes P.E. gives her the opportunity to practice her spring sport during class.

Because of construction, it was a pain to walk to the weight room.
—Franny Becheck (02)

I love this class because I like volleyball and it gave me a chance to play.
—Jori Snedden (04)

It's a great class to take if you're determined to do well in your sport.
—Dustin Drost (03)

I really like the class, and I am looking forward to using the new gym.
—Amy Johnson (04)

Before participating in the daily activities, Katie Brines (03) focuses on stretching on the mats located outside of the gym.
PHYSICAL EXTREMES

Whether someone is a star athlete or a couch potato, there is a gym class to suit everyone’s needs. Classes include Athletes P.E. for the more advanced athletes, General P.E. for athletes wanting to learn and experience new sports, Freshman P.E., a beginning class for new students, and now the newest addition, Aerobics and Volleyball for students who are looking for a different alternative. Classes offer students a chance to get out of their desks and into the sunshine, among other things, and are instructed by Mr. Farris, Mr. Arthur, and Mrs. Biddick. More importantly, students are able to push themselves and accomplish things they never thought they could, which is what makes this class so special and unique.

Even the gym itself was pushed to the extreme, as construction workers busily hammered away all year in preparation for the new gym. Students had to constantly adjust to the construction and the noise. Over the year, the soccer field disappeared, and the weight room disappeared and then temporarily appeared across the school. But aside from this, students and teachers alike eagerly anticipated its completion. Students should be attending class there in the fall of 2001.

In a world where people get in a car to drive 20 feet, a class like P.E. has a lot of significance on young minds and encourages and teaches about the importance of being active. Many times in school students forget that their brains aren’t the only muscle they should be working. Gym reminds them of this, and allows them to take a break from regular class. Instead of solving an algebraic equation, students can spend one hour of the day playing basketball, running, lifting weights, playing tennis and a number of other fun filled activities. So run into the locker room and throw on your gym clothing, tie your shoes, grab a basketball and join the fun!

By Danielle Charles

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Anticipating a shot, Robbi Cardford (03) dribbles the ball against the gym floor while his opponents, out of view, apply pressure.

Keeping a steady pace, Ernesto Delarosa (04) warms up for class with a ten minute jog. Running is a good way to prepare the body for the many activities the students participate in.
In the United States, English is the most widely spoken language. The second and third most spoken languages are Spanish and French. Spanish and French are the foreign language classes offered at the high school. When a student takes one of these classes they enter a whole new world and learn more than they ever thought they would.

Learning a new language can be extremely frustrating, but the teachers do their best to make it a learning experience and fun at the same time. "Students can already speak English but with a foreign language it is like they are kindergartners. They have to learn by playing," said Mr. Esterline.

In Mr. Tramontini's Spanish classes, students used flashcards or "learnables" to help them memorize new vocabulary. Games such as Go Fish and Memory were also used to help students practice new words. To liven up the class, the students sang a variety of different Spanish songs.

In Mr. Esterline's class, students periodically made videos that display the use of Spanish dialogue. Students agree that making the videos are a lot of fun. They also watched movies with Spanish subtitles so they could see the difference between the English and Spanish language.

Mrs. Baker-Smith liked to play Bingo with her classes. There were also times when only French was allowed to be spoken in class. Students agreed that it can often be funny to listen to other students get their French and English words mixed up.

Taking a foreign language class at the high school teaches you about what life is like outside of the United States. You realize how different cultures can really be. It is interesting to see how teenagers in countries such as Mexico and France spend their weekends compared to those of the United States. Students are truly introduced to a completely different world.

- Jenna Serafini

Spanish One

"Spanish one was a ton of fun. Especially when we pretended we were travel agents." Andy Stillings (03)

French One

"This class taught me a lot in a short amount of time. I can't wait for French two!" Lindsay Derue (04)

Spanish Two

"The best part of this class is the games we play. They really help you learn." Brian Jakeway (03)

French Two

"I took French because I want to travel to Europe and this class definitely helped." Dale Friday (03)

Sitting out in the hall during her Spanish Two class, Hilary Newcomb (02) prepares for the test she will have shortly.

Working together to put the finishing touches on their homemade Spanish videos are Sarah Foltz (02), Alex Brede (03) and Peter Walstrom (02.)
Spanish Three

"Because of Spanish 3 I now know that I want to take a Spanish class in college." Ashely Kendell (02)

French Three

"Three years of French taught me to understand the French culture." Karl Rohe (02)

Spanish Four

"Spanish 4 will prepare me for the future. It will help me in college Spanish." Kim Johnson (01)

French Four

"Because of having four years of a French class I feel like I could teach the language!" Joe Fifer (01)

Mrs. Baker-Smith walks around the classroom to make sure Joe McPherson (01), Joe Fifer (01), Franny Bechek (02) and Michael Winter (02) keep up on their French work.
Memorizing every detail, Carla Ingram (02) studies the picture she's about to draw in Advanced Art.

