These are the Times of our Lives
The writing for publication staff chose "These are the times of our lives" as this year's theme. Whether you are a freshman or a senior, high school is a time of growth, reflection, and new experiences. These times should be remembered and treasured as the beginning of adulthood. The rites of passage of high school—dances, driver's license, homecoming, graduation—are things rarely experienced again. We have endeavored to capture memories you will treasure for a lifetime.

Your high school years are the times of your lives. The road that lies ahead of college, jobs, marriage and family, is long and difficult. Your high school years prepare you to accept those challenges with intelligence and perseverance. But you're supposed to have fun, too. That's why Tecumseh High School is special—you'll have fun preparing for the times of your lives.
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Head Editor
Jenny Barnes

Being on the yearbook committee for the third year in a row, I've finally become the head editor of the class. The yearbook committee works hard and puts a lot of time into completing their pages. Each and every student in the class is creative with their layouts, has amazing photography skills, and top-notch grammar thanks to our editing sessions. Working on the yearbook takes a lot of time in and out of class, so please do not plan on taking this class as your 'blow-off' class. Our goal this year is to get all the students at THS in the yearbook more than once. The students this year are awesome, and I wish all new yearbook designers the best of luck." ~ Jenny

The Yearbook Staff

The yearbook staff consisted of 15 students: Jenny Barnes (Head Editor), Daniele Deere, Shelby Denham, Lauren Haines, Megan Harsh, CJ Hom, Ashley Russell, Jessica Sheby, Charlotte Squires, Samantha Stonehart, Larisa Thacker, Tori Thacker, Tessa Wagner, and Bee Wilson (missing: Jennifer Swope). As you can guess, the yearbook staff creates the yearbook and also writes the articles for the Drumbeat, our online school newspaper. Mrs. Ricketts has been the advisor for three years.
From walking through the doors on our first day of high school to walking across the stage to receive our diploma, we will make new friends and become closer with old ones. We will learn more than imagined - school lessons along with important life lessons. We will push ourselves to achieve the unachievable and make ourselves stronger by coming close to those goals where we came up short.

Through the years we’ve all uniquely made our own high school experiences. The time we spend inside Tecumseh High School plays a big part in defining who we are today and who we will be tomorrow. We’ve all experienced ‘the times of our lives’!

--Jennifer Barnes
With much pride and gratitude for what they have done for us students, the Tecumseh High School Writing for Publication staff dedicates the 2007-08 yearbook to Thomas Bullinger and Anne Kasper, the class advisors for the Class of 2008. Mr. Bullinger is a mathematics teacher at Tecumseh High School while Mrs. Kasper is an English teacher for the eighth graders. Their contributions and efforts toward making this year a worthwhile one are reflected in their volunteer work with such activities as Rendezvous in Paris, Christmas in the Country, Float building (four year champions), Powder-puff “3-peat,” the Mystery Trip, and many more. They encourage and spend extra time with us students. Both class advisors show they really care by volunteering their time for us seniors outside their normal lifestyle. Thank you for making the Class of 2008 the time of our life!

-Jennifer Barnes
Head Editor, Yearbook
To talk in public, to think in solitude, to read and to hear, to inquire and answer inquiries, is the business of the scholar.

~ Samuel Johnson
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Rachel Buechel

Alyshia Wilcox
Jessie Manwaring

Jeff Montrief
Greg Park

Steven Harrison
Olivia Smith

Steven Butler
Carolyn Trombino

Andrea Barger
Charles Day

Ryan Henry
Kayla Kalmbach

Ken Thomas
Grace Ross

Daniel Burchett
Timothy Cencer

February

Elizabeth Smith
Mathew McCauley

Kaitlyn Randolph
Mikki Snyder-Barker

Justin Monahan
Corey Genereaux

Colin Cook
Tim Elkins

Leah Corby
Haleigh Edgar

Levi Polmounter
Karli Ledergerber

Kelsey Forsyth
Zachary Bailey

Stephanie Oldeck
Nicole Palm

Caitlin Dunlap
Kyle Hooper

March

John Hacker
Carrie Nash

Deanna Shelle
Stephanie Oldeck

Rebecca Tritt
Shannon Ward

Victoria Lacosse
Kaitlyn Randolph

Grace Kelley
Patrick McAran

Megan Patterson
Gretchen Seidel

Haleigh Edgar
Mark Lasker

Caleb Armstrong
Jackie Bailey

Karli Ledergerber
Leah Andrews

Emily Snider
Justin Bogrow

April

Derek Esty
Kayla Carter

Elizabeth Rathsack
Kayla Amstutz

Mikki Snyder-Schirer

Alysha Wilcox
Emily Kennedy

Benjamin Andre
Ashley Hartmann

Jacob Bloom
Holly Swan

Neil Palmer
Caitlin Schook

Alexis Delong
Danielle Deere

Art

Business & Computers

Careers & Applied Technologies

English

Foreign Languages

Life Skills

Mathematics

Physical Education

Science

Social Studies

Students of the Month
Academic Awards Night took place on Wednesday, May 7, 2008. The categories were Science, English, Math, Social Studies, Art, Music, Business, Physical Education, World Languages, Life Management, Careers and Technology, and Media Center/Library. The emcee for the evening was Walt Beham with Jan Wilson and Janet Wigner presenting the awards to our deserving students.
These are the Academic Award recipients for 2007-08:


Careers and Applied Technology - Zachary Bailey, Joshua Bennett, Maxwell Bishar, Ashley Brit, Jacob Carlson, Zachary Carpenter, Blake Drouillard, Corey Generaux, Anthony Goodwin, Jacob Goudy, Andrew Hand, Carlee Handy, Kayla Kalmboch, Justin Monahan, Jeff Montrief, Jacob Moore, Wystan Neil Palmer, Greg Park, Matt Rogers, Nick Royal, Ian Show, Eric Sheerer, Brian Shockley, Rebecca Tritt, Scott Yarbrough


Music - Ben Andre, Tom Buck, Bridget Burns, Lauren Byrd, Derek Click, Michelle Curtis, Chloe Garner, Megan Heath, Allie Helm, Kayla Henry, Chelsea Hensley, Stephoni Houghton, Joel Lopez, Kellen Marceau, Aaron Massey, Emily McCormley, Danielle Mruzek, Hailey Mull, Sarah Nowak, Heather Parro, Ty Quass, Elizabeth Smith, Chase Stuart, Ross Travis, Tawny Vollmer

Physical Education - Ben Andre, Caleb Armstrong, Andrea Barger, Jackie Barley, Nate Bell, Jacob Bloom, Tim Cercr, Spencer DeLand, Brad Derby, Mike Garcia, Kyle Garner, Travis Keller, Kyle Ledergerber, Patrick McMan, Meaghan McKeon, Tim Monrief, Jake Moore, Matt Neitman, Steven Osworth, Cody Polmounter, Danielle Prill, Mitch Ringer, Grace Rose, Ross Travis, Shaina Warner


Social Studies - Ben Andre, Mariah Austin, Sean Bagby, Lucille Binns, Andrew Biscupski, Katelynn Braunshneider, Jamie Braze, Ashley Britt, Timothy Cencer, Maliki Clark, Kristen Claus, Andrew Collings, Stacy Cook, Julie Cory, Taylor Docking, Blake Drouillard, Haleigh Edgar, Andrew Eubanks, Matthew Felkey, Julia Filipia, Roquel Flores, Kelsey Forsyth, Jessica Frick, Brooke Garner, Nicole Goudar, Dana Grandstaff, John Hacker, Jennifer Hamilton, Jordan Harrison, Samantha Harrison, Lawerence Howelka, Courtney Hong, Chase Hunter, Chelsea Hutchison, McKenzie Johnson, Kayla Kalmboch, Grace Kelcy, Tyler Lopez, Andrew Malmquist, Meaghan McKeon, Justin Monahan, Bridget O'Leary, Wystan Neil Palmer, Amanda Putt, Kirsten Saitus, Therese Sommaro, Jesselynn Scott, Robert Scribner, Elizabeth Smith, Chase Stuart, Emily Sumner-Field, Benjamin Wilson, Shelby Wilson

Ann Peake

Accounting
Computer Applications I & II
Introduction to Business

"In life it's not important what you do, but what you do for others."

Eric Roberts

Computer Graphics
Desktop Publishing I & II
Web Page Design

Eric Ferwerda

AP Chemistry

"The chief cause of failure and unhappiness is trading what you want most for what you want now."
~ Zig Ziglar

Carl Harsh

AP Biology

Jonathan Laney

AP Environmental Science

Deborah Madgwick

AP Government

Carl Novak

AP Calculus

Jennifer Velzy

AP English
Margaret Gale
English 10
English 10 Honors
English 11

Angel Mensing
English 12
English 12 Honors
Mythology

"Your work is to discover your world and then with all your heart, give yourself to it." - Buddha

Karen Ricketts
Creative Writing
English 9
Writing for Publication

"We are never done!"

Debra Talecott
English 9 Honors
English 10 Honors
Grammar/Vocabulary
Now Poetry

"Don't even think of starting your sentence with: There is, There are, There was, or There were."

Scott McCarley
English 10
English 11
English 12

Ernesto Queijero
English 9
English 11 Honors
History of Film

Julie Stusher
English 11

Jennifer Velzy
AP English
English 9
English 10
Health and Physical Education

Joseph Linde
Advanced Body Conditioning
Aerobics
Body Conditioning
General Physical Education

Jamie Mossburg
Advanced Physical Education
Body Conditioning
General Physical Education

"Would you prefer 25 or 50?"

Ron Frenzen
Art & Design
Ceramics I & II
Ceramics III & IV
Sculpture I & II
Sculpture III & IV

"Craftsmanship, craftsmanship, craftsmanship."

Jessie Winters
Art & Design
Drawing I & II
Drawing III & IV
Painting I & II

Art and Life Skills

Jason Mensing
Aerobics
Body Conditioning
General Physical Education

Thomas Wolff
Health

"All you have to do is listen and then follow the directions."

Victoria Isley
Art & Design
Jewelry I & II
Mixed Media
Photography

Linda Herman
Child Development
Independent Living
Nutrition I & II
Personal Financial Planning

"Make the least of the worst and the most of the best."
Social Studies

Glenn Hollbusch
Economics
World History

Betty Kesselring
Economics
US History III

James Kessler
US History
US History III

Deborah Madgwick
AP Government
Government

Tim Mark
World History

Steve Pike
US History

Julie Slusher
Developmental Psychology

[Image of faculty members]
Vo-Tech, aka LISD Tech Center, is a great place to learn a special trade, whether you have a career in mind or you just want to escape the high school for a bit. At Vo-Tech, students can take classes in Arts and Communication, Business Management, Marketing and Technology, Engineering/Manufacturing and Industrial Technology, Health Science, Human Services, and Natural Resources and Agriscience. Some even earn college credit! Vo-Tech is limited to only juniors and seniors throughout Lenawee County, so sign up quickly!
Exchange Student

Laurence Delperdange, a senior, is our only foreign exchange this year. She comes to us from Belgium. Back home she was into theater, hanging out with her family and friends, going out, and listening to all kinds of music. She especially likes rock n roll, folk music, reggae and electronic.

Laurence came to America hoping to learn English and see another culture. She says it's the American Dream. She loves being here and has had the opportunity to travel extensively and meet all different types of people. Since she's been here, Laurence has seen the Tigers, the Lions, and the Red Wings and she's traveled to New York, Toronto, Niagara Falls and Chicago with her host parents Rick and Paula Holtz.

As much as she really does like America, she wouldn't like to live here permanently. However she would come back for holidays and such, but she just doesn't think America is her home. She leaves for Belgium on June 22, 2008.

Her family consists of her parents (Thierry and Christine), her sister (Mélanie), two brothers (Adrien and François), and of course herself. She has a great relationship with her family; they're all really close and eat dinner together every night, and even have a family night each week. Who wouldn't love to be part of her family?

Academically, she is mainly interested in art, Spanish, French, and history. At Tecumseh High School, Laurence is taking Aerobics, Grammar and Vocabulary, Poetry, English 12, Spanish 1, Government, Economics, U.S. History, and Art and Design.
Manola Gibson
Spanish I
"El que habla dos lenguas vale por dos."
("The person who speaks two languages is worth two.")

Janice Wilson
French I, II, III

Robert Ondrovick
Careers
Construction Technology
Drafting I
Fabrication & Design
Home Improvement
Real Welding I & II

"You can't be 1-0 if you are 0-1."

Karen Arnold
Media Literacy
"Carpe Diem"

"Be on time.
Be prepared.
Try."

José Mejia
Spanish I, II, III

Douglas Reed
Drafting I, II, III
Electronics

Charmaine Milioni
Media Center Assistant
Name your favorite items:

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| **Music Group:** |  |
| **Songs:** |  |
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| **Movie:** |  |
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| **Car:** |  |
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| **Restaurant:** |  |
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| **My Best Friend is:** |  |
Mathematics

Nick Benschoter
Algebra I
Algebra with Applications
Pre-Algebra

Tom Bullinger
Algebra I
Algebra II
Advanced Algebra

Greg Clites
Geometry
Geometry with Applications

David Greene
Algebra II
College Placement Math
Geometry
Math IV

Stacey Hood
Algebra II
Algebra with Applications
Geometry

David Haines
Algebra II
Algebra with Applications
Geometry

Carl Novak
AP Calculus
Calculus
Math III
Math IV
Science

Jill Atkin
Applied Chemistry
Applied Physics
Biology I CP
Chemistry

Stacey Lown
Biology I
Biology I CP

Eric Ferwerda
AP Chemistry
Chemistry

Alan Schmidt
Biology I
Biology II
Environmental Science
Physical Geology

Carl Harsh
Anatomy and Physiology
AP Biology
Biology I CP

Here Megan Patterson is making osmometers and filling the dialysis tubes with sucrose in Mr. Harsh's Anatomy & Physiology class.

Jonathan Laney
AP Environmental Science
Environmental Science
Physical Geology
Physics

"Classic"
Without truth there is nothing.

Have respect for yourself.

Live life for yourself. Do things for yourself and don't let anyone get in your way!

Never, never ever give up.
Kimberley Atwell  Tracy Gramer  Richard Hannah  Karla Hartmann  Cindy Hill
Terry Jarvis  Sandra Lahnala  Anita Logan  Janet McKowen  Jean Moore
Victoria O'Leary  Cathy Phillips  Linda Pipkins  Kathleen Scherlitz  Kelly Scheytt
Margaret Sisty  Becky West

Special Education Instructional Assistants
**Concert Band**

The 2007-08 school year began with a bang at the Band-O-Rama in the fall. The Concert Band combined with the Wind Symphony to play as a large concert ensemble. They performed Instant Concert and the crowd loved it. The season continued with the Holiday Concert. The band performed "Christmas A La' Big Band," "Away in a Manger," "Fantasia on We Three Kings," "Sleigh Ride," and "A Christmas Festival." The Concert Band continued Tecumseh's tradition of 1st division ratings at festivals, once again impressing the judges. During spring break, members of the band took a trip to Chicago and saw a Broadway production of Wicked. The band finished the year with spring concert based on a "Wizard" theme.

**Symphonic Band**

The Symphonic Band performed at Band-O-Rama along with Concert Band and Wind Symphony. They also played at the Holiday Concert, after which it was time to prepare for Festival. The Symphonic Band earned a 1st division rating at this Festival. The spring concert featured music from Lord of the Rings, Harry Potter, the Wizard of Oz, and Wicked.

