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We are thrown into high school as freshmen, alone and vulnerable. Next thing we know, we are walking across the stage with our class, united as one.

It all begins on Friday nights standing and screaming for the boys in blue. When all of us are gathered in the gym, we cannot be contained. Our voices and our claps unite into one roaring cheer. We are the Crazies.

As the years go on, the classes get harder and harder. We spend hours in lectures and at study sessions. We learn to work together in order to succeed. We are dedicated.

We devote day after day to rehearsing and perfecting our lines for the school musical. We march and play our instruments at the games and compete in challenging competitions. We dance at every halftime to fire up the crowd. We are talented.

Each season we invest countless hours on the court, in the gym, and on the field. We give all we have got in each game, match, or meet. We are competitive.

We see each other every day in the hallways. We sit next to one another in class. We create memories that will outlast the trials of high school. We are Indians.
We are Central
It's the time of year when everything falls into place. The school year takes its course and we fall into our daily routines. We miss the warm summer days, but soon realize we've missed the halls of Central and the faces of our fellow Indians. The first couple of weeks pass and then all of a sudden, fall activities are in full swing. Friday mornings are erupting with school spirit as we follow the Blue and White Regiment to class. The nights are full of competition and celebration as we cheer our hearts out and perfect the roller coaster at halftime. Pep assemblies and the Penny Drive occupy our fourth hours so we can show our pride and practice our battlecry. Next thing we know, the King and Queen are crowned and we are clapping our hands to the beat of the music at Festivus and dressing up like ridiculous characters for homecoming week. Soon, flyers decorate the hall advertising the theater's fall production. Tests are plenty and grades become a struggle as the first quarter nears its end. The beginning of the year reaches a close and we start to look towards the future. It's never our last fall as an Indian, once an Indian always an Indian. We are Central. We are

Fall
Right: Central's new banners hang proudly on the school. The banners were revealed at the football game celebrating our anniversary.

Below: Central's three locations, right 10th and edmond, left 13th and olive, and below our current location on Noyes.

Above: Cheerleader's hold a banner at the football game painted for the anniversary. The football game ended with a firework display that night.

Right: Athletic Director David Lau gives a speech before the game about the celebration of our school.
150th Anniversary
Central Celebrates its Long History

Story by:
Sara Marquardt

This fall Central was presented with a pleasant surprise: our 150th anniversary. A celebration complete with speeches, new banners, and fireworks was quickly organized, but how did an anniversary this large almost sneak past us?

It was discovered by Mrs. Larson and Mrs. Godfrey that we were nearing the 150 years mark, but nobody knew the actual year the school opened. "In research there are three different dates," Mrs. Larson explained.

The first date was when the school opened in 1861 for only three months before it was shut down because of the Civil War. Due to the fact that there was not a graduating class, this was ruled out as the opening date.

The second date is 1864; the date we recognized. This year was the year the school reopened. Since the reopening, there has been 150 years of continuous public education.

The third date, 1866, marks the year the school was recognized by the school board. This date was not the one we recognized because the school had been running for two years.

When it was announced that 1864 marked our school’s opening everyone was immediately excited. "Sometimes I think they (the town) can’t believe we’re that old." Mrs. Larson said. The anniversary brought Central a new sense of pride and school spirit.

Central administrators stand together for a celebration of the official 150th year for the school.
New at the Blue
New Things at Central

Story by: Haley Hoffman

New ChromeBooks, new FLEX, new schedule, oh my! Central was bursting with new things this year: from schedules to technology, this school has seen it all.

Then there was the matter of the FLEX changes. Perhaps the most notable among these being the extended time period. "You have time to actually do stuff," Ball said. This statement was validated further by the institution of "Homework Tuesdays and Thursdays". Ramsey Younger said it was a "helpful time to do homework."

Last but not least, there's the schedule change. Minutes were added to classes and the overall school day, and scheduled early-outs were eradicated, freeing more days for holiday and summer vacations. Ball said he liked this change because he could sleep in more. Junior Maddie Hughes concurred.

Everything changes, Central is no exception. Is it for the best? That's for you to decide.
Left: Seniors Carrigan Gossett and Erin Fleckal walk back to class after receiving their ChromeBooks.

Below: Librarian Ms. Kretzer shows student Miranda Kirschner how to work her new computer. Many teachers and librarians were in the library to help students with any problems.

Left to Right: Students came in groups at a time to set up their ChromeBooks. Many teachers were on-site to help them with the set up; Mrs. Larson instructs students on how to set up their new devices.
Pennies for Charity

Competing for a Cause

Story by:

Christina Bahr

The energy in the room was electrifying. Filled with music, cheering, and competition. One of the most anticipated events of the year has arrived at Central High School: The Penny Drive Games.

The Penny Drive Games involve a series of obstacles that test each class's endurance, creativity, and spirit. The teams competed in a wide-variety of games ranging from the three-legged race to a dance off. The seniors dominated the games, with the sophomores following close behind them. Freshman came in third, staff in fourth, and coming in last were the juniors.

Even though we view the Penny Drive games as a fun event, we tend to forget that we are doing it for a good cause. We raise money to donate to the United Way, which then sends out money to other organizations like Second Harvest Food Bank.

“I am glad that we support the United Way with this money, because it helps so many more organizations throughout St. Joe,” Rebecca Calloway said. “It feels good knowing the money is going to help the people in St. Joe, the people in our community.”

Throughout the week before the games NHS members go around to each flex and collect money for the United Way. The seniors again dominated in this area by raising $222.08. Central raised over $3,000 all together to help out this cause.

The Penny Drive gives hope for many people throughout the community. With just a simple act of putting a coin or dollar in a jar, we can impact a person’s life for the better.

Above: Freshman Chris Atkinson puts on a cone hat. The players all had to dress themselves up and hop back to the starting line in a paper sack.

Right: Junior Adair Bright waits for the games to begin after being blindfolded. During this event, the players had to run to the center of the gym and try to find their shoes using only their sense of touch.

Below: The senior class cheers their team on. The Penny Drive Games are always held at the end of the school day, so the students have lots of energy to spare.
Left: Junior, Bailey Bosch, cheers on her class during the assembly. While the juniors came in fourth place for the games, the class raised $211.86 for the United Way.

Below: The senior team had participated in the blindfolded section of the game. The senior class took first place in the games as well as raising the most money.

Above: Nicole Davis and Michael McGregor participated in the blindfolded relays. The teachers came in last place at the games.

Left: The senior team were participating in the blindfolded relay. The seniors came in first place at the games and raising money for the United Way with a total of $222.08.
Left to Right: Sophomore, Haley Grier, sets up for Festivus. The sophomore student government sold a variety of drinks. Middle-Senior, Ben Hardy plays his saxophone for the Jazz Band. Ben has been on Jazz Band for four years. Right: Juniors, Ali Sigrist and Grace Larson were among those who performed at Festivus. Sigrist and Larson performed "Tlmuniam" by David Guetta.

Seniors, Gene Hayes and Joseph Kellogg, along with the rest of their band, were among those who performed at Festivus. The band performed multiple songs such as, "Holding on to You," by Twenty-One Pilots.

Left to Right: Freshman, London Loveless scoops out cheese for nachos. The freshman class sold nachos to raise money for their class. Jenna Oswald, a senior was among many of those whom performed at Festivus. Jenna sang multiple songs including "Drops of Jupiter" by Train.
Left: Juniors, Tayla Caldwell and Sarah Wittmeyer were one of those whom performed at Festivus. The trio had sung multiple songs, including, "Car Radio," by Twenty-One Pilots.

Right: Junior, Lauryn Calderone and other students set up for Festivus. Lauryn and the other students are from the club called the Diversity Student Union.

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**Festivus**

**Story by:**
Amanda Woodward

**Music, Games, Food, Oh My!**

Each year Central puts on Festivus. Clubs set up tables all around the front lawn and sell food, shirts, and other random goodies. That is just half the fun; the main attraction is the performances that are put on by students.

It takes a ton of courage to get up in front of a crowd to perform; it takes even more to perform in front of 1,500 of your peers. That is exactly what students did at Festivus. From a small jazz ensemble to a group of seniors, everyone who performed had a lot of courage to get up and perform.

The small jazz ensemble performed first. The ensemble played "Chameleon" and "Cantaloupe Island", both of which have fast, upbeat tempos to get everyone pumped up for the other performances. Freshman Jared Gutzmer performed with the jazz ensemble on alto saxophone.

"I was excited to perform with other students from the school who have the same passion for music as I do," said Gutzmer. Shortly after a performance by senior Jenna Oswald, juniors Sarah Wittmeyer, Tayla Caldwell, and senior Alyssa Caldwell performed together. The group performed "Hey Ya!", "Sail", and a mashup of "Car Radio" and "Colorblind".

"I heard the Caldwells were thinking about performing and I asked to join. I've always wanted to perform at Festivus because I knew I had the ability and the guts," said Wittmeyer.

At the very end, Joseph Kellogg, Sebastian Townsend, Gene Hayes, Wesley Slawson, and Silas Marks performed together. They played "Holding On To You" and "Are You Gonna Be My Girl".

Each student's performance was unique and kept the crowd excited. Students have a lot to look forward to from these performers and others in the upcoming years.

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Sophomore, Anh Nguyen works at Festivus for the Central Outlook. The Outlook sold rootbeer floats to raise money for publications class.

Left to Right:
Senior, Jacob Sprague, plays the keyboard for the Jazz Band. Jacob has been on Jazz Band for four years.
Bulldoze the Blue Jays
Central Keeps the Tradition Alive

Story by: Evan Brown and Jackson Riddle

Homecoming: a time and environment that brings amusement to the Indians of Central High. Though it may be a bit hectic at times, there’s always a widespread feeling of excitement and spirit that brings smiles to all of the faces at Central.

Coronation is a tradition when it comes to Homecoming Week. To be selected onto Homecoming Court is one of the biggest honors you can receive at Central. Of course you get to dress up and take pictures with your partner, but nothing compares to standing in front of the student body on the stage. Number 1 varsity tennis captain and Homecoming Queen Holly Johnston adds her thoughts on being selected as Queen, “I was extremely surprised, there were six other amazing girls up on stage with me, any one of them could’ve won it, however I feel very honored that my school would pick me, it means so much!”

Playing varsity football for Central at this week’s game is an experience in itself. The crowd is buzzing with excitement, waiting for the next big play, yelling chants of “Whose house? Our house!” rattling the bleachers and the Indian Tomahawk Chop. It’s almost impossible for the fans and the football team to not get pumped up.

Varsity football player and Homecoming King Tim Tremain adds his thought on playing in his final Homecoming Game. “Playing in my last football homecoming definitely leaves a bittersweet feeling in my heart, just because of all of the time and effort that I’ve put into the game. I don’t like that it will be my last homecoming, but I love the emotions that come with it.”

Coach Kevin Kelly has seen many homecomings in his 13 year career here at Central. He says, “I loved the atmosphere and enthusiasm that the students bring to Homecoming Week, they did a great job of dressing up.” When asked about his favorite part of homecoming, he responded, “That we won! Izzy had a great game, the play calling couldn’t have been any better, and Liberty really couldn’t stop the run game.”
From left to right, seniors Scott Keegan, Court Van Cleave, Joe Trout, and Joe Tieman dress up as Bluejays for the homecoming skit. Bottom: Some of the football players and the poms team pose for a picture before performing at the pep assembly.

Sophomores Payton Moore and Gracie Moore, and Juniors Allegra Hayward and Maddi Worley dress up for Dynamic Duo Day.

Lily Rzepekowski and Adair Bright being Dora and Boots.

Sophomores showing their school spirit on their float.

The drumline rumbles the gym during the pep assembly.

Many students, such as Anya Hopkins, Hannah Johnston, Kali Fujinami and Gene Hayes participated in the homecoming day "Dynamic Duo"
Right: Previous Harvest Homecoming King, Hunter Ezzell places the crowns on King Timothy Tremain and Queen Holly Johnston.

Below: The ladies of the court.

Above: The King and Queen and their court.

Right: King Tim and Little Prince Leyten play around with the Knights after Coronation.
Story by: Haley Hoffman

Presenting your Harvest Homecoming King and Queen... Tim Tremain and Holly Johnston! Winning, although satisfying to both parties, meant something different to each of them. Homecoming Queen Holly Johnston said, “I think the most satisfying part about being queen was knowing that I was voted into it by the school. It’s nice to know that people wanted to vote for me.”

Tim Tremain said he was proud to be a part of the long-lasting tradition of football players representing their school as King.

“I couldn’t stop shaking,” said Tremain. On September 26, Johnston and Tremain stood on the auditorium stage awaiting the vote’s results.

“I knew whoever won would deserve it because the court was full of awesome people,” said Johnston. Holly’s statement proved to be indicative of both royalty’s opinions of the other candidates. Tremain said Holly’s pretty awesome; she deserved it. Johnston didn’t fail to return the compliment: “Tim is a great guy! I was very happy for him when he won.”

As can be assumed, both the King and Queen enjoyed coronation. However, their favorite part of homecoming was the game. “The student section was so into it, and we won, which is always nice,” said Johnston. Tremain agreed.

“Central is pretty amazing. It’s been pretty great to me these past four years.” - Tremain

“Thank you for a great homecoming Central! It’s one of the best we’ve had. I hope everyone enjoyed the special week.” - Johnston
Bulldoze the Bluejays

A Dramatic Victory

Story by:
Jackson Riddle

Through the first five games of the Central Indians football season there was a determined and ongoing grind to find a victory. But on a traditional week where hundreds of Central Crazies dress up in spirit and attend the respective crowning of Harvest Homecoming King and Queen, the football squad was ready for business.

"Before the game started I knew we could pull it off," Senior running back Armando Trevino said. "We had faith and played for the person next to us."

It was a night meant for Indian football as the temperature settled in at 75 degrees. Homecoming court was formally recognized before the opening kickoff which included senior offensive lineman King Tim Tremain, and senior tennis captain Queen Holly Johnston.

"I feel honored and blessed," Tremain admired. "It was an amazing feeling knowing I was the first one in my family to be apart of something as big as that."

The Bluejays won the coin toss and chose to receive the ball, hopeful that they could post a quick score for early momentum.

"The team was feeling some type of way that night," junior wide receiver Gage Stagner said. "It was a special night on many different levels. We had to win."

Less than a minute into the game it was certain that a win wasn’t going to come easy for the Indians, as their conference opponent took a shocking 7-0 lead after returning the opening kickoff for a touchdown.

"It was tough to see that happen right out of the gate, but it wasn’t going to kill our vibe," linebacker Jake Hill stated.

Things picked up for the Indians in the second quarter when quarterback Jacob Hess hit the threatening running back Israel Smith for a 68 yard touchdown. Smith put on a season highlighted performance as he acquired 38 attempts resulting in 263 yards and 4 touchdowns.

"What kept me going was my teammates. Their support and determination to win is what kept my energy flowing," Smith said.

A true team’s perseverance comes out in the 4th quarter which is just what the Indians displayed that night.

With 6 minutes to go in regulation, Coach Wallace’s team held a tense 3 point lead over the Jays until a sudden change in momentum silenced the home crowd.

The Indians were set up within their own 15-yard line to punt the ball away, but the most crucial snap of the game went soaring over sophomore punter Austin Jackson’s head, coming to a pause in the endzone.

Liberty desperately jumped on top of the ball rewarding them in a safety, cutting Centrals lead to 1.

Right when everyone thought it couldn’t get any worse, it did. On the very next play, the Bluejay’s returner caught the proceeding punt and the
ball back for a 70-yard touchdown. In just 15 seconds the crowd went from a high volume to having doubt.

The Indians weren’t backing down, though, after stopping the attempted 2-point conversion by Liberty. Central, trailing by five, took the goal they were striving for and put together an amazing 4th quarter display.

The boys in blue took what time they had left on the scoreboard and marched down the field and into the redzone. With a few stops by Liberty, the Indians found themselves being forced to go for a 4th & 4 "do or die" play on the Bluejays’ 11-yard line.

“I knew the ball was coming to me. I was ready,” Smith said, and that’s exactly what happened.

The ball was handed to Smith, and his 8-yard rush drew a loud roar from the crowd that could have been heard from all over town. Smith proceeded to get the ball and pushed his way through the goal line putting Central up 40-39.

Senior Scott Keegar lined up for the 2-point conversion and made a diving catch to increase the winning odds even more. 43 to 40, the Indians kicked the ball off. On the Bluejay’s first play of their last possession, Hill intercepted the ball to clinch the victory in a memorial night.

Left- Varsity Football runs on to the field to "Bulldoze the Blue Jays" for the Homecoming game. Top left- The football team walks down the stadium stairs to field. Top right- The girl's court in lined up for the national anthem. Middle left- The crowd ran out onto the field after Central won the game. Middle right- The football boys talk strategy before the game. The team won the game.
Both Webster Dyer and Andrew Kirby have been in theater productions since their freshman year.

Webster Dyre, on the left as Barry, is hugging Andrew Kirby, on right as Mr. Henderson, in acceptance to an apology.

Kendra Simpson, as Julie, is showing off her dance captain skills, while trying to teach the rest of the female cast her moves on stage.

A not impressed Jackson Connors, who plays the role of Guy, shows his disinterest in having a leading role during this year's fall play.
Webster Dyer played to role of Barry in this years fall production "The Rehearsal".

Seventeen cast members, six crew members, ten scenes, one act, and countless laughs. This fall, Central's drama team worked hard to put on "The Rehearsal": a comedy that had the audience in stitches from start to finish. The play took you to the rehearsals of a production of "Guys and Dolls" in which the cast, director, and stage manager worked through unexpected bumps in the road and shared many dysfunctional moments. Senior director Madi Lucas said, "I thought 'The Rehearsal' reflected our process". Lucas's favorite part was finally seeing the play come together during the final dress rehearsal. "It's so rewarding," she said.

There was concern about the actors learning their lines, but as junior Kendra Simpson said, "It was an amazing show, we really pulled it together!" The play was a big hit with the audience, and everyone involved. Simpson said "it was a lot of fun" and Lucas said "it was a good experience, I loved the cast!" It's safe to say that "The Rehearsal" was another success from our drama team.

Josh Crotty, as Jim, is dancing with his dream girl Josie Redmon, as Jessie.

The cast and crew of this years fall play "The Rehearsal" directed by senior Madi Lucas.

Junior Kendra Simpson on the left and Junior Ally Fields on the right.
Preparing for the Future
My Success Event

Story by: Haley Hoffman

The My Success Event is a time to explore and discover career paths and college options. Sophomores from Central High School attended this event. "I discovered that there were hundreds of options and opportunities for my future career," sophomore Mary Weipert said. My Success was held at Wyatt Park Baptist Church.

Colored signs indicated the career grouping of the room. "I definitely saw some cool careers that were in the area," sophomore Isabel Scamura said. There were booths set up for colleges and career paths with information. The booths ranged from KQ2 newscasting, to Boehringer, to the University of Mizzou.

Students were given a ticket for each booth they visited. These tickets were later entered in the raffle. In this raffle were prizes such as gift cards and a laptop. "I enjoyed the prize raffle because it got students more involved with learning about all of the choices they had," Weipert said.

My Success was an eye-opener for many sophomores this year. "I think the My Success event was a pretty good use of my time because it gave good information on what to expect in these next years of my life," Scamura said.

Right: Sophomores Hannah Johnson and Kathryn Gardner listen to photographer Jack McBee discuss his career path. Below: Sophomore Molly Michalski listens to a speaker talk about her education. Students learned about their many life choices.
Left: Sophomore Kyle Kammerer discusses career options while at the event. Many local businesses and universities provided students with information.

Left: Sophomores Kadie Willis, Megan Corcoran, and Lindsay Sherlock review an information packet from the event.

Above: A group of sophomore girls discuss career options with an FDA employee. Anna Richardson asks a question about education options.

Left: Sophomores Jonathan Cronk, Zander Negozio, and Sarah Blachar take notes from the event.

Above: Central Faculty soaks in the cold water after the ALS Challenge. Below: Right to Left: Marco Machado and Gene Hayes walk off after the ALS Challenge.

Right to left: Joseph Kellog, Marco Machado, Traejun Johnson, and Gene Hayes got water dumped on them for the ALS Challenge by Jackson Riddle, Kaylee DuVall, Joseph Tieman, and Tabi Tolen.
Student Body Officers collaborate after the ALS challenge. Below: Right to left: Joseph Kellogg, Marco Machado, Traejun Johnson, and Gene Hayes got water dumped on them for the ALS Challenge by Jackson Riddle, Kaylee DuVall, Joseph Tieman, and Tabi Tolen.

ALSL Challenge Splashes through Central

Indians Participate in Challenge

Story by:
Jackson Riddle

A very well respected and popular trend worldwide was put to work through Central this year. An adrenaline task was in the mixture to support and raise awareness of a deadly disease, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, or better known as ALS. Many people are oblivious to the severeness of this disease.

ALS disease is a progressing neurodegenerative disease that interferes with an individuals nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord. Motor neurons (neurons that control muscle movement) are passed from the brain to the spinal cord, and from the spinal cord to ones muscles but once those neurons begin to diminish, muscle movement is lost. This results in either being paralyzed or death.

A challenge that went viral in seconds was taken upon by the Central faculty members after being challenged by the Benton administration. Principal Dr. Stephens, vice principals Mr. Hook, Dr. Sigrist, and Mrs. Godfrey were the four staff members who accepted the frigid challenge.

Besides the immense benefits donated and sacrificed for this disease, the ones challenged get to challenge which is the amusing part. The faculty members challenge the student body officers (President Joseph Kellogg, vice president Marco Machado, treasurer Gene Hayes, and secretary Traejun Johnson).

Any disease is horrifying, but what an outstanding way to raise money to fight Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis. Nationally, people have raised over $100 million to fight this crises, and Central is proud to be apart of the donation.
Story by: Kristen Tieman

The chilling evening of November 3rd hosted the annual Girl’s Powderpuff Game. With the beginning matchups of Seniors vs. Sophomores, and Freshman vs. Juniors, the talent of each team was quickly revealed. Players scored touchdown after touchdown, and made play after play. Some of the girls’ catches would even make Coach Wallace break out the recruitment clipboard. At the end of the night, even though the winner was the long-standing Senior team, all teams gained the ultimate victory—a lifetime of friendships.

The night started off with a bang on the north side of the field as Junior Hannah Steeby demolished the Freshman team with her catching abilities. On the other end of the field, the Sophomores held their ground against the mighty Seniors. By the end of the semi-final games, the Juniors and Senior teams ran victorious, sending them to the championship.

Preceding the long-awaited championship game came the consolation finals. The Freshman and Sophomore squads battled hard, with the Sophomores barely holding on for the win. Finally, the Championship game was upon us.

The Juniors start off powerful with a touchdown, but the Senior team quickly returns the favor with a touchdown of their own. The score remained tied at 1-1 throughout the duration of play, but the Seniors manage to gain one more touchdown in the final quarter, making them the champions of the night.

Junior Makayla Hodge talked about her experience in the games, “It was a wonderful experience. It felt empowering to play like we were big dogs, like we could do anything we put our minds to. I had a great time playing and I look forward to kicking butt next year.”

The student-coaches were rather pleased with the results as well. “We had a great team this year. The girls worked really hard during practice and come game day they put it together. I’ve coached two years and both years were awesome. I couldn’t have asked for a better group of girls,” boasts senior coach Traejun Johnson.

At the end of the tournament the standings fell in numerical order of the classes. The Seniors carried on the tradition of being victorious in the annual tournament. Although there were many chilly hands and cold noses by the end of the night, all participants agreed that the PowderPuff games were a success.

Top- Senior team; 1st place.
Upper Middle- Junior team; 2nd place.
Lower Middle- Sophomore team; 3rd place.
Bottom- Freshman team; 4th place.
Far above- Sophomore Hannah Johnston runs with the ball from Seniors, left to right, Marissa Miller, Lydia Sarver, and Lia Wickham.

Far below- Freshman and Sophomore team fights for the ball.

Left- Junior Hannah Steeby scores a touchdown.

Above- Senior team in their half time huddle.

Left- Megan Kneib catches the pass in the end zone to score a touchdown right before halftime.
Say Yes to the Dress

The Senior Boys Show Off What They've Got

Story By Christy Bahr

Hairspray, high heels, and dresses come to mind when thinking about teenage girls, but boys? Well, Mr. CHS is a night where two worlds collide. A dozen or so boys from different clubs strut their stuff in front of the entire student body. These boys are ready and determined to win the crown.

Every year anticipation builds for the annual Mr. CHS. This is a beauty pageant put on in the fall by the students from Show Choir. The senior boys participate in four categories: school spirit, swim wear, lip-sync, and evening wear. During the evening wear portion, the contestants also had to answer a question from the judges. Each of the contestants got their chance to impress the judges and audience. Some of the contestants had some struggles, but that didn’t get in the way of them shining on stage and their determination to win. All the contestants put a lot of work into perfecting their performances. “I had to borrow many dresses from my friends and the hardest was picking the perfect song and choreographing the perfect dance,” senior contestant Webster Dyer said. “I was trying to be as ridiculous as possible.”

The lip-syncing was the crowd’s favorite portion of the competition. The songs ranged from Christina Aguilera’s “Genie in a Bottle” to the new hit “All About that Bass” by Meghan Trainor. With the lip-syncing portion, the contestants were allowed to have fellow students help them perform on stage. “My favorite part was doing the lip-syncing skit with my buds Alex Bergland, Nokomis Miller, and Ben West,” senior contestant Gene Hayes said. “It was so hilarious and they were so ridiculous.”

Throughout the night the contestants were also competing in a “sexiest legs” contest. The students got to pick which leg appealed to them the most. The winner of the “sexiest legs” was Mr. Choir, Webster Dyer. After Dyer received his award, the host began to announce the winners of the pageant. Third runner up went to Mr. Band Gene Hayes. Second runner up went to Mr. Freshman Mentor Lancer Barnes. First runner up went to Mr. Student Body Officer Joseph Kellogg. And Mr. Choir Webster Dyer was crowned the winner with title of Mr. CHS.

The contestants can hang up their dresses and sashes now that the competition is over, but the excitement and memories will never be forgotten. “Winning and doing this competition was a great experience, but what I have realized is being a girl is hard work,” Dyer said. The senior class got to show off, the teachers got to laugh at the students they’ve seen grow up, and the students body enjoyed a night of unforgettable experiences.

Right: These four contestants were announced as the top four of the night. From left to right: Mr. Band Gene Hayes, third runner up; Mr. Freshman Mentor Lancer Barnes, second runner up; Mr. Choir Webster Dyer; Mr. CHS and Sexiest Legs; and Mr. SBO Joseph Kellogg, First Runner Up.
Senior Gene Hayes, poses in his Mermaid-man themed bathing suit. Senior Cole Roberts and Evan Cruz dancing to "Ice Ice Baby." Senior Joseph Kellogg poses in his wet suit with a snowboard.