Taking her time, Amy Tormey (01) puts depth into her picture by adding a shadow. "Drawing is so much fun for me!" exclaims Tormey.

"I learned interesting skills that have helped me become more artistic." Cassandra Dickson (02)

"It's not structured like general art, so I am able to expand my artistic ability." Abbi Donaldson (01)

"Studio Art gives me more freedom to express myself creatively." Amie Ecker (02)

"I wanted to improve my technique for my drawings." Ernesto Delarosa (04)

Adding the fine lines, Sarah Strong (01) details the elderly man's face she is sketching for Studio Art. "In my years of art, I have learned so much, especially the importance of detail," said Strong.
From simple sketches to complex drawings of classmates, Mrs. Vanwagner's art classes are always busy. General Art is a first year art class. The students learn about Glass Etching, Acrylics, and Pottery. They also make a yearly Art Calendar, with drawings submitted by students. The second year of art is usually Advanced Art. In the more advanced classes, the students are given more freedom to do what they prefer. If you choose to take part in Studio Art, you are given the chance to draw either a classmate, an elderly person or someone of a different culture. Also in the advanced Studio Art class, students make Glass Mosaics. This allows them to sketch something of their interest and put it on a mirror or a special piece of glass. They also have the chance to create Segmented Animal designs, which takes an image and distorts it into a eye-full of color.

All art classes, advanced or not, are designed to expand the knowledge of art and fully develop a student's artistic ability. There are so many options, ranging from the basic skills of sketch to perfecting every line and every detail. The best part is you don't have to be a fast learner, students are given the opportunity to work at their own pace and have fun with it.

-Jessica Cosens

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<td>&quot;Studio Art gives you a lot more freedom to try new and exciting projects.&quot;</td>
<td>&quot;Making the pottery was the most fun for me, I had no idea it would turn out so cool.&quot;</td>
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Making the finishing touches on her drawing, Katie Gregory (02) traces the outline of her masterpiece.

Doodling on his paper, Coe Lacey (01) starts his sketch for his classmate profile.
to Success

Members of the Petoskey High School band never stop perfecting their skills, can play to their best ability throughout the season. Members travel to Ferris State University every summer to attend band camp. This music-oriented camp consists of three different marching sessions and one musical section. During the camp students get to interact with one another and “let the memories begin,” stated Leigh Topley (01). “Camp is hard, but in the end it turns out to be 10 times more fun and profitable to our success,” stated Ben Biddie (03).

The students are taught by Mr. Brien and Mr. Bennet, who both spend many dedicated hours helping them. The marching band learned how to play some of the Mary Poppins classics like “Chim Chim Cherrie,” “Spoonful of Sugar,” and “Supercalifragilisticexpialadosias,” so that they could perform them for the fans at the home football games and competitions. “It was my first year in marching band and I was amazed at all the work and effort that goes into our practices, so we can nail the marches while we were out on the field performing.” stated Ashley Mania (04).

During the competitions at Kenowa Hills, Grandville, and Jenison the students took first place and won all the captions awards, which consist of best music, marching, color guard, and overall performance. “All the competitions were very interesting and filled with memories, like the bus ride home when everyone participated in shaving Evan Brownie’s legs,” stated Molly Brien (04).

While the wind ensemble and symphonic bands concentrated on learning how to play songs such as “Golden Circle,” “Sub-Saharan Rythm,” “Third Suite,” and “Incantations and Dance.” They played these songs at the district festival held in Petoskey, where they received straight 1’s from the judges. Accomplishing such an outstanding record once again showed just how talented the members and teachers that took part in the Petoskey High School band are.

-Heidi Hall

“Band can be very difficult but it teaches hard work and dedication.”
Rojill Skiba (04)

“Band has been a great experience. I will remember it forever.”
Melissa Dixon (03)

“I just moved here and there is a difference... bigger and better.”
Jennifer Harris (04)

“The work is hard but the scores are worth it.”
Leah Simon (03)

In an effort to work out a new piece of music, Kathleen Brecheisen (04) sits down so that she can take time to concentrate on her part.

Before the start of a competition, Sarah Jaquith (03) and Max Feilds (01) take time away from all of the excitement so that they can pose for the camera.
“During half time at the homecoming football game, Grant Newstead (03) anxiously awaits a break from singing and performing the drums.”

“Getting some keyboarding tips from Mr. Bennet, Whitney Harris (04) tries to improve her skills.”