**Wind Symphony**

The Wind Symphony is the highest band at THS. To become a member, you must audition and be accepted. Band members also participate in Marching Band and led off the Instant Concert at Band-O-Rama. This year’s Wind Symphony also went to Festival and earned a 2nd division rating. The crowd’s favorite piece was "Fanfare and Evocation." During the final concert, the brass and percussion groups performed their own Harry Potter ensembles. The Wind Symphony was the featured band at Commencement playing "Pomp and Circumstance," "The Star Spangled Banner," "Alma Mater," and "Fanfare and Evocation" which was chosen as the senior band song.
Marching Band

The Shooting Stars Marching Band had a great year, beginning in July with Band Camp. It was hot, but the band spent 12 hours per day for a week learning their show, which was based on a hard rock theme. The band played several outstanding shows, finishing by bringing down the house at the Lenawee County Marching Band Festival in early October. The drum majors for this year, Kristi Ratbourne, Ross Tracy, and Danielle Mrzack, provided great leadership and a super freshman class made the season run smoothly.

Pep Band

The pep band is an entirely student-led organization that provides additional spirit for the basketball games at THS. The student director this year is Samantha Weber. The band plays lots of fun music and supports the team.

Jazz Band

The Jazz Band at THS is a small ensemble which is dedicated to playing jazz and popular music. This year, the Jazz Band performed all over the community for different events. Their biggest performance is at the Taste of Tecumseh in February. They also perform at the spring concert and holiday concert.
Vocal

Freshman Chorale

Company

Associates

"Let our music performance educate, entertain, inspire and provoke thought in others!"
Music

Concert Women

Festival Chorale

Festival Singers
New Teachers

Graduating from Blissfield High School in 1985, Nick Benschoter, left, joins us from Tecumseh Options. Mr. Benschoter was a sports fan in high school, playing on the football and wrestling teams.

Another alumna from Tecumseh High School, Scott McCarley (above) is an English teacher. He graduated from Eastern Michigan University, though he took other courses at Northern and Wayne State. Mr. McCarley played baseball and wrestled during his high school years. Before coming to Tecumseh, he taught at Cesar Chavez Academy in southwest Detroit.

Greg Clites, right, is no stranger to Tecumseh Public Schools either. He taught at the Middle School for four years before joining us at Tecumseh High School. He hasn't only taught in the United States, he taught computer programming and factory automation for sixteen years in Malaysia, Singapore and Japan.

Jason Mensing, left, our new football coach and physical education teacher, knows all about how Tecumseh High School operates. He graduated from here himself, participating in football, wrestling, track, Winners Circle and CA. He went on to study at St. Joseph's College and Adrian College. He taught at Owosso, Grayling and Addison before joining the staff of FHS.

Angel Mensing, above, one of two new English teachers this year, knows how to get her students pumped for learning. In Birmingham Groves High School, she was a dancer, a cheerleader and a student trainer, but she wasn't all about screaming and jumping. She was in student government also. Mrs. Mensing is also no stranger to teaching: she taught at Springbrook High School, Grayling High School, and Owosso High School, but luckily for us, she decided to come teach at Tecumseh. Angel and husband Jason make up Tecumseh High's Dynamic Teaching Duo.
Mrs. Kaitlyn Smith graduated from Clinton High School in 2003, and from there went to Siena Heights University. Her favorite subject is English, which is the main subject she wants to teach, specifically American Literature and British Literature. In high school, she participated in different activities such as basketball and track, but she also participated in academics such as Student Council where she served as Vice President. When asked what clubs she would like to be the advisor for, she simply said Student Council and being a class advisor "hint hint next year's freshmen".

Below Mrs. Smith we have Ms. Katie Rawlings, an Onsted High School graduate of 2002. She currently attends Siena Heights University, but she has already graduated from Michigan State University. She would like to teach Science for the most part. In high school, she was quite busy, competing in gymnastics, cheerleading and track. She wasn't all about sports though; she was about academics. She was in National Honor Society, Key Club, and Youth in Government. Continuing with her academics in college, she went on to tutor and volunteer, and still found time to run track. She would like to be the advisor for Science Olympiad, NHS, or SADD. She would love to work at our high school permanently. She believes that we have a beautiful facility, fun and friendly staff along with great students.
CLUBS &

ACT Up!...
Business Professionals of America...
Equations...
Fellowship of Christian Athletes...
Varsity Club...
Club Français...
Société Honoraire de Français...
Key Club...
Ignite...
National Honor Society...
Quiz Bowl...
Students Against Destructive Decisions...
Science Olympiad...
Student Council...
Book Club...
Creative Writers' Club...

ORGANIZATIONS
ACT Up!

Advisor
Karen Ricketts

ACT Up! is an ACT study group to help students prepare for taking the ACT for the first time or to help raise their scores when they retake it. Mrs. Ricketts provides them with helpful tips and practice exams throughout the year.

Front row (L to R): Katelyn Dykas, Raquel Flores, Michael Balinski
Back row: Tony Coasa, Rachel Travani, Kari Kendall, Ben VanTuyle
Missing: Kayla Amstutz, Leah Andrews, Josh Bennett, Julie Cory, Kayla Davis, Caitlin Dunlap, Bailey Dunn, Alyssa Gibson, Chelsey Harvey, Chase Hunter, Derek Kupiez, Gina Logan, Sarah Masey, Chris Nowak, Chloe Obeid, Christina Oliver, Tess Sammarco, Jessalynn Scott, Marty Seal, Chase Stuart, Holly Supplee, Moriah Tosh, Krystal Walker, Beth Wielkenicz, Alysha Wilcox

Students Against Destructive Decisions

Advisor
David Greene

SADD members participate in a "Grim Reeper Day" every year, randomly taking students out of their classrooms and "killing" them at the rate of teens killed by drunk driving to prevent students from making a destructive choice.
BFA stands for Business Professionals of America. Students were committed to work on projects to be judged, and they eventually made it to Regionals. Unfortunately there was not enough money to send them to Nationals this year. Congratulations to all members.
THS Book Club

Advisor
Karen Arnold

The THS Book Club read the following selections this year: A Brief History of the Dead, The Glass Castle, Vampire Klass Series 4), Creepers, Rash, Pet Sematary, and Sandpiper.
Website: http://thsebookclub.blogspot.com/
Pictured (l to r): Gina Logan, Josh Beaudoin, Ms. Arnold, Leslie Bowditch, Samantha Stonehart, Jasmin Grober, Leyna Bristoll, Steph Hall, Mancia Landry, Karlie Radotheim, Katie Doston.

National Honor Society

Advisor
Myrna Williams

To be in NHS, you must have a 3.50 or above GPA, good leadership skills, community involvement, good character, and community and teacher recommendations.

Officers: Grace Kelley, Tim Montifiore, Alison Elisew, and Tyler Lopez.
The Equations Team had a good season - they finished with a super tournament, receiving 2nd place, Division I; 1st place, Division II; 3rd place, Division III. ~ Coach Hong

Team members: Theresa Amador, Chris Berges, Justin Coffin, Aidan Eubanks, Ashley Hartmann, Calvin Peiri, Jacob Kelley, Jacob Kreger, Andrew Kruse, Joe Lopez, Andrew Malnquist, Leon Miller, Justin Monahan, Kayla Nelson, Austin Olano, Neil Palmer, Kyle Peske, Ben Robertson, Taylor Robinson, Ben Schultz, Nick Nowak, Evan Burr

The Tecumseh High School creative writing club, also called THS CWC, is dedicated to, as its name suggests, creative writing. They meet every Monday, after school until 3:50. Where they discuss things such as what people can do to become better writers, editing, and reading. Come and join us! Pictures: Kirsten Herrnreiter, Nick Kolon (officer), Ben Wilson (officer), Missing: Gretchen Seidel.
Club Français

Advisor
Janice Wilson

Our Club Français is awesome! We do a lot of fun activities throughout the year which introduce THS students to francophone culture. There are no academic requirements for participation - you just have to be a French student, past or present. (The picture above is the French Club along with advisors Monsieur Noel and Madame Wilson.)

Société Honoraire de Français

Advisor
Janice Wilson

Front row (L to R): Michele Moll, Ashley Hartmann, Jessica Frick, Elizabeth Swindle, Bridget Burns, Tessa Gammarco, Caitlyn Dunlap, Laurence Deperdange
Back row: Haleigh Edgar, Nick Royal, Leah Corby, Chloe Gamer, Adam Bobrowski
The requirements are rigorous; you have to have a A- average for French that year, and a B average for the rest of your classes. You also have to have participated in three French Club events prior to being inducted.
Student Council

Student Council is a large group of students dedicated to making Tecumseh and Tecumseh High School a great place to live. They plan activities like Homecoming and the pep assemblies. There aren't any academic requirements, but that doesn't mean that a slacker could join. You have to attend every meeting and take part in every activity they do.

Key Club

Left to Right: Austin Olano, Alysha Wilcox, Shannon McKown, Jessica Frick, and Cassandra Marsh. All students who would like to be in Key Club have to participate in all activities, complete an application, and pay dues of fifteen dollars. Some activities include Adopt a Family, UNICEF, Habitat House, The Daily Bread, Secret Santa at Sutton Elementary School, Commerce Craft Show, Taste of Tecumseh, made Valentine placemats for Motts Children's Hospital, road clean up, rang the bell for Salvation Army, and provided tours for new students at Tecumseh High School.
Ignite is a faith-based organization where students meet weekly to share fellowship.

Front row (L to R): Sean Cox, Julie Cory, Kathleen Omnes
Middle row: Katie Gauthier, Rebecca Goudy, Alvin Omnes
Back row: Mr. Ferwerda, Ashley Britt, Caleb Sweet, Tara Findley

Fellowship of Christian Athletes / Varsity Club

FCA/Varsity Club is another faith-based student organization comprised of athletes dedicated to community service activities.

L to R: Louie Davitt, Zach Galloway, Kenny Thomas, Drex Brys, Sean Bagley, Jon Adamy, Casey Harvey, Nicole Gozdor, Thneza Amador, Amanda Putt, Mr. Harsh, Becca Tritt, Caty Kalezuk, Katelyn Staelsgaeve
Quiz Bowl

Front row (L to R): John Hoag, Kellen Marceau, Adam Snider, Andrew Malmquist, Steven Butler
Back row: Aaron Finley, Stephen Vela, Leon Miller, Evan Burr, Andy Collins, Taylor Robinson, Chloe Garner
Missing: Ben Andre, Ashley Britt, Ashley Hartmann, Calvin Heim, Ryan Heise

Science Olympiad

Front row (L to R): P.K. Kolby, Ashley Britt, Ashley Kemerer
Middle row: Elizabeth Swindle, Bridget Burns, Jessica Frick, Leon Miller, Nicole Gozdor
Back row: Jacob Kreger, John Hoag, Aaron Finley, Andrew Malmquist, Evan Burr, Adam Bobrowski,
Simin Manole, Mr. Harsh

Advisors
Edith Hong
Deb Berges (not pictured)

Advisor
Carl Harsh
Student

Powderpuff
Football Homecoming
Homecoming Dance
Spirit Week
Tecumseh Youth Theatre
Float Building
Turkey Tournament
Holiday Dance
Dodgeball Tournament
Art Show
Life

Grim Reaper Day
Book Fair
Rake A Difference
Choir and Band Concerts
Senior Skip Day
TICWSS
Breakfast of Champions
Final Exams
Prom

"Find out who you are and try not to be afraid of it." - Unknown

STUDENT LIFE 43
Fashion Goes In One Year and Out the Other

Converse

College shirts

Loose fits

Lanyards EVERYWHERE

Zip-up jackets

Scarves

Shorts

Polos

What Are You Wearing?
Friends Forever

My Girls

We do not remember days;
My Guys

Best Friends

we remember moments.
The Wonderful Faces of THS

The Title Says It All
Powderpuff Tuff!

The Freshmen team faces off against the Juniors

The Freshman and Juniors face off as they prepare for the play to begin.

She's at the 40, the 30, the 20, she's going to score, she's going to score! And the seniors score another touchdown.

The Sophomores prepare to stop another touchdown.

Both Freshmen and Juniors gather around to wish each team good luck before the game.

The Sophomores plan to stop the touchdown. Seniors at all costs. The Seniors gain a few yards, but the Sophomores manage to stop them in time.
A little friendly competition never hurt.

This year, the Seniors won the first game against the Sophomores. After that exciting game, the Freshmen played the Juniors who left the game as winners. During the final showdown, the Seniors played the Juniors in a thrilling match, leaving the Seniors with year-round bragging rights.

You boys say “You play like Girls” like it’s a bad thing!

Let’s go Seniors! The seniors receive the ball to gain yards each time.

The Seniors watch in anticipation to see who their next opponent will be - the Freshmen or the Juniors.

The Seniors celebrate their fourth and final year of Powderpuff.
Homecoming Spirit Week

Left to right: Taylor Jordan, Tawni Volmer, Emily Snider, and Erica Stuewe enjoy letting people know they support their school on Black and Orange Day.

Homecoming Spirit Week is full of fun, excitement, creativity, and freedom. This year our Spirit Days were Mammach Day, Hawaiian Day, College Day, Black and Orange Day, and Class Shirt Day.

Emilee Black and Kelsce Stoner represent the Michigan Wolverines.

On College Day, Brandon and Brad Derby (top) display their Michigan State wear.

Brittany Ames looks wathy in her Hawaiian skirt.

Senior year and ready to show off school spirit, Jon Adamy roams the halls in his Hawaiian outfit. Looks like someone's going to the beach!
Homecoming Floats

4th Place - Freshmen Greek Era

3rd Place - Sophomores Ice Age

Chelsea Gray appears on the Sophomore float during the Homecoming parade.

2nd Place - Juniors 1970's

The night of the homecoming football game, Casey Harvey and Kenny Thomas dance around on the senior float at half time (below).

1st Place - Seniors Rock and Roll 1950's
Sophomore homecoming representatives Allie Stephenson and Mike Garcia.
Homecoming Royalty

Freshmen: Shannon Peake & Matt Napieralski

Sophomores: Allie Stephenson & Mike Garcia

Juniors: Harry Metzler & Shelby Wilson

Seniors: Chelsea Gonzalez & Chuck O'Donnell
Nicole Gozdor & Nick Royal
Stephani Houghton & Louie Davitt
Amber McMillin & Alvin Omnes

King Chuck O'Donnell & Queen Chelsea Gonzalez
The Indians made play after play and kept the Lincoln Railsplitters back.

Indian fans go wild in The Jungle for the Varsity football team during Homecoming.

The Indians are cheered on by their magnificent fans, winning the game 72-42!

The scoreboard says it all!
(Far Left) A fan "jumps for joy" during the homecoming dance to celebrate another fabulous win.

(Left) Students of Tecumseh High School dance their hearts out after the extraordinary game.
Much Ado About Nothing is a comedy written by William Shakespeare around 1598. It remains one of Shakespeare's most enduring plays and shares common characteristics of a modern romance: unrequited love, mistaken identity, and a villain we all love to hate. Director Ted Rachwal's production featured an outstanding cast, lively comedic scenes, and even a disco ball.

**Cast of Characters**

- Don Pedro...Adam Snider
- Don John...Austin Olano
- Claudio...Andrew Eubanks
- Benedick...Matt Felkey
- Borachio...Steven Butler
- Conrade...Dan Kruse
- Balthasar...Spencer Marr
- Leonato...Leon Miller
- Hero...Kayla Ruttiner
- Beatrice...Chloe Obeid
- Margaret...Kaylene Kasper
- Ursula...Murielle Rine
- Reverend Francis...Julie Catanese
- Dog Berry...Bailey Harvey
- Verges...Tess Sammarco
- George Seacole...Alicia Williams
- Hugh Oatcake...Emily Field
- Simple...Shelby Sword
- Nym...Aley Hagood
- A Sexton...Erin Orlowski

Beatrice and Benedick fall in love.

Don Pedro and Leonato plot to bring Beatrice and Benedick together at last.
Claudio hears the "truth" about Hero.
Breakfast of Champions is a Tecumseh High School celebration honoring students for acquiring or maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or above. This year, 308 students, about 30% of the entire student body, were recognized at the traditional pancake breakfast provided by King Pancake.

