

Colby High School



Home of the Colby Hornets

705 North Second Street Colby, WI 54421

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Principal: Marcia Diedrich Superintendent: Steven Kolden Athletic Director: Jim Hagen

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Enrollment: 293

Colby School District's Mission Statement:

Learning for ALL

Senior Class

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Kenna Jensen



Krista Kolar



Class Motto

"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." Dr. Seuss Class Flower White rose with green and gold glitter



"If one advances confidently in the direction of their

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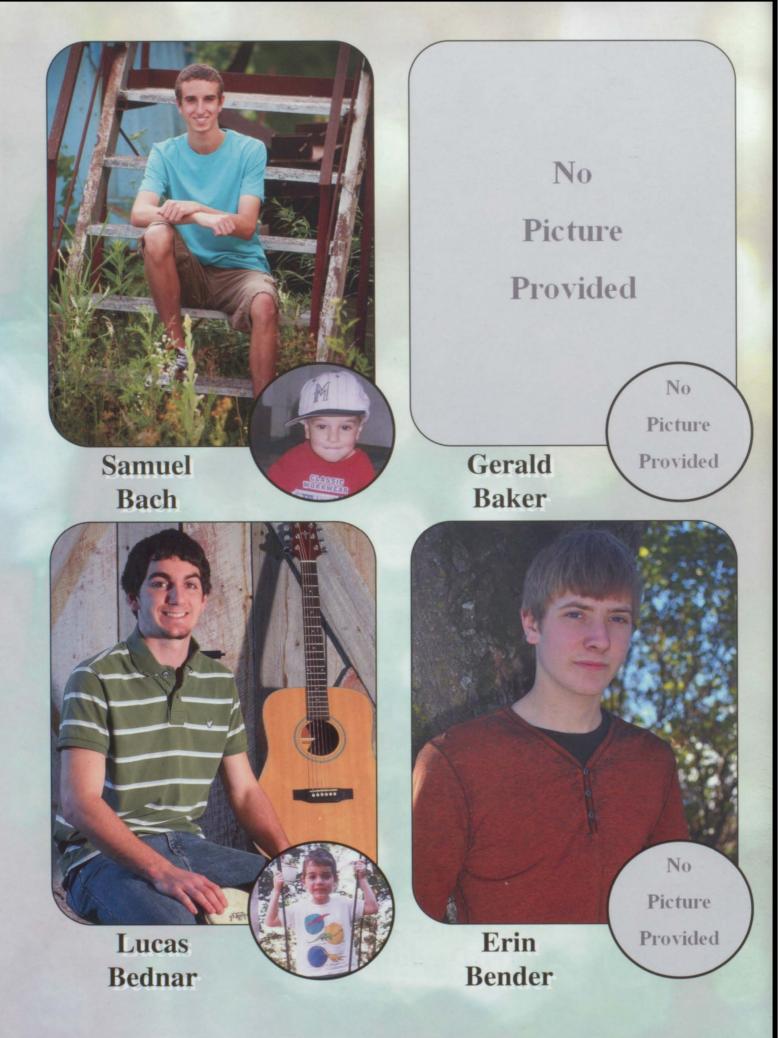
and endeavors to lead a life they have

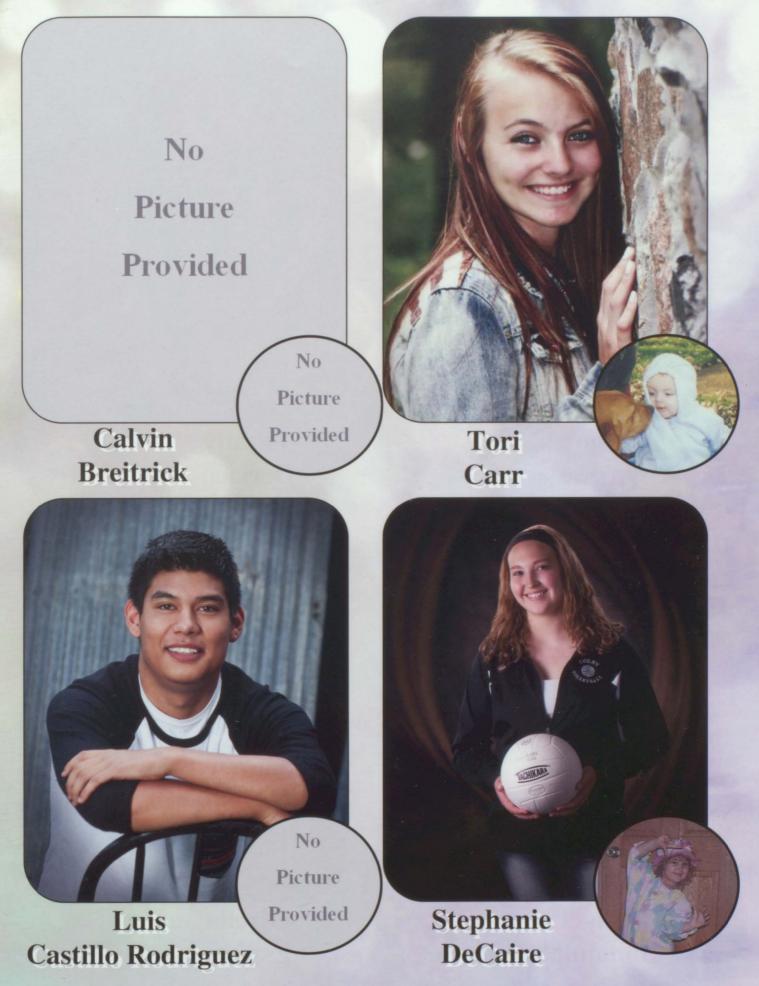
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they will meet

SUCCESS

unexpected in common hours." "Harry David Thouau Seniors







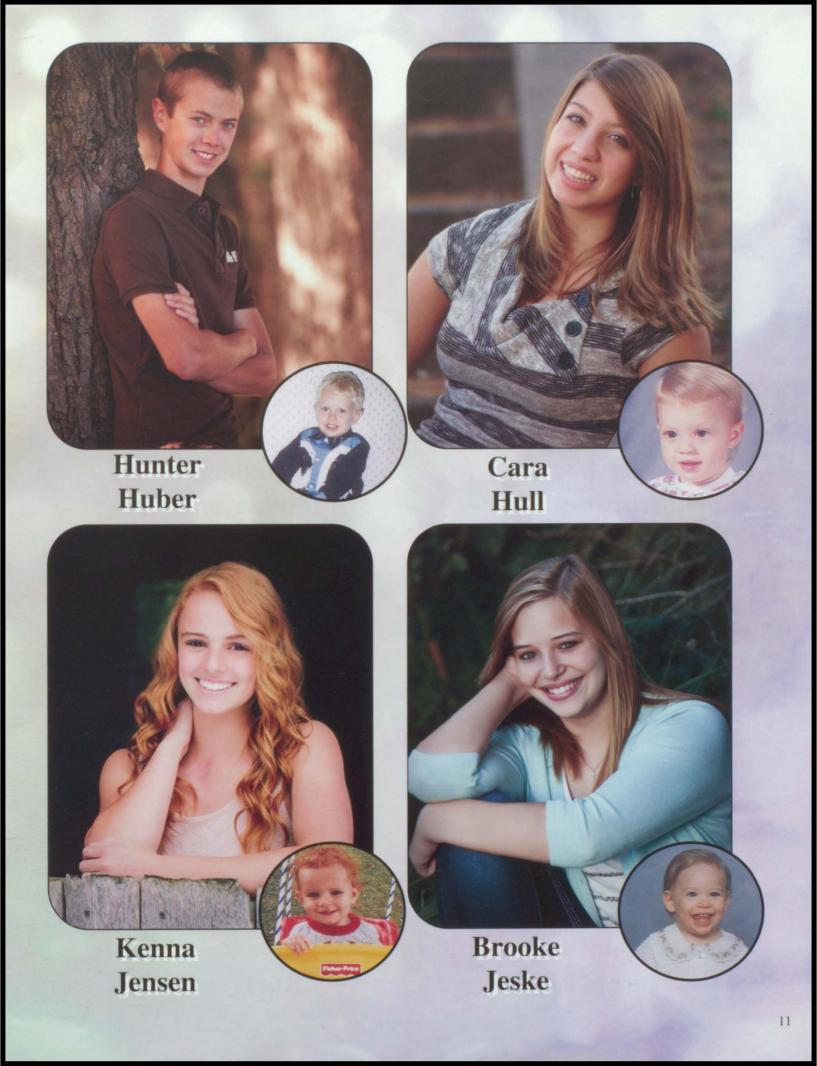






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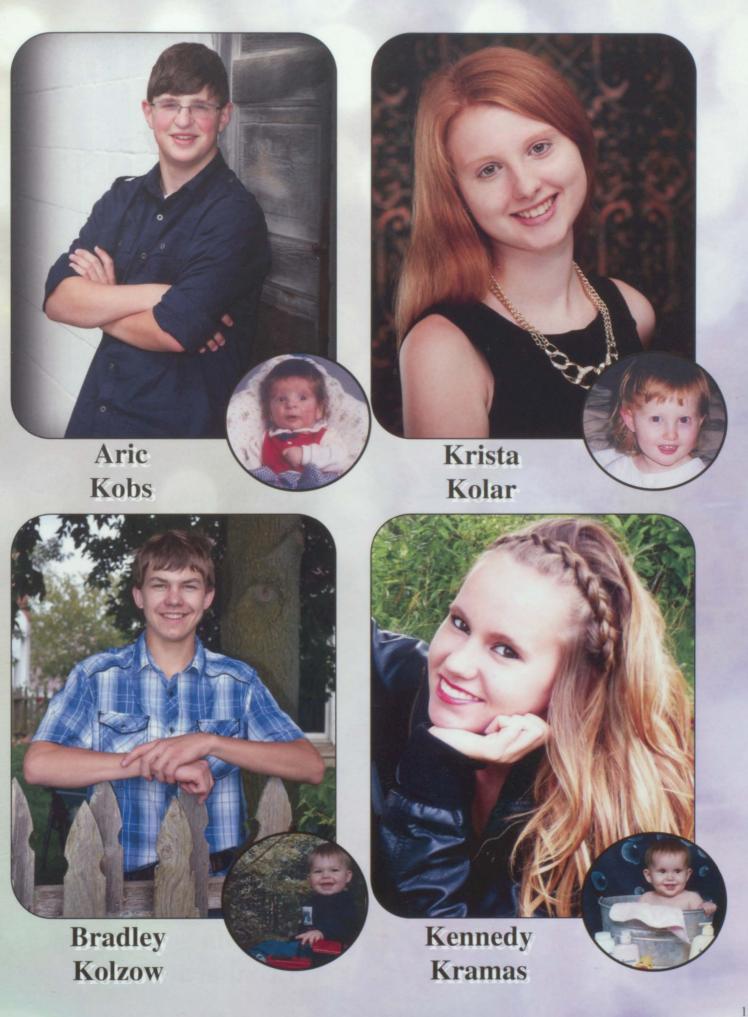