“Band takes a lot of spare time that I would have spent working or with friends.” — Kristin Spears (01)

“I wouldn’t be in band if it weren’t for marching band.” — Tracy Thompson (03)

“Band is a class that builds your character and also builds your musical talents.” — Alex Meier (04)

“Band is a lot of fun, because there is always something new to learn.” — Jason George (04)

Intently watching drum major, Frank McGlynn, (02) percussionists struggle to keep up with the beat during a pep rally in the gym.
Accompanied by the harmony of beautiful belles, Kristen Wendling (01) keeps the beat with a pencil while she follows along with the rest of the class.

At the end of the day, the girls in Mrs. Sauder's Belles class are ready to get out and have some fun after a long day of practice.

There are many different people in choir, so each year it sounds different."

Kristina Oliver (02)

"Choir is a lot of hard work but I plan to advance to Madrigals."

Duane Willson (04)

"There's always laughter in Madrigals because we are all really close."

Betony Furgeson (02)

"Don't compare Belles to Madrigals, we're not even close to the same!"

Lynn Rossi (02)

Overwhelmed by the specifics, members in Belles reluctantly go over their music for the third time of the day.
Taking full advantage of another opportunity to improve themselves, Chamber Choir members prepare for the upcoming spring festival in Gaylord.
Front: Marianne Moellering (01), Diana Niswander (03) and Robert Johns (04).
Back: Teresa Christopherson (01) and Becky Brosseau (01).

After capturing the attention of the judges at the MSHSVA festival in Gaylord this spring, the students that participated in chamber choir raised their voices to new levels and brought home an overall score of 2, with a hard-worked for I in sight reading—their first ever. Many of the students in Chamber Choir were surprised at just how hard the class really was, “Choir wasn’t at all what I expected it to be because I didn’t think we would have to do any work! But you do; there’s always book work and sight reading,” mentioned Kara Lusher (04). The Chamber Choir also held their annual Christmas performance at the St. Francis Xavier church in Petoskey. Bree Marsh (03) noted, “Overall, Choir has been a great experience for everyone.”

Belles also attended the annual Christmas performance and they held both a fall and a spring concert at the middle school. But instead of going to their usual festival, Belles held a Valentine’s Day Dinner to raise money for a trip to either Chicago or Toronto. They wore poodle skirts and sang to 50’s songs such as “We Go Together” and “Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy”. Overall, the class was quite excited about their accomplishment.

Madrigals also had their share of the glory when they traveled to Washington DC for a competition and ranked first place against a total of 20 other schools all along the East Coast. Add this accomplishment to their already full schedule including the two plays they are involved in, “Brigadoon” and the “Wizard Of Oz”, plus their regular elementary performances and concerts, Madrigals were kept busy with another unusual commitment. They were asked to sing a commercial for Godfrey’s Pontoon Boats that was aired on the radio. The words of an oldies song whose main lyric was “cruising on a sunny afternoon” were changed to “cruising on my Godfrey’s Pontoon”! Overall, the music program had a very fulfilling and fun year.

-Kristal Chellis

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<td>“For our Valentines Dinner, we sang 50’s songs and wore poodle skirts and pig-tails.” Jennifer Pennell (03)</td>
<td>“We accomplished a lot during the year and we achieved many goals.” Diana Niswander (03)</td>
<td>“Our best performance was our Christmas program at St. Francis.” Rachael Chopp (03)</td>
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Psyched for the upcoming spring festival in Gaylord, Emileigh Ireland (04) and Kaley Weller (04) re-acquaint themselves with their music.

Full of dedication to both her Belles and Madrigals classes, Marie Hawkins (04) recognizes that there is always room for improvement and spends some extra time looking over her “Shenandoa” sheet music before resuming practice.

-Chamber Choir
The business department is designed to help students prepare for life's fast-paced business world by corresponding to issues such as Marketing, Business Technology and Drafting.

Instructors Mr. Gunderson who teaches marketing and Entrepreneurship, Mrs. Babcock and Mr. Starkey who both teach Business Technology and Accounting, and Mr. Baldwin who teaches drafting classes, all do a wonderful job of preparing their students for future business endeavors.

Business classes such as these use many different ways of presenting students with real-life work experiences. One example is the school store otherwise known as the "Pit Stop," run by the marketing classes. Students sell products such as food, drinks and school supplies. The Pit Stop is definitely the place to be because you get to see all your friends when they come in here," stated Jamie Daly (02). Students get to run a business and get a feel for what it would be like in real life.

Business Technology offers the opportunity to work in a computer lab with assignments that relate to every day work that students would do in the real world such as typing and using programs like Microsoft Word and PowerPoint. "In Business Tech class, we get to work at our own pace and do things at a speed that is comfortable for us," said Megan Serafini (03).

Accounting introduces students into the world of checkbooks, tax records, proprietorship and banking. This class is a perfect step out into the real world of business.