Josh Crotty performs to Megan Trainor’s “All About That Bass” with sophomores Aaron King and Jackson Connors.

Senior Court Van Cleave struts his stuff in a yellow bikini.

Senior Lancer Barnes answers his question for the evening wear portion. Senior Joe Trout sung “A Thousand Miles” for lip-sync portion of the pageant.

Senior, Tim Tremain showed off in his multi-colored bikini. Jacob Sprague, sung “Dancing Queen” for the lip-sync portion.

Webster Dyer sports a “scuba-like” outfit for the swim-wear portion.

Top Left: Webster Dyer dances and sings to Nicki Minaj’s “Anaconda” while entertaining the whole crowd.

Middle Left: Court Van Cleave along with his backup dancers Evan Brown, Joe Tieman, and Garrett Ensign dance with ponies to the song "Pony" by Ginowine.

Left: The former Mr.CHs Cole Warden crowns this year’s winner Webster Dyer.

Far Left: Lancer Barnes dances to Genie in a Bottle along with his back up dancers Brendan Ryan, Jaylen Words, and John Kosse. Middle: Joseph Kellogg struts around to “Santa Baby” with Jacob Cebulko posing as Santa.

Top Right: Webster Dyer in his crown.

Bottom Right: Show choir performs during the middle of the show.
Right: Junior receiver Gage Stagner lines up to run his route. Below: Indians offensive line about to snap the ball against Ray-Pec.

Above: Junior Jake Hill making a tackle on a Liberty Bluejay’s player. Right: Sophomore Israel Smith breaks a tackle against a player from the Liberty Bluejays.
Loving the game and not the outcome takes passion, commitment, and a whole lot of responsibility. Although the Indian’s football team went 3-6 during their regular season, a built bond and brotherhood kept their spirit sparked while going into every Friday night game.

“We’re a family and I can’t think of a single guy on the team that wouldn’t want to be a part of it,” senior Tim Tremain said.

Through the first part of the season with a couple of very close games the Indians were 0-5, which lead them into week 6. To kick the second half of the season off, Central had home field advantage against the Liberty Bluejays on homecoming night.

“Homecoming was a must win game for us. Not just for the team, but for our school,” senior Brinden Ewing said.

It was a night to remember as the Indians displayed a rollercoaster performance that resulted in a desperate 42-39 victory. To top it off, the Central Crazies stormed the field with spirit and satisfaction.

“It was a little late in the season, but we did it,” Tremain said. “I have never been so proud of a team. That game took a lot of hope and zero doubt.”

After the big win on homecoming night, the Indians picked up some momentum and took another win at Rusk, but fell to another loss during week 8 against the dominant Park Hill Trojans after leading by a point at halftime.

“We knew Park Hill was going to be tough,” junior Jake Hill said. “I was proud at how well we stuck with them.”

Going into the last game of the regular season, the Indians sat with a record of 2-6. It was senior night for fifteen of the players as they took home field advantage against the Park Hill South Panthers.

“The emotions were strong prior to the game,” senior Scott Keegan said. “Us seniors wanted this game more than anything.”

Just like the homecoming game, Central put together an outstanding 4th quarter drive to come out on top, giving the last year seniors what they wanted.

The Indian’s schedule came to an end after losing to Liberty North in the first round of districts. Although the season didn’t go as planned, a group of players and coaches with the same passion remain as one big family.
Always Causing a Racquet
Serving Up a Successful Season

Story by: Jackson Riddle

It’s safe to say the girls’ tennis team was a success this fall as they demandingly recorded seven wins as a team, and only four losses. Having six seniors on the team, there was a lot of leadership and expectations which were lived up to.

We all know how winning makes us feel, but that’s not the only thing this team enjoyed about one another. Although tennis is an independent sport, the girls got to travel with one another to matches and tournaments every week where they found time to build as a team. “I like how much our team gets along and has fun together,” junior Josey Nelson said.

“Our coaches’ attitudes were always so positive, along with all the girls. Without the positivity it wouldn’t have been near as fun.”

Team captain, senior Holly Johnston, dominated the courts in and out as she made her way through districts taking 1st place to advance to sectionals.

Not far behind was her sister, sophomore Hannah Johnston, who soon hopes to fill her older sister’s shoes. Hannah took 4th place at districts, and the two sisters were the only ones to place at districts.

Next for the final remaining Indian was sectionals, where Holly once again ruled all. She represented her school with talent by taking 1st place and advancing to state in Springfield.

Sports aren’t so easy when you are playing some of the biggest schools in the area, but to Holly that was no excuse to not succeed.

“I trained all summer for 4 hours a day,” Johnston said. “I had to make sure I prioritized my time right and set a lot of time aside to play tennis because I knew getting to state would be a challenge.”

Nothing comes easy, but with some practice you might find yourself ranked in the top ten of the state like Holly.

Although the ladies tennis team is losing up to six competitors, there is still plenty of talent on the team to keep the victorious momentum going forward.
Top Left: Junior Torey Clinton tosses up a serve in her match against Ruskin. This was her first season of varsity.
Top Right: Freshman Hailey Hopkins begins the point with a powerful serve. Hopkins started off her high school tennis career strong on the varsity team.

Bottom Left: Doubles partners Josey Nelson and Emily Hill discuss strategy in between points. Both girls played varsity as underclassmen.
Bottom Right: Sisters-and doubles partners- Holly and Hannah Johnson, warm up before a match. Both girls have been successful on the varsity squad.
Challenging Ourselves

Another Successful Season

Story by: Evan Brown

It's been an intense season for our boys' swim team. Senior Jacob Kammerer led the charge for our boys this year. The team had some strange happenings this year; one was a bit more out of the ordinary than the others. On Senior Night, the opposing swim team was forced to forfeit due to academic reasons, so our boys had to scrimmage each other. A night where it's supposed to be all about the seniors turned into a night without an opponent to race against. "I was definitely bummed out when I heard we were going to have to scrimmage, because I was looking forward to the full experience of Senior Night. It was still a really special night for all of us, like I said, it sort of just bummed us out," replied senior Jacob Kammerer on his thoughts on the scrimmage.

With wins against teams like Truman, William Chrisman, and Van Horn, it really gave the team some confidence going into conference meets. All in all, a great season for our boys, and we all are excited for what future seasons have to bring with many promising underclassmen looking to become the leaders of seasons to come. We wish the team and Coach Jenkins the best of luck.

Above: Junior Alex Bergland competes in the freestyle stroke.
Bergland had a strong season
Far Right: Sophomore Gannon Eckhardt swims breaststroke.
Eckhardt competed his second season on varsity this year.
Right: Junior Noah Campbell-Milbourn participates in the butterfly. Campbell-Milbourn performs well in the home meet.
Left: Freshman Devon Shewell participates in the Backstroke. Shewell had a successful first season on the team.

Top to Bottom: Senior Davi Coelho competes in the most difficult stroke, the butterfly. Although this was Coelho’s first-and-only season as an Indian, he enjoys a successful swim career in his home country of Brazil; Freshman Daylan Hudson competes in the breast stroke. Hudson competed well in the home meet; Sophomore Gannon Eckhardt pushes through his backstroke during a meet this season.
Coming Together

Story by: Volleyball Players Bond as a Team
Sara Marquardt

This fall, Central’s volleyball players were proud to be a team. Although they did not have a winning season, they played better than they had in ten years. They won the Benton tournament, which was a major goal this year. “This year we finally did it,” said senior Megan Kneib.

The success this season was made possible by the players coming together as a team. “We didn’t play as individuals; we played as a team of friends,” said senior Mackenzie Sample. This sense of team spirit showed in the girls’ cheering and encouragement during games.

This new bond traveled off the court as well. “If I have a bad day, I know I can count on them to bring me up,” Kneib said.

“My teammates mean the world to me,” Sample said. The girls shared group texts and made many memories together.

Central’s volleyball team showed how important a bond with teammates can be. “We competed with other teams so much better than we did in the past,” Sample said. The girls’ goal was to work like they had something to prove, and that goal was met. “I wouldn’t have changed anything about this year,” Kneib said.
Left: The Central girls huddle and cheer after scoring a point from the other team. The team also ends the night with a win for the season.

Bottom: Alix Wilson serves the ball across the court.

Left: Senior Megan Kneib springs in the air to block the ball from coming on their side of the court. Kneib has been on the varsity team for four years.

Top: Senior Megan Kneib prepares herself to serve the ball. Kneib has been playing since she was a freshman.
Below: In the below picture junior Nokomis Miller finishes his last few feet in the race. Miller has been on the cross country team since freshman year.
Right: Freshman Emily Klundt keeps up her pace as she rounds the last corner of the course. Klundt has run at every meet since the beginning of the season.

Above: Junior Paityn Howat rounds the last corner on the course. Howat is a returning varsity runner this year. She received 4th place in the race.
Right: The team poses for a group photo after a long practice. The seniors sat proud in front while the freshman brought up the back.
Sprint to State
Central Sends Multiple Runners to State

Story by: Christina Bahr

Eat. Run. Sleep. Repeat. This is the schedule for every cross country runner at Central High School. Whether there is snow on the slick ground or a bright sun burning the runners skin you will see the boys and girls of the cross country team giving everything they have into each practice, meet, and tournament.

While running may be difficult and exhausting sometimes, the experience of winning a meet or beating your own personal best time makes it all worth it,” said junior Paityn Howat.

The girls were ranked well throughout the season, but were only able to send one girl to state this year. Junior Paityn Howat went to state and received 40th place in a group of more than 150 girls. With the girls finishing so strong the boys had to up their game to keep up with the competition.

Going to state was a blast, but not as much fun as it would be if the whole team had gone,“ stated sophomore Tucker Dahle.

The boys were able to send two of their runners to state including sophomore Tucker Dahle and junior Brock Mysofski. They both finished in the top 120 out of more than 200 runners.

This season the boys and girls of the cross country team were able to push through the competition and make a name for themselves at state.

Top Left: Sophomore Alec Pfeiferer takes a deep breath knowing he is done with his final race in cross country. Pfeiferer is planning on being on the tam for his junior and senior years at Central.
Top Center: On the last section of the course junior Courtney Hill races to keep up with the competition. Hill is on the JV team.
Top Right: Junior Kristen Hagen continues on her run around the baseball field. Hagen has been running cross country since freshman year.
Left: Sophomore Tucker Dahle sprints across the finish line at a time of 17:16 minutes. Dahle has been a varsity runner for Central since he was a freshman.
United We Play, United We Win

Girls Learned that Strength Comes in Numbers

Every fall, girls dedicate themselves to the golf team at Central High School. Throughout the years the team barely makes the quota when it comes to the number of players needed. This year the team was surprised to witness fifteen girls step on to the course ready to start the season.

"It was so nice seeing so many girls come out for the season this year," said returning varsity senior Mady Pfeiferer.

With many more players on the course, the girls had to figure out the best way to work with their new teammates. They were forced to improve their skills to compete within their team as well.

"While I love that so many girls came out for the team, I was worried about all of the competition they were bringing with them," said junior Mackenzie Shelter. "I have realized that with all of this competition it has pushed me to become an even better player."

This year the girls' golf team was able to pull off a first place win in a JV competition and stay in the top five in the rest of the tournaments. Alexa Franks made it to sectionals to fight it out. With all of the improvements this season, the girls golf team realized that strength does come in numbers.

Above: The Central golf team warms up their puts before the Moira Match.
Far Right: Freshman Caroline Hausman Junior Christy Bahr discuss strategy before tee-off. Both girls were on the varsity team this year.
Right: Senior Mady Pfeiferer and Sophomore Kelsey McCrary share a laugh before a hole. Both girls enjoyed a succesful season of golf.
Left: Junior Alexa Franks hits a drive to start off strong on the first hole. Franks has been on the varsity team since her freshman year.
Below: Sophomore Megan Sprague tees off at a Moila Varsity Match this fall. Sprague had a strong season with great improvements over her freshman year.

Above: Sophomore Ally Franks prepares to swing in a varsity tournament this fall. Franks has been on varsity since her freshman year.

Freshman Caroline Hausman tees off. Hausman has started her golf career off strong on the varsity team.

Senior Nichole Ruppe starts off the hole with a strong swing. Ruppe had a successful senior season.
A Winning Season

Story by: Evan Brown

Successful Season Surprises Few

Senior Captain Marco Machado never thought his team would be competing against teams like Park Hill and Blue Springs, let alone beating them. Machado has played a big role this season, being a force in the midfield and setting up scoring opportunities for the forwards. Our Indians got off to a hot start this season, going 11-3, but hit a rocky road to end the season, losing six straight. They eventually got their season back on track and finished 12-11.

"It feels awesome to be a part of the first winning season in ten years. It's truly a crazy feeling to go up against teams that we've struggled to keep up with in the past, and then beat them. I'm honored to say I was a part of turning around the program these past four years." When asked about the cause of the six game skid, Marco replied, "I think it was mostly contributed to us getting mad at each other. Things wouldn't really go as planned, so it forced us to be a bit more aggressive individually. We tried to do everything ourselves instead of playing as a unit, and obviously the six game skid was a consequence of that."

During Marco's varsity high school career, he has seen the team evolve into an over .500 team. Machado says, "It really hasn't hit me yet that this was my last season at Central and that my high school career is over. I think it'll really hit me when it's time for summer workouts and I won't have to go. It's going to be pretty bittersweet, but I feel reassured knowing I'm leaving the team in the hands of the underclassmen." Although this ten senior squad of Elijah Aparicio, Lancer Barnes, Jacob Cebulko, Ram Lin, Joseph Kellogg, Marco Machado, Brendan Ryan, Jonathan Stickler, Bawi Thawng, and Victor Tinoco will be absent from next seasons summer training, breakout stars such as Daniel Gunderson, Manny Aparicio, and the younger Machado brothers can really make one excited for the upcoming seasons at Central.

Right: Sophomore Daniel Gunderson dribbles the ball down the field. Gunderson is one of the many young stars on Varsity.

Left: Senior Captain Marco Machado throws in the soccer ball. Machado has been on the varsity team since his freshman year.
Left: Senior Joseph Kellogg, Sophomore Eddie Jackson, and Senior Jonathan Stickler post a wall to shield the goal. All three boys had a successful varsity season.

Middle: Freshman Arturo Barnes plays with his nephew Wyatt DeGarmo after the game. Barnes had a successful first season of soccer at Central.

Left: Senior Lancer Barnes dribbles up the field with the ball. Barnes has been on varsity for the past four years.

Top: Senior Joseph Kellogg hustles after the ball. Kellogg was a captain this season.

Left: Senior Ram Lin dribbles the ball down the field. Lin has played varsity for two years.
Breaking Records

Story By: Evan Brown

Our Lady Indians Softball team had their best season in their program’s history, finishing 14-13. Bailey Wilcoxson paved the way to their winning season by hitting 7 homeruns, a school record for most homeruns hit in a single season. The previous record holder, none other than her sister, Ashley Wilcoxson.

The Lady Indians softball team is only losing two seniors this coming season, Kaitlyn Collins and Bailey Wilcoxson, although Wilcoxson was the engine that pitched every game this season. Coach Dodge will have a tough time replacing such a dominant pitcher like Wilcoxson. It will be interesting to see who will step up and take the role of leader.

Junior, Halle Koeliker, has been a big part of the team since her freshman year. When asked if she sees her role as a leader expanding next year she replied, "I think all of us seniors will have a really big role as leaders, not just me. There's so many of us that it's hard to pick just one of us someone to be the leader. Everyone plays such a big part on the team. We couldn't have done what we did this year without all of the contributions we put in." When asked what she was going to miss most about this year’s seniors, Koeliker responded, "I’m really going to miss them, we all will. We’re all a big family and everyone had each other’s backs. They played a huge part on the team this year, so we’re really going to have to step up and work harder to have another season like this."

With a team of five seniors next season, it will be a season full of excitement. We will all be eager to see what the years to come have in store for us. Coach Dodge has done a wonderful job with the program in the years that she’s been coaching. Posting the best record in the programs history, I have no doubts that Coach Dodge will look to improve on her impressive achievement.

Above: Jaelyn Haggard shows her intensity as she prepares to throw the ball.
Top Left: Halle Koeliker throws a quick sidearm home to achieve one of the final outs of the game.
Top Center: Presley Miller rushes to back up Kaitlyn Collins at 1st base.
Top Right: Senior Bailey Wilcoxson goes after the ball.
Right: Senior Kaitlyn Collins drives the ball into right field.
Reading Left to Right: Hannah Steeby, Bailey Wilcoxson, Jaelyn Haggard, and Kaitlyn Collins gather together to slow things down. Below: Junior Rylee Schultz raises the glove to catch the ball.

Above: The Central girls continue to play hard and swing for runs. Left: Presley Miller fires the ball to first to get the out.
Right: Seniors Jake Giles, Clint Squires, and Jackson Riddle attend an American League Championship Series game. The boys have followed the Royals for years.

Below: Senior Joseph Tieman and his younger brother Michael cheer on the Royals in the World Series.

Diagonal Left: Senior Kale Czerwonka captures a photo of a fan with moose ears supporting the Kansas City player Mike Moustakas.

Below: Senior Joseph Tieman and brother Michael pose with two fans before the game. These fans were made famous through their iconic cat costumes.
The Hunt for Blue October

29 Years of Anticipation

It was 1985 when the Royals made their last playoff appearance, which resulted in the franchise's first World Series title. Let's take a step back in time to those glory days: Back to the Future aired for the first time, Mike Tyson knocked out Hector Mercedes in the first round of his career debut, and a gallon of gas was just $1.09. Microsoft Corporation releases their first version of Windows software, and the song "We are the World" was released to raise money for Africa.

Now here we are, 29 years later, in Ned Yost’s 4th season as the Royal’s team manager. It is a year of high gas prices, the Ebola virus, fear over terrorism, and the gigantic iPhone 6. But in the otherwise nameless Midwestern town of Kansas City, we decided to make a little history of our own.

We are a team that has overcome a risky American League wild card game against the Oakland A's with the saving grace of Salvador Perez's walk off single in the bottom of the 12th inning. We demolished the Los Angeles Angels in the ALDS by winning the series 3-0. We weren’t down there, however, for the next week we continued to show our dominance in the league by winning the American League Championship Series against the Baltimore Orioles in a blowout.

Before we knew it, the World Series was upon us. The Royals opened the series with two home games, resulting in a split record start. After a showing of close and some not so close games throughout the final series, the Royals and San Fransico Giants had done it - we were going to Game 7.

This was do-or-die. 29 years of anticipation had lead up to the night of Wednesday, October 29. Kauffman Stadium had the honor of hosting the final game, and every seat was filled. Hall of Famer George Brett watched from the VIP section with a smile of recognition on his face.

It was a close game of ups and downs. The Giants quickly scored two runs in the top of 2nd inning, but we matched them during the bottom half to tie the score. After a rocky 4th inning for the Royals, the idea of victory fell further and further out of sight. We weren’t able to overcome the deficit, and lost the close game 3-2.

29 years in the making, and the Royals came up one run too short of the ultimate victory. Our hopes are not crushed, however, for we known that Kansas City baseball will return to the spotlight sometime in the future. Let’s just hope that next time, we won’t have to wait 3 decades.

Mr. Carter continues his spirit for the Royals during the World Series by decorating his White Board with sharpies.
Dancing for Joy

Indianettes show a passion for dance

story by:
Sara Marquart

Strutting to center field during the halftime show, wearing bows, blue, and rhinestones, are our Indianettes. They strike their poses as the music starts, and they capture the crowd’s attention as they dance. It is clear to anybody watching the girls that they love what they do.

The girls have a passion for dancing, with many of them putting time in at dance studios in addition to practice. “My favorite thing about poms would be being able to dance” Senior co-captain Sydney Price said.

This season the girls have learned seven dances and will continue to learn more during their winter season. Senior co-captain Paige Musser said her favorite dance so far was the homecoming dance they performed alongside the football players.

Our dancers truly enjoy what they do. “I have fun with the girls at practice!” Musser said. The poms do so much more than just entertain the crowd with their dancing. They also help to support Central’s athletes.

Above: The Central Indianettes perform an infamous kickline. The girls thrill the crowd with a kickline in every dance.

Right: Sophomore Kathryn Bodicky and freshman Megan Parmer dance at halftime. The girls help the girls from the kiddie clinic.
Left: Central Poms dance at halftime. The girls do a kickline at a home game.

Below: The Central Indianettes perform at halftime. The girls are tumbling to the ground after a leap.

Above: Central Poms huddles before a half time performance. Warm ups are complete and it's time to take the field.

Left: Junior Niki Mitchem and freshman Libbie Bird dance at halftime. The girls are joined by girls from their fall kiddie clinic.

Left: Senior Paige Musser dances on the sideline. Musser has been an Indianette for three years of her high school career.
Right: The cheerleaders do a pyramid in Platte County. The game was delayed because of the weather, so they practiced inside.

Lower Right: Lining up on the track, the cheerleaders watch the Blue and White Regiment perform. They were playing the Star Spangled Banner.

Below: Kelsey McCrary does a flip in mid-air. They rooted for the Indians at Kearney.

Above: Seniors Kali Fujinami and Mia Lund hang out before a football game. The girls were cheer captains for the football season.

Right: Senior Mia Lund is hoisted up into the air. The game was against Kearney and the first of our season.

Far Right: The varsity cheerleaders sit on stairs at Mizzou before competing for state. They got third place.
Cheer State
Cheerleaders Flip for Third

Story by:
Haley Hoffman

This is it; this is what they have worked for: the state cheer competition. On October 5 varsity cheerleaders competed in the state cheer competition and placed third. "I was pleasantly surprised we got third," said senior cheerleader Kayla Morris. Despite unforeseen injuries and changes in the routine, the varsity team managed to come together for a successful and enjoyable experience.

The cheerleaders had a busy schedule preparing for state. According to Morris and senior cheerleader Morgan Barnett their performance at state was worth it. "I think it was really exciting to know hard work paid off," Barnett said.

Morris and Barnett were both excited for the actual performance. Both students had been at Cheer State before and really enjoyed the routine. "This year [I was] just enjoying it and having a lot of fun," Morris said. They were also pleased that the routine was on time with the music.

Despite facing many obstacles and setbacks, the varsity team came together and took third place in state. Morris said, "I think we overcame a lot of obstacles, had a really fun weekend, and we got third." Congratulations varsity, you’ve earned it.

Top: The cheerleaders their quarter cheer: libs. They were at Blue Springs.

Above: Sophomore Katie Burns and junior Adair Bright hold up signs during a pep assembly. Along with other cheerleaders, they led the school in chanting, "Blue and white!"

Left: At a home game, the cheerleaders do an arabesque.
Banding Together
Marching Towards Perfection

Story by: Amanda Woodward & Kristen Tieman

Behind the scenes of the flawless outcome of the final performance, students are putting in countless hours of practice. Members of the band can agree that this year’s show, “Legends of British Rock” was no easy endeavor. The band worked day in and day out on the music, marching styles, and formations. Everything was expected to look clean and cut. The Blue and White Regiment did not crack under the intense pressure, but prevailed through the hardships to end up on top. The first performance of the year was a stepping stone towards the successful season. Although the band only performed one piece, they progressively added more songs to their routine for the succeeding shows.

“My favorite song was “Bohemian Rhapsody” and I think the crowd liked it too because it was different from any of our other songs,” remarked junior Emily Frazier.

A full season of home game halftime performances and three large competitions met the Regiment this year. Although the first concert at Carrollton was not met with a victory from the judges for the band as a whole, the flag team grasped second, and the drumline relayed themselves into a first place finish.

The following two competitions were more successful for the band as a whole, with a second and fourth place finish, respectively. The drumline and flag team continued to perform well, and the Regiment as a whole is anticipating more success towards the end of their season.

Left: Blue and White Regiment marches during the homecoming parade.

Above left: Central’s Marching band getting ready for their light show performance.
Far left: Marching band walks onto the field for their half time performance.

Left: Drumline performs during half time.

Above: Drum Major Sarah Wittmeyer.

Left: Drumline performing during the Homecoming pep assembly.

Above left: Central's Blue and White Regiment performs all the way down Messanie street.
Far left- In the front from left to right: Rylan Millsap and Jackson Connors.

Left- on the left Rylan Millsap holding Lauren Bouchard, and on the right Jonathan Stickler holding Holly Johnston.

Below- Women's Choir fall performance

Far left- From left to right: Jennifer Cobb, Molly Ehrman, Derek Caswell, Holly Johnston, and Jackson Connors.

Left- Show Choir practicing Footloose.

Above left- Chamber Choir's fall performance.

Above- Show Choir guys practicing their moves.
Sing to the Top

We're Treble

Story by: Amanda Woodward

From the bottom floor of the Freshman building, a chorus of voices rings through the halls. The Central choir is practicing their performance pieces ranging from “Per la Gloria d’Adorarvi” to “Stars I Shall Find” to “Drive the River Down”. The students were hurrying to perfect the difficult arrangements, which were to be debuted at the first concert on October 9th. The 5 different branches of the choir - Men’s Choir, Women’s Choir, Bel Canto Choir, Camerata Choir, and the Mixed Choir - all had their own arrangement of songs for the first concert.

The students had a difficult task at hand: how can five separate choirs, with their own unique styles, come together to make Central music shine? Week after week, the choir members meticulously practiced their pieces. Before they knew it, the day of the first concert was upon them.

October 9th was a surprisingly warm day for a fall concert. All Central Choir members met at the concert hall for the anticipated performance. Despite everyone’s nerves, the shows went great. As junior Ally Fields remarks “It was a great concert and I had fun performing with friends.”

Members of the choir were pleased with their premiere show, but look forward to improvements in the future. Many more shows will await the chorus in the winter months.

Above left: on the left Webster Dyer holding Morgen Barnett, on the right Andrew Kirby holding Jennifer Cobb.
Above: Girls piece during Show Choir practice.
Left: Mixed Choir’s fall performance.
It's the time of year when the reality of school has set in. Everyone has developed their daily routines and habits. The end of the semester is quickly approaching and with that comes added stress and pressure. Soon, the school unites at the Civic Arena to watch the boys and girls basketball teams take on the city. Swimming and wrestling seasons begin and auditions for the school musical are right around the corner. Passing periods are filled with annoying music as we try to stop the Bop during Cancoming. The student government freezes in the cold to raise money for a good cause. After break, we come back with new ambitions, new motivations, and new resolutions for the year. We cling to some hope that maybe this year will be different than the last. Next thing we know its Snowfrost Homecoming and we are all dressing up in bizarre ways again. The gym is absolutely crazy as the homecoming game features both the boys and the girls for the first time. The days get colder and the sky gets gray. It's never our last winter as an Indian, once an Indian always an Indian. We are Central. We are Winter.
Junior, Alix Wilson attempts to shoot the ball as a LeBlond defender blocks her. Wilson has played basketball for three years.