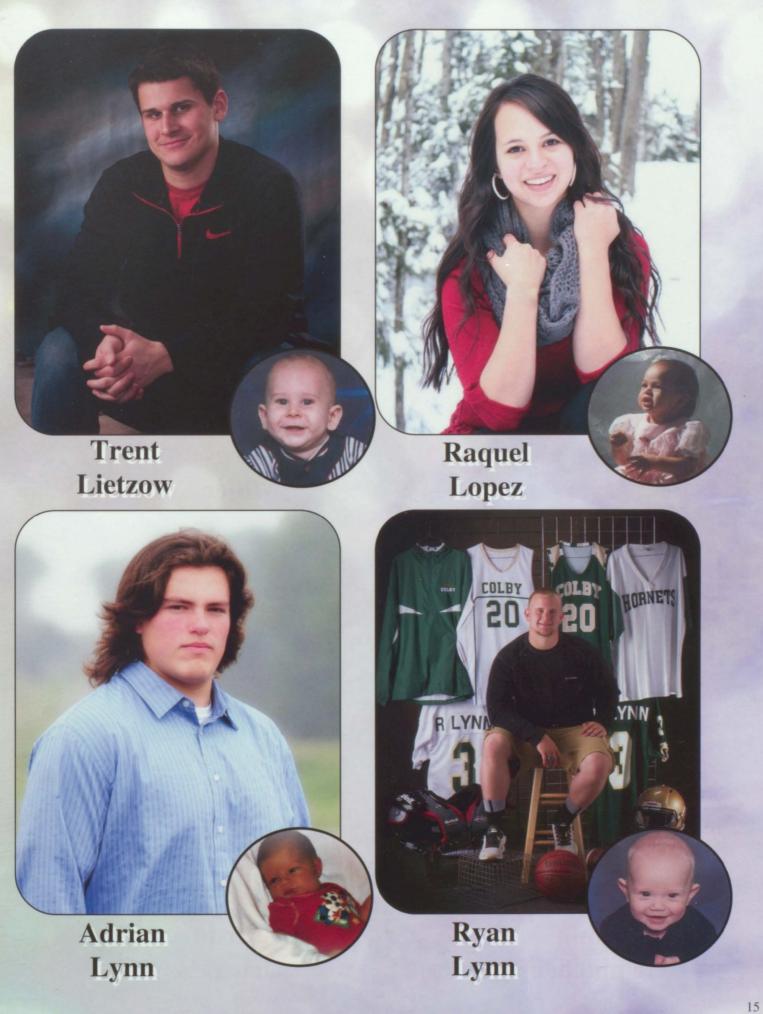


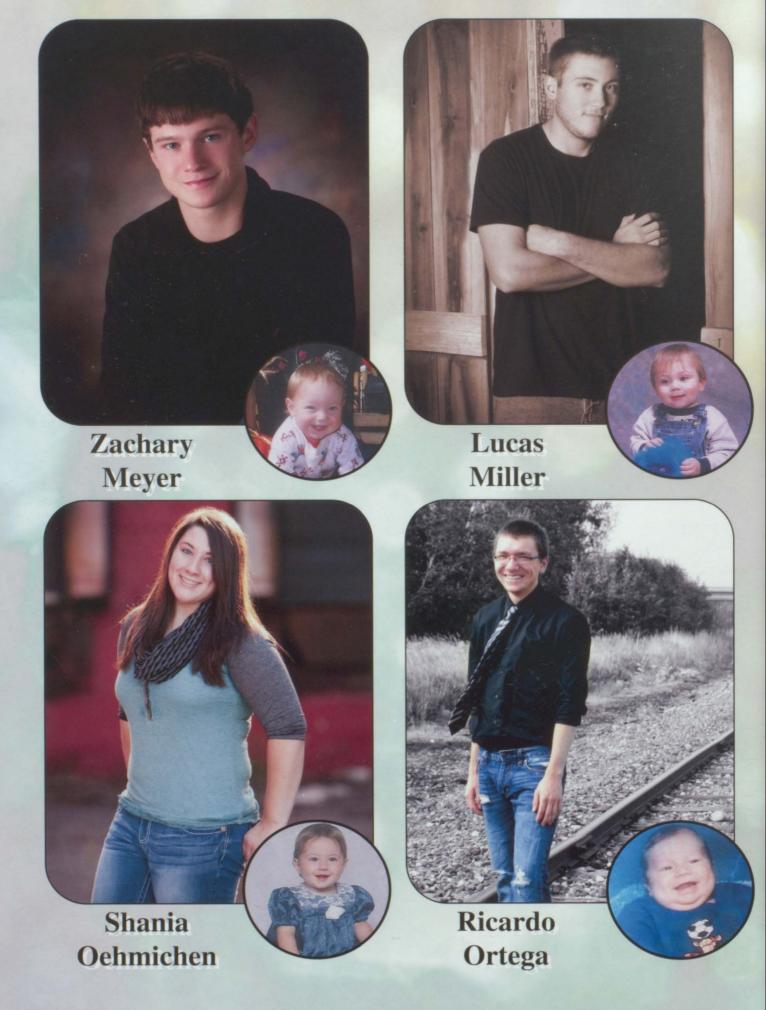
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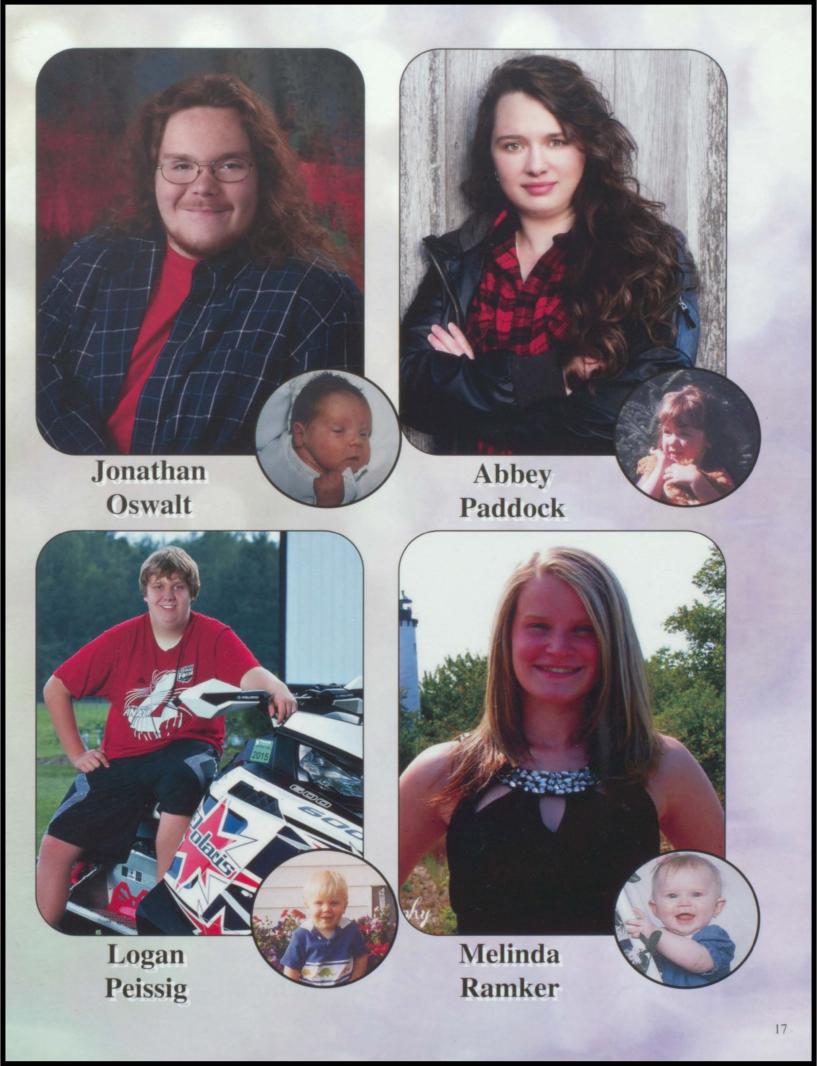
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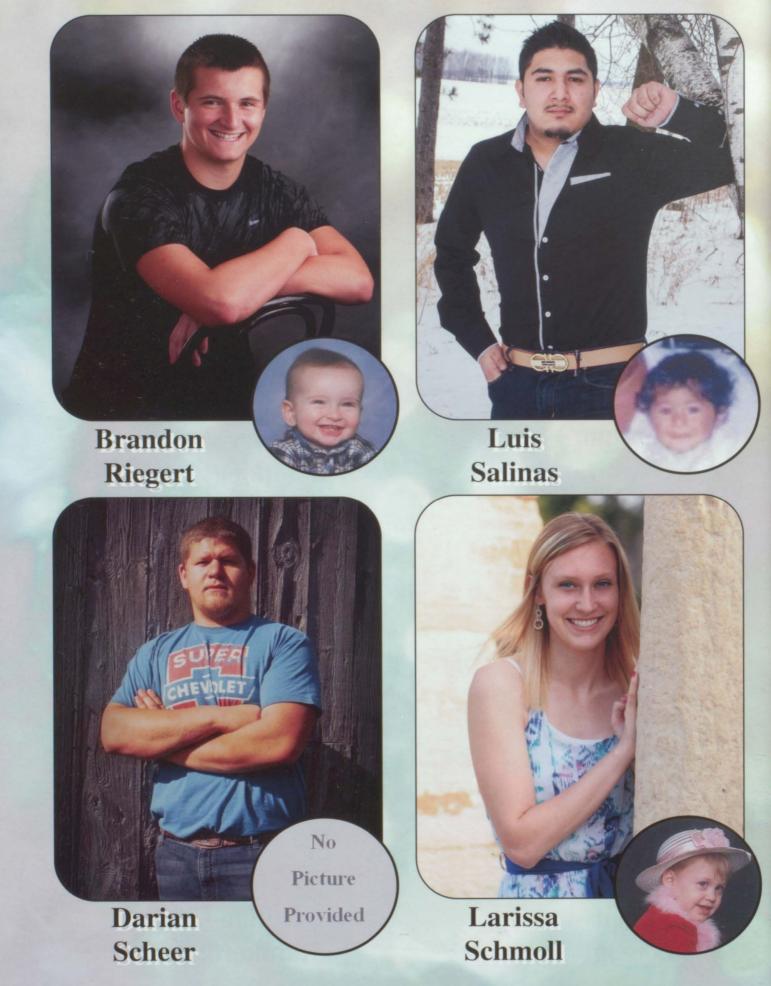


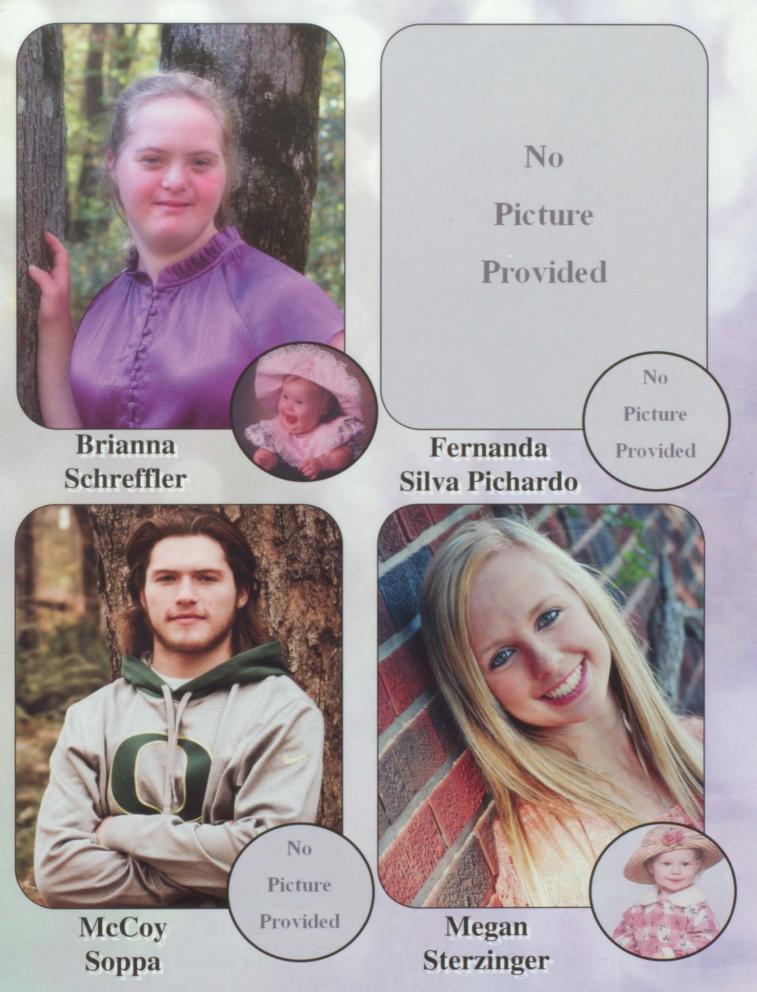




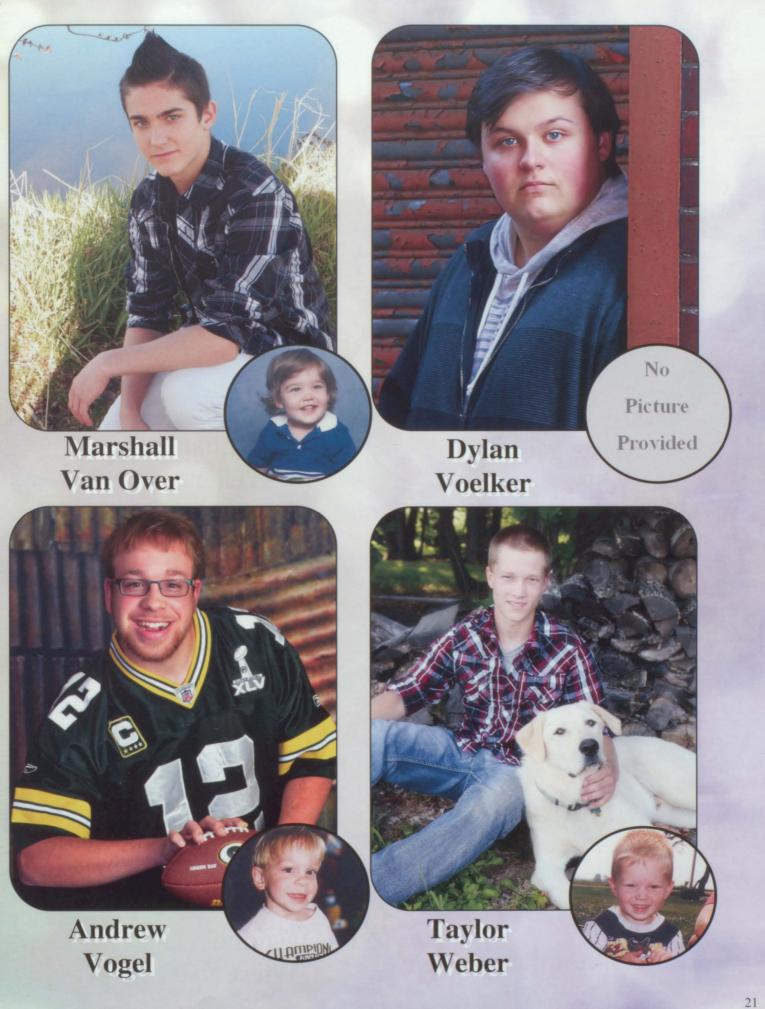




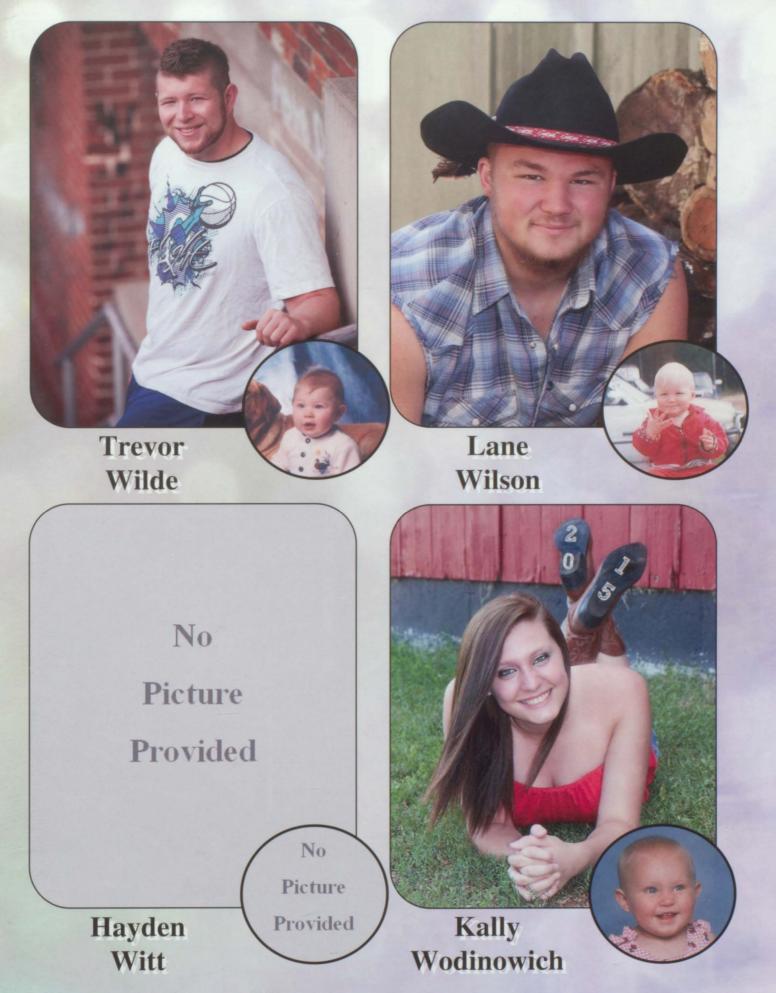


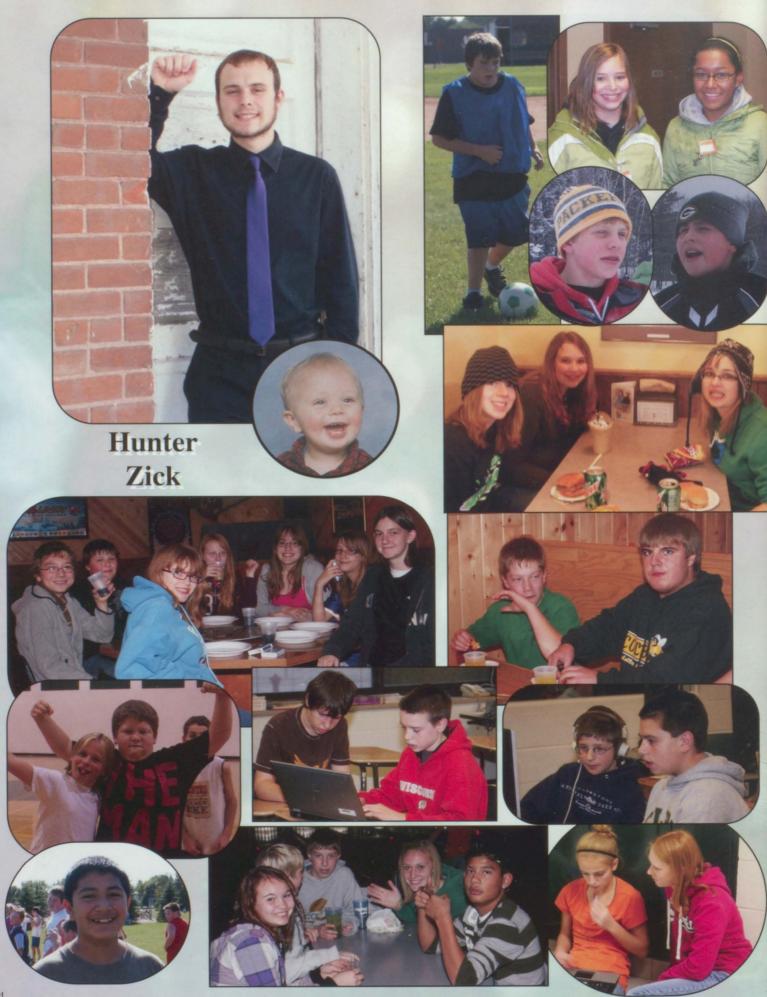


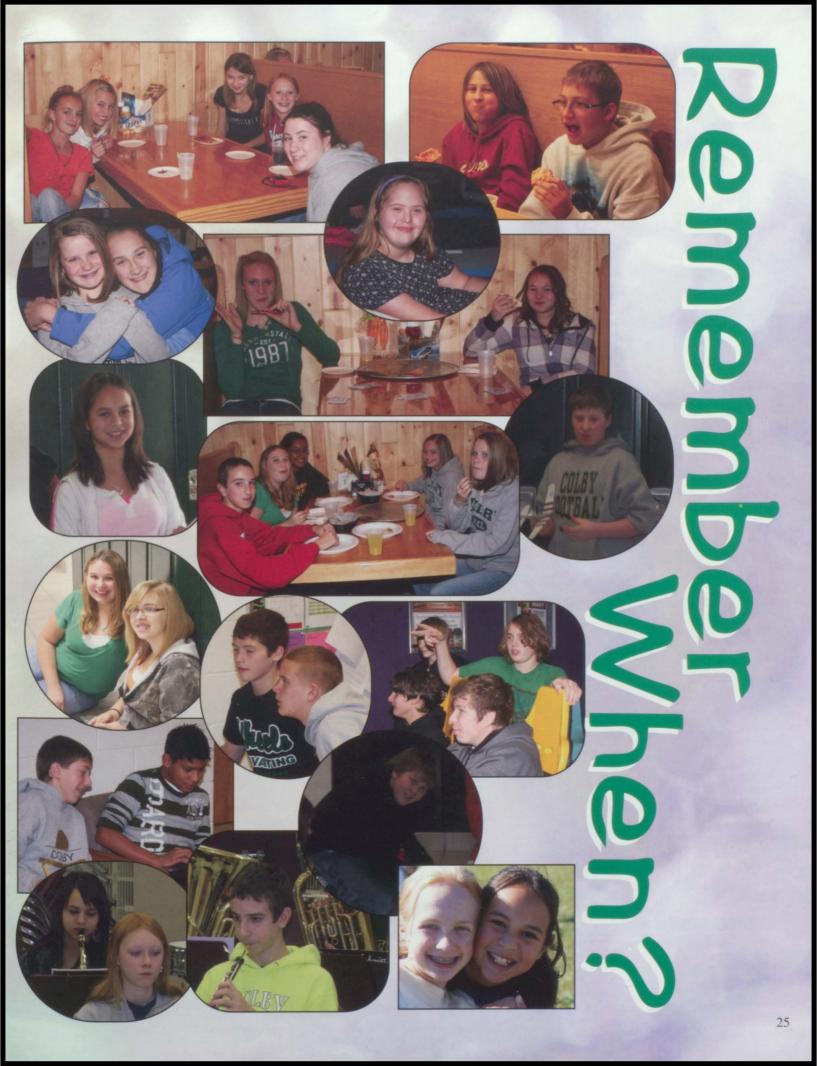














Never Coming Back Larissa Schmoll & Dylan Voelker

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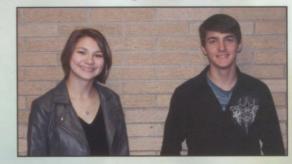
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Most Athletic Tori Carr & Andy Hogden