Whether students have created a presentation using Power Point, sold cappuccinos in the school store or developed a marketing strategy, they have gained practical knowledge for the future.

-Lindsay Hice
"Marketing is the best learning experience I have ever had."
Bryan Berezuk (02)

"This class will help me because I am interested in the architectural field."
Ryan Friske (01)

"Mr. Starkey makes the class interesting and teaches it in a fun way."
Scott Johnson (01)

"The class helps me look forward to the future as I plan to run my own 7-11 store."
Eric Love (01)

With eyes focused on the cash register, Polly Kiffer (03) opens it to count the Pit Stop’s earnings from lunch time sales.

Paying close attention to his drafting assignment, Nate Bourassa (03) takes his time on his work. Bourassa is using his compass to construct shapes.

While on break, Jae Green (02) shows off the fine points of the Pit Stop. The Pit Stop is a popular place for students to get a bite to eat or to just hang out.
Working on an English project, Tasha Blackburn (02) concentrates on an assignment at Inward Bound.

Riding the rapids with her father, George Gardner, Ireene Gardner (01) flies down the river on a Wisconsin field trip. Field Trips are a big part of the Inward Bound experience.

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Focusing on her Independent lesson, Karen Deidrich (01) works on one of the many computers in the program. Individualized learning is a key element of Inward Bound.
The Alternative Education program is a program which originally operated in the high school, but moved to Resort School. There are more than thirty students and two faculty members who are now calling Resort "home."

Alternative education is a program that teaches traditional skills such as English, math, science, and social studies in a non-traditional manner. The students work at their own level and at their own speed, with direction and supervision given by Mrs. Lisa Self and Mr. Don Honaker. The school offers all the same classes as the high school along with P.E., independent study, community services and work experience classes.

Along with all of the traditional course assignments, the students must also participate in field experiences throughout the year that encourage group activities and team building. These experiences include white water rafting, sea kayaking, canoe trips, the ropes course and skiing.

"The students are responsible for themselves and their work. Mr. Honaker and myself direct and supervise, but the ultimate goal is for the students to follow through on their own responsibilities. Self motivation and discipline are the keys to being successful in this program," commented Mrs. Self.

For students that need a different style of learning, the alternative program just might be the something they should look into.

-Erika Lucky
Inside. Community members volunteered their time to help students at PHS. Local business owners and leaders gave their time to help prepare freshmen for job interviews, resumes, and applications. Many parents gave myriad hours chaperoning band camp and competitions. Several parents gave spare hours of their time to help out with the numerous activities that their students were involved in.

Outside. The community didn’t just step inside the doors of PHS—it also reached students from the outside of the building. Several senior parents used many hours to plan and put on the senior party. Many area facilities allowed the use of its grounds for sports and other student activities. Several community members gave their time to coach athletic teams. Many area businesses gave time and money to buying ads for the 2001 Petoskey. Community members’ efforts impacted many students, and those efforts were returned by student contributions to the community.

Many students volunteered their time through NHS and other organizations. Students gave their time to show their thanks and respect for the surrounding community. Students and community members showed that each other’s support went hand-in-hand, and that there were no boundaries to each other’s support.
Mrs. Pearsall volunteered her time to coach the gift varsity volleyball team.
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Even though the school was often cold and ripped apart, the lives of each student continued to flourish. Each student carried out their lives through all of the dust and the hanging wires. Jackets and heavy clothing were worn during the year, to try and stay warm after the removal of the boilers in the spring. The students’ energetic attitudes helped make the atmosphere of the construction easier to deal with. Because of their positive outlook, the students were rewarded. For example, a new parking lot was paved for the seniors and new rooms were constructed for the math and science students. The filling of The Pit and the removal of the carpet and ceilings were changes that all students at PHS had to cope with. Although these changes and heavy construction contrived many distractions, the student body was able to stay focused. These many distractions did not hold the students back from achieving their goals. Not only did students excel at academics, but they also reached many achievements with athletics and organizations. With their many achievements, the students set high standards for the years to come. From the inside and out, the school was going to Extremes.
Sitting in their Advanced Composition class, Lacey Edwards (02), Jonathon Meyer (02) and Dave Eicke (02) try to stay warm. Due to the construction project, the staff and students adapted to periodic temperature changes within the building. Sometimes the temperature was so undesirable that everyone had to walk around with winter jackets and gloves on.
The 2000-2001 Petosegan, Volume 78, was published by Herff Jones Yearbooks. The cover of the book was made with Silkscreen on Matte Black #1065 with Silver #23 ink and Blue # F3 Foil. The Endsheet specs were made in Vibra Color Silver #02 with Black Ink. The type of paper used was #80 Bordeaux. There were 234 pages, with 24 pages of Vintage Color. The Adobe Pagemaker 6.5 program was used to devise the pages of the book. The font for the body copy for the entire book was Times New Roman, Size 9. The font for the body copy on the colophon was Times New Roman, Size 11. The font for the captions was Arial, Size 8. The Association memberships that the book was registered for are MIPA and GLIPA. There were 620 copies made of the book. The price of the book was $35 and it was $40 for the late buyers.