Juniors Jake Hill and Gage Stager high five after the starting players are announced. Hill and Stager have played basketball for three years.

Junior Arnez Stillman goes up for a layup against a Lafayette defender. Central goes on to win the game.

Right: Sophomore Macy McClurg shoots a basket over the LeBlond defender. Far Right: Junior Jake Hill shoots a three point shot during the Lafayette game.

Top: Junior, Lily Rzepowski hits a scale during a time out at the Jamboree. Bottom: Junior Paige Downey gets ready to pass the ball around the LeBlond defender.

Top: Sophomore Jaiden Bristol takes on a Lafayette defender. Bottom: The pom squad hits their last pose of the individual portion of the All City Dance Performance.
Making a Statement
Boys start strong, while girls seek to improve

Story by Jackson Riddle

The Central Indians basketball program had more than enough to prove in this year’s jamboree, but at the same time showed signs of weakness that had to be approached.

To kick the night off, Coach French and her girls went up against reigning champs, the Lafayette Irish. It was a slow start as the match up resulted in a 6-9 Indian loss, just 3-points behind the green team.

Next was the Benton Cardinals. Unlike the girls first scrimmage, this match up was higher scoring. With a few missed shots and some costly turnovers, Central fell 15-33.

The final match up came down to a desperate win for both the Indians and Leblond Eagles. Each team fell to both Lafayette and Benton, which put some heavy meaning to the outcome.

The Indians were without senior Mady Pfieiderer, junior Maggie Lawrence, and senior Goldie Woody throughout the night, which was a struggle for the young, yet talented team.

With under three minutes to go between the two teams, Central trailed 23-27. Unfortunately the Indians failed to convert and overcome their deficit, ending their night with a 32-25 loss.

Up next was Coach Musser and his young, but elite team. To kick off their night, the Indians went up against Lafayette who last year dominated the court. Things were different this year.

The Irish were being locked down by the boys in blue, as they were held without a basketball through the first five minutes of the quarter. After Lafayette made a run to make things interesting, Central led by four with minutes to go.

Under a minute left the Irish trailed by just one point (12-11). As the Indians attempted to play keep away to put the game away, Lafayette fouled one of the best free throw shooters on the court, junior Tanner Curtin who made both shots.

As the final seconds came to a close end, the fighting Irish ran the length of the court to put up a hopeful three pointer. The idea was executed perfectly, besides the fact Caleb Bennett’s foot was on the three point line. Time ran out and Central was granted the victory.

With an early message and earned momentum, Coach Musser and the team clicked. Next was Benton where the Indians successfully acquired their second win of the night, setting them up an opportunity to outright win the jamboree with a win over LeBlond.

Central overcame the Golden Eagles to not only earn bragging rights on every high school in town, but to represent the greatest school west of the Mississippi.
Having a Ball
JROTC Hosts Their Annual Ball

Story by Haley Hoffman

It's that time of year again: time for the JROTC Ball. On November 22, JROTC gathered at American Legion Post #359 for their special night. Dylan Bauman and Krissa Morton were crowned King and Queen, respectively. "It was cool being up there in front of everyone. It's definitely an experience not every high school student gets," said King Dylan Bauman.

"It felt good knowing that I was chosen," said Queen Krissa Morton. The Ball Committee spent nine weeks planning the ball. "I was actually on the committee, so I spent nine weeks designing, buying supplies, and making decisions," said Morton. "Last year I didn't help plan it, and it was more exciting knowing that I helped."

The JROTC Ball is an opportunity for the members of JROTC to be rewarded for their efforts in the program and have a good time. "I liked hanging out with my friends and dancing," said sophomore Xavier Jones.

"My favorite part of the ball is the time spent with friends, whether it's before or after, just the time spent together," said Bauman.

JROTC members and their dates dance the night away. JROTC is held to reward the members for all of their hard work.

Above: JROTC having a fantastic night at the annual JROTC Ball. The JROTC ball has become a Central tradition.

Right: JROTC dance to the "Cupid Shuffle". The ball played a variety of songs throughout the evening.
Left: JROTC members and their dates, dance to a slow song. JROTC holds the ball every year, to honor the members.

Below: Nathaniel Noble, Turner Parsons, Lydia Boatwright, Trevor Deathrage, Ecy Bullock, Trishanna Espericueta, Kirsty Dowery pose for a picture.

Top: Collin Steele and Hanah Spicer
Above: Trace Walters and Madison Dryer

Top: Josie Redmon and Daniel Miller
Above: Nathaniel Noble and Kerstie Daugherty share a dance.
Top Left: Some of the sophomore class officers hold their check and trophy from cancoming at the Faculty Games half time recognition. They won the class race with raising the most money barely topping the seniors.
Bottom Left: All together Central raised $7170.53 to donate to charities: Salvation Army, Inter-serv, Special Olympics, Adopt a Family, Heifer International, and more.
Top Right: Seniors girls huddle outside of Cheddars with hot chocolate trying to stay warm.
Top Middle Right: Junior boys try to stay warm outside of Culvers while raising money for Cancoming.
Bottom Middle Right: Sophomore girls sit outside of Chipotle collecting money for Cancoming.
Bottom Right: Freshman sit outside of McAlister's on a warm day trying to collect money for Cancoming.
Cans for a Cause
Keeping the Cancoming Tradition Alive

Story by Christy Bahr

Every winter Central boys and girls bundle up in their warmest clothes to collect money for some great causes. Student government students survive the bitter cold while sitting outside restaurants throughout St. Joseph to collect money and others participate in a school wide competition.

Seniors, juniors, sophomores, and freshman battle it out to see who can raise the most money for Cancoming. To motivate these students the school plays an obnoxious song until the quota is met. This year they chose “Christmas Don’t Be Late” by Alvin and the Chipmunks.

This year sophomores came on top by raising $2,366.62, next came the seniors with $2,026.52, third place went to the freshman with $1,177.42, and last place went to the juniors with $1,004.97. The grand total was more than $7,000.

By raising this money, Central was able to donate to multiple organizations including: Adopt a Family, InterServ, Salvation Army, and Special Olympics.

Kathy Northup is the coordinator for the Cancoming events. “I love the fact that it is a long standing tradition that our entire community is involved in,” Mrs. Northup said.

With the support of the students at Central, this tradition will be around for many years to come.
Students Battle Teachers

The Faculty Games

by Haley Hoffman

Students and teachers competed for victory and bragging rights in the Faculty Games on December 19. The teachers prevailed with a score of 37-34. Nevertheless, the students had an enjoyable time in the games. "It was fun. It’s nice after three years of watching to finally participate," senior Joe Tieman said.

The girls students played against the female teachers in the first quarter and the boys played against the male teachers in the second and third quarter. "Yes [I enjoyed it], but I wish it was longer," senior Bailey Wilcoxson said.

The teams are composed of seniors, some of which have known each other since childhood. "It was fun to get to grow up with these guys and play with them," Tieman said.

Semester ended on an excellent note for both teachers and students thanks to the faculty games. "It felt like the good old days. The whole event was just fun," counselor Kelsi Franklin said.
Above: Senior Jackson Riddle shoots a three-pointer during the senior faculty games. The seniors lost to the faculty.

Far Left: Sophomores student body officers presented the check during the assembly. The sophomores raised the most money.

Left: School Nurse, Ashli Hanlan, dribbled the ball down the court. The faculty won the annual senior-faculty games.

Far left: Cheer and Poms performed their routine for the student body. The routine was performed at half-time of the games.

Left: Senior, Alex Fangman, reaches for the ball at tip-off. The senior boys lost to the male faculty.
Fear the Spear
Central Rearranges Traditions

Story by Allegra Hayward

Dressing up, teachers calling off homework, the Friday pep assembly: those are just a few things that encompass homecoming week.

The Snowfrost 2015 homecoming week started off with Messy Monday. Some students showed up in pajamas with messy hair and sans-make up, while others wore paint-covered, ripped clothing. Students enjoyed the laid-back entrance to the week. “Days where I get to wear my pajamas are my favorite because it’s comfortable,” junior Felicia Lumb said.

Tuesday was Movie Day, and each grade had a different movie to dress up as. The freshmen had the Avengers, and each hallway was safe from evil-doers. Sophomores had Grease, and poodle skirts and leather jackets were abundant. The juniors had a bit of trouble finding their way to class with their eye patches, dressing up as pirates from Pirates of the Caribbean. The seniors brought baseball bats and gloves because their movie was the Sandlot; there were even a few Wendy Peffercorns! The teachers and staff got to show off their magical sides, dressing up as Harry Potter characters.

Wednesday heard the clicking of high heels with Dress Up Day. During a bit of second hour and FLEX, students were dismissed to the auditorium for the formal coronation assembly where Megan Kneib and Alex Fangman were crowned Snowfrost King and Queen.

Thursday alluded to Instagram with Throwback Thursday. Those who dressed up were reminiscent of elementary and middle school, owning their undersized outfits that paid homage to the 2000s.

Friday, keeping with tradition, was spirit day to celebrate the girls’ basketball game against Liberty and the boys’ game against Truman. School ended with a pep assembly, and students smiled their ways home with blue-bleeding hearts.

“I enjoy the fun,” junior Aaron Phillips said. Homecoming week, full of tradition, spirit, and vivacity, was a nice break from the typical school routine.
Left: Show Chior sings preforms at coronation
Middle: Poms dance during halftime at the homecoming game
Bottom: Jackson Montemayer, Gene Hayes, Tim Trumaine, Marco Machado, Traeun Johnson, Joseph Kellogg, and Jacob Cebulko Dressed up for Messy Monday

Top: Josie Redmond and Nick Corder dress up for Throwback Thursday
2nd from top: Kaitlyn Collins and Jordan Lawhon Dressed as Sandlot characters for Movie Day

3rd from top: Madeline Brownfield and Kathryn Bodky dressed as bad Sandy and Good Sandy
Bottom: Aly Fields, Kristen Bryant and Jennifer Cobb dressed for movie day as Pirates of the Caribbean characters

Annaka Kellog is dress in Grease fashion for Movie Day
Kristen Bryant and Lancer Barnes dress to impress for formal coronation day
Maggie Bauer and Ryan Milsap dressed as Grease characters for Movie Monday
Right: Half of the homecoming court stands for an applause. They were waiting to find out who won the crown. Bottom Right: The other half of the homecoming court sits as their competitors are introduced. The auditorium was full of suspense.

Below: Cale Czerwonka and Hayley Hinde show off their dress attire in front of the student body. Although they didn’t win, they looked stunning.

Above: Brett Williams, Court Vancleave, Mady Pfeider, and Jackson Riddle await the news of the 2015 Snowfrost Homecoming King and Queen.

Right: Camera flashes surrounding them, Jacob Cebulko and Kaylee DuVall walk down the aisle of the auditorium.

Far Right: Jake Giles and Mia Lund present themselves in front of their audience.
Snowfrost Coronation

Extra Royalty on Court

Story by Kristen Tieman

High heels, bow ties, and curled hair is a sure sign of coronation day at Central High School. Following tradition, this year’s winter homecoming crowning was on a Wednesday, but not everything went according to the ways of the past. Typically, 7 senior girls and 7 senior guys are chosen as the candidates for King and Queen. However, due to extraneous circumstances this year, a three way tie for the attendant in 7th place out of nine candidates were selected for both girls and boys. A whopping group of 18 young adults ascended that infamous auditorium stage during the early morning of January, with many accomplishments resting on their backs. Diversity was a theme within the court this year. Our candidates were stars in their fields of interest: athletics, academics, and student government, for example.

A lot of preparation goes into the coronation. All of the candidates for Queen are excused from the first two class periods to have time to prep themselves and the King candidates prepare themselves during second hour. Many potential Queens will go get their hair and makeup done during the morning of the ceremony, so they will look their best for the presentations. The King candidates, however, will be a little more relaxed in their preparations. As Knight Joe Tieman states, “I didn’t have to do much to get ready. My mom just picked up my tux for me.”

When the moment of the crowning finally arrived, tensions were high. Tennis star Alex Fangman and Graceland volleyball commit Megan Kneib were crowned our King and Queen of the Snowfrost Court.

Above: Jackson Riddle was announced as Prince, and Marissa Miller was announced as Maid of Honor. Those titles signify second place.

Left: King Alex Fangman and Queen Megan Kneib are crowned by Student Body President Joseph Kellogg. Normally, the last year’s king and queen would have crowned them, but they were unable to attend.

Above: Traejun Johnson and Jenna Oswald stand on stage and face the audience. Johnson was crowned First Knight, and Oswald was crowned First Attendant.
Indians Start a New Streak

Ladies Struggle, Boys Shoot Lights out

Story by Jackson Riddle

Snowfrost Homecoming this year had some high standards to live up to after an incredible Harvest Homecoming during the Fall. For the first time in school history, Central scheduled its homecoming night on a Friday where both boys and girls had home games.

To kick the night off, Central Lady Indians went up against a team that was sitting at a winning percentage of 88% at the time. The Liberty Bluejays were rolling through competition. It took up to 6 minutes before the Indians got a bucket. After plenty of good looks, the ladies only managed to score 3 points in the quarter. At the end of the first half they trailed 28-13.

“Our girls never stop fighting,” Coach French said. “They fight when we’re down by 30, and they fight when we’re up by 10.”

Coming out of halftime, the Indians had the game plan to shut down Liberty’s leading scorers, but it wasn’t enough to pull out the win as they fell 61-49.

Just three points short of a double-double, junior Maggie Lawrence grabbed 12 rebounds on the night while sophomore Jaelyn Haggard led the team in scoring, putting up 13 points.

Shortly after the ladies game, Central mens varsity took the court against the Truman Patriots. After losing their last two homecoming games, they were looking to put an end to the streak.

“We knew this game wasn’t going to be easy,” sophomore Matt Austin said. “We had a big crowd and we had something to prove, and that’s just what we did.”

Central came out hot, but so did the Patriots. Four points behind in the midst of the second quarter, the Indians made an energizing run scoring 13 unanswered points to end the half.

“We didn’t want to slow the pace of our game down,” sophomore Jaiden Bristol said. “We kept shooting and kept scoring.”

Coming off of a dominant first half, the Indians weren’t done. The boys tacked on nine more points to go on an 18-point run before the Patriots got one to go. The Indians owned the game up to the end of the third quarter, leading 42-26.

“We were feeling pretty confident after the third quarter,” Bristol said. “They came out firing and things didn’t go as planned in the fourth, but we got the job done.”

Trailing by 16-points, the Patriots brought their deficit down to a two possession game within the final minute. It wasn’t enough to overcome the viscous Indians, though, as they went on to win the game 69-60.

It was an incredible contribution by every player for the Indians. Specifically junior Arnez Stillman who took a career high five charges that night. “It’s something my coaches emphasize at practice,” Stillman said. “Taking a charge isn’t easy, but after it’s all said and done they’re worth it.”

Senior Goldie Woody goes up for a layup. Woody has been apart of Central’s basketball program since her freshman year.
Above: Sophomore, Jaiden Bristol, dribbles the ball down the court to shoot a basket. Bristol has been on varsity for two years.

Above: Juniors Tanner Curtin and Arnez Stillman defend the ball from Truman. Curtin and Arnez have been apart of the team since their freshman year.

Left: Junior Gage Stagner shoots the ball from the three point line. Stagner makes the shot and adds three points to the teams score.

Sophomore Jaelyn Haggard awaits as her ball sails through the air towards the hoop. Jaelyn has been on the varsity team since her freshman year.

Sophomore Jaelyn Haggard shoots the ball towards the hoop with only a few minutes left in the game. Jaelyn has been on the team since her freshman year and plans to stay until her senior year ends.
Top: Number 32 Tim Tremain gets ready to shoot a three pointer in the game against Ruskin.
Bottom: Maggie Lawrence walks towards the free throw line after being fouled.

Top: Joe Tieman walks onto the court at the beginning of his last home game for Central.
Left: Senior basketball players and poms stand with their parents as they are presented to the crowd for the final time.
Paint it Pink

Central is Pretty in Pink

Story by Sara Marquardt

Friday, February 27th was a special night for many of Central’s students as it honored our basketball, cheer, and poms seniors, as well as breast cancer awareness. Students, teachers, coaches, and players alike could be seen sporting pink all week leading up to the game.

The girls played hard against Ruskin, and won 42-39. The boys game followed with another win for Central, 45-42.

For each person attending, the game held a different meaning. For sophomore Gabe Brown the game was special because, “It promotes awareness for breast cancer.” Freshman Harmani Cruse-Bernard said the excitement of the crowd made the game special to her.

But for senior Tim Tremain the game was all about basketball season coming to a close. “Knowing this will be my last game playing for Central is kind of bittersweet.”

The crowd’s cheers and the seniors’ tears during their send offs captured the emotion of the night. It was a time for Central to celebrate endings, survivors, and fighters, and as sophomore Jack Hughes said, “Because boobs are great.”

Top: Number 23 Alix Wison walks down court while Central plays defense. Bottom: Central’s cheerleaders wear this year’s Paint it Pink shirts with barcodes while cheering on our basketball players.

Left: Number three Jaelyn Haggard sports pink with her uniform to show support for breast cancer awareness.
How They Succeeded
Central’s Spring Musical is a Big Hit

Story by Sara Marquardt

The auditorium’s lights dim as the pit begins to warm up their instruments. The spotlight hits the stage and reveals the vibrant set of The World Wide Wicket headquarters. Actors move into their spots on stage as music plays and the audience’s murmurs stop.

On March 12th Central’s annual spring musical opened with their recreation of “How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying”. The show ran four times, once a day the 12-15th, and had a great turnout of students, parents, and community members each time.

The cast, crew, and pit put countless hours and many late nights into making the show a success. For the students participating in the show it was sometimes difficult to find a balance of time. Senior Holly Johnston, one of the female leads, Rosemary, said that the hardest part was “having to put other things on the back burner”.

Another challenge the students faced was the double cast. The musical had two students playing each of the major roles and the cast would alternate each show. At the start of the show’s process the students were unsure of having a double cast, but because of it many of them formed new bonds with their doppelganger. Freshman Joey Myers, one of the Mr. Finches along with Jackson Connors, said “It was like gaining a brother”. For Johnston the double cast meant that she and Lauren Bouchard were able to hold each other accountable.

Many memories were made during the play and friendships, both old and new, were strengthened. This being Johnson’s last Central show was bittersweet “It was a good final moment” Holly said. For Myers the end of the show was also a bittersweet moment, the hardest part of the musical for him was “letting it go after it was all over.” The audience was also sad when the show that had created so many laughs and so much energy came to a close.

Above: Junior Ally Fields performs “Coffee Break” as the character Smitty. Fields has been in the theatre for three years.

Above: Sophomore Jackson Connors performing with the other businessmen. Connors performed as Finch on Friday and Sunday.
Left: Freshman Joey Myers performing the big finish of "Brotherhood of Man". Myers performed as the lead Thursday and Saturday.

Above: Senior Josh Crotty and Jackson Connors performing "Company Way". Crotty performed all four nights, but only performed as Mr. Twimble on Friday and Sunday.

Left: Sophomore Jackson Connors and Senior Holly Johnston performing as Rosemary and Finch. The two performed as the leads on Friday and Sunday.

Below: Junior Jenni Cobb performing as Hedy. Cobb has been in the theatre for three years.
Right: Sophomore Jaiden Bristol pulls up from the free throw line against a Blue Spring defender. Below: Junior Tanner Curtin attempts a free throw at the city jamboree where the Indians went 3-0.

Left Middle: Senior Joe Tieman attacks the basket on homecoming night against the Truman Patriots.

Above: Junior Jake Hill inbounds the ball to Sophomore Matt Austin during a road game at Winnetonka High School.

Right: Sophomore Arnez Stillman flies high to score on homecoming night. Stillman took five charges in this game.
Building Something Special

A Promising Future Ahead

Story by Jackson Riddle

This year the Indians had something to prove after a hard season last year with a team of young players.

With a team consisting of only two seniors, the Indians came out scorching. Following tradition, the team kicked the season off in the city jamboree where they were ready to prove something.

“A lot of people underestimated us before the season even started,” senior Tim Tremain said. “Not many people had hope after last year but we were young. We built from last season.”

They did just that, considering the young squad swept the jamboree which included a victory over the class 4 defending champions Lafayette Irish. It’s a matchup in which every student looks forward to every year because it grants bragging rights to the winning school.

“We were everything but scared of Lafayette,” sophomore Matt Austin said. “Our momentum started to build and when that happens there’s no stopping us.”

Shortly after the 3-0 sweep, Central was on the road for their season opener against North Kansas City where sophomore Matt Austin scored eight-three pointers to acquire the victory.

It was a demanding way for Central team to start the season. Over the remainder of their season, the Indians collective and individual talents put something together that teams are going to be scared of in the future.

“This year was a huge step for us compared to last year,” sophomore Jaiden Bristol said. “We’re young and everyone from last season stepped up to do big things. I’m looking forward to the success we’re going to have in the next couple of years.”

Left: Junior Gage Stagner pulls up for a three-pointer at Winnetonka.
Right: Sophomore, Jaelyn Haggard, goes in for a layup. Haggard has been on varsity for two years.

Below: Junior Maggie Lawrence shoots free throw during the homecoming against Liberty.

Above: Junior Alix Wilson, dribbles the ball down the court. Alix has played basketball for three years.

Right: Sophomore Simone Rodney, protects the ball from her opponent. Simone has been on varsity for two years.
Pressing On

Team Comes Together for French's Last Year

Story by Christy Bahr

Sprint after sprint; swish after swish; the girls basketball team drips with sweat as they endure endless hours of practice to perfect their growing skills. This season the girls have put in 110% of dedication in making the team as successful as it can be.

"I am proud of how we worked as a team and continued to fight our way through the competition. This allowed us to become a stronger team altogether," junior Alix Wilson said.

The accomplishments this season are due to the team's ability to work well with each other. This season when the girls stepped onto the court, all they focused on was playing the game. They left all their other problems behind and went onto the court ready to give it their all.

"This season the team worked really well together. They weren't out for themselves, which ultimately led them to play better as a team. These girls are friends on and off the court which allowed them to lead a more successful season," Coach Jessica French said.

Next season there will be a little hiccup in the team's dynamic.

With the knowledge French has passed down to the girls, they will be able to dominate the competition next season.

"For us finding out that French would be leaving this year, it made the team realize that we all needed to go as far as possible for her and for us. We are all very close and are more than players. We are sisters," Wilson said.

Coach French will be leaving her position and transferring to a different school. This won't stop the team's determination or dedication to the sport.

"With French leaving I am definitely sad and will miss her very much. Because of her leaving I will push myself harder and prove to the next coach that we are a team to be reckoned with," Wilson said.

Whether it be running drills or playing in games, the team always has a positive attitude and will complete any task given to them. This trait will take them far in their athletic career.

"The proudest moment for me this year would be seeing the girls put in hours at the gym working on their skills and then seeing their hard work appear in their games," French said.

Middle Left: Kearney defender boxes Junior Sara Schlange out as she tries to get the rebound.
Bottom Left: Number 23, Alix Wilson pulls up from the block over a Blue Jay defender at the Homecoming Game.
Left: Sophomore starter Jaelyn Haggard goes for a layup against LeBlond at the City Jamboree.
Right- Trace Walters takes down his opponent in a duel against Grandview.

Top- Central's Wrestling team getting pumped in a pre-dual huddle. Above- Jacob Olson is locked in battle against his opponent from Grandview.

Right- Cole Dennis putting his body to the test in an intense match against Grandview.

Right- Junior Jacob Olson places 6th at the state wrestling tournament.
Young & Progressing

Indians Send One to State

Story by Jackson Riddle

It was a successful season for the Central wrestling team after multiple individual first place accomplishments and a state qualification by one talented junior.

In late December, freshman Trace Walters was nominated for athlete of the week after placing third at the Lee Summit West tournament. After the supportive votes from family and friends, Walters won the award.

"There were a lot of freshman this year," senior Giuseppe Ingargiola said. "They did great this year and they'll have a lot of good opportunities down the road as long as they set goals."

There were 17 freshman this year, which is astonishing news for Coach Swope and the team. Only six of the wrestlers were seniors, which doesn't open up a great amount of positions considering there are over a dozen rising freshman, but the competition can only make them better.

"The only way is up," junior Jacob Olson said regarding the large amount of freshman on the team. Olson himself has been on the upslope through the past few seasons. This year he reached a milestone by shredding his competition apart in both the season (34-15), and in districts where he advanced to state which was held at Mizzou. "It's an awesome feeling to accomplish something not many people get to experience. I got to practice in Mizzou's wrestling facility which was awesome."

Olson was the only Central wrestler to advance to state where he went up against the highest skilled wrestlers in the state. "The best part is after you win. You get this feeling that you just beat a kid that went through the same thing as you to get to state," Olson said. "By beating them you show that you have worked harder than them."

The dominant junior made it all the way to the semifinals where he was guaranteed a medal. Olson fell in the semifinals but acquired the 6th place position.

Overall the Indians were 3-10 with multiple different individual 1st place accomplishments at tournaments and duels. The future looks bright and like Olson said, "The only way is up."

Above: Wrestling seniors from left to right: Jonathan Stickler, Cole Theines, Giuseppe Ingargiola, and Brandon Allen.

Above: Central's wrestling squad jogging in a pre-dual warmup.
Splashing into Success

Diversity is Key this Swim Season

Story by Evan Brown
and Kristen Tieman

A unique scenario presented itself to the girl's swim team this year. With a large population of new freshmen swimmers joining the squad this season, Coach Marnie Jenkins did not know what to think. "It was great to see brand new swimmers challenging themselves this swim season. They brought a lot of enthusiasm and talent to the team," states Jenkins.

Although there was a clear abundance of new swimmers this year, the seasoned swimmers of the squad were not hidden from the limelight. Between Sophomore individual Audrey Schank earning State cuts in many individual events; and two relays, the Medley Relay and the 200 relay also earning state times, there was no lack of excitement on the pool decks. Team sleepovers, pasta dinners, early morning practices, and long Saturday meets presented plenty of time for the girls to not only become stronger teammates, but also great friends.

Diversity was key on the team this season. One senior, a handful of Juniors, and over twenty combined Freshmen and Sophomores, ended up being the recipe for success this year. With many returning swimmers, the program has high hopes for the future.