Worst Drivers Trevor Wilde & Maeghan Weiler



Most Changed Since MS Bridget Donahue & Mark Van Over



Biggest Gossips Kally Wodinowich & Ricky Ortega



Best Facial Hair Konnor Denzine



Most Shy Hunter Zick & Brooke Jeske



Best Eyes Andy Hogden & Shania Oehmichen



Best Smile McCoy Soppa & Kenna Jensen



Most Likely to Sleep in Class Erin Bender & Raquel Lopez





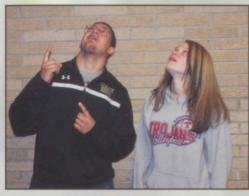
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Cutest Couple Kennedy Kramas & Jacob Evert

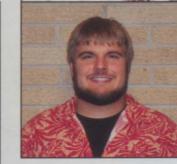


Most Gullible Jade Karl & Melinda Ramker

Rae Ann Hoppe

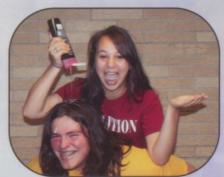
Brandon Riegert &





Most Unorganized Cara Hull & Konnor Denzine

Best Laugh Ricky Ortega & Kayla Krueger



Best Hair Raquel Lopez & Adrian Lynn

Not Pictured:

Class Clowns

Brandon Riegert &

Brianna Schreffler

Most Argumentative Darian Scheer & Krista Kolar Class Rebels Jordan Strebe & Amie Wellman

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Best Dressed Alex Kampmeyer & Bridget Donahue



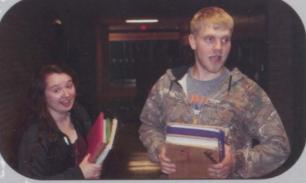
Biggest Whiners Kelsey Weiler & Darian Scheer



Most Musical Tabitha Hanson & Konnor Denzine



Should Have Been a Couple Zach Meyer & Tori Carr



Always Late Abbey Paddock & Jordan Umlauft







Most School Spirit Collin Stuttgen & Kennedy Kramas

> Loudest Maeghan Weiler & Trevor Wilde

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Student Collage

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Sawyer Bach



Sara Becker



Kendra Bellendorf



Bender



Alyssa Busse



Yadira Castillo



Paige Bruesewitz



SWYnn Dylan Brusky





Francisco Cruz



Nolan Derrico



Kayla Fisher



Trevor



Frome





Haylee Geiger



Jordyn Halopka



Neilana Golz

























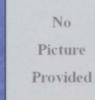
Samantha Hayes

Rachael

Johnson



Anthony Hederer



Alissa Irizarry



Jenna Jicinsky





Kimberly Lenz



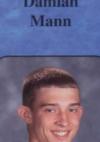








Preston Mertins



Trevor Meyer



Jacob Miller



Rolando Mireles







Lemoi







Eric

Casey Krueger



Georgia

Karl

Jacquelyn



Jacob Karl



Elizabeth Kroening



Rachel Lindberg

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Damian

Katelyn Meddaugh



Jose Meraz



Alfredo Morillon



Gloria Ortega Juarez



Sean Parker



Tyton Raatz



Anne-Sophie Rathjen



Trey Rau



Stacy Reis



Mario **Rios Bonilla**



Trevor Robida



Felicia Rogers



Kyle Roth



Brett Schauer



Bailey Schleicher



Matthew Schneider



Jared Seemann



Molly Stewart



Chelsea Stuttgen



Cuyler Swonger



Logan Uhlig



Underwood



Trenton Underwood

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Martin Valdez



Nicholas Weiler



Cameron Weldy



Barbara Wilson





Ruby Wilson





Madeline Bach



Wesley Baker



Brandy Bergerson



Zachary Brockhaus



Wyatt Dawson



Brianna

Busse

Emma Decker



Cindi Castillo



Eduardo Cruz



Morgan Devine



Kayli Donahue







Kwinton

Denzine

Lynn Fischer



Justine Flink



Erica Gaetz



Helen Grobe







Brenna Geiger



Jared Goodwin



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Hailey Gutenberger



Michael Hackbarth



Haily Hanson



Jessie Hederer



Amanda Irizarry



Johnson

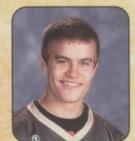












Justin Hofmann



Quintin Holtz



Cassandra Hornback



Kolby Jensen



Elizabeth



Samantha

Jakobi

Rachel Kaatz



Gunner

Jensen

Mathew Karl

Tyson Klement



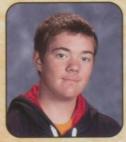
Hannah Kobs



Zachary Kolzow



Hayden Kops



Jacob Kunze



Brandon Lea



Dylan Leffel



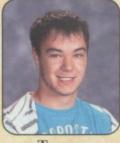
Lynn

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Alma Mares Pedraza



James Mcbath



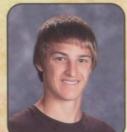
Trevor Meyer



Sydney Miller



Aaron Morrow



Adam Mundt



Blake Neuenfeldt



Rosie Niemi

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Marisol **Olvera-Espino**



Alex Peplinski



Emmalee Petznick



Maxwell Powell



Tripp Riehle



Cody Rodman



Phillip Roth



Alyssa Schade



Alona Schilling



Marisa Schilling

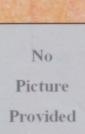


Samuel Schmitt

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Makayla Seefeld



Edward

Segner



Brooke Smazal



Courtney Socha





Paul Sprotte



Trevor Stuttgen



Peyton Swacker



Kody Swatzina



Brendan Tesmer



Lizzette Vital



Underwood



Reggie Vanlue



Megan Velmer



Cassandra Venzke



Callie Weber



Kaylee Weber



Brandon Weiler

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Seth Weiler



Sarah Wiersma



Keith Wiese





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Uriel Bonilla Campa



Joseph Baker



Jacqueline Baltierrez Sosa



Morgan Bilz



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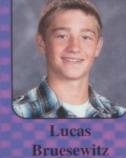
Armando Campa Mata



Christian

Botello

Mackenzie Carr





Federico Cruz Lopez



Alexis Decker





Louella Derrico



Carley Elmhorst



Marisa Evert



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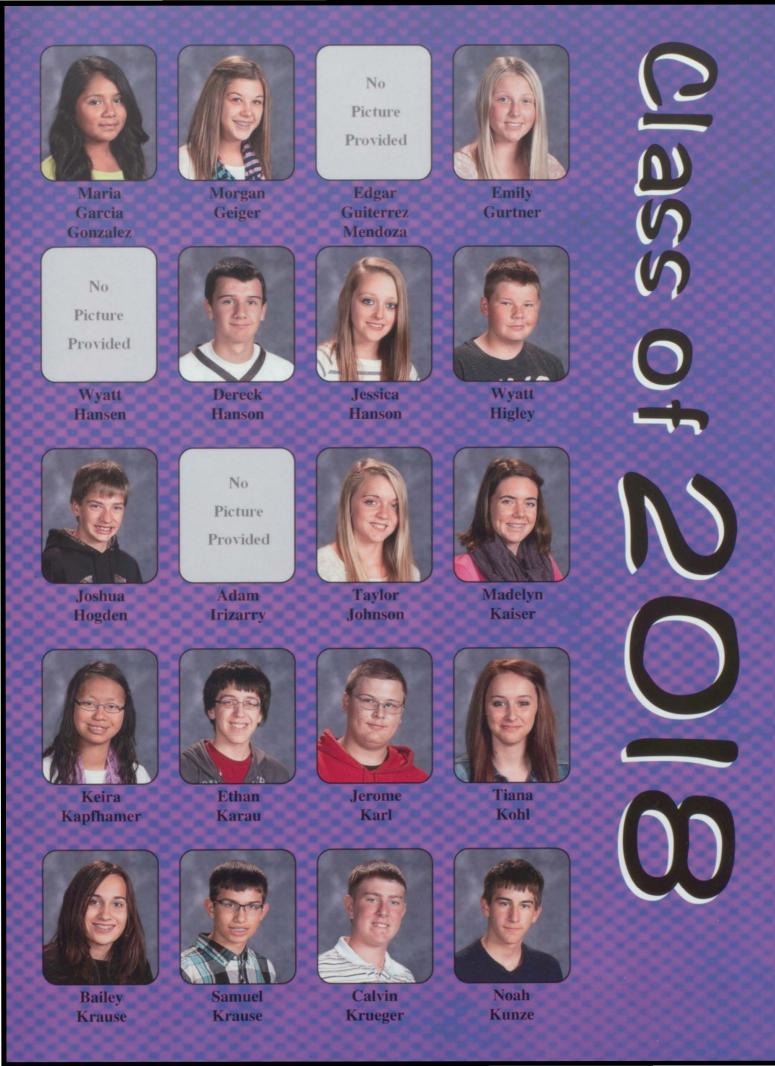


Alexander Garcia



Isaac Garcia







Skylar Leffel



Annalyse Lynn



Cullen Meacham



Issiah Meddaugh



Selena Mertins



Nathan Meyer



Tessa Meyer



Daniel **Meza Limon**



Ashley Morales



Jared Mundt

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Nancy Navarro **Balderas**



Antonio Ortega

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Jacqueline Pena

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Austin

Peplinski





Norma **Rojas Soto**

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Molly

Peterson

Carole Rychtik



Christain

Raasch

Jake Sazama



Franki

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Tyler

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Carla Schmelzer



Hailie Seubert





Peyton Smith



Morgan Sobeck



Felicia Stange



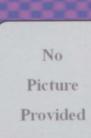
Emanuel Strack



Kane Strassburger



Corina Swonger



Brittany Trachte



Joshua Umbs



Megan Underwood



Alicia Viken



Kevin Vincent



Devon Weiland



Kiersten Weiland



Matthew Wilcox



Cameron Williams



Brittney Zawislan



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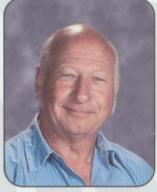




Kathleen Bay English 13 Years NHS, Forensics and Drama



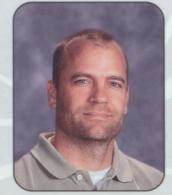
Nancy Becker LMC Media Director 28 Years



Robert Blume Custodian 31 Years



Karen Brown Distance Learning Facilitator & LMC Assistant 20 Years



Thomas Buchanan Science 19 Years



Yessica Calzada ELL Aide 1 Year

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Mary Cornell Cook 1 Year



Amy Derks Special Education Aide 1 Year



Marcia Diedrich Principal 36 Years



Darlene Frome Cook 39 Years



Traci Grinker Business 5 Years Volleyball, FBLA, Yearbook, Newspaper



Anastasia Henaman Social Studies 5 Years Student Council, Psych Club

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Barb Kilty Cook 1 Year



Laurie Hesgard Food Service Manager 30 Years



Debbie Kilty Cook 15 Years



Lori Holtzheimer

Lunchroom Computer

Operator

4 Years

Jon Kleinschmidt Fine Arts 26 Years



Valerie Knautz Math 27 Years





Jennifer Krauss School Counselor 25 Years



Rose Kulas Cook 1 Year



Catherine Lau Spanish 4 Years Spanish Club



Mary Londre Cook 5 Years



Aime Long Social Studies 3 Years FFA, JSA



Jesse Meddaugh Technology Coordinator 4 Years



Cody Meyers ELL Coordinator 4 Years



Sarah Oehmichen Family & Consumer Education 1 Year FCCLA



Kevin Pankratz Technology Education 11 Years Skills USA



Melissa Ploeckelman Agriculture Education 4 Years FFA



Kathy Polzin High School Secretary 18 Years Prom



Jill Rademan Pugh Special Education 4 Years



Kyle Ranum Study Hall Supervisor 2 Years



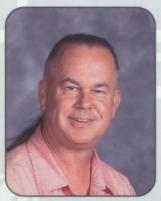
Jeffrey Rosemeyer Math 34 Years Football, Math Team



Daniella Schauer Cook 2 Years



Tami Seefluth High School Secretary & Athletic Director Secretary 12 Years



Dennis Seidl Speech Pathologist 3 Years



Diane Shanks English 27 Years



DuWayne Sheets Night Custodian 4 Years



Michael Sieracki Science 14 Years Chess Club



Kevin Spindler Vocal/General Music 17 Years Show Choir, Madrigals



Stephanie Szybowicz Special Education Aide 21 Years Special Olympics



Monica Tesmer Special Education Aide 21 Years Swimming, Track & Field, SADD, Prom



Karen Tyznik Special Education Teacher 12 Years Student Council



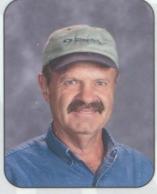
Laureen Underwood Special Education Aide 22 Years Reality Store, School to Career



Linda Vogel Lunchroom Computer Operator 8 Years



James Weideman Technology Education 8 Years



Dennis Wenzel Director of Buildings & Grounds 25 Years



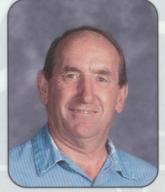
Dean Willett Custodian 2 Years



Julie Wolf EEN Teacher 16 Years Special Olympics



Christine Wright Physical/Health Education 13 Years Track & Field



Donald Zenner Day Custodian 18 Years



Audra Brooks Administrative Assistant



Sue Gosse Payroll



Edith Raatz Payroll & Accounts Payable



Kristen Seifert Administrative Assistant

Superintendent



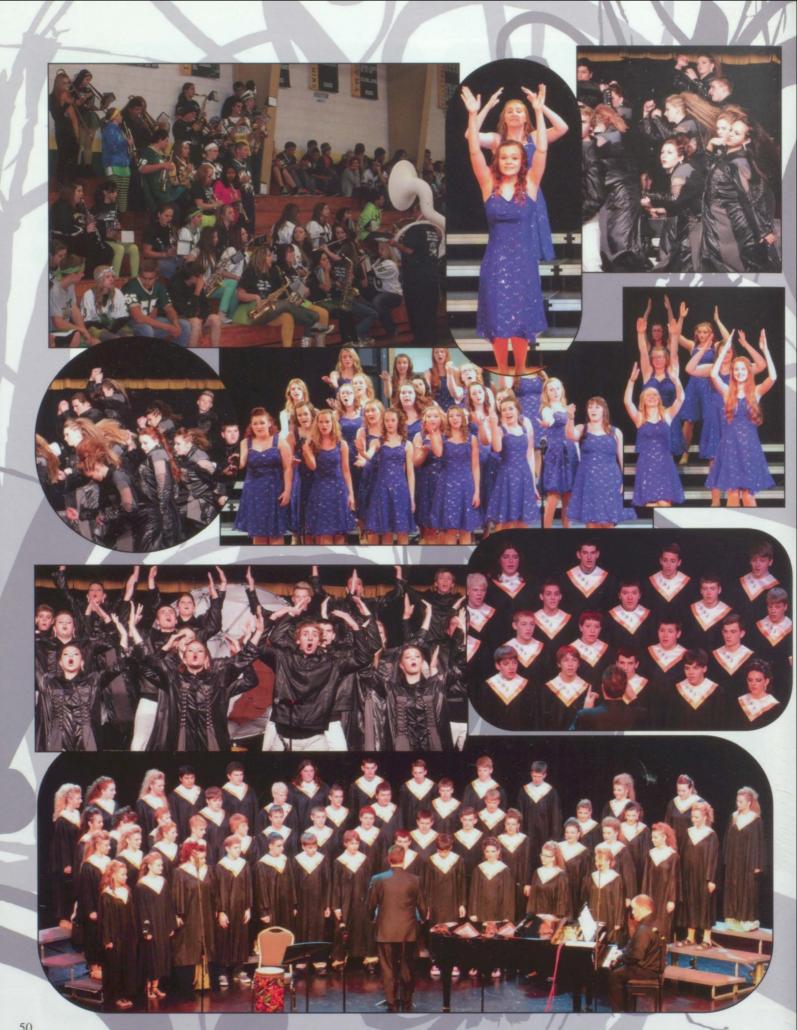
Steven Kolden 6 Years

Board of Education



Front row (left to right): Donna Krueger, Lavinia Bonacker, and Eric Elmhorst (Clerk) Back row (left to right): Deb Koncel, Seth Pinter (Treasurer), Bill Tesmer (President), and Cheryl Ploeckelman (Vice President) Not Pictured: Jennifer Lopez (replaced Donna Krueger)