The yearbook representative from Herff Jones Yearbooks was Sally Menke and the customer service advisor was Anne Rome. Four students from the yearbook class attended a Herff Jones Summer Workshop at Michigan State University. This is where the theme, Extremes, was devised. This theme was chosen, because of all of the changes that the school was going through.

The advisor of the yearbook was Robin Ingalls. The business manager was Rebecca Toporek. The computer typist was Christina Johns. The editors were Colleen McCoy and Julie Kimball.

The Yearbook staff would like to give a special thanks to: Kevin Johnston, who took pictures of sports teams and Craig’s Camera. The yearbook staff also would like to thank the community for their dedication to the yearbook.
Concorde crashes A Concorde aircraft crashes in flames north of Paris in July. Investigators believe a strip of metal debris on the runway punctured a tire and started a fire in the fuel tanks that caused the crash that killed 113 people.

Estimates claim that as many as a million people are left homeless and thousands dead after an earthquake strikes northern India in January 2001.

The USS Greenville mistakenly hits and sinks the Japanese fishing vessel Ehime Maru while 16 civilians are aboard the sub. Nine people, including four 17-year-old students, die in the mishap.

As a result of the hot, dry summer, thousands of wildfires break out in the western US burning millions of acres of forest as well as hundreds of homes. The fires were so intense at one point that the state of Montana closed its borders to tourism.

Recently-elected Mexican President Vicente Fox is restoring citizens' faith in the Mexican government. He vowed to clean up the crime, poverty and corruption that faced his country and enjoyed a 74 percent approval rating in recent polls.

Ariel Sharon ousts Prime Minister Ehud Barak in a February 6 special election for Israel's prime minister. Sharon won the election by campaigning to bring "peace and security" to Israel.
Firestone tires are blamed for more than 170 traffic deaths and the company is forced to replace more than six million tires in a massive recall.

After seven months and many court battles, Elian Gonzalez and his family return to Cuba. The Cuban-born child was found floating off the coast of Florida. Elian had been in the middle of an international custody battle to determine whether he should stay with relatives in the U.S. or his father in Cuba.

An explosion rocks the Russian submarine Kursk in the Barents Sea on August 12, killing the entire crew of 118. A week after the explosion, divers reached the rear hatch of the sub but found no survivors.

A new wave of violence sweeps the world in the wake of the September 11 attacks. Bombings in the Middle East, Europe and Asia kill scores and injure many more.

A major earthquake strikes the Seattle area on February 28. The quake, with a magnitude of 6.8, was centered approximately 30 miles southwest of Seattle. Many buildings had structural damage, but there were relatively few injuries and no deaths.

The battle of two couples that used an online adoption agency to adopt twins continues. The Killeen family from Texas and the Allen family from California both claimed to have adopted the same set of twin baby girls.

Newly-elected Yugoslav President Vojislav Karadzic appeals the conviction of over 100,000 opposition supporters from the balcony of city hall in protest of the Federal Parliament building and the state television station closure.

An apparent terrorist attack on the USS Cole while in port in Aden, Yemen, kills 17 sailors and wounds several. The attack blew a hole in the port side of the ship.
Election 2000

George W. Bush selects Dick Cheney, former Wyoming representative, and former secretary of defense as his vice-presidential running mate on the Republican ticket.

The 2000 presidential election was in many ways decided by not just the voters but the courts. Five weeks after election day, the US Supreme Court blocked Al Gore's request to have disputed Florida ballots recounted. George W. Bush and Dick Cheney won the election after being awarded Florida's 25 electoral votes.

Antiquated voting methods in this age of technology threw the presidential election into turmoil. Punch card ballots, and the accompanying "verromatic" system were first created in the 1960s. Disputed ballots had shards or paper fragments hanging from the punch card that made it difficult for voting machines to read the ballots.
A federal court judge orden Napster to remove copyrighted music from its Web directory. Record labels fight to shut down the service which boasts over 60 million users.

Celebrating "the beginning of the end" of WWII and the men who led the invasion, the National D-Day Museum opened in New Orleans, Louisiana.

For the first time in its 208-year history, the US Mint misprinted a coin and released several Sacagawea $1 gold coins with the face of George Washington.

Senator Paul Coverdell (R-Georgia) died in a Georgia hospital one day after suffering a cerebral hemorrhage.

Vice President Dick Cheney returned to work after a visit to the hospital for a heart ailment. Surgeons reopened an artery that had been previously repaired with the same procedure.