Congratulations to them all!

Breakfast of Champions is made possible every year by our Quality Improvement Team and King Pancake.
Turkey Tournament

The Turkey Tournament is an annual volleyball game between students and staff. The THS students have a long tradition of beating the teachers who hope to reverse the trend next year.
This year at the band holiday concert there was a guest conductor, Doyle Rodenbeck, a retired band director from Onsted.

Mr. Bough was unable to direct the concert due to the death of a family member. The concert was dedicated to him and his family.
T-Town Jazz Ensemble
"We Three Kings"
"Away in a Manger"
"And the Angels Swing"

Concert Band
"Fantasia on We Three Kings"
"Away in a Manger"
"Christmas "A La" Big Band"

Symphony Band
"Christmas Bells and Brass"
"Christmas Jubilee"
"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

Wind Symphony
"All Is Calm"
"Still, Still, Still"
"And the Mountains Echoed: Gloria"

Combined THS Bands
"Sleigh Ride"
"A Christmas Festival"
An Elegant Evening of Song was held in Tecumseh High School’s Cafetorium on December 19, 2007.

Freshmen Chorale showed off their skills with; “Sing Me to Winter,” “White Christmas,” and “Baby, It’s Cold Outside.”

Festival Chorale wowed the crowd with “Sylvon,” “Keep Your Lamps,” and “The Twelve Days After Christmas.”
Company sang four songs: "O Holy Night," "Holly Jolly Christmas," "Mary Did You Know?" and "Innkeeper."

Festival Singers sang "Gloria," "Ave Verum Corpus," "O God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," and "O Magnum Mysterium."

All choirs joined together for "Hallelujah Chorus" and "Carol of the Bells."

"Carol of the Bells" has been a tradition at the end of each Christmas concert for years.


Associates delighted the audience with "Merry Christmas with Love," "Noel Nouvelet," and "Grown-Up Christmas List."

Choir Holiday Concert
The Holiday Dance was held in the high school's cafeteria and was put on by the Class of 2008. The cafeteria was decorated with many lights and Christmas trees. The weather that night was snowy, leaving the sidewalks very slippery. The ladies were escorted to the door with the help of parents. Picture taking took place in front of a Christmas-themed background. If hungry, there were plenty of desserts to eat: chocolate fondue and mini cheesecake bites, to name a few.
SPRIT WEEK

Monday - Pajama day
Tuesday - Nerd day
Wednesday - College day
Thursday - Camo day
Friday - Orange and Black day
The TICWSS game was against arch-rival Bedford. Of course we beat them - the score was 48 to 33.
TICWSS Royalty

Front Row: Katie Spade, Casey Harvey, Deanna Shelle, Nicole Gozdor
Back Row: Kyle Pipkins, Kenny Thomas, Trey Searles, Nick Royal

King: Nick Royal
Queen: Casey Harvey
Dance the night away

Taking a breather
Let's get this party started!

This year, the TICWSS game was against Bedford. What better way to celebrate a win with a dance? The students that attended the dance had a great time, dancing the night away.
As students at Tecumseh High School, we are fortunate enough to have an outstanding art program. Those who participate and take time to put their souls into their art now have an opportunity to show off the skills they possess.
Students submitted work from all the different art classes, including Art and Design, Drawing and Painting, CAD, Photography, and more. Tecumseh's many talented artists were recognized by their peers, faculty, and the community via Comment Cards available to anyone who appreciated the array of items on display.
TYT presents Aida

Aida and Radames sealed in the tomb.

Egyptian Merchants:
Steve Butler Joe Lopez MIlke Balinski

Ministers/New Yorkers/Nubians:
Colby Bankston Emily Gagneur Zach Kaska
Hailey Mull Alex Royal Dominique Shelle
Adam Walker Leon Miller Matt Roberts

Warriors/Guards/Nubians:
Tom Buck Derek Cick Joe Lopez
Matt Morvay Matt Roberts Leon Miller

Palace Women/New Yorkers/Courtiers/Washerwomen/:
Callie Cuthem Bailey Harvey Casey Harvey
Allie McCrate Alicia Williams

Also Egyptian Dancers:
Alyssa Gibson Theresa O'Leary Stephani Houghton

Nubian Women/Handmaidens:
Caitlin Dunlap Marlena Hilderly Victoria Laceade
Chloe Obeid Charlotte Squires Caroline Peltcs
Kayla Ruttinger

Pictured above: Aida, played by Laura Sawinski, sings "The Past Is Now Another Land."
Neheba sings “Dance of the Robe.”

Aida and Radames

Amneris

Above: Aida says her final goodbye to Mereb.

Amneris sings “I Know the Truth.”

Amneris spreads her wings backstage.
Romance in
ROME
Prom 2008
Saturday, April 26
8:30 p.m.
until
11:30 p.m.
Adrian College
Tobias Conference Room
$35 per person
Thanks to the chaperones who helped:
Mike McAran (and Judy);
Bob Scheick; Dennis Niles;
Janet Wigner (and Eric);
Connie Purkey; Ferne Kerr-Arnold
(and R.J.); Belinda Miller;
Sarah Eubanks (and Russell);
Katie Rawlings, student teacher
(and fiancé Bob); and Joe Linde
(and Jenny).
The event that took place was a fundraiser for After Prom.
Senior Mystery Trip
Oh the places that we've been:

*St. Elizabeth's Church at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast

*Maxx Play - they had WhirlyBall, Laser Tag, arcade games, inflatables, and free pop and popcorn

*Dave and Buster's - they served us lunch and we each got Power Cards with points on them so we could play in the arcade. If we won tickets, we were able to buy things from the gift shop

*C.J. Barrymore's - they had Cosmic Bowling, Go-Karts, putt-putt golf, batting cages, rock climbing, bumper boats, laser tagging, Euro bungy, and free pop and chips

*The Princess - a dinner boat that went down the Detroit River. They had music for dancing

*Canton Recreation Center - they had swimming, a hot tub, a waterslide, and lazy river
Graduation
Honor Cords

National Honor Society
Blue, Gold

National Art Honor Society
Red, Yellow, Blue, Orange, Green, Violet

Société Honoraire de Français
Red, White, Blue

Four-Year Choir
Orange

Four-Year Band
Silver

3.0+ GPA - Honor Roll
Orange & Black

CLASS of 2008

Congratulations
Class of 2008!
Graduating Class of 2008

President
Casey Harvey

Vice President
Sean Bagby

Secretary
Nicole Gozdor

Treasurer
Jordan Nelson

Independent
Do you have your ID?

May 23, 2008
Baby Pictures

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Look How Cute We Were!
Naptime in Kindergarten?
Chasing girls and boys at recess?
COSI trip?
When milk was in a bag?
Sauder Village?
Henry Ford Museum?
Class trip to the Toledo Zoo in 5th grade?
Playing soccer during 5th grade recess?
Mileage walking to get the little feet?
The 5th grade portables?
Having to have separate gym shoes for the gym in 5th grade?
Goliath at Kimball Camp in 6th grade?
Parks and Recreational sports?
Having colored or lettered "Teams"?
Riding the bus?
During 6th grade when September 11th occurred?
Channel One?
When everyone was on the Honor Roll?
Cedar Point trip in 8th grade?
The Holocaust Museum?
8th grade Class Photo?
8th Grade Cruisin' Out dance?
First Day of High School?
Sitting on the benches?
Freshman year?
Having cookies available every day then only on Fridays?
The Tecumseh Michigan History Bike Trip?
Cafeteria fights?
Freshman Holiday Dance?
School Store?
Getting your driver's license?
Float building?
9th - Monopoly
10th - Flintstones
11th - Pirates of the Caribbean
12th - Rock and Roll Soda Shoppe
Cheering in what we call the "Jungle"?
Homecoming/TICWSS?
Powder Puff "3-peat"?
Spirit Week?
Putting on the prom?
The Bomb Threats?
Girls' Softball and Bowling teams winning States?
Your friends?
School I.D./Lanyards?
Your teachers?
Senior Mystery Trip?
Graduation?
Our Valedictorian students worked hard throughout high school to maintain a cumulative GPA above 4.0, making it to the top of their class. Our one Salutatorian, Abigail Melnik, worked hard to receive the highest GPA under 4.0. These students deserve a great deal of praise for their amazing accomplishments. Congratulations Valedictorians and Salutatorians of the Class of 2008!
Each month, the staff of Tecumseh High School elects a male and female representative from the senior class to receive honors from the Tecumseh Kiwanis Club. The criteria for nomination are: a GPA of 3.0 or higher; active involvement in THS, the community, or the church (or all three); and someone who represents the spirit of Tecumseh High School.
Class Colors: Black and White

Class Song: “Having a Good Time” by Queen

Class Flower: Orange Lily

Class Motto: “Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.” Unknown
It's a tradition for seniors to make funny faces for their ID photos!
Baby Picture Answers

1. Mary Withrow
2. Natalie Knight
3. Larisa Thacker
4. Alicia Wilcox
5. Kyle Pipkins
6. Carrie Nash
7. Krysta Gramer
8. Thereza Amadaor
9. Kayla Kalmbach
10. Thomas Clark
11. Rebecca Goudy
12. Chelsea and Casey Harvey
13. Chuck O'Donnell
14. Tiffany Gross
15. Amber McMillin
16. Kristy Swartwood
17. Rebecca Mollette
18. Will Kasper
19. Ashley Hartmann
20. Whitney Hastings
21. Jenny Barnes
MOST LIKELY TO...

Marry for Money
Ann Travis & Adam Walker

Succeed
Neil Palmer & Amanda Puit

Marry a Celebrity
Shane Elkins & Ann Travis

Never Leave Tecumseh
Ross Travis & Chelsea Harvey

Be Famous
Matt Felkey & Katie Spade

Live with Parents Forever
Gina Logan & Derek Carpenter

Be a Millionaire
Neil Palmer & Amanda Puit

Free the Animals at the Zoo
Louie Davitt & Celeste Holtz

Be in Prison
Amy Talbot & Parker Fick

BEST...

Smile
Jordan Nelson & Deanna Shelle

Eyes
Hannah Hall & Ben Montalvo
BEST...

Hair
Katie Spade & Jordan Nelson

Dressed
Laura Sawinski & Shane Elkins

Laugh
Nicole Gozdor & Chuck O'Donnell

Car
Jenny Barnes & Dreux Brys

Friends
Nicole Gozdor & Nick Royal

Personality
Chuck O'Donnell & Chelsea Gonzalez

MOST...

Couple
Jen Adami & Trey Searles

Performer & Musician
Matt Felker & Stephani Houghton

Sarcastic
Katie Spade & Jon Adami

Most Studious
Ashley Hartmann & Kyle Garner

Scrubbed
Trey Searles & Chelsea Gonzalez

Outgoing
Jon Adami & Andrea Hedges

Shy
Rebecca Goudy & Justin Hesston

Nice
Julie Cory & Chuck O'Donnell

School Spirit
Kenny Thomas & Theresa O'Leary
OTHERS...

**Biggest Gossip**
Austin Olano & Lindsey Stephens

**Eccentric**
Katie Spata & Will Keegan

**Teacher's Pet**
Cassie Marsh & Deanna Shelle

**Worst Driver**
Nick Farnan & Lindsey Stephenson

**Artist**
Rachel Buechele & Jordan Borshko

**Dreamer**
Matt Felkey & Sarah Nowak

**Kid at Heart**
Lauren Wilt & Louie Davitt

**Couch Potato**
Ryan Clarahan & Celeste Hirtz

**Drama Queen/ King**
Stephani Houghton & Ben Andre

**Biggest Sinner**
Corrine Halliday & Nick Cianci
Biggest Ego
Cameron Worket & Nikki Hughes

Exaggerator
Hannah Hall & Eric Walker

Minion
Nerney Baker & Kenny Thomas

Couple that should’ve been
Brooke Greder & Nick Royal

Most Changed Since Middle School
Kyle Pipkins & Megan Kohls

Speed Demon
Nick Lagreca & Heather Ferron

Chatterbox
Jeremy Lozada & Joe Adamy

Ditz
Ann Travis & Austin Olano

Least Changed Since Middle School
Chuck O'Donnell & Leslie Bowitch

Easily Distracted
Scott Yarbrough & Andrea Barger

Tribute
Tracie Davitt & Lindsey Stephenson
SIBLING

Rebecca & Courtney Mollette  Matt & Anthony Pinkard  Larisa & Tori Thacker

Lindsey & Marissa Carroll  Dominique & Deanna Shelle  Olivia & Elizabeth Smith

Danielle & Kelsey Prill  Heather & Holly Supplee  Paul & Megan Kolby

Leon & Rebecca Rath  Allie & Lindsey Stephenson  Matt & Melissa Felkey
"That's the way we like it!"

Class of 2009

Upper Classmen
Class Representatives
Kirsten Sailus-Secretary
Leah Andrews-Vice President
Therese Sammarco-President
Andrew Biscupski-Treasurer
Juniors

Scott Achtenberg
Carlos Acosta
Nicole Ahrens
Ryan Albright
Joshua Anders

Leah Andrews
Zachary Armstrong
Ernest Aughenbaugh
Kasey Aviles
Benjamin Bagby

Morgan Baker
Michael Balinski
Samantha Barnes
Maddi Benedict
Nicholas Benedict

Joshua Bennett
Christopher Berges
Lucille Binns
Andrew Biscupski
Kacie Blayer

Levi Blayer
Joshua Blevins
Sylvia Blythe
Kyle Bordine
Derek Borsvold

Rachel Braun
Katelynn Braunschneider
Amber Brazee
Jamie Brazee
Bailey Brooks

Jocelyn Brown
Joshua Brown
Jeffery Bufford
Sarah Burgert
Sydney Burghardt
Jacob B. Wright
Shelby Wyrick

Cassie Tripp
Thomas Trombino
Erica Trout
Alina Underwood
Amberrose Valdez

David Valdez
Tyler Van Riper
Benjamin VanTuyle
Nikah Vidalez
Krystal Walker

Ryan Wallich
Marie Walmsley
Elizabeth Wanamaker
Shaina Warner
Daniel Watson

Gene Waynick
Amanda Wegman
Bradlee Wicht
Beth Wielkerwicz
Alicia Williams

Chelsea Williams
Gregory Wilson
Shelby Wilson
Jeffrey Winzeler
Jacob Wright
"Are you ready for a meltdown?"

Class of...

This year’s Homecoming float theme was “Ice Age.”

Sophomore Class Officers
(L to R): Elizabeth Swindle (Vice President), Chelsie Gray (Secretary), Kayla Amstutz (President), Rachel Bartolo (Treasurer)
Not pictured: Jacob Kreger (Public Relations)
Amanda Duncan
Christian Duncan
Annie Dunn
Caroline Dunn
Katelyn Dykas

Karmin Eddinger
Haleigh Edgar
James Ehman
Timothy Elkins
Marisa Emmons

Jordan Enterlein
Michael Evans
Amber Fauble
Aaron Findley
Amiee Flores

Brett Flynn
James Foster
Nicholas Fox
Shayla Frazier
Jessica Frick

Michael Garcia
Erin Garner
Derek George
Brock Gilbert
Brandie Gintner

Joshua Giovannone
Chelsie Gray
Eric Gring
Jasmine Grove
Jasmine Gruber

Zachary Guire
Stephanie Hall
Haley Hambrook
Erin Hanner
Kristen Harris

Sophomores
Steven Harrison
Megan Harsh
Bailey Harvey
Shelby Hatfield
Lawrence Havelka

Loren Hayes
Marlena Hilderley
Claire Hissong
John Hoag
Dominique Hoffman

Kristen Hohnstreiter
Kaitlyn Holmes
Curtis Holtzbauser
Russell Horrocks
Brandon Howard

Andrew Hughes
Eleanor Jacques
Christian Jarvis
Joshua Johnson
Mckenzie Johnson

Sydney Jones
Catherine Kaliszuk
Lora Kasik
Zechariah Kaska
Travis Keller

Ashley Kemerer
Grant Kennedy
Kristen Kenyon
Ian Kessler
Ashley King

Michael King
Nickolas Kirbitz
Travis Knepper
Jasmine Kocaj
Paul Kolby
Kyle Slone
Alexandria Smith
Olivia Smith
Zachary Smith
Angelica Snyder

Brianne Snyder
Stefan Spurlock
Charlotte Squires
Katelyn Staelgraeve
James Steele

Allison Stephens
Adam Steuwe
Robi Stevens
Samantha Stinehart
Jessica Stotler

Zachery Stuart
Caleb Sweet
Elizbeth Swindle
Joshua Thomas
Kyle Tibbs

Brea Tomford
Rebecca Tritt
Chase Truscott
Taylor Vaira
Kaitlyn VanDeCar

Francisco Villasana
Megan Vredeveld
Sarah Walker
Shaina Walker
Ryan Wallace

Miquiel Ward
Shannon Ward
Gerald Webb, Jr.
Adam Weinberg
Jordan Weirich

Sophomores
Alison Wice
Kaitlyn Wilford
Nathaniel Williamson
Benjamin Wilson
Brentney Wilson

David Wolf
Jamie Wright
Mckenzie Wright
Cory Wyrick
Daniel Ziegler

Kortney Zuk
"Stronger than you think"

Class of...