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Jazz Band

Show Band

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Treble Choir

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Mixed Choir

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Madrigals

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Variety Show

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Front row (left to right): Emmalee Petznick, Tabitha Hanson, Erica Gaetz, Olivia Frome, Kayli Donahue, and Jackie Baltierrez Second row (left to right): Louella Derrico, Stacy Reis, Abbey Paddock, Rachel Kaatz, Ashley Morales, Corina Swonger, and Sammi Hayes Third row (left to right): Sarah Wiersma, Blake Neuenfeldt, Megan Velmer, Lynn Fischer, Morgan Sobeck, Cody Rodman, and Carla Schmelzer Fourth row (left to right): Molly Peterson, Trevor Flick, Emanuel Strack, Hannah Kobs, Franki Raatz, Alyssa Schade, and Sam Bach Fifth row (left to right): Instructor Nathan Larsen, Bailey Krause, Zach Brockhaus, Calvin Krueger, Sam Krause, and Konnor Denzine

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Front row (left to right): Abbey Paddock and Kayli Donahue Second row (left to right): Louella Derrico, Marisa Schilling, Rachel Kaatz, Morgan Devine, and Olivia Frome Third row (left to right): Tabitha Hanson, Alyssa Schade, Madeline Bach, Lynn Fischer, Carla Schmelzer, and Instructor Nathan Larsen Fourth row (left to right): Sam Krause, Trevor Flick, Sam Bach, Bailey Krause, and Konnor Denzine



Front row (left to right: Hannah Kobs and Alyssa Schade Second row (left to right) Marisa Schilling, Rachel Kaatz, and Yadira Castillo Third row (left to right): Instructor Nathan Larsen, Lynn Fischer, Morgan Sobeck, and Trevor Flick Fourth row (left to right): Hunter Huber and Konnor Denzine



Front row (left to right): Haily Hanson, Kennedy Kramas, Felicia Rogers, Peyton Swacker, Jasmine Wiese, and Annalyse Lynn. Second row (left to right): Tessa Meyer, Makayla Seefeld, Taylor Johnson, Krista Kolar, Alona Schilling, and Alyssa Schade. Third row (left to right): Lauren Kallstrom, Morgan Devine, and Sydney Miller. Fourth row (left to right): Cara Hull, Cindi Castillo, Hailey Gutenberger, and Marisa Schilling. Fifth row (left to right): Selena Mertins, Lizzy Kroening, and Jackie Lemoi. Sixth row (left to right): Tiana Kohl and Rachel Johnson. Seventh row: Instructor Kevin Spindler

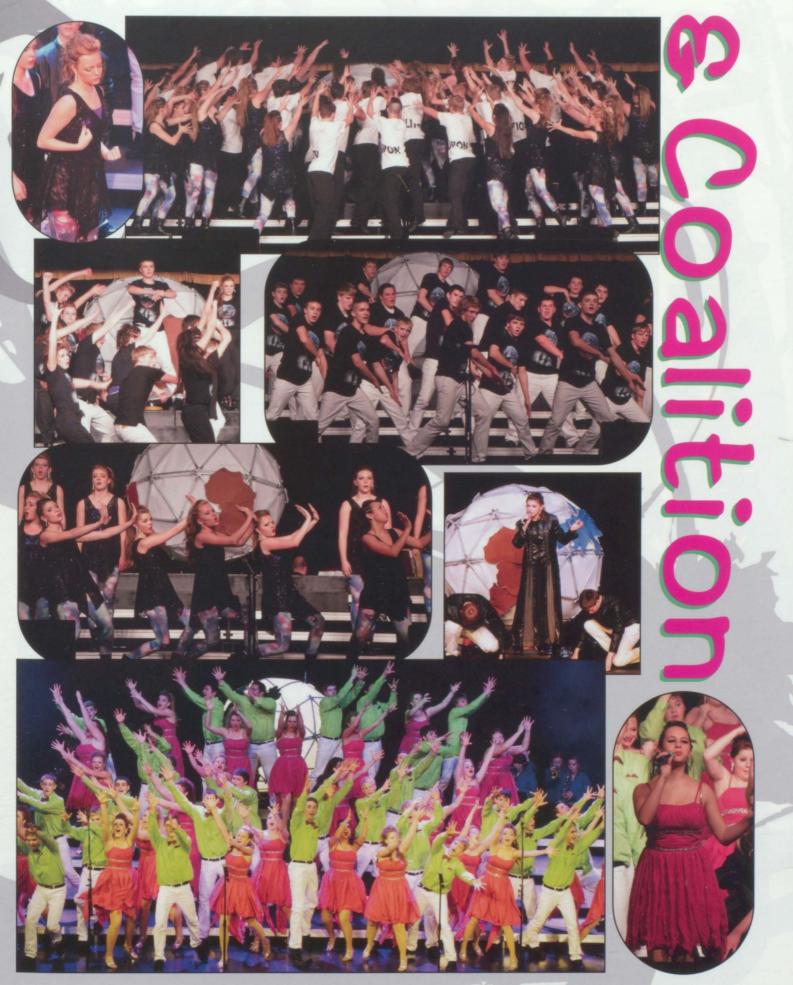






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Front row (left to right): Brendan Tesmer, Cassie Venzke, Chelsea Stuttgen, Maeghan Weiler, Kiersten Weiland, and Christian Raasch
Second row (left to right): Jacob Kunze, Zach Brockhaus, Morgan Geiger, RaeAnn Hoppe, Kim Lenz, Cameron Weldy, and Trevor Meyer
Third row (left to right): Instructor Kevin Spindler, Cuyler Swonger, Jon
Oswalt, Jared Seemann, Alex Kampmeyer and Cullen Meacham

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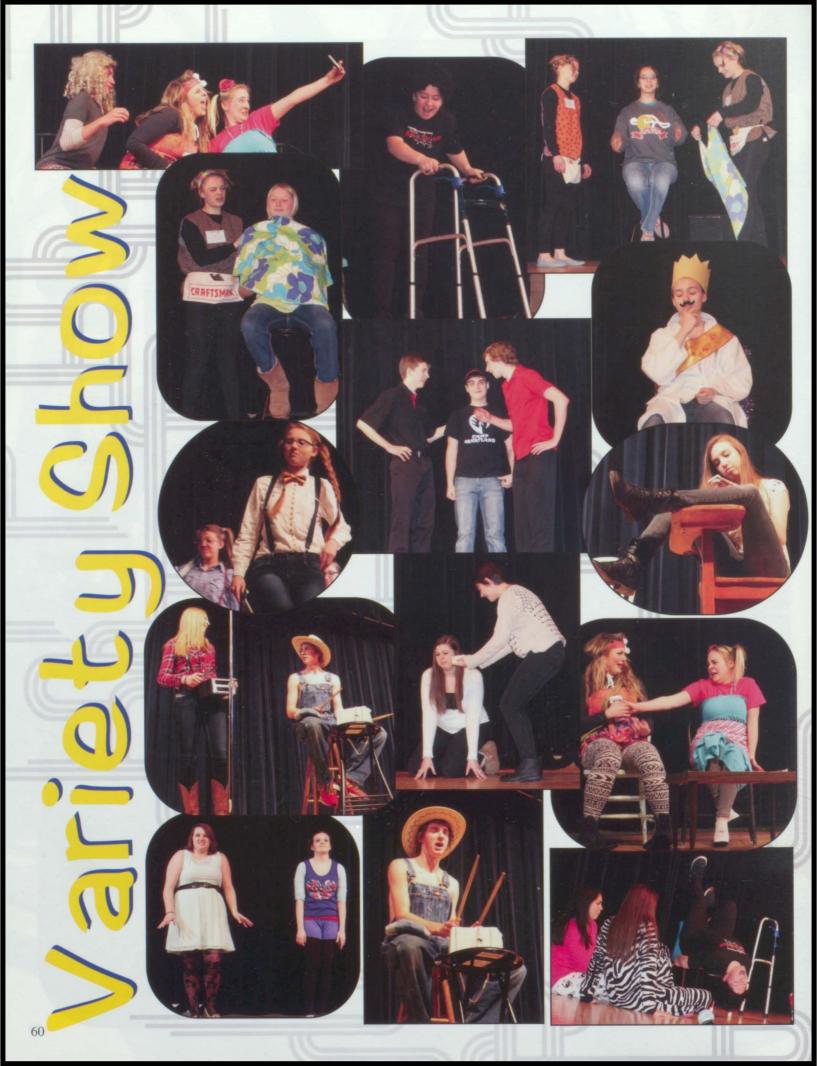


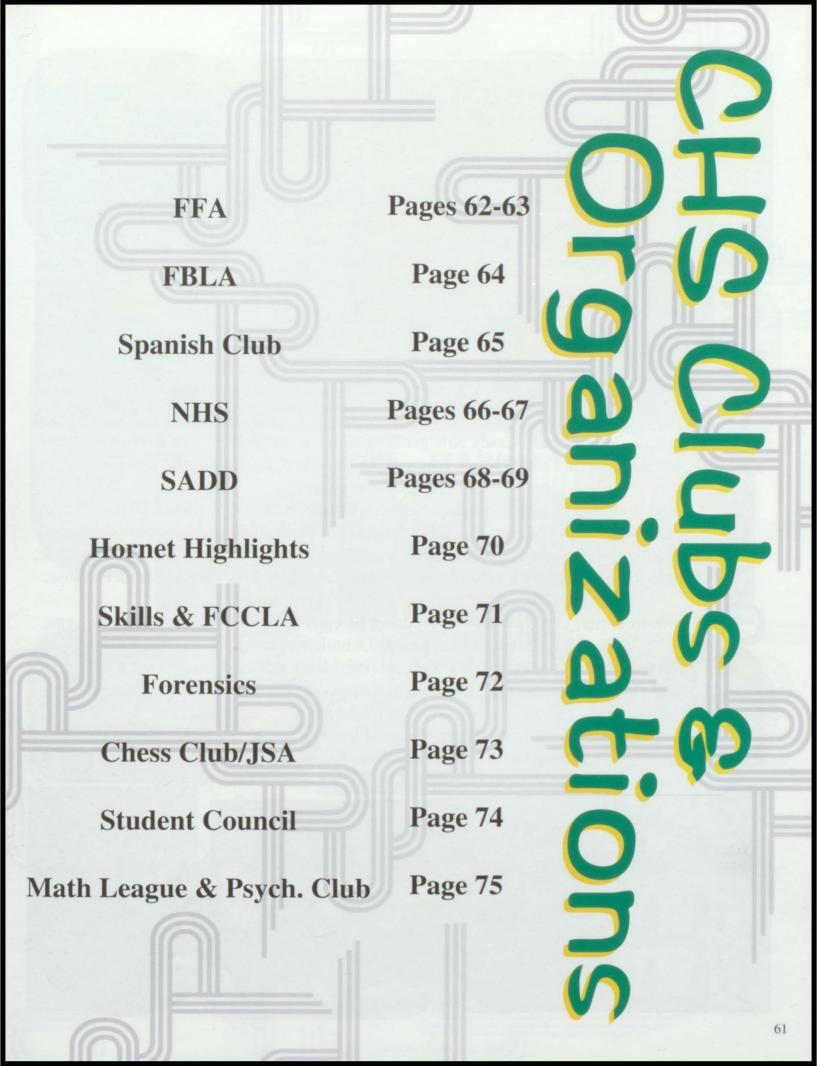
Bottom row (left to right): Kayli Donahue, Zach Brockhaus, Bridget Donahue, Andy Hogden, Felicia Stange, and Kody Swatzina Second row (left to right): Emma Decker, Trent Underwood, Raquel Lopez, Kenna Jensen, Mark Van Over Third row (left to right): Alex Kampmeyer, Matthew Schneider, Justine Flink,

Kyle Roth, Preston Mertins, Jasmine Wiese, and Instructor Kevin Spindler



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First Row (left to right): Casey Krueger (Reporter), Kayla Fisher, Sara Becker, Melinda Ramker, Olivia Frome, Kayla Krueger, Alicia Viken, Bailey Krause, and Chelsea Stuttgen (Secretary)

Second Row (left to right): Brendan Schauer, Kendra Bellendorf, Jessica Hanson, Carla Schmelzer, Nathan Meyer, Samantha Jakobi, Elizabeth Johnson, and Collin Stuttgen Third Row (left to right): Trevor Meyer (Vice President), Georgia Karl, Corina Swonger, Carole Rychtik, Cassandra Hornback, Brittney Zawislan, Sean Parker, Samuel Krause, and Zachary Kolzow (Treasurer)

Fourth Row (left to right): Devon Weiland, Morgan Bilz, Keith Wiese, Whitney Lynn, Cara Hull, Brooke Jeske, Shania Oehmichen, and Nicholas Weiler

Fifth Row (left to right): Bradley Kolzow (President), Alyssa Busse, Courtney Socha, Jessie Hederer, Matthew Wilcox, Calvin Krueger, Tyler Riehle, Cuyler Swonger, and Trenton Underwood

Sixth Row (left to right): Adviser Melissa Ploeckelman, Krista Kolar, Wyatt Higley, Samuel Schmitt, Jared Goodwin, Phillip Roth, Logan Uhlig, Dylan Leffel, Seth Weiler, Adviser Aime Long and Kyle Roth (Sentinel - not pictured)



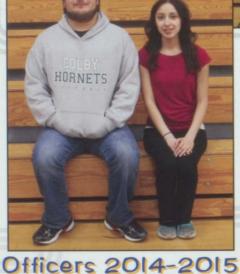




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Back row: Gunner Jensen, Yadira Castillo, and Konnor Denzine; Front row: Trey Rau, Emily Gurtner, Megan Underwood, and Carley Elmhorst Adviser: Traci Grinker

Men



President: Yadira Castillo Vice President: Konnor Denzine

Regionals & State FBLA RNETS

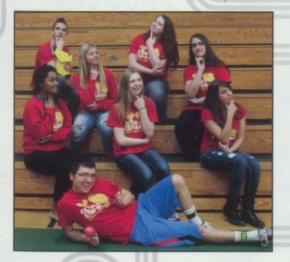
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Officers 2014-2015

Mark Van Over Erica Gaetz Morgan Bilz Meg Karau Mirella Espino Alyssa Schade Cara Hull Ricky Ortega



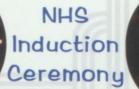


Officer Team 2014-2015

Shania Oehmichen Krista Kolar Yadira Castillo Megan Karau First Row (left to right): Raquel Lopez, Megan Sterzinger, Chelsea Stuttgen, Yadira Castillo, Marisa Schilling, Olivia Frome, Bridget Donahue, Cara Hull, and Madeline Bach

Second Row (left to right): Casey Krueger, Shania Oehmichen, Hannah Kobs, Trevor Flick, Brooke Jeske, Kennedy Kramas, Alyssa Schade, and Nicholas Weiler Third Row (left to right): Tabitha Hanson, Mirella Espino, Kenna Jensen, Andrew Hogden, Haylee Geiger, Hannah Gurtner, Jenna Jicinsky, Jordyn Halopka, and Kayla Krueger

Fourth Row (left to right): Kendra Bellendorf, Molly Stewart, Erica Gaetz, Krista Kolar, Konnor Denzine, Stephanie DeCaire, Megan Karau, and Collin Stuttgen
Fifth Row (left to right): Zachary Underwood, Ricardo Ortega, Preston Mertins, Sawyer Bach, Alexander Kampmeyer, Eric Jorgenson, Samuel Bach, Samantha Hayes, and Kayli Donahue







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NHS held the event to sponsor two Colby students battling cancer (pictured above).