Above: Freshman Delanie Lewin swims the Breaststroke. Lewin has been a great contributor to the team this year.
Left: Sophomore Kadie Willis prepares to take her mark for the backstroke. Willis has been swimming since her Freshmen year.
Right: Sophomore Cameron Steilen races in the freestyle stroke. Steilen earned her first varsity time in the 50 free this year.
Far Right: Senior Rachel Hagan walks through the tunnel of swimmers during Senior Night. Hagan was the sole Senior swimming this year.
Left: Freshman Sidney Stewart swims the backstroke. Stewart was a driving force on the Varsity squad this season.

Left: Sophomore Anna Richardson sprints during the Butterfly portion of her IM event. Richardson has been swimming since her Freshman year. Below: A group of Sophomores pose for a picture before their race.
Right: Junior Amanda Woodward guides a clarinet line through downtown Orlando in the Citrus Bowl parade. The band has performed in the parade regularly every 4 years.

Below: A Mizzou student marches bass drum with Marching Mizzou. Mizzou’s football team won the Citrus bowl 33-17 against Minnesota.

Middle: The band marches past to the grandstands to be on television. The band had already marched about a mile by the time they reached the grandstands.

Above: The drumline marches by playing the Bump and Grind cadence. The drumline worked very hard to be sure the band was able to keep time.

Right: The band marches on, about halfway through the parade. The band had a long way ahead of them.
New Additions, Old Traditions

They marched at Disney, what did you do?

For months the band bundled up and went outside in freezing weather to march around the surrounding blocks of the school. All that work paid off. Two days after Christmas, the Blue and White Regiment loaded up three buses and drove 24 hours to Orlando, Florida. The band goes on this trip every four years to march in the Citrus Bowl parade and the Mickey’s Once Upon a Christmastime Parade.

The first day that they arrived, the band went to Disney’s Hollywood Studios for a fun, relaxing day. The next day they went to Disney’s Magic Kingdom and marched in the Mickey’s Once Upon a Christmastime Parade. The parade was full of famous Disney characters, music, and fun. Thousands of people were gathered around the streets of Disney to watch and enjoy the entertainment. Once the parade was over, the band got to enjoy free time around the Magic Kingdom.

The next day was the most important day for the band members. It was time for the Citrus Bowl parade. Almost all of the floats were decorated entirely with hundreds of different pieces of citrus. The parade was approximately 1.4 miles and 120 minutes long, and the band was number 24 out of the 49 entries that were in it. It was very long and exhausting, but they all pushed through and did their best to look and sound great at the television production area. When the parade was finally over, the band went back to their hotel to rest for a bit, then spent the rest of the evening at Epcot.

On their last full day there, the band got to spend their free time at Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure.

"It was a cool experience. I had a lot of fun and made a lot of friends," Sophomore John Jenco said.

Even though the band members did have to practice and work a lot for the two parades, they still enjoyed their trip as a whole.
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Vice Principal Mrs. Terri Godfrey
Bryan Baker
Teresa Ballard
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Joseph Barbosa
Lisa Beavers

Shirley Black
Jill Blazer
Jared Boone
Vicky Bryan
Logan Burgess

Rebecca Callaway
Jeff Carter
Elizabeth Chase
Mindy Christofferson
Melanie Colgan

Carol Conard
Erika Conard
Beth Crabtree
Nicole Davis
Jami Dodge
What is your favorite thing about CHS?

"The community feeling because we are all in for one goal, teachers and students."
-Mr. Baker

"The academic tradition because this school has a strong focus on academics."
-Mr. Kunz

"You can depend on the teachers like family."
-Mrs. Bryan

"The students because they're good kids."
-Mrs. Felice Collier

Kevin Kelley
Dana Kelly
Jacob Kimble
Katie Kimble
Debbie King

Jill Kirkendoll
Pamela Kramer
Amy Kretzer
Kristin Matthews
Paul Kunz

Marilyn Lance
Kris Larson
Joanna Lehman
Andrew Linhart
Chad Lippincott

Roy Maxwell
Angela McCamy
Tara McCauley
Kathy Meeker
Carl Miller
What is your New Year's Resolution?

"To not have a New Year's Resolution"
-Mrs. Callaway

"To finish my masters degree"
-Mrs. Schmidt

"To save money, grow out my nails, and start my masters degree"
-Ms. Davis

"To be true to myself and fulfill my dreams"
-Mrs. Robbs
What is your favorite event at CHS?

"The pep assemblies because they are very energetic."
-Ms. O'Dell

"Harvest Homecoming because Festivus and the parade get everyone in the CHS community involved. It's a school wide effort."
-Mrs. Northup

"Faculty Games, so the faculty can show the students what's up."
-Mr. McGregor

"Festivus, it's fun to see the students perform, good food, and time to be outside."
-Mrs. Herrington
What is your favorite grade to teach?

"Upperclassmen, especially the ones I have had the privilege of seeing grow and develop from their freshman years."

-Mr. Simmons

"Juniors because they get my jokes."

-Mr. Barbosa

"Sophomores because they have shaken off the middle school phase, but have not quite reached the cynical senior phase either."

-Mr. Oswald

"Upperclassmen because they have matured. The older the student the better problem solver."

-Mrs. Kramer
Seniors

Alexis Adkins
Hunter Adkins
Benjamin Allen
Cameron Allen
Amanda Angsten
Elijah Aparicio
Kimberly Applegate
Destiney Auxier
Rylie Bachman
Tanner Bachman
Timmy Bacon
Brent Badgett

President: Court VanCleave
Vice President: Tim Tremain
Treasurer: Jackson Montermayo
Secretary: Joe Trout
If you could eat lunch with one person, dead or alive, who would it be?

“Elvis Presley because he's hot.”
- Nicole Ruppe

“2 Pac”
- Taylor Bruckshaw

“Johnny Cash”
- Alexis Adkins

“Paul Walker.”
- Kaitlin Blair
If you were stranded on an island and could only bring one object with you, what would it be?

“I would have to bring my girl with me even though I don’t have one right now.”

- Luke Corey

“An airplane”

- Brandon Reynolds
"A pair of jeans to fit my fat butt."
- Rylie Bachman

"An islander"
- Amouri Standiford
Why did the chicken cross the road?

"None of your business."
- Armando Trevino

"He was tryna' holla' at some clucks."
- Bishop Buckner

"To get Mrs. Northup to do the nae nae."
- Cydney Puckett

"To get some buffalo wings."
- Kayla Spilman
What is the best present you have gotten? And Worst?

"The best is socks and the worst is coal."
-Mikaela Quick

"Any present is a good present"
-Chase Southard
"The best is a new tv and
the worst is a fake pile of
poop."
-Cole Roberts

"The best is friendship and
the worst is dishonesty."
-Jacob Cebulko
If you could eat one fast food for the rest of your life, what would it be?

"Taco Bell"
-Molly Stickler

"Sonic because I love their cherry limeades."
-Kayla Messick

"Dunkin Donuts because they already know my order."
-Kaitlyn Collins

"KFC!"
-Tony Yoakum
Where do you see yourself 10 years from now?

"Head athletic trainer at Mizzou"

- Joey Trout

"I want to be a nurse practitioner."

- Tabi Tolen

"Star in the next Wolf of Wall Street"

- Court Van Cleave

"Somewhere warm with Mikaela Quick"

- Kaylee DuVall
What is one thing you want to accomplish in life?

"Impact people overseas"
- Clint Squires

"Total sincerity"
- Jake Giles

"Be successful in my job and have a nice family"
- Kensi Sample

"Travel a lot"
- Kara Beemer
If you could have any super power what would it be?

"The power to read peoples minds"
-Tori Cordero

"The power to not offend people"
-Morgan Barnett

"Stop Time"
-Taylor Deatherage

"Fly, travel fast, and see the sun"
-Michael Danner

"Flying"
-Joe Tieman

"See through things"
-Jackson Riddle

"Teleportation, so I don't have to see John Kosse's face in the hallway during passing time"
-Alex Fangman

"To be invisible"
-Hanna Fielder

"Super strength so I can be swole like my dad Jeff Wallace"
-Scott Keegan
Senior Activity List

A

Adkins, Alexis

Akur, Hawa

Allen, Benjamin
   Ceramics Club-1 year; President; Boys Soccer-1 year; Marching Band-2 years; All State, All District 1 year; Drug Free Superstar; Musical-2 years; Government-Cabinet; NHS-2 years; Track-2 years, All Conference-1 year
   “Nihil ex nihilo-Nothing comes from nothing”- Parmenides

Allen, Brandon
   Football-4 years, Varsity-2 years; Wrestling-2 years, Varsity-1 year
   “Work hard for everything you want”

Allen, Cameron
   Basketball-2 years; DECA-3 years; FBLA-2 years; DSU-1 year
   “See the invisible, Believe the incredible, Achieve the impossible.”- Joel Brown

Anderson, Luke

Angsten, Amanda

Anzures, David

Aparicio, Elijah
   Soccer-4 years, Varsity 3 years; Basketball-2 years; Track-1 year, Varsity 1 year; Frisbee Club-1 year; FCA-2 years
   “Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.”- Greg King

Applegate, Kimberly

Bacon, Timmy

Badgett, Brent
   Varsity Football-1 year; JROTC-4 years, Varsity Commander-3 years; Provost Marshal-2 years; Computer and Electronics Officer-1 year; Fire Science & EMS-2 years; Skills USA-2 years
   The greatest pleasure in life is doing what people say you can’t.

Bagley, Christopher

Barnes, Lancer
   Soccer-4 years, Varsity-4 years Track-2 years, Varsity 2 years Basketball-1 year; Spring Musical-4 years
   “Always remember that you are absolutely unique. Just like everyone else; Stay Gucci”

Barnett, Morgan

Bauman, Dylan
   Marching Band-1 year; Guard Commander-2 years; Without Weapons Commander-1 year; Executive Officer Battalion Supply and Logistics-2 years
   “It’s not who we are underneath, but what we do that defines us.”

Beemer, Kara
   Cheerleading-4 years, Varsity-3 years; Varsity Golf-2 years; NHS-2 years; Spanish Club-1 year; Young Life-3 years; Debate-1 year
   “He will be with you; He will neither fail you nor abandon you.” Deuteronomy 31:8

Bennett, Tristan

Bidding, Pierce

Blair, Kaitlin
   FCCLA-2 years; Pay It Forward-1 year
   “When you feel like quitting think about why you started.”

Boeken, Brad

Bowman, Damein
   French Club-1year

Brabham, James

Brewer, Mar’Shona

Brown, Daresha

Brown, Evan

Brown, Makenzie
   Basketball-1 year, Choir-4 years

Brown, Nicholaus

Bruckshaw, Taylor

Brumback, Lauren
   Brush and pencil club-1 year Latin club-1 year Freshman mentor-1 year All school musical-2 years Improve club-1 year
   “Hard work is important, but there’s something even more, believing in yourself.”
   Harry Potter

Bullmaster, Katelyn

Busby, Garrett

Busch, Alex

Bush, Hannah
   Flags-2 years Fall Musical-2 years A+ Program
   Don’t Give Up!

C

Cagg, Nathaniel

Cahue-Tlapalcoyoa, Carla

Caldwel, Alyssa
Campbell, Megan
Marching Band- 4 years; DECA-1 year; FCCLA-2 years; Choir- 4 years; Color Guard-2 years; Concert Band- 4 years
“If you’re a bird... I’m a bird...” -Nicholas Sparks

Castellon, Paul

Catron, Edward

Catron, Taryn

Cebulko, Jacob
Soccer-4 years, Varsity-2 years; Golf-2 years; Basketball-2 years; Baseball-1 year; Student Government- Cabinet; NHS- 2 years; DECA-3 years; FBLA- 3 Years; Freshman; Mentor 1 year; Physics Club 1 year

Chandler, Nicole
Concert Band- 3 years; Marching Band- 3 years; Spanish Club-1 year
“Life itself is only a vision, a dream.” - Mark Twain

Chappell, Ashley
Choir- 2 years FCCLA- 2 years
Be yourself, not someone else.

Chavez, Kennedy

Chavez, Vincent

Christensen, Jordan
Choir-2 years; Mentor-1 year; Musical-1 year; Debate- 1 year; DECA-1 year; Sophomore Tutor-1 year
“We will never have a perfect world, but it's not romantic or naive to work towards a better one.” -Steven Pinker

Clay, Karson
With great power comes great electricity bill!

Coats, Trevor

Coelho, Davi
Varsity Swim-1 year; Girls Swim Manager- 1 year
“The road to success is paved with failure.”

Collins, Kaitlyn
Softball- 4 years; FCCLA- 3 years; Secretary-Junior year
If everything was perfect, you would never learn and you would never grow.- Beyonce Knowles

Cordero, Victoria
National Honors Society- 2 years
Freshman Mentor Program- 2 years
Spanish club- 2 years
Physics club- 1 year
“Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not.” - Dr. Suess

Corey, Luke

Corso, Emory
NHS-2 years; Cheerleading-4 years- Varsity-3 years; Drug Free Super Star; DECA-2 years; FBLA-2 years; Homecoming- Maid of Honor; Sophomore Tutor-1 year; Yearbook- Business Manager; Freshman Mentor-1 year; Prom Committee

Crabtree, Carli

Crawford, Tara
Volleyball- 3 years, Varsity 2 years, Captain 2 years Track- 2 years, Varsity 2 years Spanish Club - 2 years National Honors Society- 2 years Freshman Mentor Program- 1 year
“Just be.”

Crespo, Yenisbel

Crotty, Joshua
Musical-4 years; Fall Play-4 years; Student Government-1 year; Swimming-1 year; Science Club-1 year, ITS-2 years; Show Choir-2 years; Drama Team-2 years; District/State Music-2 years; All-District Choir-1 Year; FCCLA-1 Year; NHS-2 Years; Die Meister Singers-1 year
“You’re an art soldier. Why a soldier? Because sometimes you have to fight for your right to express yourself.” -Ken Page

Cruz, Evan

Czerwonka, Kale

Danner, Michael
FBLA-4 years DECA-1 year; Pay It Forward-1 year; Spanish Club-2 years ride or die

Davidson, Greican

Most likely to Win the Nobel Prize...

Hannah Kruse

Jacob Sprague
Davis, Brittany
Choir- 3 years
"Life has a funny way of working out just when start to believe it never will."

Davis, Jordan

Davison, Dakota

Dawn, Angela

Deah, Marc

Deatherage, Tylor

Depastino, Domenico
Football-1 year; Debate-1 year; FCA-2 years; Football Trainer-1 year; Golf-1 year; Latin Club-3 years; Physics Club-1 year; Frisbee Club-1 year
"We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone." - Ronald Reagan

Dockery, Quinton

Dowell, Chyenne

Dufrain, Emily
Tennis-1 year; Japanim Club-1 year; Choir-2 years; Boys Track Manager-2 years; Musical-3 years; Color Guard/Band-4 years
"I'm a not very complex person. I'm one part Mormon, one part Disney. Quite simple really."

Dunn, Erin
Ceramics Club-2 Years; Vice President
"Bet on yourself and have the confidence to know that you can succeed at whatever you do if you put your mind to it"

Duvall, Kayla

Dyer, Webster

Dynes, Kelsey

Earhart, Larry

Easter, Angela
4-H Club-4 years; Vice President; FFA-4 years; Marching Band-2 years; Ceramics Club-1 year; DECA-1 year
"Why do we close our eyes when we pray, cry, or dream? Because the most beautiful things in life are not seen but felt by the heart."

Eastin, Elizabeth
Tennis-4 years; FBLA-3 years; DECA-3 years; French Club-2 years; Latin Club-1 year; Musical-1 year
"Nothing is impossible, the word itself says 'I'm possible'." - Audrey Hepburn

Edwards, Deonte
Spanish Club- 1 year

Edwards, Lauren

Embrey, Jody

Ensign, Garrett
DECA- 4 years; FBLA-4 years; Golf-4 years
"Garrett just stole my girl again" - everyone

Evans, Barry
FCCLA-1 year; Class Representative Military Support Organization-2 years; Cotillion Finalist
"Whatever you are, be a good one."

Evans, Sarah
Debate-4 years; Spring Musical-3 years Poms-2 years; Freshman Mentor-1 year; Drama Team-1 year
"Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself." - George Bernard

Ewing, Brinden

Fangman, Alexander
Tennis-4 years, Varsity-3 years; Basketball-2 years; Football-2 years; French Club-2 years; Physics Club-1 year, Secretary; Civitas Club-2 years, VP; NHS-2 years; Chemathon-2 years
"Sometimes I get so excited while eating mac n' cheese that I forget to breathe."

Fattig, Dominick
Fiedler, Hanna
National Honor Society- 2 years
Varsity Cheerleading- 2 years, Student Government- 1 year (Cabinet: Historian);
French Club- 4 years, Co-President 1 year;
FCCLA- 1 year, Class Representative; Military Support Organization- 2 years; Cotillion for Achievement
"Whatever you are, be a good one." - Abraham Lincoln

Fleckal, Erin
Orchestra-4 years; Japanime-4 years;
Spanish Club-2 years
"There's absolutely no one in the world that can tell you can't do something. You're the only person that can set that limitation." - Andy Biersack

Ford, Paige

Fox, Elena
Varsity Soccer-4 years; Varsity Cross Country-3 years; Student Government-2 years;
Boys Soccer Manager-1 year; Prom Committee-1 year; Freshmen Mentor-1 year;
Fishing Club-1 year; DECA-2 years; FBLA-1 year;
Spanish Club-3 years; FCA-1 year; Polar Bear Club-2 years; Debate-1 year; Young Life-4 years
"I just because everyone is going in one direction doesn't mean you should, too. Everyone could be wrong." - Anonymous

Francis, Chandlyr

Franke, Celine
Foreign Exchange Student Program
"No... I'm not related to Hitler."

Frederick, Bryson

Fujinami, Kali
Varsity Cheerleading-3 years, Captain 1 year; Spanish Club- 3 years, President 1 year;
Yearbook- 2 years, Photo Editor 1 year;
Outlook- 1 year; Physics Club- 1 year; Fishing Club- 1 year; Civitas Club- 1 year; Prom Committee;
National Honor Society- 2 years;
Student Government-1 year; Freshmen Mentor-1 year; Principal's Steering Committee- 1 year
"Each of us has a fire in our hearts for something. It's our goal in life to find it and keep it lit." - Mary Lou Retton

Fuller, Cera

G
Gilbert, Hunter
Giles, Jacob
Gingerich, Aaron
Ginn, Patrice
Glenn, Alexus
Goodwin, Jacob
Basketball-2 years
Gordon, Matthew

Gossett, Carrigan
Musical-2 years; Tennis-3 years;
Orchestra-4 years; Choir-3 years; DECA-1 year
"Let's hang chandelier's on the moon and shoot arrows through the stars"

Greer, Lewis
Marching Band-4 years; Concert Band-4 years
"I will have my glory day in the hot sun."

Gregory, Summer
FCCLA-2 years Choir-2 years
"We accept the love we think we deserve." - Stephen Chbosky

H
Hagen, Rachel
Volleyball- 2 years Swimming- 4 years,
Varsity 4 years Boy's Swim Manager- 1 year
Spanish Club- 1 year National Honors Society- 2 years Freshman Mentoring- 1 year
Orchestra- 1 year
I can do all things through Him who gives me strength

Hardy, Benjamin
Band-4 Years; Jazz, Pit; District Jazz-3 years;
State Solo/Ensemble-3 years;
District/State Engineering-2 years; Freshman Mentor Program-2 years; NHS-1 year; Latin Club-1 year; French Club-2 years; Hackysack-2 years
"If you don’t stand for something, you will fall for anything". — Gordon A. Eadie

Most likely to Return to CHS as a Teacher...

Joe Tieman

Emily Mikesch
Harrison, Kaitlyn
Choir-4 years, Chamber- 2 years Show Choir Manager- 2 years NHS- 2 years (Vice President) Spring Musical- 1 year Freshman Mentor- 1 year

Hayes, Gene

Hazelwood, Carter

Hazlett, Leighandra
Cheer-4 years, Varsity-3 years, Captain; Spanish Club-3 years; Pay It Forward-3 years; Debate-1 year; Drivers Safety Club-2 years; NHS-2 years; FCCLA-3 years; Freshman Mentor-2 years; Creative Writing Club-1 year; Ceramics Club-1 year
God never fails.

Helm, Daniel

Hernandez, Carter

Herring, Craig

Hibbs, Aaron
FBLA-1 year

Hickman, Jarrett

Hinde, Hayley
Varisty Soccer-4 years, Basketball-1year, Boys Soccer Manager-3 years, DECA-2 years, FBLA-1 year, Prom Committee, FCA-1 year, Spanish Club- 2 years, Student Government- 2 years (Senator, Cabinet), NHS-2 years, Fishing Club-1 year.
Ginger Swag

Holmes, Monica
Spanish Club- 3 years Marching Band- 4 years Girls Basketball Book Keeper- 4 years FCCLA- 1 year Bowling- 4 years, Captain 2 years
"There's no point in being grown up if you can't act a little childish sometimes."

Hoover, Brittany
Choir-4 years, DECA- 1 year
Judge not, that you be not judged - Matthew 7:1

Howery, Ashley
DECA- 1 year Choir- 2 years Prom Committee- 1 year Theatre- 4 years Speech/Debate- 4 years, activities director, Vice President, president Drama Team- 2 years, leadership
"When you reach the end of your rope, tie a knot and hold on tight."

Howery, Sydney
Soccer- 4 years, varsity 2 years
"There is a kind of beauty in imperfection." -Conrad Hall

Humbert, Trenton
FBLA- 4 Years DECA- 3 Years Golf- 3 Years Freshman Mentor- 2 Years Civitas Club-2 Years Chem & Physics Club- 2 Years Central Crazies- 4 Years
"We've got a vision, now let's have some fun!"

Iglesia, Yajahira
DSU - 2 Years.
I get called ugly some days and I get called cute some days, but it really don't matter to me, my ego stays on Kanye level.

Ingargiola, Giuseppe

Jadwin, Caitlyn
Japanime Club- 4 years, Vice President
"Believe in your strengths... Believe..." - Happy Mask Salesman

James, Morgan

James, Taylor
"Every morning when we wake up is the start of a new life."

Janni, Christian

Jaurigue, Mary

Jeffers, Dillon

Johnson, Traejun

Johnston, Holly

Most likely to Become a Hoarder...

Michael Wright

Mikayla Morris
Jacob Cebulko

Most likely to Marry Rich...

Johnston, Jackson

Jolly, Sadie
FCCLA- 2 years DECA- 2 years Freshmen Mentor- 1 year Prom Committee- 1 year Pay it Forward- 1 year
"I'm kind of psychic. I have a fifth sense... it's like I have ESPN or something."

Jones, Deven
DECA- 2 Years
Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

Jones, Kendra-Joy

Justus, Dena

Keller, Dakotah
Football- 2 Years Marching Band- 4 Years FFA- 4 Years
(They call me Jimmy, Get ya Some.)

Kellogg, Joseph
Soccer- 4 years, Varsity- 3 years; Track- 1 year; Student Government- 3 years (Freshman Class Treasurer, Sophomore Class Senator, Student Body President); All-School Musical- 3 years; FCA- 2 years; Drumline- 4 years; Girls Soccer Manager- 3 years
“How can mirrors be real if our eyes aren’t real?” - Jaden Smith

Kennedy, Frank

Khan, Karina

Khazraeinazmpour, Zaal

Kidd, Dayanna
Spanish Club- 2 years; FCCLA- 4 years; FFA- 3 years
You can’t start the next chapter of your life if you keep reading the last one.

Kirschner, Miranda

Knapp, Keagan

Kneib, Megan
- Varsity Volleyball-4 years; Basketball-2 years; Varsity Track-4 years; Student Government-1 year (Freshman class secretary); NHS-2 years; Freshman Mentor-2 years Future Business Leaders of America-3 years DECA-1 year Prom Committee-1 year
“Being happy never goes out of style.” - Lily Pulitzer

Kosse, John
Math Club - 2 Years Freshmen Mentor Club - 2 Years, President NHS - 2 Years Latin Club - 2 years Civitas Club - 2 years, President
“Would I rather be feared or loved? Um... Easy, both. I want people to be afraid of how much they love me.” - Michael Scott

Kotu, Mehari

Kotu, Meheret

Kruse, Hannah
Basketball- 2 years, Varsity- 1 year; Spanish Club- 3 years; Debate- 1 year, Varsity Football Trainer- 1 year; FCCLA- 2 years; Young Life- 2 years; Freshmen Mentor Program- 1 year; Pay It Forward Club- 1 year; National Honors Society- 1 year

Kuhlman, Ryan

Kyaw, Wa

Kammerer, Jacob
Varsity Swimming- 4 years, Tennis- 3 years, Latin Club- 1 year, FCA- 2 years
“Success is how many shining eyes you have around you”

Keegan, Scott
Football- 4 years, Varsity- 2 years
Basketball- 3 years Baseball- 1 year Track- 1 year DECA- 3 years FBLA- 1 year Student Government- 1 year (Senior Class Senator) Physics Club- 1 year
You won’t

Lammers, Skye

Lawhon, Jordan

Leon, Iluvia

Lesage, Jesse
Swim Team- 1 year, French Club- 1 year qui ne tente rien n’a rien - if you never try, you can’t have what you want
Lillie, Spencer

Lin, Ram
Soccer-3 years; Varsity-2 years; Choir-1 year
Work Hard And Sleep Hard!

Llanas, Hortencia
DECA-2 years; FBLA-1 year; Art Club-1 year; Freshmen Mentor - 1 year; High School of Business- 3 years
You've gotta dance like there's nobody watching....." -William W. Purkey"

Lonjers, Noah

Love, Sadie

Lucas, Madison
Drama Team-4 years; Fall Plays- 3 years; Director; Spring Musical-2 years; Freshman Mentor-1 year; Show Choir-1 year
 Too often in life, something happens and we blame other people...." -Tom Brady

Lund, Mia

M

Machado, Marco
Varsity Soccer- 4 years; Tennis- 1 year; Government- 1 year, Student Body Vice-President; NHS- 2 years; DECA- 1 year; Spanish Club- 2 years; Debate- 1 year; CHS Citizenship Award; FCA- 2 years; Principal's Steering Committee- 2 years; Freshman Mentor- 1 year; Physics Club- 1 year; Frisbee Club- 1 year; Missouri Scholars Academy- 1 year

Magana, Courtney

Mahoney, Jessie
FFA-1 year; FBLA- years; FCCLA- 1 year; International Club- 1 year; French Club- 3 years; Japanime- 2 years; Creative Writing Club- 1 year; Prom Committee- 1 year; Large Ensemble Contest- 2 years; Solo/Small Ensemble Contest- 2 years; All-District Choir-1 year; Spring Musical- 2 years
"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on."