2011

For most freshmen, coming to this big high school was scary, but exciting. We are experiencing different schedules, lunches, and classes from last year. In middle school, we never had block scheduling. We all ate lunch at the same time. We have met a lot of new people by trying to find a seat in the over-crowded cafeteria. In high school, you choose your classes. And not just your typical art or gym classes - there are varieties of almost every subject.

The picture above is of our freshman float. The theme for freshman this year is "Greek Era." On one side of the float it says "Stronger than you think." On the other side it says "THS=Olympic strength." Riding on the float, in togas, were Tess Wagner and Victoria Lacosse. The freshmen really pulled together to make our float amazing.
Class Officers: Ashley O'Leary (Secretary), Shannon Peake (Vice President), Brandon Derby (Treasurer), Ty Quass (President) 
Advisors: Edith Hong & Tim Mark
Ashlynne Abraham
Brittany Ames
Jessie Anders
Caleb Armstrong
Austin Aystermiller

Mariah Austin
Alexander Baker
Jesse Banks
Joshua Barnes
James Barth

Tayren Barth
William Beckey
Caitlyn Behnke
Eli Bell
Ashley Benedict

Zachary Benschoter
Leticia Berlanga
Stephen Bilotta
Britni Birt
Maxwell Bisnar

Emilee Black
Justin Bogrow
Crysta Boyd
Cody Brady
Zachary Brancheau

Kyle Braunschneider
Ashlee Brown
Sumer Brown
Kelly Bufford
Daniel Burchett

Devon Burgess
Leah Burke
Gavin Burstall
Hunter Burch
Zachary Campbell
Amber Jahnke
Jeffrey Jenkins
Angeline Johnson
Jennifer Johnson
Taylor Jordan

Kaylene Kasper
Emily Keffer
Nicole Keller
Jacob Kelley
Emily Kennedy

Holly Klauke
Mark Kogelman
Andrew Kruse
Victoria Lacasse
Chelsea Lama

Brittnay Lee
Daniel Linder
Adam Liske
Christian Littlejohn
Jacob Luzier

Kaiyen Mack
Kelsi Malcolm
Marissa Martin
Trevor Martin
Paige Masse

Megan Matute
Patrick McAran
Heather McCoy
Kelsea McDaniel
Hugo Mendoza

Alexandria Merritt
Leon Miller
Michelle Mion
Megan Mitchell
Sefora Mladin
Catherine Pilbeam
Matthew Pinkard
Cody Pointer
Cody Polmounter
Levi Polmounter

Samantha Portice
Nigel Powell
Kelsey Prill
Tyler Quass
Kaitlyn Randolph

Cari Rankin
Jacob Ransom
Bridget Rathsaack
Steven Rendel
Ryan Reynolds

Murielle Rine
Mitchell Ringer
Celeste Rivard
Taylor Robinson
Matthew Rogers

Abigail Ross
Renee Rowland
Tyson Rowser
Austin Rushlow
Ashley Russell

Keaton Ruttinger
Jared Ruttkofsky
Sarah Sailus
Kyia Salts
Eric Scheerer

Samantha Scheytt
Austin Schneider
Austin See
Alexander Sell
Ian Shaw
ATHLETICS
Tecumseh High
Let your banners fly,
Raise them on high
Up to the sky!
Fight! Fight! Fight!
Orange and black
To you we'll be true.
Tecumseh High School
We're for you!
This year was great for the varsity football team. They had far more wins than losses and made it to playoffs. The new Head Coach, Jason Mensing, was named County Coach of the Year. Seven players were selected as First Team All-Southeastern Conference White Division. Zach Galloway, Troy Hill, Jon Adamy, and John Hacker were named to the offensive first team. Mike Butler, Will Kasper, and Trey Searles were named to the first defensive team. Chuck O'Donnell, Trey Searles, Mark Lahmala, Sam Bishar, and Alex Royal were honorable mention All-SEC White selections.
SCHEDULE

A - Airport (L 6-36)
A - Adrian (L 18-40)
H - Chelsea (L 14-28)
A - Saline (L 20-62)
H - Deter (L 26-27)
H - Pioneer (L 38-56)
A - Lincoln (W 43-12)
H - Bedford (L 32-45)
H - Jefferson (L 20-37)

Front Row (L to R): Colby Bankston, Miles Rowe, Brandon Childers, Travis Keller
2nd Row: Christian Jarvis, Alex Sears, Adam Steuwe, Zach Bailey, Josh Johnson, Cole Havelka
3rd Row: Jordan Goward, Tom Coleman, Zach Anderson, Brandon Sears, Kyle Connors, Grant Kennedy
Back Row: Brandon Schmidt, Head Coach Joe Linde, J. Adams
Not Pictured: Josh Sloan, Bradley Spangler, Fred Oliver, Adam Steele, Jacob Kroger

SCHEDULE

A - Airpot (L 32-60)
A - Adrian (L 14-30)
H - Chelsea (T 48-48)
A - Saline (L 30-40)
H - Dexter (L 22-34)
H - Pioneer (L 26-43)
A - Lincoln (W 52-42)
H - Bedford (L 0-42)
H - Jefferson ()

Front Row (L to R): 1. Esterline, Spencer Deland, Keaton Bultingen, Matt Nielson, Tyler Hill, Jon Collins
2nd Row: Cody Childers, Ian Shaw, Mitch Ringer, Max Bishar, Jordan Gunther, Caleb Armstrong, Dominick Gieswahn
3rd Row: Jesse Banks, Caleb Harrison, Matt Napieralski, Gavin Burstall, Jared Rutchik, Tom Carney, Matt Warren
James Hawkinson, Caleb Hughes, Travis Hyder, Justin Monahan, Zach Benschoter, Jacob Goudy, Coach Houghton
Back Row: J. Adams, Head Coach Kris Haag, Andy Gehr, Marc Speier
Not Pictured: Alex Moore, Kadden Mack, Grayson Wilcox, Jeremy Heistand
EQUESTRIAN TEAM A

Team A had a great season this year, scoring 268 points with 11 riders showing, more than doubling their point total from 2006. There were five freshmen on the team and six returning riders. The High Point Rider was Liz Wannemaker scoring 57 points; Reserve High Point rider was Derek Esty scoring 46 points, and Jacob Ransom was in third scoring 32.5 points. With that many freshmen, and no seniors on the team, Tecumseh will be a force in District 10 again next season.

TEAM MANAGERS

(L to R) Logan Harsh, Christina Rickard, Ashley Gunn
Not Pictured: Kirsten Hohnstreiter

Front Row (L to R): Derek Esty (9), Liz Wannemaker (11), Vickie Farnsworth (11), Cassy Holly (11), Kari Kendall (11)
Back Row: Kayla Brighton-Henderson (9), Hannah O'Brien-Brady (9), Jacob Ransom (9), Cassandra Nelson (9), Brianne Snyder (10)
Not pictured: Katie Partridge (11)
EQUESTRIAN TEAM B

Team B also had an excellent season this year, finishing second at Districts with 431 points. They barely missed going to Regionals, defeated by rival Adrian in a close contest. There were two freshmen on the team and three returning riders. Over the summer the equestrian team held a summer camp at the fairgrounds in Adrian. Many demonstrators showed up to support the team, including Jan Veselius, Amy Wertenberger, Julia Delonghe, Christine Webster, Laura Bristle, Becky Bosch, and last but not least our coach Mrs. Ricketts.

(L to R): Danielle Nelson (9), Megan Harsh (11), Rachel Travani (11), Charlotte Squires (10), Erika Stuenkel (9)

(L to R):
High Point Rider
Charlotte Squires
162 points

Reserve High Point Rider
Megan Harsh
115 points

3rd Place Rider
Danielle Nelson
67 points

Megan Harsh & Charlie
Danielle Nelson & Cinnie
Megan Harsh & Dash

(L to R):
Danielle Nelson (Pica)
Erika Stuenkel (Boo)
Charlotte Squires (Ernie)
Rachel Travani (Cowboy)
VARiTy
BoYS
SOCCAry

This team was very strong, and they did a great job this year. They never gave up no matter what was happening in the game. The top three scorers were Matthew Mejia, Jake Gastrorena, and Sean Bagby.

Mejia, forward: Honorable Mention All-State D2
First Team All-SEC

Gastrorena, forward: First Team All-SEC

Davitt, defense: Honorable Mention All-SEC
Ryan Wallich: Honorable Mention All-County

Head Coach: Mike Seal

Front row (L to R): Adam Walker, Jake Gastrorena, Sean Bagby, Mike Nowak (Co-Captain), Patrick Lucha, Scott Garley
Second row: Dreux Brys, Mitch Kuhlman, Travis Knepper, Scott Achtenberg, Tyler Lopez, Patrick Howe, Matthew Mejia (Co-Captain), Eric Spellman, Brandon McCluskey, Ross Riedel

Back row: Don Cattel, Marty Seal, Louis Davitt (Co-Captain), Ryan Wallich, Ben Montalvo, Tim Montrie, Mitch Gramling, Neil Hull, Mike Seal (Coach)

Playing against Adrian, Sean Bagby is moving for a goal.

Adam Walker handling the ball while playing against the Comets.
SCHEDULE

A - Lincoln (W 1-0)
A - Cougar Cup - Lenawee Christian (W 3-1)
A - Chelsea (T 0-0)
A - Dexter (L 0-3)
H - Adrian (W 3-1)
A - Milan (W 4-0)
H - Adrian (W 3-0)
H - Bedford (W 2-0)
H - Ann Arbor Huron (L 1-3)
A - Marshall (T 0-0)
H - Pioneer (L 0-1)
H - Lincoln (L 1-3)
H - Southgate Anderson (W 6-1)
H - Pioneer (L 0-2)
H - Chelsea (W 4-1)
H - Dexter (L 0-1)
H - Saline (L 2-0)
A - Adrian (W 3-1)

JV Boys Soccer

INDIAN FAN CLUB

WHAT THEY DO

The Indian Fan Club meets every second Wednesday of the month and is devoted to supporting all athletics at Tecumseh Public Schools including the non-funded (club) teams. Please join the Fan Club and show your Indian Pride!

They help the teams purchase items that the school budget is unable to afford.

They operate the concessions for all home sports at the High School level, except boys basketball, and many at the middle school level. They also sell 50/50 tickets and game hall tickets at boys basketball and football games and host a Dinner Dance to help finance their donations.
From the Captains:

Larisa Thacker: "We are all individuals with all different lives, but when we come together as one, nothing can pull us apart."

Becca Mollette: "Some people say that cheerleaders aren't tough, but cheerleaders are the only ones that are tough enough to throw other people in the air."

Front Row: Heather Ferow, Larisa Thacker (Captain), Stephanie Houghton (Captain), Sarah Burlett, Becca Mollette (Captain)

Middle Row: Jamie Hillie, Nikki Bice, Chelsie Whitehead, Holly Swan

Back row: Megan McKeen, Karli Clark, Rachel Braun, Ana Acosta, Jennifer Hiderley, Michele Felkey (Coach)
Front Row: Bridget Rathbuck, Rachel Bartolo (Captain), Brianna Snyder, Sydney Jones
Middle Row: Codi Thompson, Marissa Martin, Morgan Hite, Amanda Duncan
Back Row: Michele Felkey (Coach), Melissa Felkey (Captain), Jessie Anders, Tori Thacker, Jenna Warner, Lindsey Olfman

Front Row: Ashley O'Leary, Britni Birt
Middle Row: Taylor Sinila, Courtney Mollette
Back Row: Michele Felkey (Coach), Brittany Lee, Coach Houghton

JV & Freshman Sideline Cheerleading
**CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE**

H - XC Preview-Friends Church
A - Addison CO-ED Invitational (Canceled)
A - Milan Puddlejump Invite (W 72-152)
A - Bath Invitational (L 234 - 48)
A - Jamboree I at Lincoln (L 208 - 38)
A - New Boston Huron Invitational (W 74 - 240)
A - Blissfield Early Bird Invitational (W 40 - 52)
A - Jefferson Invitational (W 74 - 219)
H - Ida Public Schools (W 22 - 43)
A - Chelsea Invitational-HMMP (L 30 - 12)
A - Jamboree II at Adrian (L 84 - 15)
A - Portage Central Invitational (L 69 - 61)
A - Blissfield County Invitational (L 78 - 70)
A - Jamboree III at HMMP/Chelsea/Dexter (L 89 - 21)
A - Adrian/St. Mary's CC (Canceled)
A - Regionals (L 86 - 57)
A - STATE FINALS-M.I.S. (L 590 - 105)
Finished 23rd in Div. 2

**BOYS**

Front row (L to R): Ben Robertson, Jacob Kelley, Calvin Helm (Co-Captain), Andrew Malmquist, Matt Roberts, Andrew Ruch, Tayler Docking, Leon Miller, Jordan Nelson (Co-Captain)

Middle row: Chris Berges, Matt Earles, Daniel Burchett, James Meyer, Levi Kleinow

Back row: Darrel Kruse, Matt Felkey (Co-Captain), Austin Olano, Arthur Schneider, Patrick McEwan, Derek Borsvold, Gene Waynick, Spencer Marr, Jimmy Brown (Coach)

Honorable Mention:
All-County:
Matt Felkey
and Matt Roberts

The boys take a break from running and play a game of hackie sack.

Andrew Malmquist and Andy Ruch run with passion.

Matt Felkey and Spencer Marr run together at Blissfield.

"RUNNING IS THE GREATEST METAPHOR FOR LIFE."
SCHEDULE

H - XC Preview-Friends Church
A - Addison CO-ED Invitational (CANCELED)
A - Milan Puddlejump Invite
A - Bath Invitational
A - Jamboree I at Lincoln
A - New Boston Huron Invitational
A - Blissfield Early Bird Invitational
A - Jefferson Invitational
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A - Chelsea Invitational-HMMP
A - Jamboree II at Adrian
A - Portage Central Invitational
A - Blissfield County Invitational
A - Jamboree III at HMMP/Chelsea/Dexter
A - Adrian/St. Mary’s CC (CANCELED)
A - Regional
A - STATE FINALS-M.I.S.
   Finished 20th in Div. 2
   All-State Amanda Pott &
   Jordan Harrison
   Scores for individual meets not available at press time.