As the stock markets and economic indicators slide, the Bush administration fought to pass a $1.6 trillion tax break that promises to jump start the US economy.


The son of Princess Diana and Prince Charles, England's Prince William celebrated his 18th birthday.

Sirimavo Bandaranaike, the world's first female Prime Minister died at age 84. She was from Sri Lanka.

John Cardinal O'Connor, New York's Archbishop, died at the age of 80.

Author Robert Ludlum died at 73. His most popular novels included The Bourne Identity, The Bourne Supremacy, and The Bourne Ultimatum.

Controversial talk show host Morton Downey Jr. died of lung cancer at the age of 67. Downey pioneered "trash TV" in the 80's.
The political drama Veep has been a phenomenal year, winning nine Emmys, a record for a show in its first season. Series star Martin Sheen also won a Golden Globe for Best Actor in a Drama Series.

Teen pop-drama Felicity, starring Scott Foley, Tangi Miller, Kari Banker, and Scott Speedman, sees a double-digit increase in ratings during its third season.
The Sopranos was the highest rated program ever shown on HBO. Star James Gandolfini won an Emmy for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Drama Series.

Broadway's longest-running show, Cats closed after nearly 18 years and a record 7,485 performances.

Scottish actor Sean Connery, star of seven James Bond films, was knighted by Queen Elizabeth.

Mission Impossible 2 opened on Memorial Day weekend and grossed nearly $77 million. The movie went on to make over $200 million.

This was the year that several celebrity couples called it quits. Alec Baldwin and Kim Basinger, Harrison Ford and Melissa Mathison, Garth and Sandy Brocks, and Dennis Quaid and Meg Ryan all ended their long-term marriages.

The year's biggest movies were Cast Away, Meet the Parents, What Lies Beneath, Big Momma's House, Save the Last Dance, Miss Congeniality, and Hannibal.

The world remembers:
• Sir John Gielgud, best remembered as the butler in Arthur in 1981. Gielgud died in May at 96.
• Star Wars' Obi Wan Kenobi, Sir Alec Guinness, died at the age of 86.
• Steve Allen, the TV host who invented the late-night talk show, died at 78.
• Nancy Marchand, best known for her role as Lou Grant and The Sopranos, died a day before her 72nd birthday.
• Jason Robards, one of Hollywood's most respected actors, made more than 50 films and won two Academy Awards, died in December.
• Other entertainers that passed away this year included Richard Ferrari, Loretta Young, and Gwen Verdon.
George Clooney and Mark Wahlberg star in the Perfect Storm, the tale of the ill-fated "Andrea Gail." The movie grossed over $166 million.

Scary Movie spoofs the teen slasher flicks and laughs all the way to the box office.

Zany host Regis Philbin gives away millions in cash prizes on ABC's hit game show "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?"

Family-friendly television series "7th Heaven" celebrates its remarkable 100th episode.

Australian actor Russell Crowe fights his way to stardom in the epic "Gladiator." The movie earned 12 Oscar nominations including Best Picture, Best Actor, Best Supporting Actor, Best Director, and Best Original Screenplay. The film grossed more than $150 million and won the Golden Globe for Best Picture, Drama.

Mel Gibson has three hit movies in 2000 - "The Patriot," "Chicken Run," and "What Women Want." He won two People's Choice awards and the painting he painted in "Braveheart" sold for $74,000 at a charity auction.

NBC's "ER" remains one of television's most watched dramas. Despite the loss of several lead characters over past seasons, the show was renewed through 2004.

Oscar-winning actor Walter Matthau dies of a heart attack at 79. He made over 70 films in his career, including "The Odd Couple" and "Grumpy Old Men" among them.

"Frasier" regular Kari Lanni breaks hearts all over again as Dr. Frasier Crane.

NBC's "Friends" continues to be a fan favorite despite the threat from CBS's "Survivor." Reaping the rewards of the Thursday night time slot.

A photo of Clayton Moore in his "Lone Ranger" costume goes up on the auction block at Sotheby's.
**Diva Christina Aguilera** has a busy year headlining her first tour, recording a duet with Ricky Martin, "Nobody Wants to be Lonely," and releasing a Christmas album.


Credible received an American Music Award for their Human Clay album in the Best Pop or Rock Music category. They were also given their Blockbuster Awards, including Group of the Year, Best Rock Group, Best Duo, and Best Single for their smash hit "Right There."

The Red Hot Chili Peppers scored the Video Vanguard award at MTV’s 2000 Video Music Awards along with two VMA. Billy Gilman wins "Favorite New Country Artist" at the American Music Awards. His single "One Voice" was a million-seller.