Maldonado-Hernandez, Guadalupe

Marks, Silas
Musical - 2 years FCA - 1 year Chamber Choir - 3 years District Choir - 3 years
The ultimate test of our spirituality is the measure of our amazement at the grace of God. - D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones

Marshall, Ashley

Martin, Marianne
Latin - 3 years, Japanime - 3 years
To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment. -Ralph Waldo Emerson"

Masoner, Connor

Masoner, Jayme
Tennis- 3 years Marching Band- 4 years JROTC- 3 years DECA- 1 year
"I believe that everything happens for a reason..." -Marilyn Monroe

Maxwell, Thomas
Football- 4 years, Varsity-2 years Band- 4 years, Section Leader 2 years Freshman Mentor Program- 2 years Pit Orchestra- 1 year

McCollum, Keely

McCray, Keisha
"I spent 12 plus years in school for a piece of paper and a handshake."

McDonell, Austin
Football-4 years, Varsity-2 years; Wrestling-1 year; Dream Big Work Hard!

McDougal, D'Angelo
Deca- 1 year
"Lebron James"

McFeeters, Erica

McKinney, Ieshia

McPherson, Cornelius

Mejia, Jacob
Baseball- 4 Years Varsity 2 Years Deca-1 Year Young Life- 4 Years Bacall >

Merritt, Austyn

Messick, Kayla
Womens Choir-1 year Mixed Choir-3 years
"There is only one rose that doesn't have any thorns and that rose is friendship."
Mikesch, Emily
Volleyball-4 years, Varsity 3 years; Basketball-2 years; Varsity Soccer-4 years; NHS-2 years; Spanish Club-2 years; Art Club-1 year; DECA-1 year; Student Government-1 year (Senator); Drug Free Super Star-1 year

Miller, Daniel

Miller, Marissa
Soccer-3 years, Volleyball-2 years, Boys Basketball Manager-2 years, Boys Soccer Manager-2 years, Spanish Club-2 years,
“Can never be overdressed or over-educated” -Oscar Wilde

Miller, Paul

Mills, Maria
Marching Band-4 years; Wind Ensemble-4 years; Nation Honor Society-2 years Latin Club-4 years; Japanime Club-2 years (Co-Treasurer); Ceramics Club-1 year; 2D A.R.T. Club-1 year; Brush and Pencil Club-3 years; Botany Club - 1 year
“People cry, not because they’re weak, it’s because they’ve been strong for too long.”

Monahan, Kathryn
Musical-4 years; Choir-4 years; Art Club-1 year
“Today is where your book begins, and the rest is still unwritten” -Natasha Bedingfield

Monger, Hannah
Choir-4 years Spanish Club-2 years Art Club-1 year
“She is clothed in strength and dignity and she laughs without fear of the future.”

Montemayor, Jackson

Morales, Edgar

Morris, Michaela
Cheerleading-4 years, Varsity 3 years, Captain; DECA- 3 years, Class Representative, State qualifier; FBLA- 3 years; FCCLA- 1 year; Prom Committee; Spanish Club-1 year; High School of Business- 3 years; Younglife-4 years

Morton, Krissa

Musser, Paige

Myers, Jordan
“Shout out to all the PEARS”

Nagle, Mason
Baseball- 3 years, Varsity 1 year; DECA; Frisbee Club
“You can catch flies with honey, but you can catch more honey’s being fly”

Noble, Tyler

Nold, Joshua

Norcross, Madeline
Tennis- 2 years National Honor Society-2 years DECA- 1 year FCCLA- 1 year Freshman Mentor Program- 2 years, Vice President- 1 year Ceramics Club- 1 year, Secretary- 1 year 2D Art Club- 1 year, President- 1 year
Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Romans 12:2

O’Daniell, Mariah

O’Neal, Andrew

Orr, Sydnee

Ortega-Garcia, Carlota
Swim- 1 year

Ostrowski, Christel

Oswald, Jenna
Cheerleading- 2 years, Varsity 1 year; Girls Swimming- 1 year; Baseball Manager-1 year; Younglife-3 years; French Club-2 years; Choir-4 years, State Competitor 2 years
Go to Younglife, you were made for it.
Ottinger, Thomas  
Varsity Scholar Bowl- 4 years, Team  
Captain; Strings Orchestra-4 years; Math  
Club- 2 years; French Club- 2 years; Physics  
Club- 1 year; Sophomore Tutoring- 1 year;  
NHS- 1 year  
"When a truth is necessary, the reason  
for it can be found by analysis, that is, by  
resolving it into simpler ideas and truths until  
the primary ones are reached.” - Gottfried  
Leibniz

P

Palmer, Claire

Par, Cer

Par, Diana  
Soccer-3 years; Tennis-1 year; National  
Honor Society-2 years; DECA-1 year  
"Education is the most powerful  
weapon which you can use to change the  
world” -Nelson Mandela

Perkins, Chase

Petitt, Samantha  
Choir- 3 years Tennis- 1 year  
Anyone that hates on you is always  
below you, because they’re just jealous of  
what you have. - Miley Cyrus

Pfleiderer, Madison  
Basketball- 4 years, Varsity 4 years All  
District, All City, All News-Press  
Golf- 3 years, Varsity 3 years, All News Press,  
Liberty North Tournament 1st place  
DECA 2 years, President ; Spanish Club 1 year  
"love and adventure, ambition will  
always be attractive”

Phillippe, Chiann

Phillips, Roy

Phillips, Seth

Potts, Katherine  
Choir 3 years Freshman Pay It Forward  
Club 1 year  
"Life's too short to not live it to the  
fullest. Do what makes you happy! :)”

Powers, Rico  
Those who cannot remember the past  
are condemned to repeat it.

Price, Sydney  
Poms- 4 years Freshman Mentor- 2 years  
Spanish Club - 2 years FCCLA- 2 years  
"Though she be but little, she is fierce!”-  
William Shakespeare

Puckett, Cydney

Quick, Mikaela  
Cross Country-4 years; Track- 1 year;  
FCA- 4 years (Leadership team, President);  
Student Government- 1 year (Cabinet);  
DECA- 2 years (Historian, State Competitor);  
FBLA- 1 year (Districts Qualifier); National  
Honor Society- 2 years; Freshman Mentor  
Program-1 year; Polar Bear Running Club- 3  
years; HSB-3 years; Spanish Club- 2 years  
"Do you know that nothing you do in  
this life will ever matter, unless it is about  
loving God and loving the people he has  
made”- Francis Chan

R

Rau, Ryan

Redmon, Josie  
Orchestra - 4 years; Color Guard - 2  
years; Choir - 3 years; Student Government -  
(freshman class senator, junior class  
senator); NHS; Cotillion Finalist 2015; All  
School Spring Musical- 4 years; Fall Play 2  
years; Drama Team - 2 years; International  
Theatrical Society - 3 years; Spanish Club - 2  
years; Prom Committee; FCCLA - 1 year;  
Sophomore Tutoring - 1 year  
"Enjoy it. Because it’s happening.”  
-Perks of Being a Wallflower

Class Dad...  

Tim Tremain
Reeter, Ayron
JROTC IDR with weapons- 3 years JROTC IDR without weapons-years JROTC Black Sabers-3 years JROTC FDS- year Japanime 3 yr club-3 years

Reid, Cheyenne
Anime club- 3 years; freshmen women's choir- 2 years; theatre- 4 years
"Follow your heart."

Reinert, Katelyn
District Music-4 years State Music-4 years; Musical- 4 years; Fall Play-3 years ITS- 3 years; Show Choir-3 years Drama Team- 2 years NHS-2 years; Die Meister Singers-2 years; Spanish Club-1 year
"Happiness can be found, even in the darkest of times, if one only remembers to turn on the light." - Albus Dumbledore

Reital, Jessica
Debate-1 year; Musical Crew-1 year; FCCLA-1 year; Spanish Club-1 year; Prom Committee-1 year; DECA-1 year; Freshman Mentor-1 year; Pay It Forward-1 year
"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

Reynolds, Brandon
Theatre-3 years
"There are no facts, only interpretations." - Friedrich Nietzsche

Rich, Colton
Marching Band - 3 years Drumline - 3 years DECCA - 3 years FBLA - 1 year
Philippians 4:13 "I can do all this through him who gives me strength"

Rich, Colton

Richarson, Felicia

Riddle, Jackson
Varsity Golf- 4 years; Basketball- 3 years; Varsity- 2 years; Government- 4 years; Yearbook-2 years
"If you're reading this it's too late."

Roberts, Cole

Rodrick, Dalton

Routh, Cassidy
Basketball- 1 year; FFA- 1 year
Never give up your dreams even if it breaks your heart.

Ruppe, Nicole
Track- 3 years, Varsity Golf- 2 years, Varsity Ceramics Club- 2 years (President- 1 year)
"The future belongs to those who believe in the power of their dreams" - Eleanor Roosevelt

Ryan, Brendan
Varsity Soccer- 3 years
"Do you know who the real heroes are? The guys who wake up every morning and go into their normal jobs, and get a distress call from the Commissioner and take off their glasses and change into capes and fly around fighting crime." - Dwight Schrute

Sahui-Lopez, Natalia
Swim- 1 year

Salle, Sansan
DSU- 1 year, Pay it Forward- 1 year, Freshmen Mentor- 1 year.
"The past cannot be changed. The future is yet in your power." - Mary Pickford

Sample, Logan
Football- 2 years JROTC- 4 years
If you can accept losing, you cannot win

Sample, Mackenzie
Volleyball-4 years, Varsity-3 years (1st team all city, Conference honorable mention); DECA-2 years; FCA-1 year; FCCLA-1 year

Sanchez, David

Sanders, Carley

Santos-Hunter, Dystiny
"I would like to thank my arms for always being by my side, my legs for always supporting me and my fingers because I can always count on them"

Sapp, Madison

Sarver, Lydia
"Football Student Trainer-4 years; Soccer- 3 years, Varsity 1 year DECA- 1 year; FBLA- 2 years; Prom Committee; Spanish Club- 2 years; Outlook Newspaper; Girl's Basketball Manager- 1 year
"It's LeviOsa, not LevisAR1"

Saxton, Wesley

Schappaugh, Kain

Schneller, Mackenzie

Schultz, Brennan

Sager, Lukas
Football- 1 year, JV
Most likely to Start a Revolution...

Leighandra Hazlett

Sears, Katalyn
Cheerleading- 3 years, Varsity 2 years
FCCLA- 1 year; DECA- 2 years; FBLA- 2 years;
Student Government-Junior Class senate;
Prom Committee; Fall Homecoming Court
"I don't even go here."

Shavnore, Taylor

Shields, Bailey

Silvey, Colton

Simmons, Jordan
Color Guard- 1 year; Musical- 1 year
"Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,..."

Sisk, Abigail
Show Choir- 1 year FCCLA- 1 year
though she be but little, she is fierce

Slaughter, Monique

Slawson, Wesley
Cabinet; Video Announcements;
Marching Band-4 years; Jazz Band-2 years;
Tennis-4 years; Spring Musical-3 years NHS-2 years;
Academic Team-2 years; Civitas-2 years, tressurer; Spanish Club-1 year

Smith, Aron

Smith, Skylar

Snyder, Amy
FCCLA- 1 year
Skills Usa- 1 year - What you get by achieving
your goals is not as important as what you
become by achieving your goals.
- Zig Ziglar

Southard, Chase

Speer, Alisha

Spilman, Kayla

Sprague, Jacob
National Honor Society, President -1 year;
Scholar Bowl -2 years; Jazz Band, Pianist
- 4 years; Coleman-Hawkins Jazz Band - 3
years; All-District Jazz Band Pianist - 2 years,
Alternate Pianist 1 year; Room Monitor for
All-District Band Auditions - 4 years; Room
Monitor for District Music Contest - 3 years;
All-District Music Contest - 4 years; All-State
Music Contest - 3 years; Marching Band -4
years; Wind Ensemble - 4 years; Spanish Club
- 4 years, President - 2 years; Chem/Physics
Club - 3 years; Chemathon - 3 years; Math
Olympiad - 2 years; Fall Play- 1 year; Spring
Musical - 4 years; Civitas Club - 1 year
"Only a life lived for others is a life
worthwhile." 
- Albert Einstein

Squires, Clinton

Standford, Amouir
track-2 varsity 2 Cross country-1v 1
"A lion does not concern himself with
the opinions of a sheep."

Stickler, Jonathan
Soccer-4 years, Varsity-2 years; Varsity
Wrestling-4 years; Show Choir-3years;
Deimister Singers- 3years; Musical- 1year;
Latin Club-1year, Rubik's Cube Club-1year;
Mentor-1year; National Association of
Student Scholarship-2years; Drug Free
Superstar Soccer-1year
"AARRRRHHHUNNNNGH" -Chewbacca

Stickler, Molly
FCCLA 3 years DECA 1 year Pay it
Forward 1 year Spanish Club 2 years

Straight, Cale

Swank, Megan

Taylor, Levandy

Thawng, Bawi

Thienes, Cole
Wrestling- 3 years, Varsity 3 years
(Captain); Civitas Club- 2 years (Founder);
Chem Physics Club- 2 years (President); Math
Club- 2 years (President); National Honor
Society- 2 years; Heartland Hospital- 2 years
(Ambassador, Junior Board); Drug Free
Superstar

Thompson, Rylea
Softball- 1 year, DECA- 1 year, Peer
Tutoring- 1 year
Tieman, Joseph  
Varsity Baseball- 4 years; Basketball- 4 years, Varsity 2 years Student Government- Junior Class Vice President, Senior Class Senator; DECA- 1 year; Prom Committee NHS  
"I hate when women wear the wrong foundation color. It might be the worst thing on the planet when they wear their makeup too light." - Kim Kardashian

Tinoco, Victor

Tolien, Tabitha

Townsend, Sebastian

Trammell, Sydney  
Marching Band-4 years; Japane-3 years  
"Stars can't shine without darkness."

Tremain, Timothy  
Football- 4 years, Varsity 3 years  
Basketball- 4 years, Varsity 2 years Track- 2 years, Varsity 2 years Student Government- 4 years (Freshman class senator, Sophomore class Vice President, Junior class senator, Senior class Vice President) DECA- 2 years  
"Bet."

Trevino Jr, Jose

Trout, Jonathan  
Football- 4 years, Varsity 2 years Band- 4 years Jazz band- 4 years Deca- 1 year  
"You can do anything, but not everything." - David Allen

Trout, Joseph  
Football 4 years 2 years varsity Track 3 years 2 varsity Student government 1 year  
Senior class secretary Fishing club 1 year Mr. GHS- Mr. LATIN  
"Everyday is a good day, just some are better then others."

Truillson, Dane  
"The Dude abides"

Unzicker, Zachary

Van Cleave, Court  
Student Government- 2 years (Junior class senator, Senior class president); Soccer-1 year; Frisbee club- 1 year (Treasurer); Deca-1 year  
"Sometimes I'll start a sentence, and I don't even know where it's going. I just hope I find it along the way" - Michael Scott

Weeden-Wilson, Keenan

Weets, Alissa

Werner, Sheylin  
Musical- 3 years Wrestling Manager- 3 years Drama Team- 1 year Improv Team- 1 year I.T.S- 1 year Peer tutoring- 1 year  
"Climb every mountain, ford every stream, follow every rainbow, 'til you find your dream." - Sound of Music

Westcott, Dylan  
Civilitas Club- 2 years; Chem- Physics Club- 1 year; Sophomore Tutor - 1 year; Chemathon- 3 years  
"Remember to always be yourself, unless you suck. Then pretend to be someone else."

Whitmore, Alyse  
Fall Musical- 4 years

Whitmore, Hannah  
Fall Musical- 2 years Choir- 4 years FCCLA- 3 years  
"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." - Dr. Seuss

Wickham, Lia

Wilcoxson, Bailey

Williams, Brett

Williams, Hannah

Willis, Sadie

Wisper, Ryan  
Football- 1 year  
"Keep on keepin' on" - Joe Dirt

Wood, Richard

Woody, Goldie

Words, Jaylen

Wright, Michael  
DECA- 1 and 1/2 Years  
"High School is just one small step. Now it is the time to take a giant leap into the real world with all of its challenges."

Most likely to Be Millionaires by Age 25...

Trenton Humbert

Holly Johnston
Xiong, Shan

Yang, Ntsaisntsie
  Japanime - 2 years; DSU - 2 years

Yoakum, Tony

Younger, Ramsay

Zahau, Joseph

Zahnd, Emmaleigh
  Volleyball - 1 year; DECA - 3 years; FBLA - 1 year; Football Manager - 1 year; Latin Club - 3 years; Young Life - 4 years; Student Government - 2 years (Sophomore class secretary, junior class senator)
  “There’s a 30% chance it’s already raining”

Most likely to be late to their own wedding...

Marissa Miller

Jackson Montemayor
Most likely to become president...

Joseph Kellogg
Cydney Puckett

Most likely to have 50 cats...

Sydnee Orr
D'Angelo McDougal
Juniors

Emilee Adams
Jacob Adams
Jessica Allredge
Julian Antle
Miranda Armes
Candous Armstrong

Aaliyah Ashburn
Christina Bahr
Jamison Ball
Darin Bass
Danielle Bauman
Julia Beier

Ethan Bennett
Alexander Bergland
Ryan Bidding

Sabrina Bingham
Clarissa Blakely
Kimberly Blazer

Roman Bohart
Gabriel Bokay
Amanda Bolier

President: Eric Siemens
Vice President: Madison Hector
Secretary: David Kunz
Treasurer: Alexa Franks
What is your greatest fear?

"Not having enough Advocare"
-Zach Matthews

"Failing high school"
-Bailey Rich

"Girls"
-Keith Roderick

"Clowns"
-Jake Hill
What's the most important lesson you've learned this year?

"Focus on school but still have fun"
-Taylor Bottorff

"Don't procrastinate"
-Matt Prussman
"Don’t cause drama"
-Emily Bell Jones

"Ignore what people say about people you know because it’s usually not true"
-Kendra Simpson
give a five year old?

"Binge watch that Spongebob"
-Brent Chivington

"Play nice with others"
-Kayla Walker
If you could be an animal, what would it be?

"Panda"
-Kyle Weiser

"Cat"
-Lauren Bouchard

"Horse"
-Autumn Cawley

"Fish"
-Zach Fry

Jeffrey Parker Jr
Christopher Parton
Benjamin Pecora
Hailey Pendleton
Roxana Perez Lara
Andrew Peterson

Jessica Phillippe
Aaron Phillips
Bailey Pierson
Grant Poage
Matthew Prussman
Alicia Przybylski

Dakota Rainey
Austin Reed
Faustino Reyes
Bailey Rich
Jazmin Rivera
Darian Roberts

William Robertson
Keith Roderick
Dylan Rongey
Jacquelynn Rownwe
Lily Rzepkowski
Wade Sander
What is your favorite thing to do on a snow day?

"Sleep in and then build a snowman"
-Lily Healer

"Sleep in"
-Mikayla Mason

"Bake delicious food"
-Harrison Meers

"Snowball fight"
-Jacob Adams
Alvarado, Graciela C
Ashby, Brandon Mikal Wolf
Baines-McMahon, Cole Andrew
Baldwin, Gillian
Bowman, Keith Xavier
Brown, Michael Anthony
Bullock, Ecy M
Burton, Malasia Sache'
Campbell, Dillon Carlton
Campbell, Jamie Lynn
Canchola, Samuel B
Coleman, Austyn Gregory
Davis, Isis Marie
De La Rosa, Marial Fernandez
DeJong, Matthew A
Elam, Edwin Scott Allen
Emerson, Beau Maxwell
Escalante, Earvin Alexander
Evans, Jonathan Chance
Finch, Briana Lynn
Flowers, Kayla DeShaun
Garcia, Jayre Alegadro
Genson, Tyler Dante'
Gibson, Austin Robert
Gomez Gutierrez, Rolando
Gonzalez Capote, Addahir
Guerra-Landrau, Natalia Mylene
Hart, Jacob P
Hatten, Alexander M
Hicks, Jiran Latran
Hinneh, Suzana
Jimenez, Pedro Alejandro
Kelly, Jonathan Michael
Khan, Maimona Hajjar
Kyaw, Chan Nyein
Leon Acosta, Yadiel
Lewis, Rick D'Vonte
LLeras, Evangelina Lucia
Matteson, Austin Lois
Matthews, Samantha Danielle
Montgomery, Nathan L
Moore, Jonathan Alex
Nunez, Landon Delano
Orton, Joshua Craig
Parker Jr, Jeffrey Lynn
Parton, Christopher James
Pecora, Benjamin Andrew
Penland, Trinton Allyin
Perez-Lopez, Maria Arareli
Philik, Genis 1
Pittsenbarger, Brooke Nicole
Poirier, Samuel Kipling
Prawitz, Courtney Renee
Pritchett, Judge Jack
Pupo Gonzalez, Leandro Michel
Raith, Ethan Dale
Rodriguez Pavon, Abraham Alfonso
Roumas, Kaitley Ann
Salcedo, Juan Arturo
Salcedo, Oscar
Sani, Laraib
Sansonetti, Sage Brennen
Shabbir, Salar

Smith, Elaine Marie
Sosa, Jonathan
Spooneanor, Brooklynn Jo
Stano, Dale Janise Slaine
Steineger, Dominick Wilk
Stites, Connor James
Thawng, Biak
Tollefson, Shawn M
Villanueva, Jose Angel
Walker, Kayla Dawn
Wallace, Carl Lee
Wertz, Biranna D
White, Kelsey Mary
Wildhagen-Piercy, Olivia
Johanna
Wilper, Dylan Anthony
Regan Blair
Alexander Bleich
Alexis Blenden
Lydia Boatwright
Kathryn Bodicky
Jessica Bonnett
Taylor Bottorff
Haven Bowden
Rachel Bowers
Emily Bowman
Matthew Brabham
Blake Bradley
Kasey Brazzell
Andrew Brettingham
Jaiden Bristol
Adria Browder
Adam Brown
Courtney Brown
Gabriel Brown
Hannah Brown
Jason Brown
Sydney Brown
Madeleine Brownfield
Allyson Bryson

President: Maggie Bauer
Vice President: Hannah Johnson
Treasurer: Molly Michalski
Secretary: Gabrielle Purdy
What is your dream car?

"Lamborghini"
- Manuel Aparicio

"Tesla Model S"
- Zachary Robb

"Toyota Camry"
- Lauren Williams

"Tesla Model S"
- Xander Negozio
Class of 2017

Gabrielle Cotton
Jamie Cox
Katlin Crail
Jonathan Cronk
Victoria Crooks
Paige Dahl

Tucker Dahle
Cary Daquindele
Nikita Davis
Makayla Depriest
Kailynn Derr
Yasmine Devenport

Maria Diaz-Valdez
Taylor Dittmar
Anna Dittmer
Alexa Dixon
Rhys Donan
Cristen Dowell

Joseph Dufrain
Emma Dunn
Rachel Easter
Shelby Ebling
Anthony Eckdahl
Zakarie Eckhardt

Zachery Elam
Maria Esparza
Joshua Fangman
Frederika Farmer
Katelynn Farris
Erica Fleckal
What are the best and worst fashion trends of the year?

"The best? Leggings and boots."
-Lexie Allison

"The best are flannels. The worst are joggers."
-Anh Nguyen
"The worst are the tails. The best... turtlenecks are back."

- Ally Franks

"The worst fashion trend is, I would say, snapbacks. The best is plaid flannels."

- Bryan Alford
If you had a week to live, what would you do?

"I would get a car and drive as far as I could and see how far I could get."
-Corbin Byer

"I would go to Paris and eat a lot of food."
-Sammy Ogdahl

"I'd meet Beyonce."
-Sarah Wilson
"I would go on a trip around the world or something, just to see all those famous sites that you hear about. Like, see a bunch of different monuments and shows and stuff."

- Keatley Cotter

"I'd go to Australia because it's far."

- Mario Corado
What is the dumbest saying of the year?

"Turn down for what?"
-Torrin Myers

"But first, let me take a selfie."
-Elorm Kpenu

"What does the fox say?"
-Nate Simpson

"Big Varsity Jock."
-Griffin Hinde

"I have heard, 'What's 9+10? 21,' literally twelve times today."
-Regan Blair

"Wrecked."
-Joshua Salway
If you could join the circus, what act would you perform?

"Clown"
-Terrence Clark

"Lion Tamer"
-Cole Adkins

"Bearded Lady"
-Haley Glenn

"Elephant Helper"
-Maggie Bauer
What's the most embarrassing thing that's happened to you this year?

"At the beginning of school, I walked into the wrong class, and I tripped trying to get out. However, the ripping of my underwear is the most recent embarrassing development at Central, and that happened in choir thanks to Lancer [Barnes]."

-Aaron King

"During a game, no one cheered with us."

-Kelsey McCrary

"Lancer Barnes jumping on top of me in Chamber and trying to tie my hands behind my back."

-Jackson Connors

"Getting my phone smacked out of my hand on the stairs and almost breaking."

-Spencer Cathey
If you could be any age, how old would you be?

"Ten"
-Cyler Silvey

"Twenty-one"
-Andrew Lindstrom

"Eighteen"
-Kylie Mahoney

"Twenty-one"
-Destiny Clinton
Who is the scariest senior? The nicest?

"The nicest senior is Clint Squires. I am not really scared of any seniors, but if I had to pick one I would pick my evil sister Kali Fujinami."

-Lexi Fujinami

"[Scariest] it's probably John Trout, and Tim's [Tremain] nice."

-Noah Day

"Probably Joseph Kellogg because he's good at Trivia Crack and he's scary. Tim Tremain's pretty nice."

-Callie Miller

"Scariest, I'd have to say Kali Fujinami. For nicest, there are a lot of nicest, but I'd say Joseph Kellogg."

-Colton Leslie
If you could change your name, what would you change it to?

"Simone Rodney, no never mind I'd choose Jaelyn Haggard."

-Lexi George

"Adolf Ghandi, I think it's a great contrast."

-William Gentry
“Gabby Howat.”
-Gwen Bachman

“Felicia Keisha Latiesha”
-Alyssa Cameron-Davis
What is your best quality?

"My best thing about me is I have a big heart, and my worst quality is I'm shy."

-Meaghan Wilson

"I'm pretty nice, but really impatient."

-Amanda Sims
What is your worst quality?

“I'm really helpful with people, I feel like I'm always negative though.”

-Jacinda Shannon

“When people are nice to me, I can be really nice at times. I'm really clumsy, like all the time.”

-Jailine Delgado
If you had one wish, what would it be?

"I don't know I'd probably like buy a car or something."

-Jasmine Glenn

"To have a million bucks to give to charity."