HONK!!!
if you love Ladies XC

CROSS COUNTRY

Front row (L to R): Valerie Wimpee, Kaylah Nelson, Amber Byrd,
Katelyn Staelgraeve, Janessa Steuwe, Celeste Rivard, Erica Steuwe
Middle row: Nicole Gozdar, Jordan Harrison, Danielle Prill,
Victoria Vayo (Co-Captain) Chelsea Harvey, Ellie Jacques, Melanie Estes,
Cacey Harvey (Co-Captain)
Back row: Grace Kelley, Sarah Maki (manager), Samantha Harrison,
Amanda Pott (Co-Captain), Annie Dunn, Jaclyn Bauer, Bailey Dunn, Shaina Warner,
David Greene (Coach)
Not Pictured: Chloe Garner

Congratulations to Amanda Pott, Jordan Harrison, and Erica Steuwe who were
named to the ALL-County Cross Country Team.
Honorable Mention went to Grace Kelley.

Amanda Pott works her way to the finish line.

Nicole Gozdar and Bailey Dunn.

David Greene
Lenawee County Coach of the Year!

Let’s Go Girls!
Annie Dunn and Katelyn Staelgraeve.

BECAUSE YOU GET OUT OF IT WHAT YOU PUT INTO IT."
**Schedule**

- H - Lincoln (W 1-0)
- A - Ida (L 0-1)
- A - Huron (W 1-0)
- A - Columbia Central/ Napoleon (W 1-0)
- A - Adrian (W 1-0)
- H - Saline (L 0-1)
- H - Greenhills (W 1-0)
- A - Bedford (W 1-0)
- H - Dexter (L 0-1)
- H - Chelsea (W 1-0)
- A - Pioneer (W 1-0)

**Varsity Volleyball**

This year had its ups and downs for the varsity volleyball players. Some great comebacks were made, and some losses happened, too. However, this team fought hard and won most of their games. With excellent serves, fantastic first passes, nice sets, awesome spikes, and exquisite digs, the Tecumseh Indians Varsity Volleyball players accumulated more wins than losses. Some of the team made the All-County volleyball team. Nikki Hughes made First Team while Jessie Manwaring and Lindsey Stephenson made Second Team. Honorable Mentions were Carlee Handy and Theresa O’Leary. Thanks to Coach Kerry Watkins for another great year.

Front row (L to R): Andrea Burger, Megan Patterson, Lindsey Stephenson (Co-Captain), Nikki Hughes (Co-Captain), Theresa O’Leary, Carlee Handy. Back row: Chelsea Williams, McKenzie Wright, Joelyn Brown, Jessie Manwaring, All Esele, Abby Norris, Kerry Watkins (Head Coach).

Left: Nikki Hughes gets a nice dig!

Left: We present the senior Tecumseh High School Volleyball players.

Right: The team does a quick pump-up cheer before the game.

Far Right: Carlee Handy reaches for a loose ball to pass to a setter.

Above: Carlee Handy makes a nice pass to the setter.
SCHEDULE

H - Lincoln (L 0-1)
A - Ida (L 0-1)
A - Huron (L 0-1)
A - Adrian (W 1-0)
H - Saline (W 1-0)
H - Greenhills (W 1-0)
A - Bedford (L 0-1)
H - Dexter (L 0-1)
H - Chelsea (W 1-0)
A - Pioneer (L 0-1)

Front row (L to R): Karlie Lodergerber, Shannon Peake, Alix Smith, Allie Stephenson, Makenzie Deming, Erin Garner
Back row: Ali Woz, Kaitlyn Wilford, Kristen Kenyon, Taylor Benedict, Sarah Saitus, Kim Gildersleeve (Head Coach)

SCHEDULE

H - Lincoln (W 1-0)
A - Ida (W 1-0)
A - Huron (L 0-1)
A - Adrian (W 1-0)
H - Saline (L 0-1)
A - Bedford (L 0-1)
H - Dexter (W 1-0)
H - Chelsea (W 1-0)
A - Pioneer (L 0-1)

Front row (L to R): Nicolette Iaicci, Abby Ross, Morgan Hite, Chelsea Hutchison, Taylor Norman, Kaylene Kasper
Back row: Ashley Russell, Gabrielle Nowak, Emily Keffer, Brooke Garner, Courtney Hong, Sumner Brown, Jan Garner (Head Coach)
Varsity Girls Basketball Schedule

A - Milan (W 51-33)
A - Blissfield (W 63-48)
H - Lincoln (W 62-49)
H - Adrian (W 61-41)
A - Chelsea (L 42-55)
A - Pioneer (W 44-42)
H - Dexter (W 51-49)
A - Ida (W 52-47)
A - Saline (W 41-39)
H - Ann Arbor Huron (L 42-58)
A - Bedford (L 38-56)
H - Columbia Central (W - 53-43)
A - Lincoln (W 54-39)
H - Chelsea (L 42-47)
A - Adrian (L 47-56)
H - Bedford (L 38-42)
H - Saline (W 46-39)
A - Ann Arbor Huron (W 44-29)
H - Pioneer (W 51-43)
A - Dexter (L 34-58)

Front row (L to R): Shelby Wilson, Celste Holtz, Megan Patterson, Jackie Barley, Grace Ross, Chelsea Gonzalez
Back row: Head Coach Jamie Mossburg, Stayci Cook, Lindsey Stephenson, Nikki Hughes, Jessie Manwaring, Caitlin Schook, Andrea Barger, Kayla Kalmbach
SCHEDULE

M - Milan (W 38-21)
B - Blissfield (L 31-39)
L - Lincoln (W 41-22)
A - Adrian (W 6-38)
C - Chelsea (L 16-21)
P - Pioneer (L 28-40)
D - Dexter (L 20-34)
I - Ida (L 28-30)
S - Saline (L 15-34)
H - Ann Arbor Huron (L 33-47)
B - Bedford (L 42-43)
C - Columbia Central (W 30-24)
L - Lincoln (W 31-25)
C - Chelsea (L 31-32)
A - Adrian (L 31-51)
B - Bedford (L 30-38)
S - Saline (L 20-35)
H - Ann Arbor Huron (L 45-48)
P - Pioneer (L 23-33)
D - Dexter (L 24-38)

SCHEDULE

M - Milan (W 31-11)
L - Lincoln (W 39-18)
M - Monroe (W 31-22)
A - Adrian (W 35-30)
C - Chelsea (W 32-26)
P - Pioneer (L 24-50)
D - Dexter (W 32-21)
I - Saline (L 14-33)
H - Ann Arbor Huron (L 23-32)
B - Bedford (L 23-29)
L - Lincoln (W 36-22)
C - Chelsea (W 30-15)
H - Hanover-Horton (W 45-44)
A - Adrian (W 32-21)
L - Bedford (L 23-29)
I - Saline (L 15-42)
H - Ann Arbor Huron (W 30-26)
H - Hanover-Horton (L 37-39)
P - Pioneer (W 48-45)
D - Dexter (W 31-24)

Back row: Head Coach David Gibson, Karlie Ledergerber, Katelyn Stangelrave, Kaitie Kaliszuk, Allie Davitt.

Front row (L to R): Janessa Steuwe, Michelle Mion, Megan Oberst, Chelsea Hutchinson, Marissa Martin, Shannon Peake, Summer Brown.
Back row: Caitlyn Behrke, Brooke Garner, Melissa Felkey, Shelby Hoelscher, Head Coach Julie Slusher.
Front row (L to R): Andrew Biscupski, Jon Adamy, Louie Davitt, Trey Searles, roy Hill, Allen Littlejohn, Kyle Ledgergerber
Back row: A.J. Root, Nate Bell, Paul Walmsley, Cameron Worker, Zachary Galloway, Kyle Garner

The head coach for the varsity team is Griff Mills. Before he became Athletic Director of Tecumseh High, he was head coach at Savannah, Georgia’s Armstrong Atlantic State University for 10 years. He also coached for 15 years at a Division 1 and Division 2 college.

He expects the team to do well this year and strive hard. He wants them to be the role models of the school and have good academics. The team is on a great path this year and easily comes back on balance after losing. They are not being selfish. The quote the team follows is, "Fundamentals are the great equalizers." Coach Mills has decided not to select captains until the end of the year. He wants to see how devoted the players are, and then the teammates will elect whom they believe should be chosen captains.

Kyle Ledgergerber gets a steal on offense while pursued by Milan team member.

Nate Bell gets the ball against Pioneer.

Varsity boys basketball had a face-off with Bedford.
**JV Boys Basketball**

**Schedule**

H - Milan (W 46-38)
H - Chelsea (L 38-42)
H - Pioneer (L 37-68)
A - Dexter (L 37-68)
H - Saline (L 51-54)
A - Ida (W 44-42)
H - Huron (L 27-59)
A - Bedford (L 28-48)
H - Lincoln (L 36-53)
A - Chelsea (L 20-42)
H - Columbia Central (W 52-42)
H - Adrian (L 47-52)
A - Bedford (L 45-62)
A - Saline (L 35-47)
H - Huron (L 33-59)
A - Pioneer (L 15-47)
H - Dexter (L 34-43)
A - Dundee (L 44-45)
A - Lincoln (L 31-59)
A - Adrian (L 43-54)

Head Coach: Mike McAlarne

**Freshman Boys Basketball**

**Schedule**

H - Milan (L 37-40)
H - Chelsea (L 35-50)
H - Pioneer (W 52-48)
A - Dexter (L 33-43)
H - Saline (L 36-39)
H - Ida (W 59-31)
A - Ann Arbor (L 25-60)
H - Bedford (W 57-42)
H - Lincoln (W 39-28)
A - Chelsea (L 42-52)
H - Adrian (L 33-47)
A - Berford (L 40-51)
A - Saline (W 40-37)
H - Ann Arbor (L 35-37)
A - Erie-Mason (W 48-28)
A - Pioneer (L 35-69)
H - Dexter (L 47-54)
A - Lincoln (W 66-52)
A - Adrian (L 34-41)

Head Coach: Nick Benschoter
Boys Golf

Schedule

H - Adrian/Chelsea/Dexter/Lincoln (159-166)
A - Adrian Invitational (337-299)
A - Chelsea (167-205)
A - Adrian (165-151)
A - Dexter (161-152)
A - Western Invitational (317-315)
H - Lincoln (159-156)
A - Saline (167-150)
A - Adrian (332-346)
A - SEC (333-315)
A - GD-Districts (319-306)

Front row (L to R): Ryan McDowell, Dylan Orr, Zach Campbell, Devin Waynick, Josh Short, Jacob Bloom, Kyle Hanson
Back row: Coach Pat Porny, Mitch Gramling, Jarret Patterson, Nick Campbell, Mitch Ringer, Michael Dahlen, Mark Lahnala, Jake Carlson
Girls Golf

Schedule

Tournaments
A - Bedford Invitational (9th place)
A - Chelsea Invitational (7th place)
H - Tecumseh Black (3rd place)
H - Tecumseh Orange (10th place)
A - Onsted Invitational (1st place)

SEC
A - Chelsea (3rd place)
A - Dexter (3rd place)
A - Lincoln (2nd place)
H - Tecumseh (1st place)

Front row (L to R): Tess Sammarco, Megan Vredeveld, Brittany Ames, Mariah Austin, Shannon McKowen, Ashley Hartmann
Back row: Kaitlynn Sessoms, Shelby Wilson, Michelle Koupal, Alex Campbell, Murielle Rine, Coach Pat Parny

TRE junior Alex Campbell is the only golfer from Lenawee County to make it to the State Tournament. She qualified by shooting an 88 at the El Dorado Golf Club in Mason on October 11. This was her best 18-hole round of the season.

Alex Campbell, Ashley Hartmann, Shelby Wilson, and Megan Vredeveld relax during practice.

Ashley Hartmann gracefully swings her club.
The boys swim team had another successful season. Their hard work certainly paid off with a total of six recorded wins and only three losses, first place at SMISL, second place at SEC, and third place at diving Regionals. Well done, boys!
Girls Swimming & Diving

Schedule

H - Lincoln (W 145-40)
A - Plymouth (W 131-55)
A - Milan (W 95-91)
A - Chelsea (W 99-87)
A - SMISLS (W 472-470)
A - Dundee (W 129-57)
H - Adrian (W 120-66)
A - Dexter (L 50-136)
A - Saline (L 72-114)
H - Kiwanis Invitational
A - Ann Arbor (L 69-117)
H - Bedford (W 100-86)
A - Pioneer (L 62-124)
H - St. Mary (W 151-32)
A - SEC (T 0-0)
A - SEC (W 178-100)
A - SMISLS (W 363-0)

Top row (L to R): Norm Seidel (Coach), Sarah Eubanks (Coach), Mary Coniff, Kristen Music, Deanna Shelle, Katie Herzog, Jamie Koepfle, Megan Heath (Co-Captain), Tori Merritt (Co-Captain), Alison McCrate (Co-Captain)
Second row: Haley Hambrock, Erin Lara, Megan Harsh, Amelia Hissong, Leah Corby, Kristen Clark, Britannie Rice, Caroline Pelts, Kendra Smith, Meghan Parks
Third row: Paige Chessor, Chelsea Shartle, Kortney Zuk, Diana Brown, Hailey Mull, Jessica Bavline, Gretchen Seidel, Kaitlyn Vandebar, Bridget Burns
Front row: Kyla Salts, Samantha Scheytt, Marissa Martin, Dominique Shelle, Allie Merritt, Keel Malcolm

The 2007-2008 school year has been a good one for the Tecumseh High School Girls Swim Team. They have gone to various competitions, including the Kiwanis Invitational, where they tied 0 to 0, and SMISLS, where they won with 363 points. With a total of eleven wins and four losses, it certainly has been a great year. Way to go, girls!
Gymnastics

Schedule

H - Tecumseh Invite (4th place)
A - Parma Western (1st place)
A - Salem Invitational (3rd place)
A - Parma Western (1st place)
A - Adrian Invitational (6th place)
A - Coldwater (1st place)
A - Jackson Northwest Invitational (1st place)
A - Parma Western Invitational (4th place)
A - Adrian (1st place)
A - Saline

Front row (L to R): Kaitlyn Henry, Lauren Drake, Beba Tomford, Haleigh Vidales, Lexi Rosales, Caitlin Nowland.

Victoria Vayo competing on beam.

Krysta Gramer gracefully performs on floor.

Tecumseh gymnasts take first place!
**SCHEDULE**

A - Ann Arbor Huron (W - 2156 - 1473)
A - Saline (W - 30 - 0)
A - Adrian (W - 30 - 0)
A - Ann Arbor Huron (W - 30 - 0)
A - Pioneer (W - 24 - 6)
A - Chelsea (W - 24 - 6)
A - Pioneer (W - 24 - 6)
A - Chelsea (W - 28 - 2)
A - Saline (W - 23 - 7)
A - Chelsea (W - 28 - 2)
A - Adrian (W - 24 - 7)
H - Ann Arbor Huron (W 29 - 1)
A - Pioneer (W 27 - 3)
H - SEC (W 872 - 707)
A - State Finals (W 1st place)

Front row (L to R): Tyler Dinoff, Derek George, Keith Austin, Chris Berges, Ty Quess, Keith James, Branden Sloan, Dylan Hall, Zach Grossman
Back row: Cal Davis, JV Coach Tom Craig, Don Cattell, Tyler Scheuerman, Mike Mendes, Robert Scribner, Brett Flynn, Varsity Coach Wendel Withrow

**BOYS BOWLING**

**GIRLS BOWLING**


This year Tecumseh Varsity bowlers became state champions at Sterling Heights. Freshman, Tawni Vollmer, placed first in the
We were ranked in the top 5 all year in our region. The girls have worked so hard, and we have seen such awesome results throughout this season. The varsity team (16 girls) was really strong with almost all of them throwing handsprings, walkovers, and doing triple splits. We had half the team throwing back tucks, which we have never accomplished before. We held our 2nd annual home meet, taking 1st place! It will be a challenge to replace the seniors because each one of them holds special talents that have strengthened our team, but every year girls surprise me. We ended up having two girls with All-State recognition, and one was asked to be champion staff which has never happened in Tecumseh History. We ended up scoring in the 700's for the first time ever! Each competition had 13-20 teams total, so they did amazingly well!