Front Row (left to right): Louella Derrico, Olivia Frome, Cara Hull, Tiffany Derrico, Raquel Lopez, and Chelsea Stuttgen. Second row (left to right): Adviser Monica Tesmer, Jacquelyn Lemoi, Justine Flink, Brooke Jeske, Shania Oehmichen, and Brendan Tesmer Third row (left to right): Mirella Espino, Kenna Jensen, Carley Elmhorst, Megan Underwood, and Jenna Jicinsky. Fourth row (left to right): Erica Gaetz, Alyssa Schade, Kayli Donahue, and Issiah Meddaugh. Fifth row (left to right): Gunner Jensen, Hannah Gurtner, Trey Rau, Hunter Huber, and Krista Kolar



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Shania Oehmichen Brooke Jeske Kenna Jensen Krista Kolar



First Semester Staff



Front row (left to right): Shania Oehmichen, Felicia Rogers, Brooke Jeske, and Rachel Lindberg Back row (left to right): Jon Oswalt, Sam Bach, Brandon Riegert, and Eric Jorgenson

Second Semester Staff



Front row (left to right): Cody Rodman, Andy Hogden, Dylan Voelker, and Alma Mares Back row (left to right): Konnor Denzine, Adrian Lynn, Sam Bach, Brandon Riegert, and Brandon Gollhardt

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Front row (left to right): Jared Goodwin, Kody Swatzina, and Brett Schauer Back row (left to right): Adviser Kevin Pankratz, and Dylan Leffel



Front row (left to right): Cara Hull, Yadira Castillo, Jacquelyn Lemoi, and Adviser Sarah Oehmichen Back row (left to right): Mirella Espino, Konnor Denzine, Maria Espino, and Krista Kolar



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Forensics Members at State

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Front row (left to right): Alexander Kampmeyer, Bridget Donahue, Ricardo Ortega, Kennedy Kramas, Samuel Bach, and Shania Oehmichen Second row (left to right): Matthew Schneider, Preston Mertins, Trevor Flick, Sawyer Bach, and Nicholas Weiler Third row: Adviser Karen Tyznik, Erica Gaetz, Kayli Donahue, Rachel Kaatz, Zachary Underwood, and Marisa Schilling Top row: Adviser Anastasia Henaman, Louella Derrico, Morgan Bilz, Carley Elmhorst, and Megan Underwood



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Bridget Donahue Kennedy Kramas Alex Kampmeyer

Student Council members at Homecoming and Winter Carnival events.



Front row (left to right): Brooke Jeske, Cara Hull, Mark Van Over, and Mirella Espino Second row (left to right): Adviser Anastasia Henaman, Shania Oehmichen, Casey Krueger, Lucas Bednar, and Rachel Lindberg Third row (left to right): Krista Kolar, Stephanie DeCaire, Sara Graffunder, Meg Karau, Dylan Voelker, and Konnor Denzine



Front Row (left to right): Morgan Devine, Megan Underwood, Carley Elmhorst, Morgan Bilz, and Adviser Jeffrey Rosemeyer Second Row (left to right): Kolby Jensen, Alyssa Schade, Kenna Jensen, Alyssa Busse, and Marshall Van Over Third Row (left to right): Aaron Morrow, Zachary Underwood, Samuel Bach, and Jared Goodwin Top Row (left to right): Krista Kolar, Madeline Bach, Preston Mertins, Sawyer Bach, and Samuel Krause



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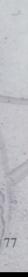
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Zach Underwood (left) running at the cross country meet at Colby.



Coach Graun (above) giving the girls team a few words of wisdom before they race.



(Left to Right) Haylee Geiger, Alyssa Schade, Preston Mertins, and Trevor Flick running to the finish line.



The girls team (above) stretching and prepping for the race.

Tabitha Hanson (below) pushing through to the finish line.





Haylee Geiger and Tabitha Hanson (above) were neck and neck at the Colby race.



First Row (left to right): Dillon Novak, Trevor Flick, Haylee Geiger, Zachary Underwood, Paige Kocian, Preston Mertins, Kayli Donahue, Alyssa Schade, and Alexander Kampmeyer Second Row (left to right): Samuel Bach, Ricardo Ortega, Madeline Bach Third Row (left to right): Josie Jakel, Bailey Schleicher, Nikki Jaeger, Kolby Jensen, Issiah Meddaugh, Logan Flink, and Tabitha Hanson





Kayli Donahue (left), Ricky Ortega (center left) Alex Kampmeyer (center right) and Sam Bach (right) making their way to the end of the race.



Both Logan Peissig (right) and Eric Jorgenson (center) make a tackle to help their team score. Aaron Morrow (far right) runs the ball.

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Logan Uhlig (right) helps tackle the running back on the Neillsville team. Darian Scheer (far right) prepares to hike the football to the

quarterback.

Tanner Gaetz (left) punts the ball. Sean Parker (right) attempts to clear the way to the end zone.



Adrian Lynn (far left) makes the tackle. Konnor Denzine (left center) defends the quarterback. Nolan Derrico (right center) looks to make the pass into the end zone. Brandon Riegert (far right) catches the ball and attempts to gain some yards.



Front Row (left to right): Roman Schmitt, Henry Schmitt, Kane Strassburger, Peyton Smith, Nathan Meyer, Dylan Geiger, and Conner Jeske

Second Row (left to right): Maxwell Powell, Kody Swatzina, Hayden Kops, Christian Botello, Wyatt Higley, Kwinton Denzine, Brandon Weiler, Jacob Miller, Dereck Hanson, Tyler Riehle, and Cody Rodman

Third Row (left to right): Sean Parker, Armando Campa Mata, Jared Goodwin, Coach Row
Morrow, Coach Jim Hagen, Head Coach Jeff Rosemeyer, Coach Jimmy Flink, Coach Shannon
Underwood, Coach Robbie Smazal, Christain Raasch, Lucas Bruesewitz, and Dylan Leffel
Fourth Row (left to right): Francisco Cruz, Mathew Karl, Samuel Krause, Adam Mundt, Konnor
Denzine, Nicholas Weiler, Andrew Hogden, Samuel Schmitt, McCoy Soppa, and Trey Rau
Fifth Row (left to right): Logan Uhlig, Nolan Derrico, Zachary Meyer, Jade Karl, Darian Scheer,
Jacob Evert, Adrian Lynn, Ryan Lynn, Logan Peissig

Sixth Row (left to right): Matthew Schneider, Jared Mundt, Cullen Meacham, Trevor Stuttgen, Aaron Morrow, Justin Hofmann, Tyton Raatz, and Quintin Holtz

Seventh Row (left to right): Trevor Meyer, Lucas Miller, Eric Jorgenson, Brandon Riegert, Trevor Wilde, Tanner Gaetz, and Kyle Roth



Colby football players tackle while playing defense against Neillsville.



Front Row (left to right): Aija Kopca, Cara Hull, Caillin Schmeiser, and Gloria Ortega Juarez Second Row (left to right): Coach Jessica Sweeda, Tiffany Derrico, Selena Mertins, Lauren Kallstrom, Justine Flink, Hailie Seubert, and Coach Monica Tesmer Third Row (left to right) Bailey Krause, Kenna Jensen, Kaylee Weber

Third Row (left to right): Bailey Krause, Kenna Jensen, Kaylee Weber, Julia Otten, Raquel Lopez, and Keira Kapfhamer

Kaylee Weber (right) swims the breast stroke and Bailey Krause (far right) races to the finish line swimming the back

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Cara Hull (far left), swims the breast stroke and Gloria Ortega (left) swims the back stroke.



Keira Kapfhamer (top left) and Tiffany Derrico (left) swim freestyle. Kenna Jensen (above) swims the butterfly stroke. Raquel Lopez (far left) is set and ready to <u>start the</u> race,

Iustine Flink (right) and Lauren Kallstrom (right center) swim the backstroke. Selena Mertins (far right) swims freestyle.



Team fire drill (top) and warming up for the meet (bottom).





The Give 'Em a Breath Team

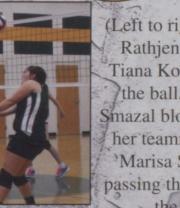
Front Row (left to right): Jenna Jicinsky, Hannah Gurtner, Stephanie DeCaire, Tori Carr, Larissa Schmoll, Rachel Lindberg, and Stacy Reis Back Row (left to right): Jordyn Halopka, Paige Bruesewitz, Coach Traei Grinker, Coach Wendy Cihlar, Coach Brooke Ruge, and Samantha Hayes

> (Left to right) Tori Carr serving, Sammi Hayes attacking the ball, Tori Carr and Stephanie DeCaire blocking, and Sammi Hayes back setting.

(Left) The girls cheering after a good kill during their Dig Pink game against Owen. (Left Center) Tori Carr passing a serve to the setter. (Right Center) Hannah Gurtner attacking the ball. (Right) Jenna Jicinsky jump serving. Front Row (left to right): Mackenzie Carr, Megan Underwood, Carley Elmhorst, Emily Gurtner and Skylar Leffel Back Row (left to right): Coach Brooke Ruge, Louella Derrico, Cassandra Venzke, Katelyn Meddaugh, Franki Raatz and Kiersten Weiland



(Left to right): Kiersten Weiland setting to the back, Carley Elmhorst hitting from the middle as Emily Gurtner plays defense, Cassie Venzke setting the ball, and Mackenzie Carr driving the ball over.



(Left to right): Anne Rathjen serving, Tiana Kohl passing the ball, Brooke Smazal blocking with her teammate, and 'Marisa Schilling passing the ball over the net.

Front Row (left to right): Brandy Bergerson and Lizzette Vital Second Row (left to right): Jacqueline Baltierrez Sosa, Morgan Geiger, Brooke Smazal, Morgan Bilz, Carla Schmelzer and Tiana Kohl Back Row (left to right): Coach Wedny Cihlar, Marisa Schilling, Tessa Meyer, Emma Decker, Jessie Hederer and Taylor Johnson





 Front Row (left to right): Nolan Derrico, Trey Rau, Brett Schauer, Logan Uhlig, Zachary Meyer, Mario Rios Bonilla and Luis Castillo Rodriguez
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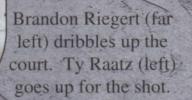
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Front Row (left to right): Matthew Karl, Nathan Meyer and Armando Campa Mata Bach Row (left to right): Coach Jimmy Flink, Alfredo Morillon, Jose Meraz, Cullen Meacham and Aaron Morrow



Uriel Bonilla Campa (left) moves toward the basket. The boys C-Team (right) waits for the rebound. Tony Ortega (far right) dribbles up the court.

Front row (left to right): Brendan Schauer, Joshua Hogden, Uriel Bonilla Campa, Antonio Ortega and Christian Botello Back row: Coach Brian Bruesewitz, Lucas Bruesewitz, Daniel Meza Limon, Samuel Krause, Issiah Meddaugh and Alexander Garcia



Nathan Meyer (right) passes the ball. Brett Schauer (below) guards the ball and Matthew Karl (bottom right) takes the shot.







(Left to Right): Coach Randy Rau, Megan Underwood, Kendra Bellendorf, Neilana Golz, Hannah Gurtner, Samantha Hayes, Haylee Geiger, Jenna Jicinsky, Jordyn Halopka, Carley Elmhorst and Paige Bruesewitz



Haylee Geiger (below) moving up the ball up court.

Samantha Hayes (above) blocking the shot. Jordyn Halopka (right) playing defense.

Jicinsky (above) putting up the shot. Neilana Golz (left) passing the ball to a teammate.

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Sammi Hayes (left) reaches for the tip-off. Hannah Gurtner (right) tries to steal the ball. Carley Elmhorst (far right) attempts to make a free throw.





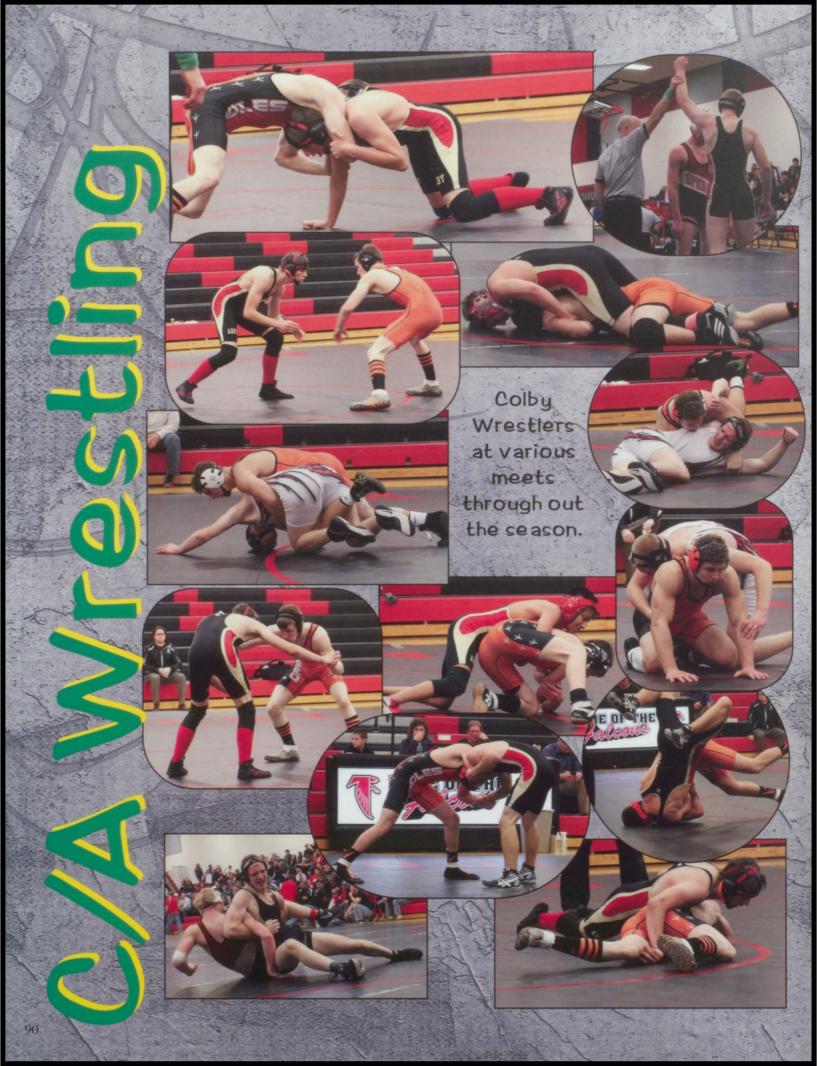
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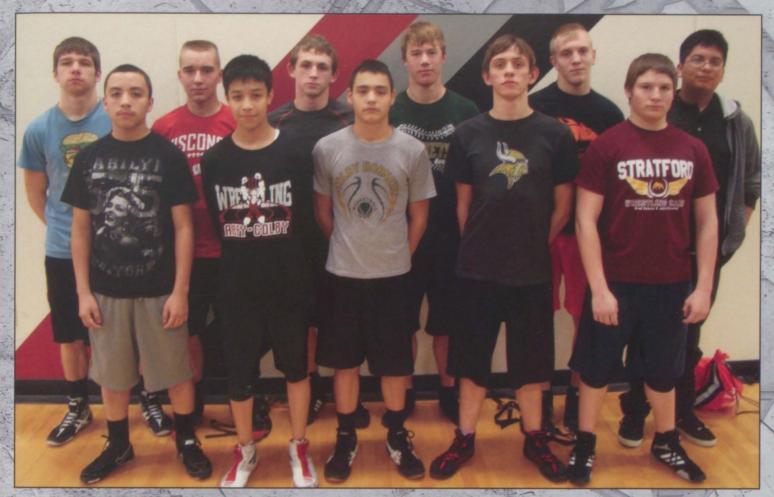
Anne Rathjen (left) prepares to shoot a free throw. Emily Gurtner (right) also shoots a free throw. Morgan Geiger and Louella Derrico (far right) brings the ball down the court.