-Brittany Mace

"To have unlimited wishes."

-Kieran Reynolds
"A lot of money to go shopping."
-Lizzie Szczepanki

"No school ever again."
-Cade Angsten

"I'd wish for alotta cash my dude"
-Austin Hudgens
What is one thing you can't live without?

"My phone"
-Hadley Joyce

"My mom"
-Khalik Henderson

"My brothers"
-Miranda Humbert

"My bible"
-Hailey Hopkins
What's the hardest transition from middle school to high school?

"Blue/White"
-Rachel McKeighn

"Hallways"
-Maddie Dryer

"Learning my way around school"
-Olivia Duke

"It was actually easy"
-Journee Bigham

"A lot of people"
-Darius Wallis

"Different schedule"
-Maddy Southard
It's what makes Central High School the greatest school west of the Mississippi. It's what sets us apart from any other school in the region. Our extensive variety of clubs provide endless opportunities. With over thirty clubs, Central allows all students to find their niche. Our school has such a rich culture and our clubs serve as environments where we express ourselves and strengthen friendships. It's not a rare sight to see people solving Rubik's cubes at the lunch table or to hear the Jazz Band's beautiful sound throughout the halls. There is no doubt there is a great message to be heard at FCA and an abundance of knowledge to be acquired from Math Club. The Art and Ceramics Clubs offer a creative outlet for students which always results in beautiful works of art. Indians are constantly serving others in the school and community through clubs like the Freshmen and Sophomore Mentor Programs, Pay it Forward, and Student Government. DECA, Speech and Debate, and Scholar Bowl never give anything less than their best in academic competition. The list never ends. Even new clubs like Frisbee club and Japanime Club are popping up everyday. Clubs are who we are. It's what makes us Indians, once an Indian always an Indian. We are Central.

We are **Clubs**
Sophomore Jessica Anderson sketches out a man onto her ceiling tile before adding paint.

Sophomore Liv Greer adds sunset colors to her rendition of one of Van Gogh's Starry Night paintings.
Art Club

Yeah, we talk about Art Club

By Sara Marquardt

"To inspire and create artwork that’s dedicated to furthering the talents and abilities of some of our talented students at Central" is Hajjar Khan’s favorite part of the club.

This year the club got a makeover, with a new constitution and a new name chosen by the students, Artistically Rad Together. Club meetings are full of energy and students look forward to them. "Spending time with students to collaborate and discuss their ideas" is what sponsor, Mrs. Christopherson enjoys about making ART Club a great place for kids to show their creativity.

Jacquelynn Ruwwe stands with her charcoal drawing of a ghostly woman at the student art show at the Albright Kemper museum.

Senior Madeline Norcross stands next to her acrylic painting of a water color set at the student art show at the Albright Kemper Museum.

Liv Greer stands with her photograph at the student art show at the Albright Kemper Museum.

Jacquelynn Ruwwe sketches out a work by Banksy onto her ceiling tile in preparation to later add paint.
1st Row: Olivia Greer, Maria Mills, Miranda Arnez, Mr. Simmons, Shelby Merrill, Leighandra Hazlett, Kim Blazer
2nd Row: Nicole Ruppe, Kayla Spilman, Erin Dunn, Kaitlyn Collins, Madeline Norcross
3rd Row: Angela Easter, Ben Allen, Alex Bergland

Left to right: Shelby Merrill, Maria Mills, and Mr. Simmons at the annual ornaments sale.
Ceramics Club
Mold Your Own Way

Story by Haley Hoffman

Ceramics Club meets with their sponsor Eric Simmons, the ceramics teacher, to hone their skills in the craft and enjoy themselves. While at these meetings members listen to music, hang out, and make art. Club members experience a carefree, open atmosphere.

“We get to learn how to make ornaments and play with different clays,” Kayla Spilman said. “The people in my club are friendly and always willing to help.”

Ceramics Club also has an annual ornaments fundraiser to fund trips to Missouri Western State University, Highland Community College, and Northwest Missouri State University. “It [the fundraiser] was a huge success this year. We earned enough money to fund 3 trips this spring,” sponsor Simmons said.

Perhaps one of the best features of this club is the freedom to explore an interesting part of art. “We can be creative and do things our own way,” Olivia Greer said.

Top picture: Maria Mills, Ben Allen, Shelby Merrill, Nathaniel Noble, and Madeline Norcross
Bottom picture:
Front: Mr. Simmons, Miranda Arnez, Madeline Norcross, Maria Mills, and Kayla Spilman
Back: Ben Allen and Angela Easter

Ceramics members work on their art.
Back: Angela Easter and Ben Allen
Front: Kayla Spilman
1st Row: Jacob Epperson, Anna DePastino, Kali Fujinami, Michael McGregor, Trenton Humbert, Emily Mikesh, Victoria Cordero
2nd Row: Dylan Westcott, Scott Keegan, Court Van Cleave, Jackson Riddle, Josh Nold, Domenico DePastino, Joseph Tieman
3rd Row: John Kosse, Nathan Cagg, Thomas Ottinger, Cole Thienes, Juan Hernandez, Eyram Kpenu, Gene Hayes
4th Row: Alex Fangman, Marco Machado, Zaal Khazraeinazmpour, Evan Brown, Jacob Sprague, Sebastian Townsend, Larry Baker

Right: Grant Poage and Baker Hodges ask for insight from the club sponsor.
Rock N Roll

Story by Claire Palmer

With about forty members, Chem/Physics Club is a popular organization at Central High School. It provides students with the unique opportunity to try thrilling experiments they might not have ever gotten to try. Mr. McGregor, the physics teacher at Central, sponsors the club. Scott Keegan, a member of physics club, says, "I joined it because I love McGregor, and we work out equations and build projects to learn more about physics and see it in action." This year Scott Keegan and Jacob Cebulko designed t-shirts to sell and raise money for the club. The shirts had Mcgregor's face on them with his signature catch phrase "Rock'n'Roll." The shirts were a huge hit and fill the halls of Central High.

Left picture: Students learned about the ideal gas law by creating a hot air balloon.

Right picture: Mr. McGregor teaches club members a new formula. The club is packed and ready to learn.

Left picture: Club members do the math. The learning atmosphere in the room is booming.
Civitas Club

Clubbing for a Charity

Story by Carli Crabtree

Civitas Club meets once a month for about 30 minutes. Their goal is to raise money for charities and plan canned food drives. John Kosse is the Civitas President. Kosse said, "The club has given me more self pride when planning events to help others." The club consists of about 10 to 15 members that are mainly juniors and seniors. Kosse said, "I predict that the club will drop to about 3 members because the under classmen have not shown much interest."

During the winter months, meetings are hard to be held with the weather conditions. Mrs. Callaway is the sponsor of Civitas along with Math Club. During their meetings they talk about current plans, future plans, or prepare for events. Civitas Club provides many benefits for members as well as the people they serve.

Civitas members gather on a day off to clean up trash. Volunteer work is what sets the Civitas members apart from the everyday person.
1st Row: Alex Fangman, Miriam Darnell, Eyram Kpenu, Jacob Sprague, John Kosse, Kali Fujinami, Gene Hayes
2nd Row: Wesley Slawson, Cole Thienes, Carter Hernandez
Right: Kim Blazer, Lauryn Muir and Clarissa Blakely get their journals ready to write. Below: Creative writing students have many contests to compete in. Scholastics is one of those contests that CHS participates in.

Above: Kim Blazer puts the finishing touches on her story.
Right: Creative writing members find a quiet space in the library to meet. Normally the students meet at various member’s houses throughout the school year.
Creative Writing Club

Ready, Set, Write!

Story by Haley Hoffman

The Creative Writing Club has established a creative and open-minded environment for its members. “It’s a good place to share with others without fear,” Lauryn Muir said. Meetings are held in the members’ houses. During these meetings, club members are given a prompt they can write on or choose to deviate from. “I love being given a prompt, so I can create on the spot,” Rylie Bachman said.

Creative writing is a place where members can develop as writers. “I think the goal is to have fun and to explore writing,” Muir said. Creative writing publishes a magazine annually and accepts pieces from Central students.

Students in Creative Writing Club have grown in their love for writing and in their skills for it. “Our goal is to spread creativity and have fun,” Bachman said.

Clarissa Blakely works on her writing journal. For Clarissa, writing is an excellent way to express herself.

Lauryn Muir, Clarissa Blakely, Kim Blazer, Vickey Meyer, Kyla Ward
1st Row: Celine Franke, Hailey Pendleton, Emory Corso, Elizabeth Eastin, Bailey Wilcoxson, Mady Pfeiderer, Katie Sears, Mason Nagle  2nd Row: Rylea Thompson, Katelyn Bullmaster, Jessica Reitai, Diana Par, Kennedy Chavez, Mackenzie Sample, Elena Fox, Marissa Miller, Jacob Mejia, Marco Machado, Emmaleigh Zahnd, Sam Petitt, Alisha Speer 3rd Row: Katelyn Morris, Mariah Sponseller, Lily Zepkowski, Cydney Puckett, Julia Stolz, Megan Sprague, Hunter Dewey, Kendall Love, Josey Nelson, Paige Downey, Mimiarn Darnell, Garrett Esgin, Eddie Catron, Hayley Hinde, Trenton Humbert, Joseph Kellogg, Mikaela Quick, Kayla Morris, Makayla Hedge, Felicia Richardson  4th Row: Herman Llanas, Rebecca Hayes-Bishop, Abigail Burr, Sara Schlange, Guadalupe Llanas, Christina Bah, Cassidy Ellis, Alicia Przybylski, Nick Hanlan, Chase Morgan, Chase Southard, Torey Clinton, Bailey Bosch, Hannah Gann, Dom Fattig, Cameren Allen, D'Angelo McDougal, Anna Hatheeway  5th Row: Mariah O'Daniel, Jordan Christensen, Brandon Sears, Anna Richardson, Megan Corcoran, Hannah Steeby, Dai'Janise Stano, Nicholas Robert Corder, Tanner Curtin, Juan Hernandez, Cole Roberts, Craig Herring, Zaal Khaizreaizmour, Gannon Eckhardt, Jaylen Words, John Jenco, David Jordan (teacher), Kate Viestenz  6th Row: Lisa Beavers (teacher), Tylor Deathager, Alyssa Caldwell, Hortencia Llanas, Angela Easter, Brenden Martin, Jamison Ball, Alex Bergland, Tristan Meyer, Joel Smith, Jacob Dryer, Zach Matthews, Jacob Epperson, Jacob Olson, Codye Dickinson, Dillon Jeffers, John Trout, Jake Hill  7th Row: Deven Jones, Brennen Schultz, Silas Marks, Camille Brown, Madison Worley, Darian Roberts, Bryson Frederick, Dalton Redrick, Dylan Rongey, Jayme Masoner, Mary Jaurigue, Annaka Kellogg, Mary Weipert, Taylor Kull, Madalyn Hughes, Maggie Lawrence, Jakob Steinbecker, Michael Danner

Top: Court Van Cleave, Jake Giles, Jackson Riddle, Joe Tieman, and Scott Keegan pose for a late picture of DECA members.
Right: Jacob Mejia, Bailey Wilcoxson, Emmaleigh Zahnd, Katie Sears, and Mady Pfeiderer await their event at the District Competition.

Right: Kale Czerwonna, Maggie Lawrence, and Mady Pfeiderer await the awards ceremony at the District Competition.
Building the Future of Business

Story by Sara Schlange

DECA, which stands for Distributive Education Clubs of America, is a school club sponsored by Mr. Jordan and Mrs. Beavers. DECA is an international organization that prepares students as entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, business, and finance. This club participates in several exciting activities throughout the school year. Some of those events include: a trip to the Plaza, a Royal’s game, and competitive events. The events and contests are what DECA is all about. Students prepare reports, powerpoints, visuals, and much more to compete at the District Competition.

There are countless events and Central traditionally does very well at competition. From Districts, contestants may qualify for the State Competition and even the National Competition. The goal of DECA is to create members that are academically prepared, community oriented, professionally responsible, and experienced leaders. “DECA is a great way to meet people and develop and improve skills that are crucial to being successful in the workplace” club president Mady Pfleiderer said.

Above: Mackayla Hedge, Darian Roberts, Christy Bahr, and Guadalupe Llanas stand outside their hotel on the Minneapolis trip. Bahr’s favorite part of the trip was shopping.

Above: DECA members posee with their hardware at the District Competition in Kansas City, MO. The team did extremely well in all events.
1st Row: Sheylin Werner, Kate Reinert, Ashley Howery, Madi Lucas, Josie Redmon, Josh Crotty, Webster Dyer, Molly Ehrman
2nd Row: Lydia Boatwright, Rylan Millsap, Jennifer Cobb, Kendra Simpson, Brent Chivington, Ally Fields, Kelsey Buckles
3rd Row: Alyse Whitmore, Keatley Cotter, Isabel Scamura, Sydney VanDyke, Kaitlynn Derr, Kylle Kent, Kenzie Monahan, Maggie Bauer
4th Row: Zach Reinert, Alexis Stockwell, Mariah Gilgore, Aubrey Kovac
5th Row: Andrew Gerhardt, Derek Caswell, Nate Bucklein, Kylie Mahoney, Rebecca Clevenger, Allyson Bryson, Jackson Connors

Left: Dress rehearsals lead to lots of laughs with the students in funny costumes
Drama Team

In the Spotlight

Story by Allegra Hayward

The Drama Team is sponsored by Ryan VanDyke. It is composed of a group of thespians who are passionate about theater. They performed a fall play, The Rehearsal, directed by senior Madi Lucas and stage managed by Molly Ehrman. The Drama team also performed an online radio show called "Sorry, Wrong Number" and was recorded with a live studio audience.

Drama Team also prepared for ITS (International Thespian Society) in Kansas City to participate in acting workshops and other activities. As well as acting and everything that comes with it. The Drama Team also participated in community service. For Halloween, the students dressed up and went trick-or-treating for cans. Afterwards, they donated them to the Second Harvest food bank. The Drama Team ended the season with auditions for the spring musical. All Drama Team students had the opportunity to get a varsity letter.

Above: Drama team rehearses for their improvisation show

Below: Mr. Vandyke and Sydney Vandyke work on the technical aspects of a show during a rehearsal
Marching to Our Own Beat

Story by Halle Koelliker

“When I was young, my favorite thing to do was go to parades and watch the drumline march and play music,” said senior Sebastian Townsend. “I joined band when I was in 6th grade. I liked watching the older kids and it was good musical experience. All of my friends are on the drumline so it makes it more memorable.” Drumline practices occur every Tuesday from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. The drumline occasionally practices on Thursdays if necessary. “We warm up and then we practice our indoor show. We try to place for indoor competition, and for us to do that we have to practice a lot by ourselves too so we can get better and have it all memorized.” Drumline is a good way to get involved in music and have a great time doing it.

Above: The drumline playing cadences at the homecoming game. The drumline did this every game after playing the National Anthem.
Right: Sophomore Rylan Millsap guides the left side of the cymbal line at the Citrus Parade in Florida. The drumline played On Broadway with the rest of the band, as well as their own cadences.
1st Row: Jairika Jahne, Anika Newbold, Shane Gill, Bryan Alford, Joey Myers, Gene Hayes, Sebastian Townsend, Director-Chad Lippincott
2nd Row: Makayla DePriest, Erica Fleckal, Sarah Wittmeyer, Alyssa Cameron, Kloey Albertson, Ben West, Mateo Anderson
3rd Row: Wesley Slawson, Dakotah Keller, Xander Negrozo, Jonathan Cronk, Zach Courtney, Joseph Kellogg,
4th Row: Joseph DuFtain, Xavier Jones, Rylan Millsap, Baker Hodges, Daniel Helm, Stevie Dotson

Left: Freshman Zach Courtney, Sophomores Jonathan Cronk and Bryan Alford playing cadences before a home football game. The crowd always enjoyed the drumline going ham on their drums.
Above: The drumline performing their indoor show "Africa" at Carrollton High School. They earned first place in the 5A division with this show.
Diversity is Key

Story by: Evan Brown

The Diverse Student Union, sponsored by Ms. Ladawndra Robbs, is a place for all students to go after school, do homework, hang out with friends, converse, and get support if needed. They also organize the “Stand up to Racism Day.” It’s a day that brings Central together as one student body. The DSU makes a banner and has people that are against racism sign the it, it’s then hung up in the lunch room. Also everyone literally stands against racism. As you look across the lunchroom you can’t see anyone sitting in their chair. It’s an amazing thing to see.

But, there are many more activities to participate in. Ms. Robbs said, “this October we had a Pacific Island Day, where students from the Islands bring their parents and a dish from their home countries.” Which is a really interesting way for students to share their culture with each other.

The Diverse Student Union meets every Wednesday after school. If you’re curious about what they’re all about, feel free to stop in. The DSU is a really cool way to make your high school career just a little bit easier for you, and just maybe a little more fun.

1st Row: Ntsaisntsia Yang, Haley Severn, Lauryn Muir, Alyssa Hawkins, Bryan Alford, Yasmine Devenport, Yayanira Iglesia, Son Aung
2nd Row: Nabila Khalid, Haeva Akur, Kaykay Weires, Laralb Sani, Alavna Hawkins, Kendrick McKinley, Daelyn Bullock
3rd Row: Salar Shabbir, Esther Par, Zonlin Yang, Lili Par, Isis Davis, Makayla Hedge, Mikaela Goner, Wo Kyan

Diversity Student Union members color a banner to be signed by students of Central High.
Left: Wa Kwang all dressed up for Festivus.

Below: DSU members getting together for a meeting.

Above: DSU members and members of the community get together for a meal and a meeting.

DSU students at Festivus.
1st Row: Lydia Boatwright, Adam Le, Mrs. Amanda Moyers, Cydney Puckett, Haley Glenn, Olivia Greer, Julia Stolfus
2nd Row: Wesley Slawson, Hanna Fiedler, Cyrus Wallis, Hunter Dewey, Vincent Chavez, Ricki Nolan, Juan Hernandez, Zach Perry

ECO club sponsor, Mrs. Moyers, takes down ideas for future club meetings.
Eco Club

Going for Green

Story by Sara Marquardt

Central students have been seeing green this year in Eco club. The members of the club have made flowers from recycled newspapers and have eaten eco-friendly ice cream cones. Students in the club enjoy meeting with their friends and giving back to the planet. Sophomore Julia Stolfs said, “My favorite part of Eco Club is hanging out and doing all natural activities.”

The club’s sponsor, Mrs. Moyers, says the goal of the club is to “increase awareness of environmental issues and have fun”. This goal shines through in the attitudes of the club members as they meet on Wednesdays after school. For Stolfs the club is all about “the importance of protecting the environment while having fun.”

The members have big plans for their club including planting trees, visiting the Remington center, and designing new t-shirts. The excitement the students show for doing activities that give back to the planet show that the club’s goal have been met this year.

Top: Lily Healer shows off her newspaper flowers.
Middle: Liv Greer and Xander Negozio sit together during an ECO club meeting.
Bottom: ECO Club in action creating flowers from recycled newspaper for Valentine’s Day.
1st Row: Emmaleigh Zahnd, Mady Pfleiderer, Megan Kneib, Emory Corso, Trenton Humbert, Scott Keegan, Domenico DePastino, Katie Sears
2nd Row: Spencer Cathey, Julia Stolfus, Brenden Martin, Annaka Kellogg, Taylor Kull, Megan Sprague, Hortencia Llanas
3rd Row: Larry Baker, Presley Miller, Jamison Ball, Kristen Hagen, Cassie Halling, Eddie Catron, Sam Petitt

Above Left: Makayla Hedge and Kristen Hagen at an FBLA competition.
Above: Garrett Ensign, Emory Corso, Liz Eastin, Elena Fox, Megan Kneib and Trenton Humbert taking a break from business.
Students are the Future of Business

Story by Torey Clinton

FBLA stands for Future Business Leaders of America. This club is led by teacher and coach, Cassie Halling. Students in this class and club participate in business competitions. The students study business for months then go to a district competition where they are then tested on it and also have an opportunity to present. If the students place there, they will then move onto a state competition, where there is an opportunity to advance to a national competition.

FBLA helps prepare students who plan to major in business. Students will also get the chance to listen to guest speakers who can share their professional business knowledge, take field trips, and gain more community service hours. “This club has opened up many opportunities for me. I have gained business knowledge, while also advancing my public speaking,” said senior Elizabeth Eastin. If anyone is interested in business and want to further their knowledge, FBLA is a great choice.

Above: FBLA students anticipate the chance to participate in the FBLA district competition.

Close Left: Seniors Elizabeth Eastin and Elena Fox strike a pose as they prepare to participate in their final district FBLA competition.

Far left: Juniors Makayla Hedge and Kristen Hagen study their project before presenting.

Middle: Seniors enjoy their meals after a long day at DECA Districts.
Story by Christy Bahr

Students throughout Central High School come together every Thursday night to share their love for faith and sports. Fellowship of Christian Athletes allows teens to engage in a variety of activities to express their feelings of worship with others.

“We usually start with a game as a time for fellowship,” president Mikaela Quick said. “Then we usually do worship or a message to end the night.” As Quick describes, the members of the club participate in a game or activity to create fellowship and connection among the students. Some of these activities include a game of basketball or an original exercise that teaches the students about their lives, God, or even themselves.

“FCA is fun and it’s like a real family, and I love learning more about God,” Devon Shewell said.

After the games and activities end, the members gather around to worship, pray, and talk about their lives with the others. In this club the students feel accepted and like a real family.

The club gets together at the end of the night to have worship time. During this time the members are allowed to reflect on their lives and their relationships with others.
The members are gathered at Brookedale to participate in games which will create a fellowship among the members of the club. One of the leaders Senior Mikaela Quick brings the members together to join in fun games and allows them to share their feelings about their faith and other personal things that are going on in their lives.

The group comes together to play a fun game of basketball. The club plays many games including basketball, four square, and even dodgeball.

The club members participate in a fun game of basketball to begin the night. The club usually plays a game to create fellowship among the members.
1st Row: Sheldon Smith Ryan Kuhlman, Chloe Jones, Audrey Lindsteadt, Kindall Wisdom
2nd Row: Ethan Evans, Ethan Boeh, Dayanna Kidd, Caitlin Evans, Angela Easter

Right: Sheldon Smith and other FFA Students raise money by selling pumpkins.
Far Right: FFA Students at the National Convention in Louisville, KY.
Growing the Future

Story by Claire Palmer

The FFA Organization consists of a small group of people that are interested in farming and animals. Angela Easter has a passion for animals and that is why she wants to be involved with FFA. Angela said, "To show animals you have to be in FFA, so that's why I joined." During their meetings, the group talks about the different animals they show among other things. The Organization also goes to national conventions to hear speakers speak about the topics they are interested in. These conventions help the members gain knowledge on the topic and learn how to better show their animals. Cows, and horses are commonly show animals, Easter adds, "I've shown my cat and my dog before."

FFA also gets together for fun activities like bowling and painting pumpkins. Students also lend a helping hand to area events, such as serving breakfast at the Farm City Breakfast meeting.

Vice President Ryan Kuhlman says, "Being in FFA is a great way to get community service hours. Wherever there is a need, we serve. It's not just about animals, we learn about growing and caring for plants as well." Students don't have to be farmers to be involved in FFA. They just have an interest in agriculture.

Top Left: Angela Easter, Caitlain Evans, Dylan Deathrage and Ryan Kuhlman make lunches for the My Success Event
Top: Ethan Evans and Ethan Boeh paint pumpkins at a meeting.
Left: James Hartley, Caleb Knadler, Mr. Goodie and Ryan Kuhlman trying to find tickets for the Convention.
Central has always been home to a wide variety of clubs and activities in which hold open arms to its thousand plus students. Many of these activities are traditional which consists of the flag team.

This year the Central Indian's color guard performed their routines at home football games during halftime. Their performances are creative and catchy, which provokes other students to get involved.

"Sophomore year I went to my first football game and at halftime I saw the color guard routine and it looked really fun," Senior Nicki Simmons said.

Other than halftime shows, the team competed against other schools at different competitions throughout the year.

Of the three competitions they participated in, the girls took second place in a competition at Trenton, Missouri. The team feels confident every time they perform, but not all of the fun comes from the performances.

"The bus rides are always fun because we do karaoke," Simmons said. "We try to make it as much fun as possible."

In order to generate the happiness and energy within the team, friendships and chemistry must be formed.

Acceptance is a big step in this process and that's something the Indian color guard should be proud about.

"The girls welcomed me by inviting me to a team slumber party," Simmons said. "They really helped me through the learning process of the routines."

This year was Simmons's first year on the team and said she wouldn't have grown without the leadership from her teammates.

Competing is fun, but sometimes it's the people and memories that makes something so enjoyable.
1st Row: Amanda Angsten, Emily DuFrain, Megan Campbell, Kristen Moore, Haley Glenn, Skye Lammers, Paige Ford
2nd Row: Alyssa Sousley, Hailey Hicks, Candous Armstrong, Jordan Lammers, Alexa Brown, Amanda Graham

Top Left, Bottom Left, and Above: Flags practicing twirling in the main gym. The girls are perfecting the "rainbow swirl."
Botton: A group of Freshmen girls presents their pastries. Students create a wide variety of treats in French Club.

Below: A French class holds up a sign that says "Merry Christmas" Students learn about French culture with many holidays.

1st Row: Nick Bowman, Brent Chivington, Noelia DePietro, Grace Thompson, Celine Franke, Hanna Fiedler, Cydney Puckett, Samantha Matthews, Tyler Noble
2nd Row: Ben Allen, Ben Hardy, Morgan Messer, Kylee Kent, Taylor Kull, Annaka Kellogg, Kim Blazer, Lily Zink, Molly Ehrman
3rd Row: Damien Bowman, Caitlyn McDonell, Aumun Muhammad, Joanna Reital, Madison Monroe, Gabrielle Rumsey, Noah Young, Josalyn Alvarado, Emma Zink, Kim Applebee
4th Row: Alex Fangman, Nick Corder, Corinne Russell-Teacher, Harrison Meers, Abby Palmer, Allison Brown, Aubree Morriss, Ashlee Brown, Jessie Mahoney
Est-ce que tu parles Francais?

Story by Kristen Tieman

Bonjour! Do you have an appetite for adventure, culture, and really great food? French Club might just be the club for you. Meeting Fridays during the school year, the French Club is run by our very own Madame Russell. Members begin to scratch the surface of the vast history of France.

As Senior Ben Hardy states, "French Club is an opportunity for students at Central to become involved in the study of French Culture, and to learn about all of the aspects of French Cuisine."

Central French teacher, Madame Russell, has been an important aspect to this club for many years. "You do not have to speak French, or even take a French class to be in French Club." Russell states. French Club is open to any student wanted to broaden their horizons.