Our JV team (12 girls) was incredible this season. All but one of them got their back walkovers by the end of the season, and my Assistant Coach, Laurie Houghton, did an excellent job of getting them ready for Varsity.

~ Head Cheerleading Coach, Michele Felkey

COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING

SCHEDULE

A - Onsted Cheer Invitational (2nd - 625.40)
A - Morenci Cheer Classic Invite (2nd - 652.16)
A - Manchester Invitational (2nd - 651.79)
A - Northville Invitational (2nd - 621.82)
A - Michigan Center Cardinal Invite (1st - 667.25)
A - Columbia Central Invitational (3rd - 685.652)
A - Napoleon Invitational (2nd - 615.14)
H - Competitive Cheer Invite (1st - 724.97)
A - Competitive Cheer Regional (6th - 637.196)
WRESTLING

Overall Record 30-6

Won SEC (7 in a row), Team District (6 in a row), and Team Regional titles. Made it to Battle Creek for Team State for the 4th time in 5 years.

SEC Champions
Cass Marcum, Sam Million, Jeff Jenkins, Anthony Goodwin, Sean Bagby, Robert Weirich, William Dotson, Kyle Connors

All State Wrestlers
Sean Bagby (Senior) All State - took 3rd place
Robert Weirich (Senior) State Qualifier
Cass Marcum (Junior) State Qualifier
Travis McPherson (Junior) State Qualifier

SCHEDULE

II - Dundee
II - Columbia Central
A - Plainwell
A - Chelsea
A - Groves
A - Dexter
A - Montrose
A - Milan JV
A - Manchester JV
A - Clinton
A - Adrian
A - Addison
A - Pioneer
A - Southgate
A - Hudson
A - Riverview
II - James
A - Addison JV
II - Saline / Lincoln
II - County Invite
II - SEC Tournament
I - Team Districts
I - Adrian
Team Regionals
Individual Regionals
Team State Champions
Individual State Champions
Individual State Champions

Front Row (L to R): Jessica Stoter (mgr.), Brandon Derby, Drew Simpson, Koby Covell, Brad Derby,
Gunner Farinha, C.J. Tripp, Josh Sloan, Andraya Olano (mgr.), Katie Purkey (mgr.)
2nd Row: Jacob Kelley, Tyler Long, Joshua Patton, Jeff Jenkins, Sean Bagby, Robert Weirich,
Michael Butler, Shane Elkins, Sam Million, Cass Marcum, Tom Carney
3rd Row: Charlie Day, Nick Royal, Anthony Goodwin, Will Dotson, Sam Bishoo, Josh Seitz,
Kyle Connors, Jacob Roberts, Mark Lahmali, Travis McPherson
Back Row: Coach Tim Connors, Brad Spangler, George Wolf, Adam Dejonghe, Gavin Brassall,
Shawn Lewandowski, Adam Sznawe, Jared Dotson, Tyler Hill, Assistant Coach Larry Pflueger
Not pictured: Assistant Coach Marc Spicer
Front row (L to R): Mike Garcia, Steven Harrison, Ben Bagby, Zach Noack, Mitch Rowe, Drew Simpson, Sean Bagby
Back row: Coach Al Schmidt, John Hacker, Nate Bell, Will Kasper, Mike Noack, Louis Switt, Cameron Worker, Troy Hill, Coach Tom Bullinger
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| A - Saline (L-0/L-8/W-19-0) |
| H - Ann Arbor (W-10/L-1/W-10-0) |
| H - Milan (W-11/L-5/W-6-6) |
| A - Adrian (W-11/L-4/W-15-3) |
| A - Saline (L-8/L-2/1) |
| A - Bedford (W-11/L-1/W-4-8) |
| H - Milan (W-11/L-7/W-23-12) |
| A - Dexter (W-9/L-2/W-19-2) |
| A - Chelsea (W-13/L-3/W-12-3) |
| A - Pioneer (L-8/L-14/L-3) |
| A - Airport (W-3/L-6/W-10-9) |

### JV Baseball

- Front row (L to R): Taylor Robinson, Nick Westgate, Caleb Armstrong, Matt Napieralski, Eli Bell, Brendan Diroff
- Back row: Coach Nick Benschoter, Cody Ross, Jordan Guenther, Jarmin Palmer, Gavin Burstall, Zach Benschoter, Kyle Hooper
SCHEDULE
A - Columbia Central (L- 1-2)
A - Chelsea (L- 0-2)(L 1 - 4)
A - Dexter (L- 0-7)(L 0 - 6)
H - Saline (L- 0-1)(L-0-6)
A - Lincoln (W- 3-1)(W- 6-2)
H - Jackson (L- 2-3)
A - East West Invite (2nd Place)
H - Bedford (T- 1-1)
A - Adrian (W-3-1)
A - Huron (L- 0-7)
A - Milan (L- 0-4)
H - Pioneer (L 1-5)
A - Districts (L-0-3)

Front row (L-R): Lauren Drake, Deanna Shelle, Hannah Hall, Lauren Wilt, Jenny Barnes, Celeste Holtz, Lauren Haines, Gracie Ross
Back row: Coach Gail Lakatos, Coach Mike Lacelle
**SCHEDULE**

A - Chelsea (L- 1-4)(L-0-7)
A - Dexter (L- 0-4)(L-0-3)
H - Saline (L- 0-6)(L-0-5)
A - Lincoln (L-0-3)
H - Jackson (L-0-5)
A - East West Invite (2nd Place)
H - Bedford (L- 0-4)
A - Huron (W-Sc)
A - Adrian (W-2-1)
A - Milan (W-1-0)
H - Pioneer (L-0-5)
H - Lincoln (L-0-5)
A - Adrian (W-2-1)(W-3-0)

Front Row (L-R): Nicole DuShane, Jessica Frick, Chelsea Pyzik, Elizabeth Ruthsack, Caitlin Dunlap, Shannon Peake, Jessica Blevins, Bridget Rachsack
Back Row (L-R): Coach Gail Lakatos, Taylor Sinclair, Kayla Amstutz, Stephanie Little, Jasmine Kocaj, Kaitlyn Sessions, Caroline Pelts, Nina Orlowski, Bailey Dunn

**SCHEDULE**

H - Northwest (W15-0)(W15-02)
A - Blissfield (L2-3)(W9-5)
A - SEC (L6-9)(W15-4)
A - Huron (W13-1)(W16-0)
A - Lenawee Christian (W30-0)(W13-1)
H - Lincoln (W18-1)(L1-22)
H - Milan (L2-4)(W3-2)
A - Adrian (W16 - 1)(W 7 - 1)
H - Saline (W 5 - 1)(W 6 - 4)
A - Bedford (W 13 - 0)(L 8 - 10)
H - Dundee (W 15 - 0)(W 14 - 4)
H - Chelsea (W 11 - 0)(W 15 - 0)
A - Pioneer (W 20 - 0)(W 12 - 2)
A - Ida (W 1 - 0)(W 23 - 3)
A - Red SEC (W 10 - 0)(W 10 - 3)
A - Clinton (W 7 - 5)

Front row (L-R): Ashley Russell, Ashely O'Leary, Abigail Ross, Chelsea Hutchinson, Michelle Mon, Chelsea Preston
Winning a state championship is a huge accomplishment, but winning back-to-back titles can't even be put into words. The emotion and heart that these girls played with is the reason we had so much success in the post-season. I'm sure for the girls, all of the weightlifting, running, and pre-season workouts finally seem worth it. All of their hard work paid off, and I feel honored to be the coach of this team. The leadership of the seniors will always be something to remember.

These girls have left a legacy not only for the softball program, but for the entire athletic program as a whole. They will always be the FIRST team to win back-to-back state titles at Tecumseh High School, which is something pretty special.

~ Head Coach Kristalyn Smith
SCHEDULE

A - Sylvanite (L0-12)
H - Rochester (W3-2)
A - Ann Arbor Hurons (L1-1)
A - Chelsea (W5-2)
H - Concord (W11-1)
A - Saline (L0-10)
A - Davison (L4-13)
A - Livonia (L3-1)
H - Saline (L2-9)
A - Brandon (L2-9)
A - Chelsea (L2-10)

Front row (L to R): Evan Fansau, Jason Carey, Colten Moore, Mitch Ringer, Mike Kane, Zach Brancheau, Kyle Braunschneider, Keaton Ruttinger, Ian Shaw, Caleb Harrison
Back row: David Wolf, Steven Butler, Christian Jarvis, James Foster, Caleb Hughes, Will Dutson, Mathew Morvay, Adam Heath, Jake Roberts, Coach Ian Clearwood

JV BOYS LACROSSE

JV GIRLS LACROSSE

Front row (L to R): Layla Allen, Shelby Denham, Angelica Snyder, Jessica Stolter, Stephanie Hill, Brianne Snyder, Tess Wagner, Laila Young
Back row: Coach Ralph McMillan, Kelsay Prill, Samantha Portice, Aleea Brothers, Nicole Palm, Crystal LaBean, Emily Kennedy, Miranda Mullins, Emily Snider, Coach Cindy Hill
Varsity Boys Lacrosse Schedule

- H - Holt (canceled)
- A - Canton (L 2-14)
- A - Sylvania (L 2-17)
- H - Bedford (W 16-1)
- A - Grosse Ile (W 7-3)
- H - Rochester (W13-4)
- A - Ann Arbor Huron (L 0-16)
- H - Grosse Ile (L 8-11)
- A - Saline (L 6-15)
- H - Ypsilanti (W 17-1)
- H - Greenhills (W 16-2)
- A - Port Huron (CANCELED)
- A - Davison (L 6-13)
- A - Lincoln (W 14-12)
- A - Salem (W 13-4)
- H - Saline (L 8-12)
- A - Regionals at Lincoln (L 5-12)

Front row (L to R): Jordan Coward, Derek Kupisz, Steven Os worthless, Alex Baker, Scott Achtenberg, Matt Roberts, Brad Seeley, Taylor Docking, Cody Chappell
Back row: Coach Mitch Feltkey, Drex Bays, Andrew Buehler, Matt Feltkey, Ben Montalvo, Adam Snider, Kenny Thomas, Miles Rowe, Shaun Lewandowski, Assistant Coach Dave Baker

Let's go THS!
**VARSITY GIRLS LACROSSE SCHEDULE**

A - Pioneer (L 5-15)
H - Hartland (W 14-7)
H - Stoney Creek (Canceled)
H - Plymouth Canton (Canceled)
A - Rochester (Canceled)
A - Farmington (L 6-17)
A - East Lansing (L 9-13)
A - Waverly (L 4-14)
H - Holt (W 11-10)
A - Haslett (W 10-7)
H - Farmington United (W 17-13)
A - Ann Arbor Huron (L 2-17)
H - Gabriel Richard (W 15-5)
H - Okemos (Canceled)
H - Notre Dame Preparatory (L 10-17)
A - Pioneer League Final (L 7-10)
H - Bedford (Canceled)
H - Stoney Creek (Postponed)

A - Regional Farmington (L 10-13)

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Front row (L to R): Nicole Hedges, Nikah Vidalez, Jennifer Hill, Jessie Marwaring, Autumn McMillin, Brittanie Rice, Tyler McGrate, Coach Cindy Hill
Back row: Assistant Coach Ralph McMillan, Samantha McMillon, Heather Major, Kacie Bayer, Jaclyn Bauer, Katelynn Braunschneider, Raquel Flores, Julia Aylward, Lora Kasik, Mara Mullins
Not pictured: Chelsie Gray
BOYS TRACK

SCHEDULE

A - St. Charles Invitational
H - Ida (W 102-35)
A - Lincoln (L 63-73)
A - Dansville (L 130-163)
A - Blissfield (W 90-47)
A - Adrian (L 43-94)
A - Dexter (L 47-90)
A - Chelsea (L 43-103)
A - Northwest Invitational
A - MHSAA Regionals @ Ladywood
A - SEC Jamboree @ Lincoln
A - JV SEC @ Dexter Creekside
A - DTI @ Adrian
A - State Finals

Front row (L to R): Chris Berge, Dan Burchett, Travis Knepor, Matt Roberts, Keith James, Spencer Marr, Calvin Heim, Ben Robertson, Ryan Reynolds.
2nd row: Matt Neiman, Travis Keller, Michael Balinski, Dominick Griewahn, Leon Miller, Ian Kessler, Dan Kruse, Gene Waynick, Austin Sec, AJ Rom.
3rd row: Alden Eubanks, AJ Biscupski, Sam Eichvar, James Siebert, Tom Carney, Dane Grimm, Steven Butler, Harry Metzler, Justin Manahan.
4th row: Bradley Derby, Grant Kennedy, Derek Borsvold, Andrew Malmquist, Patrick McArthur, Colin Cook, Matthew Mejta, Scott Carley, Ross Riedel, Brian Foster, Miguel Ward.
5th row: Justin Coffin, Kyle Peake, Jacob Goudy, Nick Lagreca, Zach Galloway, Ryan Wallich, Tom Olson, Ben Andre, Jacob Kreger.
Back row: Coach Kris Hoag, Jon Adeny, Trey Searles, Caleb Hughes, Travis Hyder, Alex Royal, James Rowe, Greg Wilson, Artie Schmieder.

This was a terrific season for our boys. We won two meets after not having a victory in five years; we also had our first state qualifier in five years with Zach Galloway and Trey Searles going to the state meet. Trey also set the school record in the shot put with a throw of 53' 7-1/2". Overall we were much improved, and I believe the majority of the kids had a great experience.

Congratulations and good luck next year!
The girls track team had an eventful year. Traveling for almost all of their meets was hectic and didn’t give them an at-home advantage. In the SEC finals, the team finished third. Theresa O’Leary (12) was the SEC White Division Champ in Long Jump, 100 meter Hurdles, and the 300 meter Hurdles. Amanda Putt (12) was SEC White Division Champ in the 1600 meter and 800 meter runs. Annie Dunn (10) also picked up All-SEC White Division honors in the 100 meter Hurdles and the 300 meter Hurdles as did Erica Steuwe (9), Grace Kelley (11), Katelynn Staelgreae (10), and Amanda Putt (12) for being SEC White Division Champs in the 3200 meter relay. Congratulations to our team and best of luck next year.
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Timothy Cenccr
Cody Chappell
Kirsten Clark
Cameron Cline
Leah Corby
Tyler Diroff
Lauren Drake
Alison Eisele
Kelsey Forsyth
Katie Gauthier
Mitchell Gramling
Dane Grimm
Kyle Hanson
Jordan Harrison
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Amelia Hisson
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Shaun Lewandowski
Tyler Lopez
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Jesse Manwaring
Spencer Marr
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Meghan Parks
Matthew Roberts
Grace Ross
Therese Sammarco
Tyler Scheuerman
Caitlin Schook
Martin Seal
Bradley Spangler
Holly Swan
Alina Underwood
Benjamin VanTuyle
Shaina Warner
Gregory Wilson
Shelby Wilson
Jacob Wright

SENIORS
SEC Academic All-Conference Athletes
Ben Andre
Ashley Hartmann
Andrew Malmquist
Neil Palmer
Amanda Putt

Jon Adamy
Thereza Amador
Ben Andre
Sean Bagby
Andrea Barger
Jaclyn Barley
Jennifer Barnes
Ryan Beck
Thomas Bell
Sam Bishar
Dreux Brys
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Stayci Cook
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Chloe Garner
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Casey Harvey
Chelsea Harvey
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Katherine Herzog

Jennifer Hill
Celeste Holtz
Nichole Hughes
Kayla Kalmbach
Will Kasper
Michelle Koupal
Mark Lahnala
Kyle Ledergerber
Andrew Malmquist
Lauren Marks-Wilt
Alison McCrate
Matthew Mejia
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Benjamin Montalvo
Michael Nowak
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Danielle Prill
Amanda Putt
Ross Riedel
Nicholas Royal
Trey John Searles III
Deanna Shelle
Samantha Sloan
Adam Snider
Nichole Steele
Lindsey Stephenson
Larisa Thacker
Kenneth Thomas
Victoria Vayo
Paul Walmsley
Scott Yarbrough
GYMNASTICS

The Tecumseh Gymnastics team is coached by Jennifer Posten and Jane Baker. They held a remarkable season. For the first time ever, the team placed 1st at the SCGL at Parma Western. After making it to Regionals, they came in 10th place.