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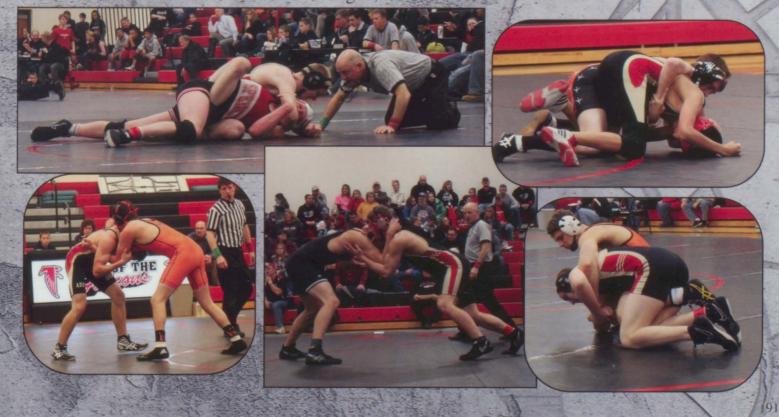
Front Row (Left to Right): Hailie Seubert, Ashley Morales, Cassandra Hornback, Cindi Castillo, Morgan Devine

Back Row (Left to Right): Coach Stacy Hoernke Hailey Gutenberger, Louella Derrico, Morgan Geiger, Emily Guttner, Tessa Meyer, Anne-Sophie Rathjen, Elizabeth Johnson and Coach Sam Hayes



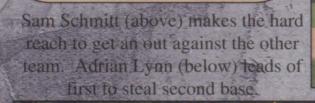


Front row (left to right): Fabian Garcia-Vega, Rodrigo Cruz-Soto, Joseph Baker, Thomas Carlson and Cody Rodman, Back row (left to right): Brock Halopka, Raymond Carlson, Christain Raasch, Dylan Leffel, Collin Stuttgen, Jairo Cruz Chairez



Front row (left to right): Josh Hogden, Kody Swatzina, Peyton Smith, Andy Hogden, Jared Goodwin, and Sam Schmitt Second row (left to right): Coach Sam Hayes, Coach Leroy Underwood, Dylan Leffel, Trent Underwood, Jacob Karl, Matthew Karl, and Coach Neal Hogden Back row (left to right): Logan Uhlig, Adrian Lynn, Aaron MOrrow, Hunter Huber, Trevor Stuffgen, Sam Krause, and Coach Nathan Larsen

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Jacob Karl (below) gets ready to score a home run. Andy Hogden (far bottom) makes a throw to home.



Logan Uhlig (above) slides toward home plate and makes the pitch (right).

Andy Hogden (right and far right) plays great defense by chasing players to get them out.

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The catcher from Colby (above) protects home plate.



Kody Swatzina (above) runs to first to get the opponent out.

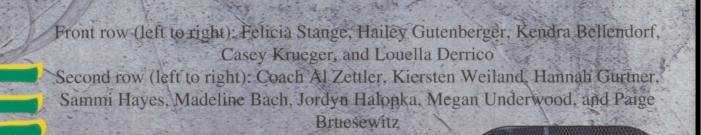
Aaron Morrow (below) pitches a strike during an away game.





Batter's Up! Dylan Leffel (top and top right) and Aaron Morrow (bottom and bottom right) are up to bat.







Batters up! Kendra Bellendorf (left) swings at a pitch, Megan Underwood (center) prepares to bunt the ball and Parge Bruesewitz (right) waits to swing at a good pitch. Sammi Hayes (left and below) throws out the pitch at home games.



Megan Underwood (above and right) takes on the catcher position and protects home plate.

Kiersten Weiland (above) makes a catch at third base for the out. Jordyn Halopka (right) makes a throw back to home base for another out.







The team (above) huddles during the game to get their game plan straight. Paige Bruesewitz (right) makes the catch but Paige (left) isn't quite early enough to get the opponent out.





Top from left to right, Felicia Rogers long jumping, Tori Carr triple jumping, Alex Kampmeyer about to round the corner during his mile, and Sam Bach and Preston Mertins running together during their mile race. Blake Neuenfeldt (bottom left) long jumping along with Carley Elmhorst (bottom right) triple jumping.



Dylan Brusky (above) and Blake Neuenfeldt (left) jump during the Medford meet.



Front row (left to right): , Emily Gurtner, Morgan Geiger, Felicia Rogers and Carley Elmhorst Second row (left to right): Tiffany Derrico, Alyssa Schade, Kayli Donahue, Trevor Flick, Brendan Tesmer, Christain Raasch, Dylan Brusky, Morgan Bilz, Mackenzie Carr and Tori Carr

Back row (left to right): Dereck Hanson, Kolby Jensen, Lauren Kallstrom, Ricardo Ortega, Taylor Johnson, Samuel Bach, Alexander Kampmeyer, Zachary Underwood, Skylar Leffel, Rachel Kaatz and Blake Neuenfeldt





Carley Elmhorst (left) soars during her jump at the Medford meet.

Christian Raasch (above) pole vaults during the Medford meet. Lauren Kallstrom (right) and Mackenzie Carr (top right) get set to throw shot put during a meet this season.



Colby girls (right) take off for the relay event at a meet this season.





Front row (left to right): Jacob Miller, Trey Rau, and Aric Kobs Back row (left to right): Sawyer Bach, Brandon Lea, Lukas Bednar, and Hunter Zick

> Golf Team members practicing at the driving range.







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Front row (left to right): Meg Karau and Madi Bach Back row (left to right): Kayt Kampineyer, Bailey Krause, Kaylee Weber, Libby VanOver, Tabitha Hanson, Cara Hull and Krista Kolar



(left to right) Tabitha Hanson, Kaylee Weber, Bailey Krause, Meg Karau, Madi Bach, Krista Kolar, Cara Hull, LIbby VanOver and Lizzette



Front row (left to right): Andrew Vogel, Rosie Niemi, Brianna Schreffler, and Alex Peplinski Back row (left to right): Wesley Baker, Coach Julie Wolf and Austin Peplinski

Brianna (above) bowling with Wesley and Andrew (below).

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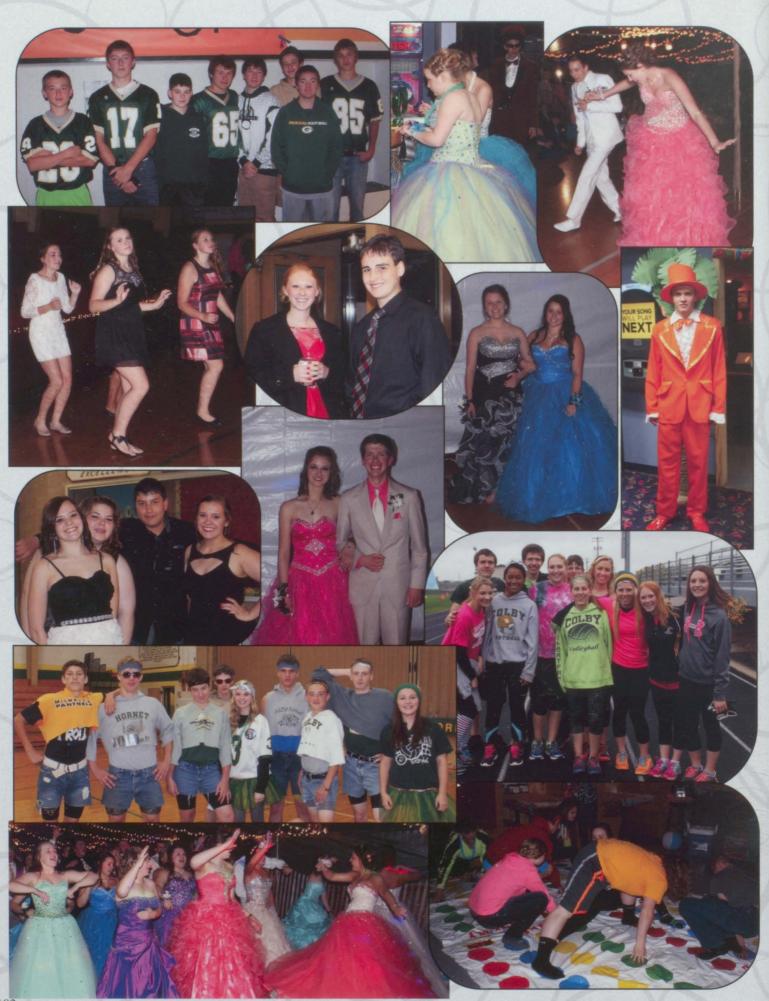
The Special Olympics Bowling group of middle and high school students. 23

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The Flying Stingers (right) basketball team and coaches after their winning game versus the Colby Staff.



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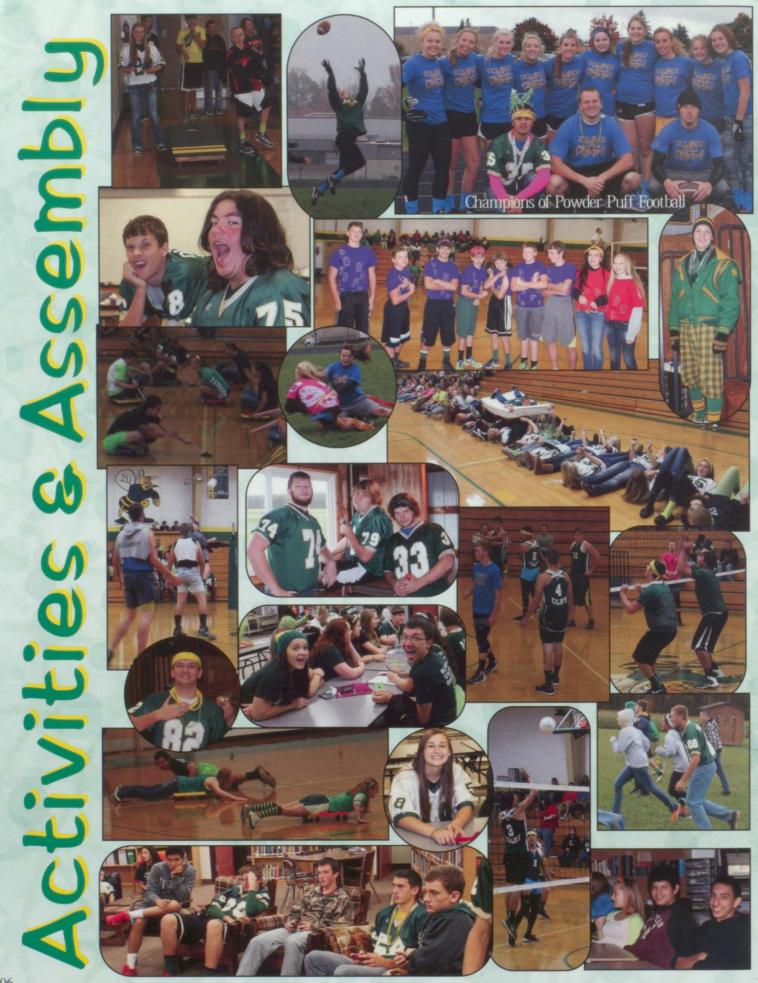
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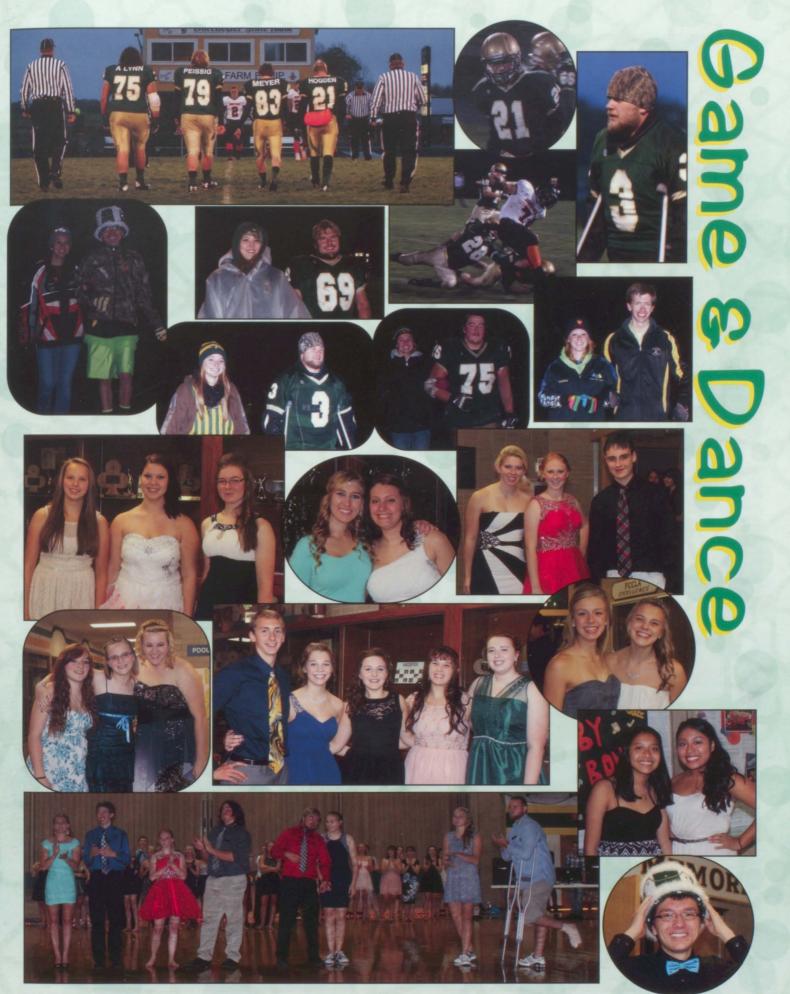
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Grease Cast

Kyle Roth Bridget Donahue **Preston Mertins** Trent Underwood Mark Van Over Zach Brockhaus Raquel Lopez **Tiffany Derrico** Tabitha Hanson Kennedy Kramas Justine Flink Alex Kampmeyer Chelsea Stuttgen Konnor Denzine Erica Gaetz Dylan Underwood Michael Hackbarth Matt Schneider

Ensemble

Morgan Bilz, Louella Derrico, Marisa Evert, Skylar Leffel, Jacob Miller, Ricky Ortega, Molly Peterson, Alona Schilling, Marisa Schilling, Felicia Stange, Sarah

Wiersma Hair/Make-up

Carolyn Golz and April Kussrow of Cuts Plus Beauty Salon.

Sound/Lighting Kevin Spindler, Henry Spindler, and Nathan Larsen. Lighting Designer: Kevin Koehler

Set Construction

Matt Schneider, Kyle Roth, Preston Mertins, Alex Kampmeyer, Kathy Bay, Kevin Spindler, Bed Roth, Alona Schilling and Candi Mertins.