Above: French Club members present their cheeses and baguettes. France is known for its wide variety of cheeses.
Left: French Club members show off their cuisine creation.
Above: The Freshman Mentor Program poses together for a photo with every member. The program has been apart of Central for many years.

Below: Senior, Madeline Nocross, designed the t-shirts for the program this year.

Left: Mentors, try to lift a stick with cups as a part of an activity. The mentors went through a training with a various amount of activities.

Right: Mentors, played games with incoming freshmen. The mentors took students around the school to show them around Central.
Freshman Mentors

Upperclassmen Show the Ropes

Story by Hunter Dewey

"The Freshmen Mentor Program is so cool," said, junior Katie Morriss. The Freshmen Mentor Program provides high school juniors and seniors a chance to welcome incoming high school freshmen and teach them the ropes. The program allows a smooth adjustment from middle school to high school with supportive upperclassmen. The members go through a selective process when becoming a mentor. The member first attends an interview and then is selected to become a mentor. The selected mentors then attend a training full of team building exercises to prepare the mentors for FLEX in the following year. The mentors greet incoming freshmen at the end of the year, so the freshmen can get to know their new mentors, and to get a look around Central. For the first two days of school, the mentors stand around the hallways with a bright blue t-shirt and orange lanyard to help the freshmen navigate their way around the hallways. The mentors then wear their lanyards to school everyday for the rest of the year. The Freshmen Mentor Program exists to help freshmen find an older peer that will positively influence their high-school experience.

Top Left: Junior, Kristen Hagen, participates in a game for the Freshmen Mentor Program training. The training took place before the mentors met their freshmen and had many team building skills.

Left: Senior, John Kosse, participates in a game, where you have to catch a cheerio on a stick. Kosse was the president of the program this year. Above: Freshmen Mentors, welcome incoming freshmen as they take a tour of Central. The freshmen were introduced to their flexes and took a tour of Central.
Story by Torey Clinton

This year, Central has gained many new clubs. Ultimate Frisbee Club is one of the newest as it began at the start of January 2015. The idea for the club came after a few students enjoyed playing frisbee at YoungLife. They then decided it would be a good club to bring to Central. Teacher and YoungLife leader Jacob Kimble is the sponsor for Ultimate Frisbee Club.

“This club brings a competitive vibe to an entertaining atmosphere. We were all friends before this club, and we are always open to new members. It’s a great place to come to make lifelong friends while having a great time. If anyone is ever thinking about joining a club, I definitely recommend this one!” senior Evan Brown said.

Above: Jordan Catheral passes the frisbee down the field. The sun is shining bright and the Indians are enjoying the day.

Right: Brendan Ryan in the midst of throwing the frisbee to a teammate. The senior shows his excitement for the club with the smile on his face.
1st Row: Kale Czerwonka, Scott Keegan, Joseph Tieman, Court Van Cleave, Chase M. Southard, Jacob L. Giles, Domenico DePastino, Brent Chivington
2nd Row: Aaliyah Ashburn, Madison Hector, John Kosse, Lancer Barnes, Marco Machado, Mackenzie Sample, Joseph Kellogg, Mason Nagle
3rd Row: Juan Hernandez, Jacob Kimble, Jacob Hess

Scott Keegan warms up with the other members of the frisbee club.

Tim Tremain flickin’ the wrist. The senior sharpens his skills at a club meeting.
1st Row: Ntsaisntsia Yang, Maria Mills, Erin Fleckal, Caitlyn Jadwin, Lindsey Roberts
2nd Row: Aaron Herring, Brenden Martin, Logan McPhillips, Emily DuFrain, Melissa Jiang, Jessie Mahoney, Shelby Ebling, Allison Brown, Cheyenne Reinert
3rd Row: Jessica Holcomb, Jessica Alldredge, Steven Poulson, Sam Poirier, Jeffery Parker, Angelique Tatro, Jordyn Gibson, Aubree Morriss, Jade Gero
4th Row: Zonlin Yang, Courtney Brown, Gabrielle Neukam, Jewel Adworth, Ecy Bullock, Michael Riley, David Trammell, Brendan Doughtle

Right: Juniors Jewel Cudworth, Felicia Lumb, and Cierra Smith take a selfie before Naka Kon. Their matching hoodies are from the Trip Fox series from Lemonbrat.
Their Ninja Ways
Story by Allegra Hayward

Japanime is a club that discusses everything to do with Japanese animation. They make suggestions to other club members about good shows and movies to watch at their meetings in the lower library every Friday. Some of the club’s favorite TV shows are Naruto, Ghost Hunt, Soul Eater, and One Piece. The club’s favorite movie is Spirited Away. As well as discussing their favorite animes, they anticipate the Naka-Kon Anime Convention in Overland Park, KS. Held in mid-March, it features voice actors, manga artists, and anime enthusiasts from all over. Although not everyone enjoys the same animes, no one in the club judges another. The goal of Japanime is to have fun and learn about new things.

Right: Sophomore Cheyenne Reinert, senior Maria Mills, and sophomore Lindsey Roberts pose together at Naka Kon. The three-day convention was a highly anticipated event among Japanime members.

Junior Brianna Wertz poses at Naka Kon next to a cosplayer dressed as Jack Skellington from The Nightmare Before Christmas. Cosplay is the practice of dressing up as a character from media such as books, television, or movies.

Junior Melissa Jiang enjoys drawing anime characters. On the left is her sketch of an angel sitting on a cross, and above is her sprite work, done on Adobe PhotoShop.
Jazz Band

All That Jazz

Story by Halle Koelliker

“I’ve always had a deep love for music and I wanted to expand my knowledge and try something that’s different than traditional music,” said junior Andrew Kirby. Kirby said “We have a lot of charts, and we practice a lot to be able to go play at a couple contests. We get a lot of advice and critique from our teacher. It is very helpful. Some kids work on solos during class.”

Jazz Band has been around for quite some time at Central High School. Jazz band has many members. Junior Lily Heeler said, “I wanted to continue to play the trumpet. I play French horn in regular band. During class we play different jazz charts and sometimes different styles of music. It’s nice being in a smaller class because you get more playing time. We also go to MWSU and UCM to compete and show our musical abilities.” Jazz Band is a great way to get involved and share your love for music with others.

1st Row: Ben Hardy, Tori Tolen, Jared Gutzmer, Natasha Long, John Trout, Director-Chad Lippincott
2nd Row: Jonathan Goller, Jacob Sprague, Andrew Kirby, Cydney Puckett, Colton Wilson, Nate Bucklein
3rd Row: Barbara Dyer, Gene Hayes, Zach Courtneey, Anthony Ekdahl, Ben Allen, Joey Myers, Aaron King, Lily Heeler

Right: Gene Hayes playing drums in a jazz band session. Hayes has been in jazz band for four years.
Left: Mr. Lippincott instructing the jazz band. Lippincott teaches the jazz band and symphonic winds ensemble.

Below: The jazz band trumpet section hone their skills in class. Everyone in the trumpet can play other instruments for band.

Above: Johnathan Goller and Jacob Sprague learning their parts on guitar and keyboard respectively.

Zack Courtney playing his part in jazz band. This is Zack's first year of Jazz Band.
Responsibility Comes With Training

Story by Kristen Tieman

Do you want to get ahead in your future career while you’re still in high school? JROTC might be the program for you. JROTC is a class that you can sign up for all four years, and has something for everyone. As senior cadet Logan Sample states, “it’s basically a program that people can do if they’re looking for a career in the military...it gives you a reason to belong.” Sample said he decided to join JROTC his freshman year because he knew it would help him out with his future in the military. “Now, instead of graduating Marine boot camp as a Private, I’ll be ranked as a Private 1st Class.” speaks Sample.

It’s not all about future planning though. Junior Collin Steele exclaims, “We have a lot of fun in class.” Whether looking to pursue a possible career interest, or just have some fun in high school, JROTC may be the program for you.

Left: Honor Guard Armed Exhibition Team front row: Dylan Bauman, John Keith Middle row: William Phillips, Taylor Peek, Turner Parsons, Chase Perkins, Daniel Miller Back row: Collin Steele, Brent Badgett, Logan Sample, Dominic Fewins
Below: Taylor Peek holds a Saber Arch at the Homecoming football game. Peek has been in JROTC since her freshman year.

Above: JROTC members present arms to Homecoming Court candidates Kale Czerwonka and Haley Hinde.

1st Row: Jakob Steinbecker, Dylan Rongey, Webster Dyer, Maria Mills, Melissa Jiang, Tanner Wallace. 2nd Row: Domenico DePastino, Gage Stagner, Maggie Laurence, Gabrielle Thomure, Madalyn Hughes, Alexandria Wilson

Above: Sophomore Emma Gascoigne reads her Latin book. Right: Two sophomore boys review notes on the board.
Latin Club

Mediocris clava

Story by Adair Bright

Central High School is diverse in many ways. Central offers different clubs, activities, and sports. One of the ways Central is different from Benton, Lafayette, and Bishop Leblond is how it offers Latin as a foreign language.

Not only are we the only school that offers Latin as a class, but we also have a Latin Club. Latin Club allows students to diversify themselves and to increase their knowledge of the language. It also allows students to mingle with others at Central.

“It helps us better connect with students from other classes by attending club meetings,” junior Maddie Hughes said. The Latin Club had various meetings throughout the year including a special meeting on Valentine’s Day when all the foreign language clubs watched a movie.

By joining Latin Club, students are advancing their knowledge of the world and furthering their relationships with other students. Latin Club is significant because Central is the only school that offers it.

“It’s really fun to get to be around such a diverse group,” junior Maggie Lawrence.

Above: Sophomore Coleman Loch stands by a poster in the Latin room.

Left: A Latin student takes notes on the whiteboard. Latin class is very hands on.
Math Club
counting up the memories

Story by Carli Crabtree

Along with sponsoring Civitas Club, Mrs. Callaway runs the Math Club at Central High School. There are about 15-20 members in the club. The meetings run about 30 to 35 minutes long. Math Club meetings are not like normal club meetings; they are not crammed full of information. Instead, Math Club meetings are competitions. Two of the main competitions are the AMC and Math Olympiad. Mrs. Callaway said “I had 15 students travel to Math Olympia, and 25 students travel during first hour to the AMC on February 3rd.” The number of Math Club members will probably stay the same, but new members are always welcome. Mrs. Callaway also said, “I enjoy running math club because it challenges myself, and I enjoy solving problems with the kids.” Any central student who enjoys solving problems in creative ways should check out Math Club next year.

Above- From right to left top row: Thomas Ottinger, Cole Theines, Jacob Epperson, Lily Heeler, name, and name. Bottom row: Eyram Kpenu, Jacob Sprague, John Kosse, William Gentry, Roxana Perez, and Laraib Sani.

Right- Students taking their second to last ASMA math test.
Left- From left to right: Lily Heeler, Jacob Sprague, and John Kosse.

Below- Thomas Ottinger in deep thought working on math questions.

Above- Students competing against each other in their second to last MOML math test.

Left- Central Indians competing against one another on their 4th ASMA math test of the year.
Right: Ben Hardy helps do crafts with the children at Pumpkin Fest.

Right: Rachel Hagen, Christel Ostrovski, Josh Crotty, and Madison Sapp help pass out Snow Cones at Festivus,
National Honor Society
Passing The Torch

Story by Torey Clinton

NHS, which stands for National Honor Society, is a program for students who have kept a 4.0 or above cumulative GPA over the past 3 to 4 years of high school. NHS requires students who have kept this GPA to fill out an application with information about past leadership, volunteer hours, and references.

This program is focused on four main characteristics: scholarship, character, leadership, and service. Scholarship is based on GPA and number of challenging classes. Character is based on faculty evaluation and minor/major infractions. Leadership is based on work awards and school/club offices. Service is based on service hours and school involvement. Students are then chosen after a long process and are tapped if they have been selected to join NHS.

NHS is in charge of many events at school, such as the Penny Drive Games. It is an honor to be in this program, hence the name, National Honor Society.

Top: Tori Cordero, Josh Crotty, Christel Ostrovoski, and Rachel Hagen help with snow cones for the Central student body at Festivus.
Left: Christel Ostrovoski and Kali Fujinami help do pumpkin crafts with the kids at Pumpkin Fest.
Story by Amanda Woodward

Tuning, warm ups, and random chatter. Every first hour on blue days, Mr. Gerhardt quiets the orchestra students and begins the rehearsal. The orchestra consists of violas, violins, cellos, basses, and a few other string instruments.

Every time this group meets, they practice and work hard to better their individual and collective sound. Each student has a different level of experience. Some have been playing since elementary school, while others started in high school. Even then, they are able to work and help each other to make their music sound beautiful.

“My favorite part is the senior concert and contest in April,” said senior Josie Redmon, “Mr. Gerhardt picks the music and we practice for our four concerts and one contest.”

The orchestra also has sectionals every Wednesday that they have class. Each section putting in that extra work helps the

Senior Josie Redmon practices for the many contests and performances that the orchestra participates in.


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Mr. Gerhardt conducts his orchestra in the auditorium during a practice. The orchestra is preparing for their contest in April.

Junior Bailey Cordonnier waits patiently for direction from Mr. Gerhardt.

Jonathan Stickler warms up his violin for practice.
1st Row: Lily Pinion, Shayla Gero, Emily Haugh, Aspen Sky, Claire Hausman, Taylor Kull, Gabrielle Purdy, Adrianna Purdy, Haley Green
2nd Row: Clarissa Blakely, Lydia Sarver, Madison Follmer, Hailey Hockaday, Anh Nguyen, Katie Frazee, Rose Cadden, Avery Walters
3rd Row: Joseph Tieman, Booker Vonfischbach, Ryan Kuhlman, Aaron Phillips, Maggie McCarthy, Hannah Cosgrove, Logan Burns
4th Row: Jaelyn Haggard, Simone Rodney, Katie Burns, Payton Moore, Sidney George, Mackenzie Jones, Ami Dias, Courtney Hazelwood, not pictured: Cam Steilen

Right: Lydia Sarver, Payton Moore and Simone Rodney writing sports and feature articles for the Outlook.

Gaige Blanton and Austin Hudgens reading what they wrote.
The Outlook

Extra! Extra! Read all about it!

Story by Sara Marquardt

After three years of sporadic online coverage the CHS Outlook has been brought back to life by Mrs. Barbosa and her team of 50. Lead by the students’ own initiative, the paper now has a monthly eight page hard copy. The paper has no school funding so, it is up to the students to sell ads. The paper’s business manager, Maggie McCarthy, said her role on the paper is to make sure there is money for the printed version. The writers and photographers report on topics ranging from school events to pop culture. The paper is made complete with a humorous advice column by Adrianna Purdy and a game or puzzle in each copy.

Mrs. Barbosa said that running the paper has been all about learning from trial and error. The paper has been a learning experience for everyone involved.

Maggie McCarthy said “I’ve learned how to talk to businesses and a lot of people have become less shy”.

Claire Hausman, an editor, said “I’ve noticed that people are better connected with the school.”

Mrs. Barbosa has hopes of growing the paper in future years. “Our goal is to get better each time we print.”

Above: Booker Vonfischbach writes news articles during class. 
Left: Cam Steilen interviews Maddie Brownfield about Swim

Far left: Jacob Sloan finishes his work and cheeses it up for the camera. 
Left: Kyle Babbitt and Ralph Dishong research their facts for their article. Ralph and Kyle worked as a team this year.
Story by Hunter Dewey

"Pay It Forward Club is rock n' roll." said, senior Cydney Puckett, president of Pay It Forward. The Pay It Forward club is organized by the Freshmen Mentor Program. The club meets every other Wednesday at 3pm. The purpose of the club is to provide freshmen an opportunity to gain community service hours. This year, the club opened up to all grades, so all students have an opportunity to gain community service hours.

This year, the students made pumpkins for paraprofessionals at Central and went to Haven House to serve dinner. The students attend and participate in diverse activities throughout the year for the community. The club is a great opportunity for students to gain volunteer hours and make new friends.

1st Row: Nick Bowman, Cydney Puckett, Kim Blazer, Mackenzie Shelter, Noelia DePietro, Katelyn Morriss
2nd Row: Anna DePastino, Alexid Stockwell, Christina Whalen, Joanna Reital, Hunter Dewey, Camille Brown, Jessica Reital
3rd Row: Lili Par, Esther Par, Ashlyn Jackson, Trishanna Esporicueta, Aubrey Kovac

Right: Pay it Forward, made pumpkins as a thank you to the para-professionals. The club gave back to the community in a variety of ways this year.
Left: Pay it Forward, club members pose for a picture with cookies they made. The club made cookies for the police and fire departments.

Below: Members, Jacob Adams and Nick Bowman, pose for a picture with the cookies. The cookies were for the fire and police departments.

Above: Members of Pay it Forward are making cards for the police and fire departments. The club also made cookies for those who serve the community.

Left: Pay it Forward members, pose for a picture in the kitchen at Haven House. The club served dinner at Haven House for the evening.
Above picture: Pokemon cards are battling during an intense pokemon meeting.
Gotta Catch 'Em All!

Story by Halle Koelliker

Pokemon Club is one of the most fun and unique opportunities Central High School has to offer. One of the club’s members, Dallin Haddock, said, “We sit around, fight cards, play cards, and sometimes we play handheld games.” Pokemon Club has been around at Central for a few years now. “It’s cooler than most clubs,” Haddock said, “I like playing Pokemon.”

Ms. McNair is the sponsor of Central High’s Pokemon Club. Regarding her decision to sponsor, McNair said, “I was asked by some students, and I kind of wanted to know how to play.”

Sophomore member Seth Abels is the student who started the club this year. His reasoning? “I didn’t have any friends who played, so I started a club with people who enjoy it.” Members of the club think everyone should come!
Right: Andrew Gerhardt, Andrew Kirby, Zach Scamurra, and Ryan Milsap show off the many styles of Rubix cubes they have.

Above: Ryan Milsap and Zach Scamurra race to see how quickly they can solve their cubes.

Right: Club members bring many sizes of Rubik's cubes to club to hone in on their skills.
Rubik's Cube Club

Six-Sided Fun

Story by Allegra Hayward

In the 1980s, Rubik's Cubes were the bombdiggity. In 2014 at Central High School, a few students brought back the popular puzzle game. It's not just a game, however. The Rubik's Cube Club works on solving them through the use of many complex algorithms. The most popular cube is the six-sided 3x3 model, but the club uses many more. Kids in the Rubik's Cube Club can be seen using 2x2 cubes, 4x4 cubes, 5x5 cubes— all sizes. They even use Rubik's Cubes that aren't cube-shaped at all, like pyramids! The club also doesn't limit itself to after-school activities to get their game on, either. You can find them in classes or at the cafeteria twisting away, trying to solve the puzzle as fast as they can. In the Rubik's Cube club, it's more than just a hobby; it's a skill.

Left: Andrew Gerhardt and Andrew Kirby work to solve many different styles of Rubik's cubes

Below: 1st Row: Grant Poage, Andrew Gerhardt, Rylan Millsap, Jacob Shorba, Andrew Kirby, Austin Holmes, Bryson Crem, Chris Atkinson
2nd Row: Ben Weddle, Ethan Strathman, Kloey Albertson, Jordan Hill, Nelson Matey, Andy Peterson, Bryer Hudson
Story by Sara Sch Lange

Coached by Mr. Carter, the Central Scholar Bowl team is a part of a little-known MHSA A sponsored activity. The team has numerous practices after school to study and prepare for upcoming varsity tournaments. The tournaments consist of multiple rounds where teams of four answer questions in competition for points.

Teams answer questions from all areas including anything from " current events to sports to history, math, or science - basically anything you could possibly know" junior Bailey Cordonnier said. The team who buzzes and answers correctly first wins the question. It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to become a successful scholar bowl participant. "It is a test of mental strength and memorization to figure out what you know in comparison to other people," Cordonnier said.

If the team is doing well, they have the chance to advance from the regular season to District Competition and even to the Championship Series. Scholar Bowl is a beneficial activity because it develops sportsmanship in students, instills study and preparation skills, and creates a competitive academic platform for students to display their knowledge.
Left: 1st Row: Daniel Miller, Thomas Ottinger, Bailey Cordonnier, David Kunz
2nd Row: Elsie Barry, Cass Holmes, Coach Jeff Carter,
Not Pictured: Devon Shewell, William Gentry

Above: Cassidy Holmes, Bailey Cordonnier, Thomas Ottinger, William Gentry, Devon Shewell, and Elsie Barry receive third place at the Truman Tournament.

Above: David Kunz, Daniel Miller, Thomas Ottinger, and William Gentry received third place at the Lee's Summit North Tournament.

Above: David Kunz, William Gentry, Thomas Ottinger, and Daniel Miller compete in the St. Joseph Christian Tournament. The team took first place in the tournament.
At Central there is a new opportunity for underclassmen students who are struggling in their core classes. During flex they can go to a core support flex and receive help in a particular subject area. The flex teacher in core support will be someone who teaches the subject they are struggling with and they will also have a junior or senior tutor. The tutors work individually with the sophomores. They help them with their assignments and keep track of their grades.

The tutors are very helpful to the students regarding their assignments, but they are also a friend and role model to the students. “I started tutoring for the volunteer hours but I have grown to love going to tutor and enjoy helping others,” Kara Beemer said.

Tutoring is also beneficial to the tutors. “It’s really fun helping those that need it,” Connor Stites said.
Left: Zane McGee helps a student with a school project. Tutors are skilled in many different school subjects.

Below: A Sophomore tutor helps out a student with her work.

Left: A Sophomore tutor helps out Sophomore Jackson Sollars. All students are helped by these tutors.
Spanish Club
Broadening Student's Culture

Story by Christy Bahr

Spanish Club allows students to experience diverse cultures while building relationships with others. "I like Spanish club because it introduces you to Hispanic culture which broadens your perspective on the importance of diversity," junior Guadalupe Llanas said.

To make this club successful, two presidents and two vice presidents were elected to organize the club's activities. The Presidents of Spanish Club are Kali Fujinami and Jacob Sprague. The vice presidents are Sara Schlange and Megan Corcoman. These leaders planned many activities for the members of the Spanish Club. Some of these activities include a bonfire, at which the students roasted hotdogs and smores. After eating, they went for a hayride on the haunted trail.

Another thing the club members participated in was holiday activities. This included a get together on Valentine's Day where the students watched romantic movies to get into the holiday spirit.

Throughout the year, the club members got together on multiple occasions at restaurants to eat Hispanic inspired food and treats.

Spanish Club is a marvelous club that allows students to dive into diverse cultures and form new relationships with other members of the club.

Above: Sophomores Presley Miller, Jaelyn Haggard, and Makayla DePriest are collaborating on a Spanish assignment. They all have been apart of spanish class since freshman year.

Right: Sophomore Anh Nguyen poses in front of the artwork that Spanish club members designed. The pictures represent the spanish culture.
The presidents include Jacob Sprague and Kali Fujinami. The vice presidents include Megan Corcoran and Sara Sch Lange. The presidents and vice presidents have made this year for Spanish club a memorable one for all of the members.

Sophomore Elise Barry concentrates on finishing her assignments. Barry is a hard worker and has done Spanish class since her freshman year.

Right: Senior Ashley Howery takes a picture with fellow Speech students. Howery has been in the program for the last four years.
Left: A group of students pose before competing in a tournament. All students were very successful.
The Speech and Debate program encompasses a wide variety of skills. Three classes are offered here at Central: Debate, Advanced Debate, and Competitive Drama, which all give you automatic admission into the association. Multiple tournaments are held during the weekends between October and February. Students can compete in various events, including congressional debates, dramatic interpretations, and duo performances.

As junior debater Jamison Ball states, “Everyone should sign up for a Speech and Debate class, because there are so many good opportunities that can come out of being in the program.” If you are interested in showcasing your academic and creative skills in a unique and fun way, then consider signing up for an NSDA class next year. As Vice President Bailey Cordonnier joked, “My favorite part is that you can make your opponent cry!”

Top: Speech & Debate students hold up their awards from a local tournament. All competitors placed in their events.
Left: A Competitive Drama class bonds. Competitive Drama competes in the Speech portion of tournaments.
1st Row: Ben Allen, Kali Fujinami, Joseph Kellogg, Gene Hayes, Traejun Johnson, Marco Machado, Hayley Hinde, Hanna Fiedler, Jacob Cebulko
2nd Row: Paige Musser, Brett Williams, Holly Johnston, Mikaela Quick, Joseph Tieman, Court Van Cleave, Elena Fox, Emily Mikesch, Kaylee Duvall, Tabi Tolen
3rd Row: Clinton Squires Wesley Slawson, Jackson Riddle, Scott Keegan, Jackson Montemayor, Evan Brown, David Kunz, Tanner Curum
4th Row: Madison Hector, Eric Siemens, Chase Morgan, Jakob Steinbecker, Kylee Harter, Kristen Bryant, Nick Corder, Gabrielle Purdy, Alexa Franks
5th Row: Jillian Beauford, Molly Michalski, Maggie Bauer, Hannah Johnston, Aly Viselli, Simone Rodney, Haley Grier, Madeleine Brownfield, Maria Kemerling
6th Row: Noah Cameron, Cade Musser, Gage Wilson, Bobby Lawrence, Osama Hanif, London Loveless, Elizabeth Bird
7th Row: Gwen Bachman, Lexi Fujinami, Hailey Hopkins, Emily Klundt

Top Left: Senior hallway decorated for Winter Homecoming
Top Right: Leadership counts ballots for Homecoming Court.

Above: Sophomore government participates in "Throwback Thursday."

Above: Leadership accepts an award for Central's 150th anniversary.

Above: The student body officers select their cabinet. On Top: The Freshmen pose with their float.
Leading the Future

Story by Carli Crabtree

Student Government is the floor plan of our school. Members are responsible for dances, pep assemblies, and school decorations. Also they work hard to raise money for Coronation and the Penny Drive. Student government meets each day in FLEX and on the mornings of homecoming week. Student Government also creates many school shirts, for example, homecoming, class, and benefit shirts.

They take the time to go around to each FLEX and promote the shirts in order to make sure that each student gets the opportunity to buy one. Student government also participates in Coronation and is posted in the lunch room when there are dance tickets to be sold. Mrs. Northup is in charge of the senior student government and the Student Body Officers. Without the help of the 60 Student Officers, Senators, and Cabinet members, Central and its activities would not be half as special and successful as they are.

Above: The freshman class officers pose for a picture during fall homecoming. Nerd day was a popular dress up day this year.