Lead singer Billy Corgan announces the breakup of the Smashing Pumpkins after nearly fifteen years of performing together.
The hit single "It's Over Now" was nominated for two Grammy Awards: Best Rap Performance by a Duo or Group and Best Rap Album. It was also nominated for a Grammy for Best Rap Song. The song features T-pain and Young Jeezy.

Lil' Bow Wow's platinum debut "Tha Takeover" features the hit single "Shake, Rattle & Roll." The album debuted at number one on the Billboard 200 chart.

Jennifer Lopez has been nominated for multiple Grammy Awards, including Best Dance Recording for "All I Have" and Best Solo Pop Vocal Performance for "I'm Real." She also starred in the film "Hustle & Flow."

"Say My Name" by Destiny's Child won the Grammy for Best R&B Vocal Performance by a Duo or Group and Best R&B Song.

Rapper Eminem won a Grammy for Best Rap Album - "The Marshall Mathers LP." He also won Best Rap Solo and Best Rap Duo/Group Performance.

"I Hope You Dance" was nominated for a Grammy Award for Best Country Song.

"Fireworks" by P!nk topped the charts with the release of "Can't Take Me Home." The album was nominated for Best Pop Vocal Album.

Madonna attended the premiere of "Wear" with director and new husband Guy Ritchie.
Bad boy rockers Limp Bizkit’s “Chocolate Starfish and the Hot Dog Flavored Water” top the billboard charts with more than 1 million copies sold in its first week. These huge sales grabbed Limp Bizkit the #6 slot on the biggest one-week sellers of all time.

Kod Rock was awarded the Arinemon Award for his greatest hits collection, featuring "Again."

The Grammy for Best Dance Recording goes to the title track of "Who Let the Dogs Out" by the Baha Men.

Macy Gray wins the Best New Artist Award for her "I Try" video at the MTV Video Music Awards. Gray also won a Grammy for Best Female Pop Vocal Performance.

O’Neal Fakenhome a Male R&B Vocal Performance Grammy for "Without You (How Does It Feel?)."

Pay-park Frehly won Best Group Video at the AMV Awards.

Kid Rock is awarded Favorite Male Artist Rock Music at the American Music Awards.

Other music news

The debut album Liquid Dreams from the O-town band was highly anticipated. The band was the creation of mogul Clive Davis and Lou Pearlman through ABKCO show. Mowing of the Band! The second season of the show will follow the band on their first headlining tour.

The foursome Dream came together after an audition intended to create an incredible girl band. "Puffy" Combs signed the four girls to his Bad Boy label. Their sound was hip-hop with a pop influence. They were heard on their debut album, "It was all a Dream."

Aaron Carter was a pint-size sensation who wowed audiences all over the world. He followed in the footsteps of his big brother, Nick of the Backstreet Boys. According to the Guinness World Record, Aaron was the youngest recording artist to have four consecutive top-ten hits.

Thirty-year-old Colleen Fitzpatrick, known as Vitamin C, released her second album, "Move."

Cameron Crowe recreated his days as a teenage reporter covering the Seventies music scene for Rolling Stone in the movie Almost Famous.

Considered King of the Mambo and King of Timba, percussionist and band leader Tito Puente died at 77.

Metallica frontman James Hetfield was injured forcing him to miss nearly a month of the Summer Sanitarium Tour.

Prominent bands from the 70s and 80s lost members within the past year. Benjamin Orr of the Cars died of pancreatic cancer. Paul Young, vocalist for Mike and the Mechanics hit "All I Need is a Miracle" died in July. Jerome Smith, guitarist for R.E.M. and the Sunshine Band died in a construction accident.
Apple introduced the G4 Cube, equipped with top-loading writable CD drive and a fan-free cooling system for a completely silent workplace.

Sony released the PlayStation 2 to the North American market in October 2000. The unit is equipped with DVD movie playback, an expansion bay, and a network adapter. Hey cool!

The engineers at Volkswagen Automotive do it again with their new Microbus. Designers were able to pull off a new look for an old car favorite, while incorporating a vision for the future. Surfboard optional.

The Harry Potter phenomenon captivates fans, bridging both gender and age. Created by J.K. Rowling, the series of four books revolves around Harry Potter and his adventures at Hogwarts' wizarding school.

Samsung released the Upstage SPH-M900, MP3 cellular phone. No bigger than a large pack of gum, it can be used to download and play MP3 tunes.
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other trends and technology news

Trying to put computer users more “in touch” with what they see on-screen, Logitech introduced the iFeel MouseMan mouse which shakes and vibrates as the user rolls over an image that has texture.

Scientists from both the US and England announced completion of the mapping of the human genome.

Boots were back in the wardrobe this year from short and clunky, to the tall over-the-knee styles.

Visa introduced the Buxx card. This is a parent controlled, reloadable card for teens. It taught teens how to manage money while parents set predetermined spending amounts.