SWIMMING

The boy's swimming team had a very good season with help from their coach, Pete Zuk. With hard work and determination, the boys came in 1st place in their SMISL Championships. They continued on to the SEC Championships and placed 2nd. After that they went to States and came in 3rd. The state team members were Jordan Lillie, Neil Palmer, Nick Dillon, Scott Yarbrough, Ryan Sloan, Bip Cline, Andrew Eubanks, Patrick McAran, and David Gensch.

The girl's swimming coach is Sarah Eubanks and the assistant coach is Norm Seidel. The team came in 14th place at state finals. Tori Merritt came in 7th place in the 200 yard freestyle and 2nd place in the 100 yard butterfly. Kirsten Clark took 16th place in the 50 yard freestyle, and Allie Merritt took 15th place in the 100 yard backstroke.
JV & Varsity Bowling
State Champs!

Both the Varsity and JV girls bowling teams had the chance to go to state this year, and both teams won! Kara Richard from the varsity team even managed to bowl two 300 games, the highest score possible. "We have big shoes to fill," say the coaches. The girls will continue to work hard to defend their titles.

THS Champions
07-08
WRESTLING

The Boys Wrestling team is coached by Tim Connors. The boys had a remarkable season with 26 wins and only 6 losses. At districts, the team won both meets against Ypsilanti and Milan. They beat Trenton and Annapolis in regionals. At states they lost against Oxford.

FOOTBALL

This is the first time the football team made it to the district playoff game! They played against Chelsea and lost 46-14.

Coach Mensing was voted Coach of the Year!

CROSS COUNTRY

The Girls Cross Country coach was David Greene. The girls went on to State and came in 20th place for Division Two. All-State honors go to Amanda Putt and Jordan Harrison.

Jimmy Brown was the coach of the Boys Cross Country team. The boys had five wins and seven losses. The boys earned second at regionals and went on to state. They finished in 23rd place in Division Two.
SOFTBALL

BACK-TO-BACK

STATE CHAMPS!

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Please support these awesome businesses that helped us make this yearbook possible!
John,
Congratulations and Go Blue!
We are proud of you, Mom and Dad

Zach,
Time goes so fast...it seems just yesterday that we were welcoming our newborn son into our family. Today, we are preparing for your graduation, and you, a life full of opportunity and adventure. We are so very proud of the man that you have become. Never let go of your dreams, for they are the pathway to your future. We wish you much happiness, success and love. Rock on Zach!

Love Mom, Dad and family

Natalie,
What an exciting year it’s been for you! We are proud of all your hard work and the dedication you showed this year. Your future is a bright one - Shine On!

Love,
Your family

Sean,
Good things happen when you throw up the three!

Love from your family

2008 Division II Wrestling State Championships March 7, The Palace

“Oh how time goes by.” When you were first born, my heart was filled with a never ending love for you, a love that only a mother could have for her beautiful daughter. As I have watched you grow into a wonderful young adult, I know you will do very well in life. You have the will, and I know you will find the way. May you always know I will be here for you and so will the Lord to answer all your prayers.

Love Always, Mom
Nicole,  
Congratulations!! We are very proud of you! We know you will succeed at whatever you may pursue. Here's to memories past and future. May your life be filled with Love, Happiness, & Laughter.  
Love,  
Dad, Mom & Kristina

Samantha,  
You made it! We are so proud of the amazing young woman you have become. We can't wait to see what the future has in store for you. Congratulations  
Your loving family

Rebecca,  
Since the day that you were born, you have been a blessing in our lives. We are so proud of you. We hope that your future is as amazing as you are! Always remember how much we love you, and if you get the choice to sit it out or dance, DANCE!  
Love,  
Mom, Dad & Jacob

Ross,  
To the best fisherman in the world. Congratulations on a job well done! May the next fish you land be the one of your dreams.  
We love you!  
Mom, Dad, Ryan, and Kristin

Trey,  
We are so very proud of you, and we love you very much.  
Love,  
Mom & Will

Congratulations Kyle,  
You have finally reached one of the many goals in your life. We are so proud of you. You have matured into a fine young man. Remember we will always be here for you. Keep reaching for the stars.  
Love, Dad, Mom  
Erin & Brooke
Whitney,
I am so proud to call you my daughter. You have worked so hard for all that you’ve accomplished. I know that your determination, hard work, and kind heart will continue to help you reach all of your goals, hopes, and dreams in the future. Don’t ever give up, and always know that the brightest star in the sky will always be shining down on you.

I love you - Mom

Eric,
Your bright smile, determination, and calm-under-pressure attitude are great strengths and form a solid foundation from which you will build your successful future. You have a generous spirit, and you inspire others with your laughter. We know that your heart will guide you to accomplish great things.

We Love You Eric!
Mom, Dad, & Matthew

Congratulations Theresa,
You provide so much joy and fun in our lives. We are so proud of you, and we can’t wait to see what comes next. Best wishes for success and joy in your future as well as a lot of fun.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Alli, and Matt
Mark,

Congratulations! You have turned into a very fine young man. We are very proud of you and all you have accomplished. All of our love and best wishes for a bright and successful future.

We love you,
Mom, Dad, and Megan

Mark,

Congratulations Stephani,
You did it! What an amazing, beautiful young lady you've turned out to be. We are so very proud of you and all of your accomplishments. The future is yours, so aim for the stars. We know you will make all your dreams come true.

With all our love!
Your family

From an early age we knew you had your sights set high - and you made it to the top! Now you are Honors College bound, and we couldn't be prouder.

Keep reaching for the stars, and there is no telling how far you will travel.

We love you Abby!
Dad, Mom, and TJ

Congratulations Chelsea
You have always been such a beautiful child inside and out and have brought us such happiness. May God continue to guide and protect you in all that you do. We love you so much.

Love - Mom and Tonya
To our class of record breakers –

 ftps – 3 Firsts and a Second
 Powder Puff – 3 Firsts and a Second
 Valedictorians – 16 – WOW!
 Sports – State Champions and Mr. NY records
 broken,
 Prom – "Rendezvous in Paris" – what a success!
 Christmas Dance – "Christmas in the Country" –
 how beautiful!
 Mystery Trip – FUN! FUN! FUN!

Wow! The time has flown! We’ve enjoyed all the fun. Good luck and we will miss the Class of 2008.

Your advisors –
Mr. Bullinger & Mrs. Kasper

William –

Since the day you were born, we always thought every stage you went through was the best, and we wanted to freeze you there. From smiling, to rolling over, to walking, to catching and hitting a baseball, to throwing a football, to learning to read, to shooting a three, to catching your first bass, to bow hunting, to driving, to hitting a homerun, to the honors and awards you’ve received, and now graduating and making college and career plans we’ve learned watching you grow keeps getting better.

We are looking forward to the next stage, and we are very proud of the man you’ve become.

God’s Blessings and All Our Love –
Mom and Dad

And thanks for being a great big brother to look up to. – Kaylene
Katie,
We have enjoyed watching you grow into such a beautiful young woman. This is an exciting time in your life; always remember your dreams and don’t lose sight of them. Believe in yourself and we know you will find success in everything you do. We are so proud of you!

Congratulations
Sis!
We love you,
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A. Economic aches
Gasoline and food prices went up and home prices went down as the economy weakened. At yearend 2007, the national average price for one gallon of gas was $2.97, while the average price for a gallon of milk was $3.80. Home prices experienced the largest drop in 16 years. In addition, jumps in adjustable rate mortgages left many homeowners behind or unable to pay their monthly house payments.

B. Drying up
A severe drought in the southeast U.S. led to water use restrictions and renewed tensions over water supplies in Georgia, Florida and Alabama. The drought was the worst in northern Georgia in 100 years.

C. Superbug hits schools
Schools across the country began dealing with a drug-resistant staph superbug called methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus, or MRSA. Some schools closed for cleaning when a student was found to have the bacteria. MRSA caused several student deaths.

D. Stay tuned
Frontrunners kept changing before the summer conventions to pick 2008 presidential candidates. But as of Super Tuesday, Feb. 5, U.S. Senators Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton were in a dead heat in their quest for the Democratic Party’s nomination, while for the Republicans, U.S. Senator John McCain, almost written off a few months ago, had a large lead over former Governor Mike Huckabee of Arkansas.

E. Gore wins Nobel
Former Vice President Al Gore won the Nobel Peace Prize for his work on informing the public about global warming. He shared the award with the United Nation’s Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. Gore said he planned to donate his half of the $1.6 million prize to an organization that works to cut carbon emissions.

F. Misfit toys
More than 12 million toys made in China were recalled for containing high levels of lead. Mattel, the nation’s number one toy maker, also recalled 172,000 Fisher-Price toys that could pose choking hazards.
G. War goes on
In the war on terror, more than 165,000 U.S. troops were stationed in Iraq and approximately 25,000 in Afghanistan. The number of U.S. troops killed in Iraq began to decrease monthly, likely caused by changes in strategy in the fight against the insurgents.

H. California wildfires
More than 23 wildfires blazed across almost 500,000 acres of southern California in October, destroying 2,300 homes. Twelve people died. Arson was the cause of some of the fires. Santa Ana winds also fueled fires again in late November.

I. Democracy threatened
Democracy in Pakistan, a nuclear-armed nation, was on shaky ground already when former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was killed during a political rally. Elections originally scheduled for January were delayed. Amid the tensions between political factions in the country, additional concerns stemmed from possible threats from al Qaeda and Taliban extremists in the country.

HELP ON A GLOBAL SCALE
Bill Gates, founder of Microsoft, worked to end world hunger and extreme poverty through the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

$306 million – Amount the foundation pledged in January to help small farmers in Africa and developing countries grow and sell their crops.

$14.5 million – Amount given since 1994 for the foundation’s key areas: global health issues, global development such as agriculture and research, and U.S. education.

$3.2 billion – Projected amount the foundation expected to give away in 2009.

820 million – Number of people who suffer from chronic hunger in the developing world.

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The population of New Orleans was about 300,000, or 65% of its size prior to 2005’s Hurricane Katrina.

Lisa Gleave, who started her company in 1976 to bring stylish, affordable clothing to working women, died of cancer.

Riotsing and deaths occurred during disputes over the outcome of Kenya’s presidential election.

A Siberian tiger at the San Francisco Zoo killed a teen and mauled two others on Christmas Day.
J. Rush-hour bridge collapse
Bridges across the country were inspected after an Interstate 35 bridge over the Mississippi River in Minneapolis collapsed Aug. 1. Thirteen people were killed, and eventually 88 vehicles were located in the bridge wreckage or the river. Construction work was being done on the bridge when it collapsed during rush hour.

K. Castro steps down
Fidel Castro, 81, ended his 49 years as president of Cuba by resigning the post due to his health. Castro and his brother, Raúl Castro, overthrew the Cuban government in 1959, installing communism in the tiny island nation 90 miles from Florida. Reaction regarding Cuba’s future was mixed from Cuban-Americans in Florida, many of whom had fled the communist regime.

L. Protests in Jena
Tensions ran high in Jena, La., where six black teens were charged with beating a white classmate. Supporters of the Jena 6 said the beating followed an earlier incident in which white high school students hung nooses on campus. The supporters were angered because the white students were punished with school suspension, while criminal charges were filed against the Jena 6.

M. What is Iran up to?
U.S. intelligence concluded in a report that Iran actually stopped work in 2003 on a nuclear weapons program the U.S. suspected it had still ongoing. That was the year the U.S. had invaded neighboring Iraq. However, Iran announced it was close to starting up its Bushehr nuclear facility, which will provide electricity to the country. Russia was building the plant for Iran and was supplying the nuclear fuel.

N. No safe place
In December, a 19-year-old gunman killed six employees and two customers in a department store in Omaha’s Westroads Mall before killing himself. A few days later, a gunman killed two staff people at a missionary center in Arvada, Colo., then killed two teens at a Colorado Springs church before being shot by a church volunteer security guard.

O. Safe and effective?
Drug companies pulled cough and cold medicines for children under age two out of stores, while pediatricians urged the government to issue a statement saying the medicine should not be used in children under age six. Many of the cough and cold medicines have never been tested in children.
P. Weathering the weather
In December, back-to-back rainstorms with hurricane-force winds pounded Oregon and Washington, where helicopters rescued people stranded in floodwaters. An ice storm hit the Midwest, leaving many people without electricity for days, including 600,000 people in Oklahoma. In February, more than 50 people were killed in tornadoes that struck Tennessee, Arkansas, Alabama and Kentucky.

Q. Social technology solves crimes
Oakland, Calif., police used clues from a MySpace page to charge a man in the shooting death of a high school student, while police in Washington, D.C., used a Facebook profile, found by the victim, to charge a man in a hate-crime attack near the Georgetown University campus.

R. Lively and quick
Hurricane Humberto took southeast Texas by surprise, going from a tropical depression to a hurricane in 18 hours. A specialist at the National Hurricane Center said no tropical cyclone has ever grown stronger at a faster rate while being so close to land. Still, it does not take long for a hurricane to cause damage, which was estimated at less than $500 million.

S. No help needed
Six French aid workers were sentenced to eight years of hard labor for trying to take more than 100 children out of Chad for adoption. The workers, who were with the charity Zoe's Ark, said the children were Darfur orphans living in Chad. But officials with the Red Cross and UNICEF said most of the children were from Chad and were living with their families when they were taken.

SMOKE-FREE AREAS INCREASE

More states, cities and non-public areas ban smoking.

- 22 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico have laws prohibiting smoking in workplaces and public places, up from two states five years ago.
- Almost 60 college campuses have smoke-free policies
- The number of teen smokers continued to decline. In 2007, only 3% of 8th graders, 7% of 10th graders and 12% of 12th graders smoked daily.

American Lung Association, American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation and Monitoring the Future study/University of Michigan

Researchers found that biting has caused the spread of facial cancer tumors that have killed 90% of the Tasmanian Devils on Tasmania.
The $5 bill got a color makeover, following the updates of the $10, $20 and $50 bills to thwart counterfeiters.
O.J. Simpson was charged in a Las Vegas robbery, allegedly trying to regain some of his sports memorabilia at gunpoint.
Six percent of Britons claim to have done dental work on themselves, such as pulling teeth, as subsidized care was unavailable.
A. Almost perfect
The New England Patriots dominantly marched through the NFL regular season and AFC playoffs 18-0, and appeared ready to become the first pro football team in more than 35 years to finish a season without a loss. But the New York Giants had other ideas, and they ended the run at perfection with a 17-14 upset win in Super Bowl XLII. The much-hyped game was the most watched Super Bowl of all time, and the second-most watched TV program ever.

B. Daddy goes to work
Golfer Tiger Woods became a dad for the first time, with daughter Sam being born during the summer. The new dad kicked it into gear again, winning his 13th major at the PGA Championship and closing the season by winning the Tour Championship.

C. Scary moment
During one of his runs at the Summer X Games, skateboarder Jake Long gave the audience a terrible scare when he lost his balance in mid-air, fell off his skateboard and fell about 45 feet straight down onto the ramp below. Even though Long's fall was roughly equivalent to more than three stories, he walked away with a couple contusions and fractures, but lived to tell about it and became a skateboarding legend in the process.