Prom Court

First row (left to right): Nick Weiler, Paige Bruesewitz, Hannah Gurtner, and Eric Jorgenson Second row (left to right): Trey Rau, Haylee Geiger, Ty Raatz, and Jenna Jicinsky Third row (left to right): Preston Mertins, Jordyn Halopka, Nolan Derrico, and Neilana Golz Back row (left to right): Logan Uhlig, Sammi Hayes, Matt Schneider, and Stacy Reis

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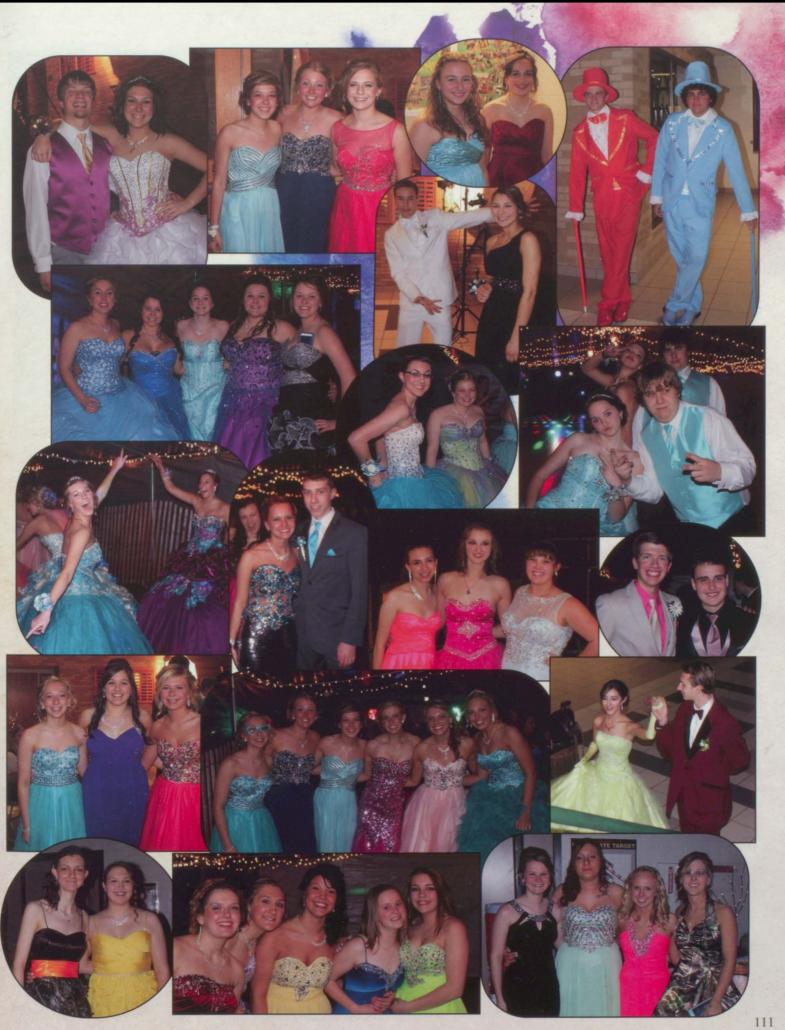
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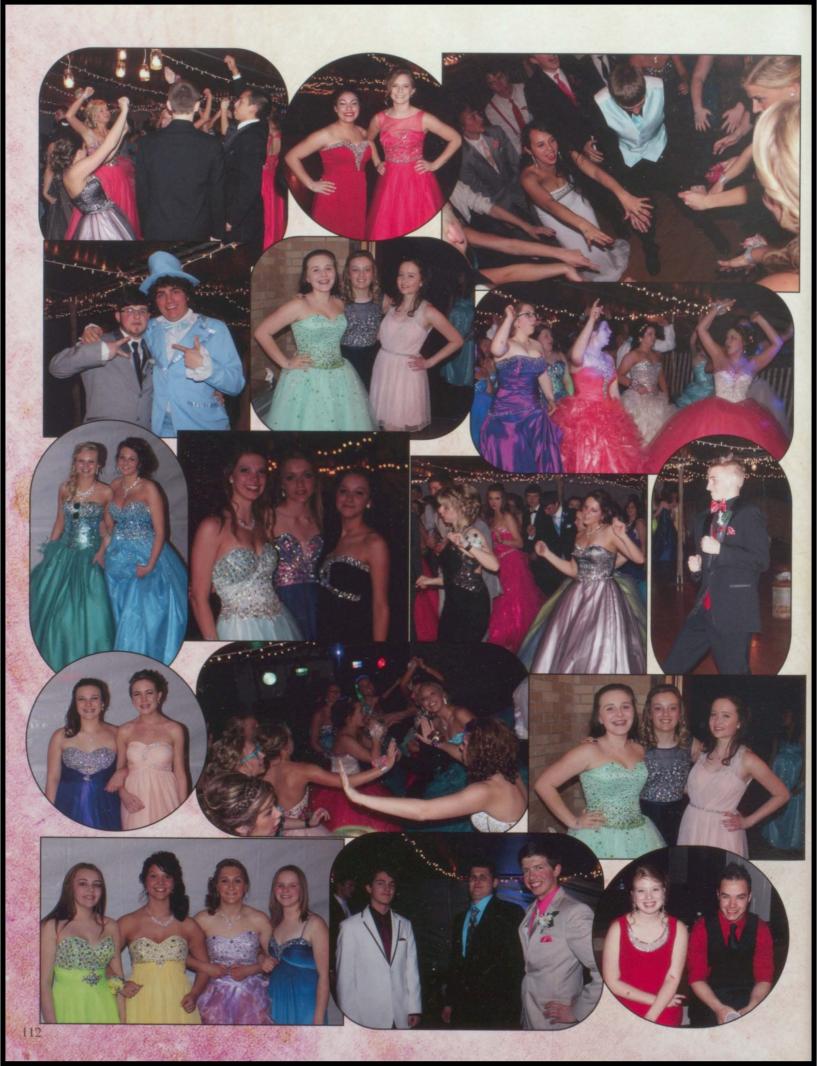
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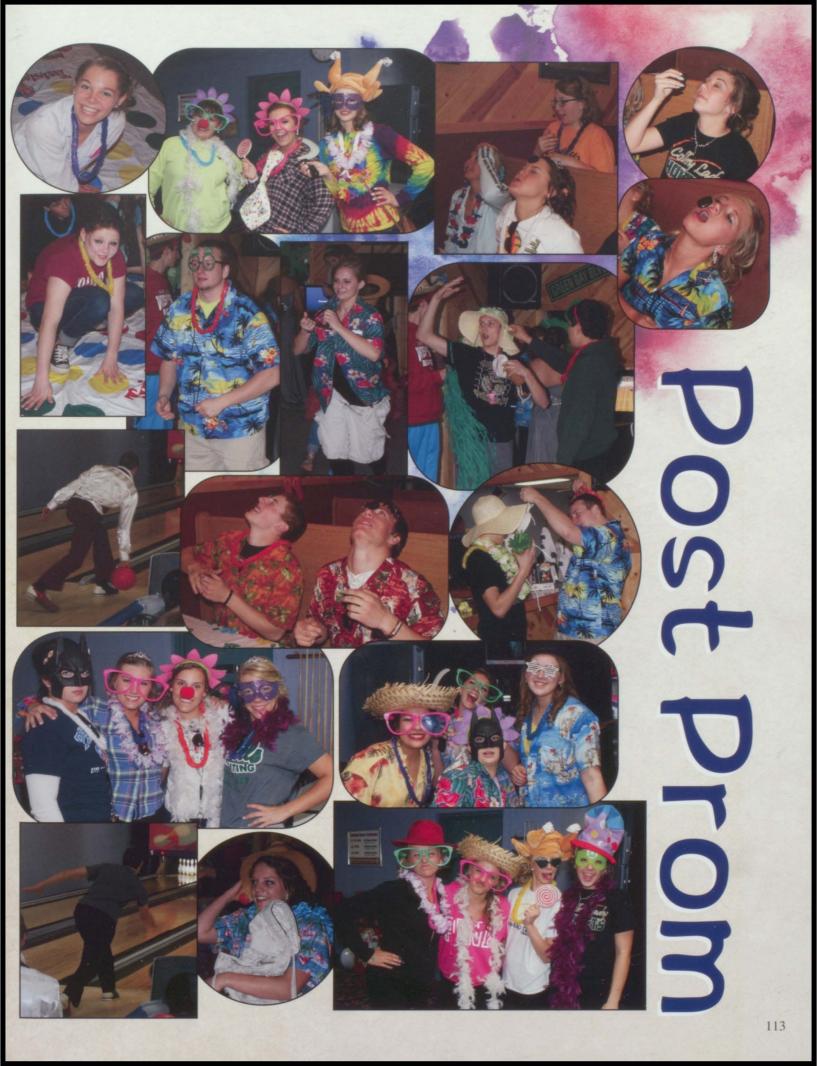
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YA Manufacturing Trevor Robida

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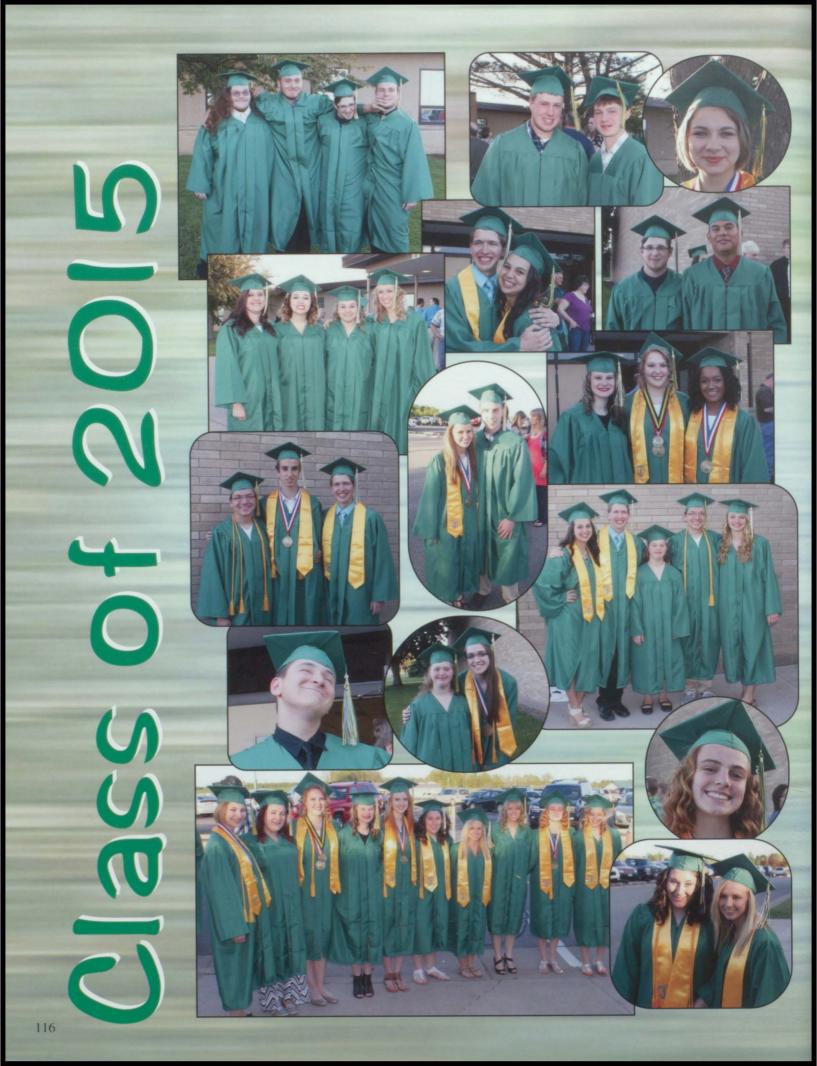
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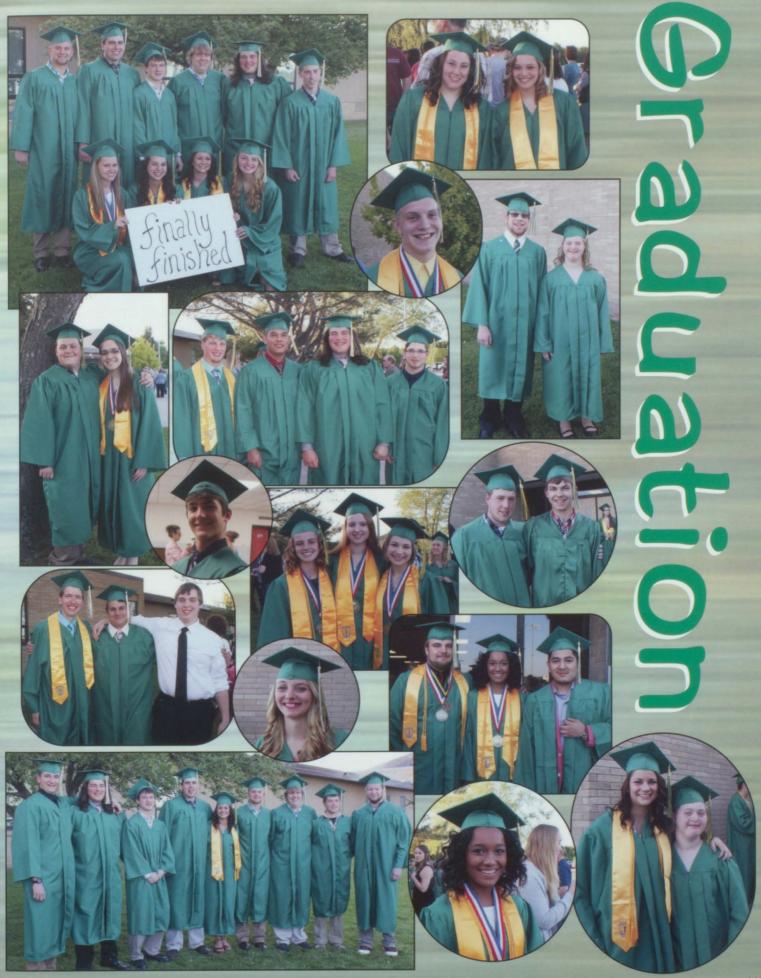
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Cassius Gresbach Master of Ceremonies



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Raquel Lopez & Andy Hogden Student Speaker



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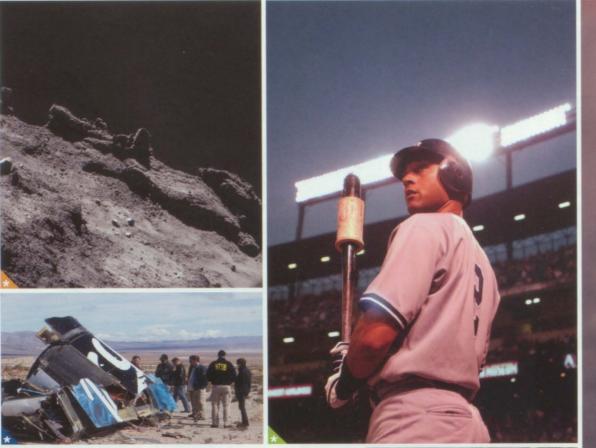
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★ A spacecraft launched by the European Space Agency 10 years ago successfully landed a robotic probe on the surface of a comet. The probe, named the Philae, immediately sent back pictures and was expected to monitor the comet for four to five months.

★ SpaceShipTwo, one of the planes for Virgin Galactic's new space tourism company, crashed in the Mojave Desert during a test flight. One of the plane's two pilots was killed, and the company's test flight program was set back several months.

★ After 20 seasons, New York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter retired. The 14-time All Star finished his career as the Yankees' leader in hits and games played. His final total of 3,465 hits was the most ever by a shortstop.

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★ Lava from the Kilauea volcano on the big island of Hawaii destroyed a house in November, five months after the lava flow began. No one was injured. Residents had been on alert to evacuate since June, and were moving possessions out of their homes to protect them.

★ The National Football League began working with NO MORE, a national anti-domestic violence awareness campaign, after some incidents involving players came to light. One of those involved Baltimore Ravens running back Ray Rice, who was suspended by the NFL.





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★ Fans flocked to see "The Hunger Games: Mockingjay – Part 1" around the holidays. The first of two movies scheduled to be made based on the final book in "The Hunger Games" series drew rave reviews.

★ Devoted Harry Potter fans received a special treat when author J.K. Rowling published six new short stories on the Pottermore website that provided a whole new round of backstory on the Potter world.

★ Sports fans mourned upon hearing that ESPN SportsCenter anchor Stuart Scott died Jan. 4 after a long battle with cancer. Scott worked at ESPN for more than 20 years, with several of his catchphrases becoming part of sports pop culture, including the famous, "Booyah!"



★ On the strength of her 70-MPH fastball, 13-year old Mo'ne Davis became the first girl to pitch a shutout and get a win in the Little League World Series. The Associated Press named Davis, who also plays basketball and soccer for her school in Philadelphia, the Female Athlete of the Year.

★ In an unexpected matchup of two wild card teams, the San Francisco Giants defeated

the Kansas City Royals in seven games to win the 2014 World Series. Madison Bumgarner pitched five shutout relief innings on two days' rest in the final game to clinch it for the Giants.

★ NASA took its first steps toward Mars with the initial launch of the Orion spacecraft. Orion, which was designed for human exploration of the moon, asteroids and Mars, took a test flight in December. It was hoped manned missions with Orion could take place by 2021.



★ Oregon Ducks quarterback Marcus Mariota became the first Oregon player and the first Hawaiian to ever win the Heisman Trophy after throwing for more than 4,000 yards and 40 touchdowns.

★ Malala Yousafzai, 17, of Pakistan, received the Nobel Peace Prize for her work supporting the education of women in her country. Kailash Satyarthi of India also received the Peace Prize for his work in freeing children from forced labor. Both went about their work at great risk to their lives.



★ Teen girls were wearing dresses inches above the knee, jeans, leggings and jeggings with baby doll tops and even laced combat boots. Scarves and fringe were among the accents. Layered looks remained in style for both guys and girls. Guys were sporting jogger pants with elastic cuffs and jeans with or without rolled cuffs.

* Marches and other forms of support appeared worldwide on behalf of the freedom of expression after a terrorist attack in Paris at the offices of "Charlie Hebdo," a satirical magazine that poked fun at many things, including Islam. The French phrase "Je suis Charlie Hebdo," which means, "I am Charlie Hebdo," became the rallying cry.