Researchers produced a genetically altered monkey with DNA from a jellyfish. This was the first primate successfully altered genetically.

An international group of fertility experts announced plans to be the first to clone a human being. There was strong dissension from both the scientific community and religious leaders worldwide.

Move over Palm Pilots – Anoto AB came out with the Anoto pen, which allows the user to simply write on any surface and transfer data to any computer.

Clothing in the “hip hop, cool, absolutely-must-have” area were halter tops, tank tops, boot-cut denim, hot shorts, neon digital watches, and stacked platform shoes.

Fringe, ruffles, and beads made dressing up fun and glamorous.

AOL, a Time Warner company, released its 6.0 online Internet service and boasted over 28 million members worldwide.

70's do and shades are back.

Side tie things are the latest in jean fashion.

From Madonna to the mall, the low-front camisole makes an appearance everywhere you look.

Fashion goes back to the basics with denim and tiny tank tops.

Loose and comfortable are the only requirements for today's fashions.

Singer Pink shows off her trademark, spiky pink hair. The hair style was often duplicated by teens everywhere.
Top seed Pete Sampras remains king of the tennis world. He claimed a record 13 Grand Slam titles with a come-from-behind victory on the grass courts of Wimbledon, England.

Racing legend Dale Earnhardt dies in crash at Daytona

Seven-time NASCAR Winston Cup champion, Dale Earnhardt, dies from injuries sustained in a crash on the last lap of the 2001 Daytona 500. Known as one of the best at his sport, the man in black’s number three was recognizable to all.

Winning the US Open by a record 15 shots, golfer Tiger Woods picks up his third major, adding to his 1997 Masters and 1999 PGA Championship. Woods also became the fastest and youngest player to win golf’s “career grand slam,” having now claimed victories in the US Open, the Masters, the PGA Championship, and the British Open.

Winning the World Series Championship, the New York Yankees defeat the New York Mets in what is known as the “Subway Series.” Four games to one.
Vince McMahon, the man who introduced the world to the wonders of the World Wrestling Federation, attempt to bring the same raw feel to football with the XFL – Xtreme Football League.

The Dallas Cowboys waive quarterback Troy Aikman after 12 seasons. Aikman, who suffered 10 concussions in those 12 years, led the Cowboys to six division championships and three Super Bowl Championships. Steve Young announced his retirement after 15 years with the San Francisco 49ers. The 38-year-old quarterback won two MVP Awards and led the team to a Super Bowl victory.

Winning their first NCAA Basketball title in over 20 years, the Michigan State Spartans held off the Florida Gators for an 87-76 victory.

The New Jersey Devils came home with the top prize in hockey. the Stanley Cup. after a hard-fought overtime victory against the Dallas Stars.

Super Bowl XXXV and halftime extravaganza The Baltimore Ravens’ unstoppable defense helps carry them to a Super Bowl victory with a 34-7 routing of the New York Giants. And the halftime show was a star-studded affair, featuring showcase acts like rockers Aerosmith, teen-idols Britney Spears and N*SYNC, as well as hip-hoppers Nelly and Mary J. Blige.

Following an altercation with an Indiana University student, Bobby Knight is fired from his long-time position as head coach of the Indiana Hoosiers.

The University of Oklahoma Sooners shut down the Florida State Seminoles, winning their first NCAA Football championship in 15 years. The 2001 FedEx Orange Bowl defensive battle ended with a final score of 13-2.

Becoming only the second professional sports team to win four consecutive championships in two decades, the WNBA Houston Comets defeat the NY Liberty.
In an MVP performance, Shaquille O’Neal led the Los Angeles Lakers to their first NBA title in a dozen years with a 106 - 101 victory over the Indiana Pacers in game six of the NBA Finals.

Setting a record for the most medals won by a female Olympic athlete, Marion Jones won five medals in the 2000 Sydney Summer Olympic Games: three gold and two bronze.

Canadian triathlete Simon Whitfield overcomes a near disastrous cycling accident to win the gold medal in the 2000 Olympic Games.

Cancer survivor Lance Armstrong wins 2000 Tour de France American cyclist Lance Armstrong sported the honored yellow jersey again after winning his second Tour de France.

American Rulon Gardner wins the gold medal for Greco-Roman Wrestling at the 2000 Sydney Summer Olympic Games. Rulon defeated Russian Alexander Karelin, who had gone undefeated for 13 years.

After defeating Serena in the women’s singles, Venus Williams went on to beat Lindsay Davenport in the Olympic tennis finals. The Williams sisters joined up to win the gold medal in the women’s doubles final.

Dutch swimmer Pietro van den Hoogenband surprises the swimming world when he takes the Olympic gold medal in the 200 meter freestyle, defeating the hometown favorite “the Iceman” Charr.