D. Big breakthrough
After several years of hype, basketball phenom LeBron James finally began to show signs of living up to his nickname of "The Chosen One." In only his fourth season, and at only 22 years old, James guided the Cleveland Cavaliers into the NBA Finals. In the process, he became a media superstar, landing spots as the host of ESPN’s ESPY Awards and Saturday Night Live.

E. Baseball comes clean
Nearly two years after he was appointed by commissioner Bud Selig to investigate the use of performance-enhancing drugs in baseball, former U.S. Senator George Mitchell released a 409-page document with his findings. The report specifically mentioned 88 players by name, and reactions varied from shock to a shrug of the shoulders. The most notable of those implicated in the report were New York Yankees pitchers Roger Clemens and Andy Pettitte.

Florida quarterback Tim Tebow won the Heisman Trophy.
Sprinter Asafa Powell set a new 100-meter record of 9.74 seconds.
The Houston Dynamo won its second straight MLS Cup.
F. A tainted king?
San Francisco Giants slugger Barry Bonds hit his 756th home run and passed the long-standing all-time record of Hank Aaron. However, the historical mark was not widely celebrated as Bonds continued to be the subject of speculation about steroid use during his career. Later, he was even indicted for perjury related to the federal investigation into steroids.

G. Rough first year
It was not exactly smooth sailing for British soccer star David Beckham during his first year in America. After signing with the Los Angeles Galaxy of MLS, Beckham was only able to play in eight games due to various knee injuries and the Galaxy were unable to make the playoffs.

H. A blown call
Tim Donaghy, an NBA referee for 13 seasons, embroiled the league in controversy when he became the subject of an FBI investigation due to allegations that he bet on games that he officiated. Donaghy later pleaded guilty to two charges related to the investigation, and admitted that he made calls that affected the point spreads in those games.

IN THE GAME

About 25 million American youth play competitive school sports and 20 million youth ages 6 through 16 play organized sports in a community program.

The most played team sports are:

- Basketball, 4+ million
- Baseball, 2.5+ million
- Outdoor soccer, 2+ million
- Touch football, 2 million
- Court volleyball, almost 2 million

NYU Child Study Center, aboutourkids.org

American Joey Chestnut won the World Hot Dog Eating Contest, as competitive eating gained popularity.

Former San Francisco 49ers coach Bill Walsh, who won three Super Bowls, died at 75.

The U.S. women's soccer team struggled at the World Cup, losing 4-0 to Brazil after coach Greg Ryan benched starting goalie Hope Solo.
I. Twice as nice
Three years after erasing the 86-year "Curse of the Bambino" and ending one of the longest title droughts in sports history, the Boston Red Sox did it again by sweeping the Colorado Rockies to win its second World Series in four years. Boston rang up the best record in baseball during the regular season, and then beat the Rockies, who had won 21 of its previous 22 games.

J. Sad admission
After several years of denials, track star Marion Jones, a five-time Olympic medalist, admitted to the public that she took steroids prior to the 2000 Summer Olympics. Afterwards, the IOC stripped Jones of her medals and she announced her retirement.

K. A champ again
Russian tennis sensation Maria Sharapova, only 20 years old, won her third Grand Slam title by breezing through the Australian Open without losing a set. Sharapova added the crown to the previous U.S. Open and Wimbledon titles she already won.

L. Record season
In his 17th season, Green Bay quarterback Brett Favre set the NFL career record for passing yards, passing Dan Marino. The 38-year old, three-time MVP also experienced a rebirth by leading the Packers to a 13-3 season and the NFC Championship Game. However, they fell one game short of the Super Bowl, losing to the New York Giants in overtime.

M. Dog days
Atlanta Falcons quarterback Michael Vick was arrested by federal investigators for organizing a widespread dog-fighting ring out of his home. The NFL indefinitely suspended Vick, who at one time was the highest paid player in the league. After he pleaded guilty, Vick was sentenced to 23 months in prison.

N. A new hope
Young Shawn Johnson, a 15-year old from Des Moines who stands only 4-feet, 8-inches tall, became the next face of the U.S. women's gymnastics team when she became only the fourth American

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Bobby Knight stepped down at Texas Tech with 902 wins, the most of any coach in college basketball history.

Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal continued their rivalry as the two best tennis players, capturing all four majors between them.

Nascar driver Jimmie Johnson won his second straight Nextel Cup.
woman to win the all-around competition at the World Championships. In the process, Johnson set the stage for the team's hopes at the 2008 Summer Olympics.

O. Impossible to predict
The college football season was filled with several twists and turns, starting with tiny Appalachian State's upset of Michigan in the opening week. Non-traditional football schools such as Kansas, Kentucky and Illinois made appearances in the top 10. In the end, LSU won the national championship by defeating Ohio State, 38-24 in the BCS title game.

P. Return to glory
The Boston Celtics set out to recapture their glory days by trading for forward Kevin Garnett and guard Ray Allen and pairing them with forward Paul Pierce to form a new "big three" trio of all-stars. The early returns were positive, as the team steamrolled to a 30-4 record, equaling the best start in franchise history.

A NATIONAL EVENT
This year's Super Bowl was the second most viewed television program ever, behind the MASH finale. The top five most-viewed Super Bowls are:

- New York Giants vs. New England Patriots, 2008 (XLI), 97.5 million viewers
- Dallas Cowboys vs. Pittsburgh Steelers, 1996 (XXX), 94.08 million viewers
- Indianapolis Colts vs. Chicago Bears, 2007 (XLI) 93.18 million viewers
- Chicago Bears vs. New England Patriots, 1986 (XX) 92.57 million viewers
- Dallas Cowboys vs. Buffalo Bills, 1993 (XXVII) 90.99 million viewers

The Anaheim Ducks won the 2007 Stanley Cup over the Ottawa Senators.

Buffalo tight end Kevin Everett fractured his spine during an early season game, then miraculously recovered and walked again.

Alex Rodriguez became the youngest player to reach 500 home runs, doing so by age 32.
A. Meet you online
Social networking websites continued to gain popularity and add millions of subscribers who ventured online to interact. Two of the largest, MySpace and Facebook, even developed a budding business rivalry. Facebook gained the backing of Microsoft, who bought a stake in the website for $240 million.

B. Disappearing bees
Beekeepers and scientists were puzzled by and continued to study the problem of dwindling honeybees. Known as Colony Collapse Disorder, the phenomenon resulted in worker bees leaving hives for unknown reasons, causing the hives to die out.

C. An expert hack
Apple released its latest innovation, the iPhone, and New Jersey teenager George Hotz took full advantage. Hotz hacked the software on his iPhone, allowing the phone to be used by other wireless service providers. He then traded the secrets for a new car.

D. The green movement
With more people seeming to adopt the belief that issues such as global warming were a growing problem for the world, environmental causes suddenly became part of popular culture. TV shows, movies and ads were filled with "green" messages, and practices such as recycling continued to become more common both at home and work.

E. New dino
Researchers in China unearthed the remains of a giant, bird-like dinosaur, which they believed to be a new species. Feathered, but unable to fly, the 26-foot long Gigantoraptor erlianensis lived some 85 million years ago. The discovery was a surprise, because previous theories pointed to bird-like dinosaurs typically being much smaller.

F. The next generation
Digital Video Recorders, or DVRs, continued to gain popularity and slowly phase out VCRs as the home entertainment technology of choice. Able to record video digitally and store it in a computer hard drive, DVRs revolutionized the way many users watched TV with functions like pausing live TV, and eliminating the need for numerous video tapes.

G. Stem cell breakthrough?
Teams of scientists in the U.S. and Japan claimed they were able to reprogram skin cells to act the same as embryonic stem cells, a possible advance that could revolutionize stem cell research because...
it would allow the work to move forward with no embryos being created or destroyed in the process.

H. One bright star
Astronomers announced that they were able to observe the largest and brightest exploding star, or supernova, ever witnessed. Roughly 100 to 200 times the size of the sun, the star was located 240 million light years away and was 100 times more energetic than the typical supernova.

I. Pet scare
Widespread reports of kidney failure and deaths among pets led to a massive scare and pet food recall by several companies, after it was determined that the food was contaminated by bad vegetable proteins imported from China and used as ingredients.

J. Race to the moon
The X Prize Foundation started another new $20 million private spaceflight contest, with the goal of landing a rover on the moon. Within a month of the contest being announced, five groups had said they would enter the contest, which was scheduled to take five years.

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**CYBERBULLYING INCREASES**

Cyberbullying is the act of hurting someone using technology.

- 43% of teens reported they had been victims.
- 92% of the victims said they knew or figured out who the bully was.
- More girls than boys were victims.
- 71% of teens believe the best prevention is for the victim to block the bully from communicating with them.

National Crime Prevention Council survey

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The International Space Station received its first new room since 2001.

A popular new trend saw parents purchasing web domain names for their small children.

Scientists discovered some 700 new species of water creatures in Antarctica.
A. Feel-good tale does well
Juno, an indie comedy about a high school girl and her parents dealing with her unplanned pregnancy, became one of the surprise hits of the year. The movie earned raves from critics for its heartwarming story and sharp dialogue, and even earned Oscar nominations for Best Picture and Best Actress for lead character Ellen Page.

B. Hollywood's main man
Johnny Depp proved he was still one of Hollywood's most bankable leading men. The final movie in the Pirates of the Caribbean trilogy starring Depp earned more than $300 million at the box office, and later in the year Depp won raves for his lead role in Sweeney Todd.

C. Shots never seen
Planet Earth, the award-winning documentary TV series produced by the Discovery Channel and the BBC, aired in America for the first time. The programs, created to show the beauty and diversity of the planet, took more than five years to make and reportedly captured natural images on film that had never before been seen.

D. Tough ticket
Miley Cyrus, aka Hannah Montana, was the headline act on one of the most popular concert tours of the year. Cyrus, whose Hannah Montana show was one of the highest rated on cable, toured with pop band The Jonas Brothers and tickets for the shows routinely sold out in minutes in each city, leading to a feeding frenzy among the pre-teen crowd.

E. TV stalls out
The TV Writers Guild of America went on a three-month strike over a dispute with the TV studios regarding the sharing of profits from "new media" revenue sources, including the internet. With no new scripts coming in, many shows were forced off the air and into reruns, making viewers realize there were other entertainment options out there.
F. On the big screen
After 19 successful seasons on TV, popular animated sitcom The Simpsons stepped up in the world by making its first movie. Homer, Marge, Bart, Lisa, Maggie and company translated well, with The Simpsons Movie raking in more than $180 million at the box office to become one of the comedy hits of the year.

G. Time to dance
Disney continued building on its wildly successful High School Musical franchise. The sequel to the first movie, High School Musical 2, drew in 17.2 million viewers on its opening night airing on the Disney Channel, the most ever for a cable TV program.

H. A shocking end
Fans were stunned when actor Heath Ledger was found dead in his New York City apartment. The star of hit movies such as A Knight’s Tale and The Patriot, and Oscar-nominated for his role in Brokeback Mountain, Ledger was only 28 years old at the time of his death. An accidental overdose of prescription medication was found to be the cause.

Jordin Sparks won season six of American Idol, becoming the youngest winner at age 17.

This year’s notable celebrity deaths included daredevil Evel Knievel, opera singer Luciano Pavarotti and author Norman Mailer.

Ratings indicated that popular new TV shows included Samantha Who? and Chuck.

TOP FIVE MOVIES IN 2007

These movies made the most money in this order:

- Spider-Man 3
- Shrek the Third
- Transformers
- Pirates of the Caribbean: At World’s End
- Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix

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I. A fitting conclusion
The saga of boy wizard Harry Potter came to an end with the final book in the series, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*, being released by author J.K. Rowling to much fanfare and more than 11 million copies sold in the first 24 hours. As the books wrapped up, the movies continued. *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*, the fifth film, became a huge hit at the box office.

J. The end?
Critically acclaimed HBO mobster series *The Sopranos* aired its long-awaited final episode. The last scene of the show became a famous pop-culture moment when things ended abruptly mid-scene while Tony and the family were out to dinner. Millions of viewers were left wondering what happened.

K. Funny man of the year
Comedian Seth Rogen probably couldn’t have had a much better year, scoring two huge hits and becoming a star in the process. Rogen had starring roles, helped write and helped produce *Superbad* and *Knocked Up*, two of the highest grossing comedies of the year.

L. Star in the making
Young actor Shia LaBeouf showed he might have a chance to be one of the next big stars after a year in which he starred in one of the year’s blockbuster action hits, *Transformers*, and then landed the starring role in the next long-awaited sequel being made in the Indiana Jones series of movies.

M. An Emmy surprise
*30 Rock* was the surprise winner of Outstanding Comedy Series at the annual Emmy Awards. The critically adored sitcom about a sitcom was a first-time winner, as opposed to HBO’s *The Sopranos*, which won Outstanding Drama Series in its final season. A new nominating process for this year’s Emmys led to 33 first-time nominees and what was widely considered to be a fresh perspective on the show.

Carrie Underwood won Female Vocalist of the Year and Single of the Year at the CMA Awards.
Will Ferrell continued his string of hit movies with *Blades of Glory* and *Semi-Pro*.
Computer animation and live action mixture movie *300* was a sleeper hit.
N. Rise to fame
British singer Amy Winehouse became a celebrity in America when her second album, “Back to Black,” was one of the best selling records of the year and won her five Grammy awards. Unfortunately, her wild personal life and legal troubles also made her fodder for tabloid headlines.

O. Quite a show
The 2007 MTV Music Video Awards were held in Las Vegas for the first time, and turned into a wild night. There were several stages with multiple performances going at once. Justin Timberlake ended up being the night’s big winner, taking home four awards, including Male Artist of the Year.

P. Rough comeback
It was a tough year for pop queen Britney Spears. She entered rehab for substance abuse, and then lost a custody battle for her children with ex-husband Kevin Federline. Her first new album in two years, “Blackout,” had mixed success. She then ended the year with a listless live performance at the MTV Awards that was widely panned by fans and critics.

LET IM DO THE TALKING

- Nearly half of all teens use instant messaging. Of those, 43% use instant messaging to say things they would not say in person.
- 22% Use it to ask people out or accept a date.
- 13% Use it to break up.

Associated Press/AOL poll
A. Pants on fire
While 71% of teens said they are prepared to make ethical decisions when they enter the work force, 38% of those teens say sometimes it is OK to cheat, lie or act violently to succeed, according to a Junior Achievement/Deloitte Teen Ethics Survey. Of the teens who think plagiarism is acceptable on some level, 37% said a desire to succeed justifies their actions.

B. Lookin' good
Tent dresses appeared on the scene, first as light, summery items, then long-sleeved for the winter, to be paired with ankle boots and bright tights. For the guys who liked stylin' head gear, fedoras and wool caps were available.

C. Guess who's in the kitchen
Toy kitchens were becoming more prevalent for boys. Television shows on the Food Network such as Iron Chef, Boy Meets Grill with Bobby Flay and Emeril Live with Emeril Lagasse, have made playtime in the kitchen - real or toy - more acceptable to American males.

D. Stopping saggy pants
Some cities are trying to stop the men's fashion of wearing baggy pants below the hips. Fines were being proposed for those in Atlanta and Trenton, N.J., caught with their pants down. In Delcambre, the ordinance banning the exposure of underwear carries a fine up to $500 or six months in jail.

E. Vampires strike
Americans are unknowingly using more electricity. Cell phone charging, computers in stand-by mode, electric toothbrushes, clocks on microwaves and DVD players, and rechargeable flashlights all suck up electricity when not actually being used by a person. Estimates show 5% of electricity use in the U.S. is from standalone power, or vampire electronics, and that could reach 20% by 2012.

HITTING THE BOOKS

- 60% of preschool children ages 3-5 were read to daily by a family member in 2005, up 53% from 1996
- Book sales for U.S. teens increased 20% between 1999 and 2005.
- 25% of U.S. adults did not read a book in 2006

More teens are graduating from high school - 88% in 2005, compared with 84% in 1980.