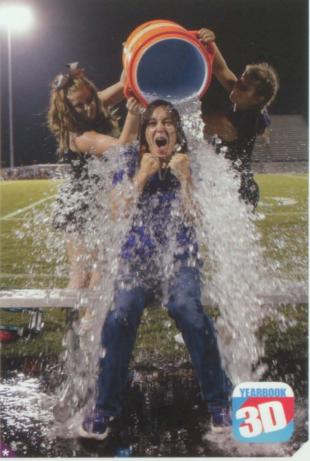




★ Taylor Swift released her newest album, "1989," and it sold more than a million copies in the first week, which made Swift the first artist to ever have three straight albums accomplish that feat. The first single, "Shake It Off," was the number one pop song for more than a month.

teen choice awards winners

* Choice Comedian: Kevin Hart Choice Reality Show: "The Voice" Choice Rock Group: Imagine Dragons Choice R&B/Hip-Hop Artist: Iggy Azalea Choice Drama TV Show: "Pretty Little Liars" Choice Movie (Drama): "The Fault in our Stars"



★ A campaign to raise awareness for ALS called the Ice Bucket Challenge went viral across social media, with participants filming buckets of ice water being dumped over their heads, pledging donations, and then challenging others to do the same. The ALS Association estimated more than \$100 million was donated to its cause.

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* President Barack Obama issued an executive order offering millions of illegal immigrants the chance to apply to stay in the U.S. temporarily if they have lived in the U.S. more than five years, have children and pass a criminal background check. Questions were raised about Obama's use of executive action versus working to get an immigration bill through Congress.

* The nominees for Best Picture at the Oscars included "Boyhood," a coming-of-age film that was shot over the course of 12 years and showed a young boy and his sister growing up through their school years. Other nominees included "American Sniper," "Birdman," "The Imitation Game," and "Selma."

★ Ridesharing service Uber expanded to more than 200 cities. Smartphone users were able to arrange rides via the Uber app. However in many cities taxi drivers protested Uber, claiming they were avoiding the fees and restrictions taxi companies face.

★ In his first year as host, comedian Jimmy Fallon helped boost the ratings of "The Tonight Show" for the first time in years. Fallon introduced the traditional late-night show to younger viewers with comedy bits that quickly became viral video sensations.



★ AMC's zombie drama "The Walking Dead" continued to gain viewers. The show's season 5 premiere was watched by more than 17 million people, making it the most-watched episode in cable TV history.





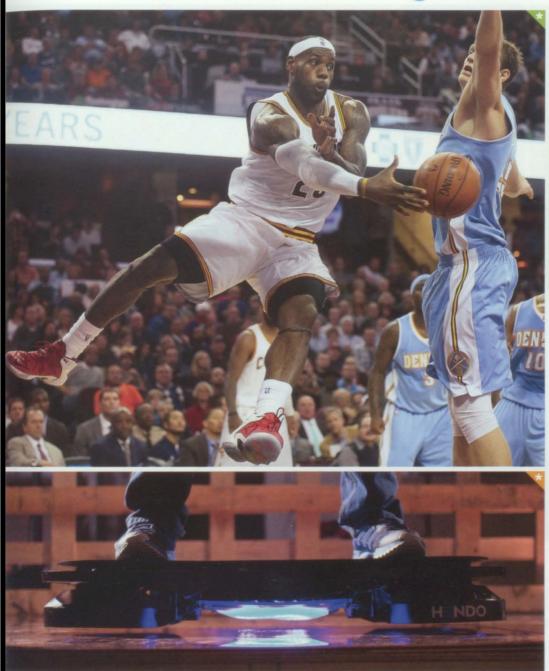
Not many had a better year than Pharrell Williams. The singer, songwriter and producer earned six Grammy nominations, including Album of the Year for his latest album, Girl. Plus, Williams' song 'Happy'' was a number one hit.

most popular song

- 1. "Happy" Pharrell Williams
- 2. "All of Me" John Legend
- 3. "Stay With Me" Sam Smith
- 4. "Turn Down For What" DJ Snake and Lil Jon
- 5. "Let It Go" Idina Menzel

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athletes with most twitter followers (U.S.)

- 1. LeBron James 16.6 million
- 2. Shaquille O'Neal 9 million
- 3. John Cena 6.6 million
- 4. Kobe Bryant 5.8 million
- 5. Carmelo Anthony 5.7 million Source: Twitter

★ NBA superstar LeBron James shocked many by choosing to return to his hometown team, the Cleveland Cavaliers, after becoming a free agent. James began his career with seven seasons in Cleveland, before leaving to lead the Miami Heat to two NBA titles in four years.

★ California architect Greg Henderson invented a prototype hoverboard. The "Hendo" hoverboard glides just a few inches above metal surfaces using four engines that emit magnetic fields and push against each other.

★ Republicans gained control of the House and Senate in the midterm elections. Issues before Congress could include the Keystone XL pipeline, immigration and health care.

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Democrats

midterm congressional election results

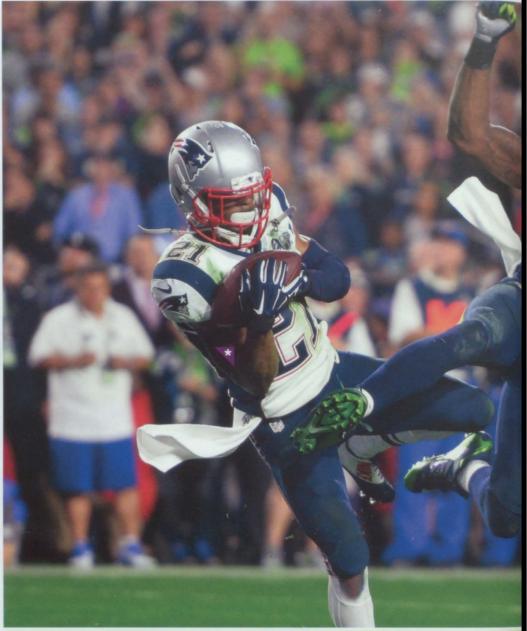






★ Only five northern white rhinos are left on Earth, none of them in the wild, following the death of Angalifu, a 44-year-old male rhino at the San Diego Zoo. Rhinos are hunted for their horns, which are believed to have medicinal powers.

★ Former Nickelodeon teen TV star Ariana Grande released the album "My Everything" and it hit the top of the charts. The song "Problem," a duet with Iggy Azalea, won best song at the Teen Choice Awards and Best Pop Video at the MTV Video Music Awards.

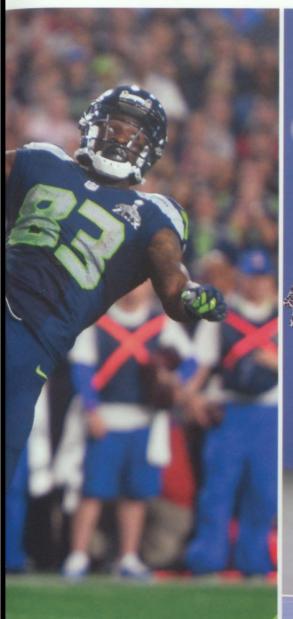


best-selling sports jerseys

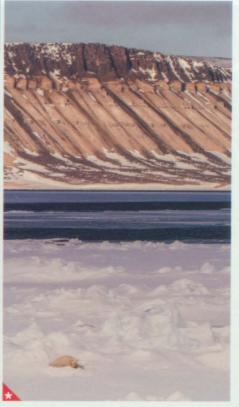
- 1. LeBron James -NBA (Cleveland/Miami)
- 2. Russell Wilson NFL (Seattle)
- 3. David Ortiz MLB (Boston)
- 4. Sidney Crosby NHL (Pittsburgh)
- 5. Kevin Durant NBA (Oklahoma City)

Source: BleacherReport.con

★ Goalkeeper Tim Howard led the U.S. men's soccer team into the round of 16 at the 2014 World Cup in Brazil. Howard set a World Cup record with 15 saves in the U.S. match vs. Belgium, which the Americans eventually lost 2-1 in extra time.







★ Scientists declared 2014 as the hottest year on record. According to the World Meteorological Organization, 2014 was the 38th consecutive year with a higher-thanaverage annual global temperature.

★ Serena Williams won the U.S. Open for a record sixth time, and stayed at the top of the world rankings. Her 19 career Grand Slam tennis titles rank second, behind only Steffi Graf's 22.



★ The New England Patriots won Super Bowl XLIX, 28-24, over the Seattle Seahawks in dramatic fashion when rookie Malcolm Butler intercepted a pass in the end zone with 26 seconds left. Seattle's decision to call for a pass, rather than run, with the ball on the 1-yard line was questioned by many.

★ An outbreak of measles that health officials said began at Disneyland spread to at least 14 states. Most of the people who caught it were unvaccinated. In 2014, the Centers for Disease Control said a record 644 cases of measles in 27 states were reported, up from zero in 2000.

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top box office movies

- 1. "Guardians of the Galaxy"
- 2. "The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 1"
- 3. "Captain America: The Winter Soldier"
- 4. "The LEGO Movie"
- 5. "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies"

Source: boxofficemojo.com

★ The latest hit movie from the Marvel universe, "Guardians of the Galaxy," earned more than \$330 million at the box office and introduced a new group of misfit superhero space characters out to save the world.

★ Bethany Mota, a teen who became a YouTube celebrity thanks to her fashion videos and own clothing line, was chosen to be a contestant on "Dancing With the Stars" and a guest judge on "Project Runway."



★ While the U.S. combat role in Afghanistan ended in December, about 11,000 U.S. troops remained there as support for Afghan forces. The United States has had troops in Afghanistan for more than 13 years, since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

* Movie studio Sony Pictures lost confidential data when computer hackers accessed the company's systems. Sony's film "The Interview," a comedy starring James Franco and Seth Rogen, was leaked on to the Internet before its release date, along with several emails from studio executives.





★ American teens today are not as lonely as their parents were when they were teens, according to a study published in the Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin. The study showed that even though teens spend a lot of time alone with their smart phones and computers and make fewer close friends, they are slightly less lonely and more independent.

★ British singer Sam Smith reached stardom when his debut album, "Money on My Mind," became a huge seller and he received six Grammy nominations. Smith's song, "Stay With Me" was one of the biggest hits of the year. ★ President Obama announced the U.S. would begin diplomatic relations with Cuba, lifting some travel and economic restrictions that had been in place since 1961 against the island nation 90 miles south of Miami.

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★ Health officials struggled to contain the Ebola epidemic, which began in West Africa. A few cases were treated in the U.S. Of those, two people died, but among the survivors was Nina Pham, a nurse who caught Ebola while treating a patient with the disease.

★ iPhone sales surpassed 500 million devices as Apple released the iPhone 6 and 6 Plus. The newest iPhones came with the largest screen size to date, and an improved camera.

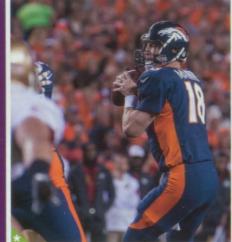


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best-selling iPhone apps

- 1. Candy Crush Saga
- 2. Clash of Clans
- 3. Game of War Fire Age
- 4. Farm Heroes Saga
- 5. Pet Rescue Saga

Source: iTunes



★ Denver's Peyton Manning became the NFL's all-time leader in touchdown passes during the Broncos' Oct. 19 win over San Francisco. Manning's record-setting 509th touchdown pass to Demaryius Thomas allowed him to break the old record set by Brett Favre.



★ Three teens from Ireland – Ciara Judge, Emer Hickey and Sophie Healy-Thow – won the top prize at the Google Science Fair for their idea to help solve world hunger. The science students researched a nitrogen-fixing bacteria that could reduce the germination time of certain crops.











★ Rory McIlroy kept his status as the number one golfer in the world by winning the British Open, the PGA Championship and leading Europe to a victory in the 2014 Ryder Cup. ★ NASCAR driver Kevin Harvick won the first Sprint Cup championship of his career at the final race of the season in Homestead, Fla. Harvick clinched it by holding off Ryan Newman in a three-lap dash to the finish.

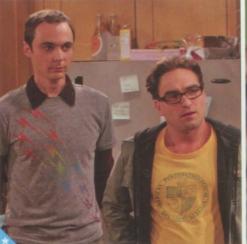
★ Country singer Craig Wayne Boyd was chosen the winner on season 7 of "The Voice." Boyd's song, "My Baby's Got a Smile on Her Face," which he performed on the show's finale, hit number one on the U.S. country charts.

★ California experienced its third straight year of drought conditions, before heavy rainstorms finally hit in December. Many lakes and creeks dried up, while water restrictions were in place for residents all over the state.

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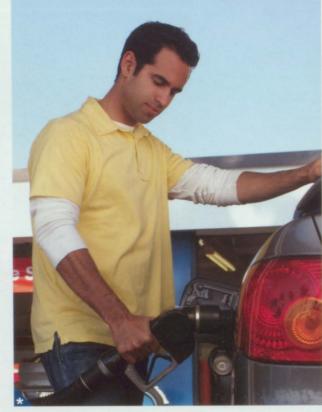




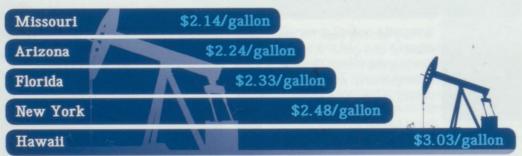
★ The Ohio State Buckeyes won the first-ever College Football Playoff, defeating the Oregon Ducks, 42-20, in the national championship game. Third-string quarterback Cardale Jones led the way for the Buckeyes in the final three games, after Ohio State's top two quarterbacks went out with injuries.

★ Sitcom "The Big Bang Theory" continued to gain in popularity and was once again among the most-watched shows on network TV, averaging more than 20 million viewers each week.

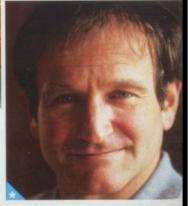
★ Gas prices dropped for a while, hitting a low not seen for four years. A mid-December survey by Lundberg showed a price range of \$2.82 per gallon in New York City down to \$2.06 in Tulsa, with prices below \$2.00 in parts of Oklahoma and Missouri early in 2015.





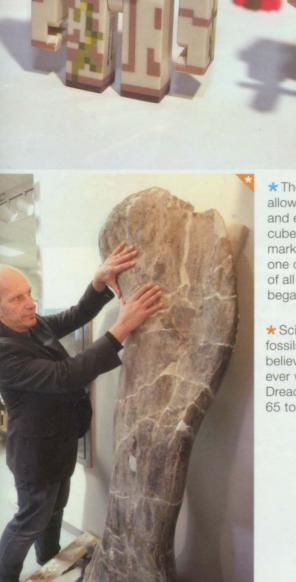






★ Fans were shocked and saddened by the death of actor and comedian Robin Williams. Williams' popular movies included "Good Will Hunting," "Mrs. Doubtfire" and "Dead Poets Society."

Source: fuelgaugereport.aaa.com



★ The video game Minecraft, which allows players to build structures and explore worlds made out of 3D cubes, passed the 60 million sales mark across all platforms, making it one of the best-selling video games of all time. Early development also began on the first Minecraft movie.

★ Scientists discovered dinosaur fossils in Argentina for what they believed was the largest animal that ever walked on land. Named the Dreadnoughtus, it weighed around 65 tons and stood 30 feet tall. ★ Lauren Hill, a freshman basketball player for Mount St. Joseph University in Cincinnati, Ohio, took the court to play in the team's first game despite having an inoperable brain tumor. Hill's inspirational story spread through social media and helped raise more than \$1 million for cancer research.

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* New York Giants receiver Odell Beckham Jr. made one of the more memorable plays of the year in November when he jumped up to make a one-handed, fingertip catch in the end zone on Sunday Night Football against the Dallas Cowboys.

★ In November, areas of Buffalo, N.Y., received up to seven feet of lake-effect snow in four days in November. People were trapped in their houses and vehicles, and roofs collapsed. In a two-week period in January and February, Boston received more than 75 inches of snow, with more on the way.

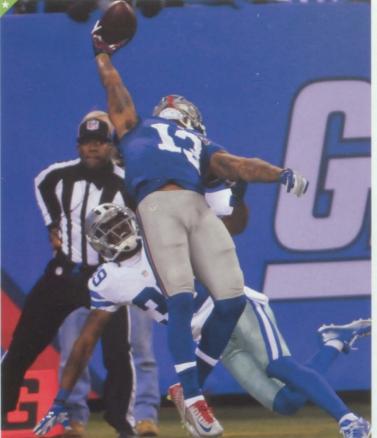






★ It was a bad winter for the flu across the U.S. The primary flu virus the annual flu shot was created to prevent, known as H3N2, mutated by the time the vaccine was ready to be used. The flu shot offered people some protection, but the H3N2 virus spread rampantly across the country.





★ The NBA's San Antonio Spurs hired retired WNBA player Becky Hammon as an assistant coach, making her the first full-time female coach in NBA history. During her playing days, Hammon was a 6-time WNBA All Star and a college All-American.



★ Apple unveiled its first mobile payment system, called Apple Pay, which allowed users with Apple devices to make credit and debit payments at certain locations, essentially replacing their plastic credit cards.

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