Left: The Polar Plunge participants pose for a photo after plunging in the freezing water. Many class officers represented each class.
1st Row: Shelyin Werner, Kate Reinert, Ashley Howery, Madi Lucas, Josie Redmon, Josh Crotty, Webster Dyer, Molly Ehrman
2nd Row: Jennifer Cobb, Kendra Simpson, Mariaelena Naboros, Kim Blazer, Brent Chivington, Ally Fields, Kelsey Buckles, Morgan Messer
3rd Row: Alyse Whitmore, Keatley Cotter, Isabel Scamurra, Sydney VanDyke, Kaitlynn Derr, Kylee Kent, Kenzie Monahan
4th Row: Tanner Duin, Zach Reinert, Zach Scamurra, Jordyn Gibson, Barbara Dyer

Right: Thespian Society poses, in costumes, for a picture. ITS does many interactive activities
Thespian Society

Being All Dramatic

Story by Claire Palmer

Thespian Society keeps many students involved at Central High School. Students that are apart of "Drama Team" specifically, have the opportunity to stay involved in theatre throughout their high school career. Senior Ashley Howery plays a key leadership role on drama team this year. This role allows her to reach out to underclassmen and newcomers to Central theatre. When asked about Drama Team, Howery says, "It's about learning to grow in the craft." Students organize and perform a fall play. There is a specific "Improv team" that puts on a performance every year. Members of the drama team also go to the Missouri Thespian Society Conference every year and attend a series of workshops and shows while they are there. The Central High School Theatre Department gives back to St. Joseph whenever they can by working in the community and setting up community service projects.

Top Left- Cast of 'The Rehersal,' directed by Madi Lucas, getting ready for opening night.

Above- Throwback to a summer Thespian Society trip to Chicago, Illinois.

Right- from left to right: Josie Redmon, Kate Reinert, Kendra Simpson, Ally Fields, and Jenni Cobb.
EVERYONE IN ONE PLACE
EVERYONE IN ONE PLACE
Boy's Varsity Soccer
12-10

Boy's Varsity Football
3-6

Girl's Varsity Volleyball
13-16-1

Girl's Varsity Softball
13-13
Girl's Varsity Basketball
6-17

Boy's Varsity Basketball
8-15-1

Girl's Varsity Cheerleading
3rd Place State Competition

Boy's Varsity Wrestling
0-1

Boy's Freshmen
Football 4-3-1

Girl's Varsity Golf
0-1
Boy's Varsity Cross Country
0-0
Girl's Varsity Cross Country
0-0

Girl's Varsity Tennis
7-4
Girl's Varsity Swim
0-0
Boy's Varsity Swim
0-0

PHOTO not available
Madison Sapp

Madison,
How blessed we have been to watch our last little girl become a beautiful young woman! We are so proud of you. We love you unconditionally. Always keep singing.
Mom, dad, Kate, & Rachel
Proverbs 16:3 Psalms 104:33 Jeremiah 29:11-13

Jacob Kammerer

Jacob, You are kind, caring, loving, fun, and hard working, and we are so proud of you. Your patience and perseverance will help you succeed in whatever you do. Work hard and have fun in college. We love you!
Love, Mom and Dad, Kyle, Claudia, and Claire.

Ben Hardy

Miss Mia,
Each time I call you “Cookie” or “My Snugglemuffin,” it is with huggable memories of the past, the happiest moments of the present and with confidence in your future. Today and everyday, I wish you an iridescent journey through life filled with sparkle and enthusiasm.
I love you to the moon and back Cookie!

Mia Lund

To my only son, in whom I am well pleased; “I would rather be a little nobody, than to be an evil somebody.”
– Abraham Lincoln
“One’s dignity may be assaulted, vandalized, and cruelly mocked, but it can never be taken away unless it’s surrendered.” –Michael J. Fox
“Never surrender.” -Mom
Emily Mikesch

Remember how much you are loved... We are so proud of you.
Love, Mom, Dad, Jake, and Clay

Erin Fleckal

To our very talented & beautiful daughter Erin. We are very proud of you & love you more than you will ever know.
Mom, Dad, & Erica

Kenzie- It’s hard to believe how fast these 18 years have gone by. You have brought so much joy to our lives and we are so proud of you. As you begin this new chapter of your life remember to never give up on your dreams and that you will always have our love and support.
Psalms 139:17
We love you so much!
Mom, Dad, Kamy, & Sydney

Mackenzie Sample

We are so very proud of you!
“She is clothes in strength and dignity and laughs at fear of the future.”
Proverbs 31:25
Love Mom and Dad
You have grown into an amazing young woman, and you have made us all so proud. You are truly loved. Go confidently in the direction of your dreams and let your character shine.

Katelyn Bullmaster

Elizabeth, we are so proud of the young lady you are becoming: beautiful inside and out. You have overcome much, and we know the habits and wisdom you have gained through struggle will help you to succeed in all you do. “We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then is not an act, but a habit.”

-Aristotle
Love, Mom and Rick

We are so unbelievably proud of the young lady you have grown into! Can’t wait to see you change the world.
Love Mom & Dad

Kali Fujinami

“Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don’t matter and those who matter don’t mind.” —Dr. Seuss
Love, Mom, Dad, and Lexi
Tom Maxwell

You have always been caring, compassionate, hard working and shown great perseverance. Those are the powers that make you our superhero. We are so excited for what the future holds for you.

Love,
Mom & Dad

Rylea Thompson

Our lil Brie Brie,
The day has come! You’ve achieved one of life’s greatest accomplishments. It’s been a great pleasure, honor and blessing to watch you become the smart, strong beautiful kind and driven young lady you are today. Never lose that drive, never grow a wishbone where a backbone ought to be. Never stop chasing your dreams.

Love always-
Mom, Dad, Kody

Katie Sears

We are so proud of the young woman you have become. As we are watching this chapter of your life close and the next begin, know that we will be here to support and encourage you every step of the way. Remember to follow your heart, believe in yourself and always keep God at the center of your life. Our prayer for you is that you be always joyful like Elizabeth, loyal like Ruth, may your prayers be heard like Hannah’s, may you find favor like Esther, and may you have a heat like Mary’s. May you continue to grow to be a woman of God.

Love, Mom and Dad

Bailey Wilcoxson

Wow! Where has the time gone? It seems like just the other day you were a little girl riding the Barbie Jeep with your sister at the wheel. Now, you’re a grown young lady with a full future ahead of you and we could not be prouder of the person you’ve become. Continue to work hard toward your goals and become an even stronger woman than you are today. May God guide and protect you as you begin the next journey of life! We Love you very Much!!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Ashley, and Riley

Sheylin Werner

Sheylin- you are such a wonderful daughter. You have made me so proud. You are so beautiful inside and out. Always keep the music in your heart and be the first to be on the dance floor and the last one off... Girlie you are so very talented. Now is the time to shine... Don’t let anything hold you back. I am so blessed to have such a blessing in my life.

So proud of you & you are so loved

Love, Mom, Travis, Isaak, Gideon, Papa, & MaBea

Leighandra, we are so proud of you and the wonderful person you have become. Always follow your dreams and don’t let anyone ever get in your way.

We Love You, Mom & Dad
Kaitlin Blair

Kate, you have blessed my life in more ways than you could possibly imagine! As you graduate, I want you to know how proud I am of the young woman you’ve become and I believe you have the qualities it takes to be successful in the future. Stay true to your convictions and your future will unfold before you in a beautiful way.

Love, Mom

Emily Dufrain

Emily we love you and are so proud of all your accomplishments while at Central. Always remember you are a daughter of Heavenly Father who loves you. “With God all things are possible.” Matt. 19:26

Keep calm and twirl on. Love Mum & Dad

Sarah Evans

We have watched you grow from our sweet little brown-eyed girl, into a strong, independent, and beautiful young woman! As you prepare for college, always remember –NEVER lose that “inner spark” and keep on “dancing” to the beat of your own drum! You are now, and forever will be our little Berabug! Congratulations!

We love you always,
Dad- Mom- Michael- and the girls

Court VanCleave

Court-Never lose your great sense of humor and the ability to make people laugh and smile. We are all very proud of the person you have become and know the future holds great things for you. Congratulations on putting your mark on Central High School as Senior Class President 2015!

Marco Machado

Marco: You are many things, and they are super good, but to us you are simply AMAZING! You have accomplished everything you always wanted it retaining the same spirit and energy. We cannot put into words the source of PRIDE you are to us.

Te Queremos Mucho
Mom, Dad and Brothers

Ashley Howery

Where has the time gone? You have grown up so quickly. Remember you can achieve whatever, you want in life, just believe in yourself. We believe in you! WE are so proud of you.

Love you babe, Mom & Dad
Sadie Willis

Sadie, Congratulations on a job well done. We are so proud of you. May God bless your future.
Love, Mom, Dad, Kadie, Cris, Todd, Ace, G’pa & G’ma Stuck, G’pa & G’ma Willis

Kenzie Monahan

Kenzie, we are all so very proud of you and all of your accomplishments. You have grown into a beautiful young woman with a great future ahead. Good luck in all your future endeavors.
Love,
Mom, Scott, Dad, Emily, Jason, Jessica, Travis, & Johnny

Dylan Bauman

Dylan,
You are an amazing Son, Brother, Grandson, Nephew, cousin, friend and leader.
You are an amazing part of our family. Parents set very high hopeful goals for their children. Your accomplishments have met and exceeded those hopes. You have soared to incredible heights this last 4 years. Just a glimmer of the bright future you have in store. Thank you for setting yourself such high goals. Nice bowl of rice you’ve got started there!!
We Are All SO Proud
Mom, Danielle, Derek, and all that love you so much.
Joe Tieman

Joe:
Congratulations on another milestone in your life. Take pride in your accomplishments as you keep setting your goals high; yet always remember to enjoy the journey. Stay true to your faith, your values, and yourself. We are proud of you and will love you forever.
Mom, Dad, Kristen, and Michael

Miranda Kirschner

You have been the most important blessing in our lives. We will never be able to express in words how proud you make us everyday. Love, Mom and Dad

Giuseppe Ingaragiola

You made it Peppe! So proud of you!
We are very happy for you and proud of your hard work and effort in your senior year. We love you very much and wish you the best of the best of a new career. Wish you a big success in life. Love you son, Mom, Dad, Girolama, and Salvatore

Sadie Jolly

The most amazing daughter and friend, I'm so proud of you and all you've accomplished. Can't wait to see what the future holds for you.
Love you,
Mom, Asia, & Charlie
We are so proud of the young woman you have become. You are intelligent, loving, talented, and beautiful. We know you will achieve any goal you set for yourself. We love you.
Mom, Dad, and Andrea

Blessed beyond words to be your family. Proud of the amazing young woman you have become.
Proverbs 3:5-6
Love you more- called it!!!
Mom, Dad, Lauren, Chad, Lindsay and Peter

Dear Emory,
You are beautiful inside and out. We are so proud of your hard work and many achievements. You have brought so much joy to our family and all who know you with your kind heart. We look forward to your bright future!
Lots of love,
Mom, Dad, & Will
Hannah Kruse

Words cannot express how proud we are of you. With your intelligence, beauty, and faith you can accomplish anything. Believe in yourself and follow your dreams. We love you with all of our hearts.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Hayley, and Jack

Jenna Oswald

~Jenna~
We are so proud of you; and as a person who stands firm... like in Matthew 5:16. “Let your light shine out for all to see.” You are generous to others with yourself, giving, and compassionate! Go Jenna...and shine!

Love,
Mom & Dad

Kaylee DuVall

Kaylee,
We are so proud of you and all of your accomplishments, May your future be all that you could ever dream it to be.
We love you,
Mom, Dad, Kristian, & Kacey

Kaitlyn Collins

We are very proud of you!
We love you! Love, Mom, Dad, Kellen, and Karsyn
Tristan Bennett

"May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed."
Psalm 20:4
We are so proud of you!
Love, Dad, Mom, and Peyton

Madeline Norcross

The Lord makes firm the steps of the one who delights in him; though he may stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with his hand. Psalm 37:23-24
We are so proud of you!
Love, Mom, Jim, Abby, Olivia, Dad, Magen, and Lauren

Cole Thienes

"You have brains in your head and fear in your shoes, you can steer yourself in any direction you chose! ...Oh the places you'll go, today is your day!
Your mountain, so... get on your way!"-Dr. Seuss
Go forth light of our life- You make us so proud- Mom & Dad
Kara Beemer

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can and wisdom to know the difference.

Life is good.
Always be you.
With love and pride,
Mom & Emily

Elena Fox

Elena— you make our lives complete and we couldn’t love you any more. We can’t wait to see the places you will go for yours is a bright future. We love you-

Mom, Dad, Jared, Kyle, & your entire family

Kayla Spilman

Kayla,
Words can’t explain how proud we are of you; you’re such an amazing young lady. You can do anything you set your mind to.
CONGRATULATIONS!!!
We love you! Mom, Dad, Ariel, Dezi, and Brock

Keagan Knapp

We are so proud of you Kea, you are an amazing young man and we know you will go on to do great things! Always remember to “Trust in the Lord and do good. Then you will live safely in the land and prosper. Take delight in the Lord and He will give you your heart’s desires.” Psalm 37:3-4
We love you very much!

Mom & Dad

Keely McCollum

We hope your dreams take you to the corner of your smiles; the brightest of your hopes, and to the most special places your heart has ever known.

Love you Google, Mom, Dad, Jacob, & Addisynn

Tori Cordero

Tori— We are so proud of you! You bring joy to our lives! We know you will do great things.
Love, Mom, Cristy, Becky, Teresa, Aaron, & Eliza
John Kosse

We are so proud of you and love you so much.
Once we accept our limits, we go beyond them! — Albert Einstein
The energy of the mind is the essence of life. — Aristotle

Colton Rich

God sure knew what he was doing when He joined these two hearts. I am very proud of you and ALL you have worked towards. I love you son, Mom

Sydney Price

Sydney,
We are so proud of the beautiful and talented young lady you have become. Watching you grow up has brought us so much joy and you have a bright future ahead of you. Always stay true to yourself, find joy in all that you do, and ALWAYS dance as if EVERYONE is watching!
Congratulations!!!
We are so proud of you.
Love, Mom, Dad, and Zackery
Jonathan Stickler

Congratulations! We feel so blessed to have you in our family. Your passion for everything you touch has kept us entertained & inspired. Your compassion for others has amazed us. We are so proud of the young man you have become and we can’t wait to see where your next adventure leads.

Love you! Mom, Dad, & Jackson

Mikaela Quick

What a STAR since the moment you burst into our lives! With your strong faith, confidence, beauty, and intelligence; you have accomplished much and can pursue any future dream. “In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will (continue to) make your path straight.” (Proverbs 3:6)

Congratulations and much love,
Mom, Jon, and Kendra

Bailey Shields

We are so proud of you and excited to see what your future brings.

Love, Mom, Dad, & Bryce

Kim Applegate

Kim,
You have been a blessing to your entire family. Your love of life flows through your actions, personality and smile. Continue to impact the world by the beauty of your presence, the warmth of your love through the relationships you have, and the hope for the future through the dreams that you live. We are very proud of you.

Love, Mom and Dad

Wesley Slawson

Wesley, we are very proud of you!!
Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.

1 Timothy 4:12

Zack Unzicker

Zack! Keep running. We love you! "This ain’t Summer Camp Kiddie”
1 Thess. 1:4
Holly Johnston

Holly, it has been pure pleasure watching you grow up into the beautiful, precious young woman you have become. We are so excited to continue to watch you bloom!

Love, Mom & Dad
(& Hannah, Adam, & William)

Hannah Monger

Hannah, we are so proud of the beautiful young lady you have become. It seems like yesterday we were taking you to kindergarten and now you are graduating from high school. Thank you for being such an amazing daughter. You have brought so much joy and laughter to our lives. You have such a bright future ahead of you. Always follow your dreams. We love you “Bean” to the moon and back.

Love you!
Mom & Dad

Jacob Sprague

“Success is getting what you want. Happiness is wanting what you get.”
–Dale Carnegie

Jacob- we know great success awaits you- wish you great happiness!
Proud of you- Mom & Dad
Jake Goodwin

We are so proud of you and love you very much.

Hayley Hinde

Hayley - This has been so much fun! With great joy and gratitude, we look forward to seeing your life unfold! "...So we keep on praying for you, asking our God to enable you to live a life worthy of His call. May He give you the power to accomplish all the good things your faith prompts you to do."

Much love - Mom and Dad

Jacob Mejia

We are so proud of the young man that you have become. You can achieve anything in life, all you have to do is believe. We believe in you. Follow your dreams. You have a bright future ahead.

Love,
Mom, Robbie, & Lexi

Riley Bachman

We are so proud of you for all the obstacles you've overcome and all that you stand for. Always stay true to yourself and follow your heart. Believe in yourself and all that you are. Know there is something inside you that is greater than any obstacle. "Stay Gold." We love you more.
Mom & Dad

Trenton Humbert

Trenton - we are so proud of the wonderful young man you have become. We can't wait to see what the future holds for you. Follow all your dreams and never give up.
We love you-Mom, Dad, Colby, and Miranda

Lauren Brumback

"Working hard is important. But there is something that matters even more, believing in yourself." -Harry Potter from Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix
We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments! You have become an amazing young woman! No matter where life takes you, we will always be there to encourage and support you. We love you!
Mom & Dad
Hanna, We are so very proud of you and all your accomplishments. Keep on shining and keep on smiling. Kochamy cie zawsze.
Mom, Dad, & Sara

Nicole, I am very proud of you. Through some ups and downs you have completed an important chapter in your life. I know you will do amazing things. It has been truly wonderful watching you grow into a mature, confident, young women with a clear future objective in mind that I have no doubt you will achieve. I will always be there for you with all my support and love.
Love, Dad

Pierce, How proud we are of the wonderful young man you have grown to be. You possess character and moral code that will help with you succeed in your journey thru life. You make your family and friends proud to be a part of you life and to know what a great Marine you will be for your country. Semper Fi
Love you much,
Mom, Dad, Kale and Logan
Brittney Davis

We are very proud of the beautiful, loving, intelligent, talented woman you have become. You have worked so hard to get here. Just keep smiling, believe in yourself, follow your dreams and you will succeed. Know that no matter where you go or what you do, we will always love you!

Mom, Dad, Kylie, & Amber

Skye Lammers

Skye,
You’re our firstborn. We are excited by the woman you’ve become and can’t wait to see where you go in life. We love you.
Good luck!
Mom and Dad, Jordan and Brooklyn

Jackson Riddle

Jack-
You have made us very proud. You are a very polite and considerate young man. We look forward to what God has planned for your bright future. We Love You.

Mom and Dad

Dystiny Santos-Hunter

Dystiny Bonae Santos-Hunter
You’re amazing, beautiful, and I know you’ll have a bright feature ahead of you. You have not let me down since the first day of kindergarten when ya told me, "Mom I got this!"
So proud of you sis,
Mommy Loves You

Angela Dawn

Our sweet baby girl all grown up into the young woman she is today. How time has flew by so quickly; each and every day a treasured memory. Knowing that your future holds many more wonderful memories. With all our love, Grandma, Mom, Isis, Colin, Dreyvin, and Aunt Angie

Tara Crawford

Tara, you have always been kindhearted, compassionate, and true to your beliefs. You bring out the best in everyone around you. We couldn’t be more proud. Keep believing in fairy tales, dreams big & follow your path.
Just be... you!
All our love,
Mom, Dad, & Ashley

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Rachel Hagen

Behind the smile is a daughter filled with compassion and kindness. We are so proud of the young lady you have become and wish you all the best in the journey ahead of you.

Love, Mom & Dad

Emmy Zahnd

She knew that she was formed by God's hands dreamed up in His heart and placed in this world for a purpose.

We love you, Emmy!

Mom, Dad and Cooper

Logan Sample

Congratulations you have worked so hard to get to the senior year. We have supported you all the way through the years. Good luck on the next journey you will do.

Love you,

Dad & Mom & Sis
Amanda Angsten

It's hard to believe that you are already graduating! Where did the time go? You have brought us such joy watching you grow and develop into a beautiful young lady. There was a reason that God put you in our hands. “trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding” (Proverbs 3:5). We have no doubt your dreams will come true. Thank you for being the incredible girl that you are. We are so proud of you and LOVE you with all our hearts.
Grandma (Mom) & Grandpa (Daddy)
Philippians 4:13 & Romans 8:28.

We are so proud of you Mama and love you so much.
Mom, KeeKee, Mama, Dada, TT, and Nana

Ramsay Younger

We are so proud of the beautiful woman you've become, inside and out. The world is yours- go get it!
Love, Mom and Dad...

Josh Crotty

Josh, we are so proud of the man you have become. You've faced many challenges during high school but you have come through each one tougher and stronger! Can't wait for this next chapter in your life.
Love you more. Mom, Dad, Erin, Kaitlyn, Kelli, & Jared

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Jordan, we are so proud of you! Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined.
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Letter from the Editor:
High school is but a minute fraction of our lives, yet it is considered to be some of our greatest years. But what makes it so great isn’t our grades on a test or our wins in a season - it’s the people we share them with. The presentations, the shows, and the competitions will fade, but the memories of classmates will remain with us. It’s amazing what unites us. We are all unique and one of a kind, but we will always have one thing in common. I hope that this book helps you remember what we all share - our love for our school and each other.

Twenty years down the road, when we are all living out our own lives, I hope we can glance at these pages and dive into the memories we’ve experienced. We will remember that if we once were an Indian, we shall always be an Indian. We will always be Central.

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-Editor, Sara Schlange
Let's Talk Politics

Running for a Change

Story by Christy Bahr

The annual campaigning has begun again. Any junior who wishes is able to run in the primary election. Candidates are allowed a 30 second spot on video announcements. Everyone who is a junior and under can vote for their favorite candidates. The top two from each office then do speeches on stage before the student body. The offices are treasurer, secretary, vice-president, and president.

"One of the ideas that I have for next year is to have a semi-formal. It could be like a mini prom so everyone in the school could participate," junior Maggie Lawrence said.

This is just one of the many ideas the candidates threw out during their speeches. All of the participants in the elections brought new fresh ideas including a semi-formal, survey questionnaires, and a winter festivus. Through these ideas the officers plan to improve the schools overall atmosphere and spirit.

"Even though there is a lot of pressure thrown onto us in this position, I feel like it’s worth it if we can make a positive change for the school," junior Eric Siemens said.

The winners of the election were Treasurer: Nick Corder, Secretary: David Kunz, Vice-President: Maggie Lawrence, and President: Eric Siemens. Through their creative ideas and unique perspectives they plan to make the years 2015-2016 one of the most memorable years yet for Central High School.

Above: The current SBO’s conduct the debates for next years SBO elections.
2nd Above: David Kunz, presented his speech for secretary. Left: Presidential candidates, Arnez Stillman and Eric Siemens, shake hands before the debates begin.
Promising Futures

There is No Place like Home

Story by Evan Brown

It looks to be a promising year for our Indians, with Senior Joe Tieman leading the pitching rotation and hitting second in the batting lineup. Joe recently signed to play baseball at Missouri Western State University. When asked what the feeling of signing to play college sports felt like, he replied, “just knowing that all the hard work I’ve put in these past years is finally starting to pay off, the feeling is indescribable.”

But Joe isn’t the only Senior Indian to sign to play college ball, the team’s first baseman, Mason Nagle signed to play baseball at Highland Community College.

The lineup this year is pretty underclassman, heavy, freshman Cade Musser roams left field for the Indians, sophomore Aaron Moore plays second base and sophomore Dawson Smith pitches third in the rotation. The more experience we can give these underclassmen now, the better shape our Indians will be in the near future.

With only three starting seniors, the upcoming years look to be promising for our Indians, not to mention how promising the next few years look for Joe and Mason. With the amount of success they’ve had in their high school career, we can only wish them much of the same in their college years.

Above: Senior Mason Nagle prepares for the next pitch.
Top Left: Gage Stagner delivers a pitch against Rockhurst.
Top Center: Jake Gill concentrates on the strike zone.
Top Right: Kody Mazur frames a pitch in the strike zone.
Right: The team celebrates after a win.
Left: Senior Clint Squires makes solid contact with the ball.
Below: Nick Hanlan delivers a pitch out of the stretch.
2nd Below: Joe Tieman delivers a pitch against Park Hill.

Above: The team talks about what they did well.
Left: Aaron Moore warms up before pitching in game.
Hitting Our Goal

Indians Take Soccer to a New Level

Story by Halle Koelliker

Central Indians Lady soccer team has had a great start to their season. 5 wins and only 1 loss. They have already done amazing things this season. Junior Alexa Franks has broken 3 school records: goals scored in a career, goals scored in a game, and goals scored in a season. When Franks was asked how it felt to break the record she responded, “It was really great to be able to accomplish that goal with the help of my teammates. I always kept the numbers in the back of my head while playing and I knew I had to train hard so that every time I stepped on the field I was able to perform my best.” The Lady Indians have the mindset to go out there and give it their all every game. Senior Captain Brett Williams said, “Being a captain is an awesome experience. There are a lot of responsibilities, but it makes you feel like your team really trusts you and they know you won't let them down. They are able to believe that you can lead them to victory in a battle.” Williams has signed to play at Maple Woods after high school.

Central Soccer has prepared the ladies very well for their future. Multiple girls have been given the opportunity to further their career in college. Senior Elena Fox, a four-year varsity starter, has signed with William Jewell. “I have been playing since I was five and to know that all my hard work has paid off feels great. I have been in the goal for a long time, and when I knew I wanted to play college soccer I knew that I would have to start playing in the field some more.” Fox worked hard in her off-season to prepare herself for the next season. “It paid off a lot, and I have improved tremendously.”

The soccer team believes they are going to go far this season. With hard work, dedication, and teamwork they will be able to do whatever they put their minds to.

Far Right: Sophomore Morgan McClendon backpedals to receive an incoming ball. Right: Senior Hayley Hinde throws in the ball from the sidelines. Hinde has been on the varsity team since her freshman year.
Top Right: Senior Lia Wickham making a fantastic save in a home game against Park Hill South.
Top Left Senior Emily Mikesch attempts to kick the ball around Park Hill South players. Sophomore Morgan McClendon comes in for back up.
Above: Sophomore Breanna Warden successfully kicks the ball past a Park Hill South defender.
Left: Sophomore Emma Meyer and junior Rylee Schultz attempt to move the ball up the field.
Central Boy's Golf team has participated in many matches and tournaments this season. Matches consist of nine holes while tournaments consist of 18 holes. Even though golf is an individual sport the boys strive to increase their bond during practices, and help improve each other's scores. At the matches they golf individually, but their overall ranks are scored as a team.

Ronnie Burr, Jake Mikesch, and Matthew Wilson are all Freshmen who got to enjoy some Varsity playing time. Before each tournament the boys have to qualify for the Varsity tournaments based on how they fall compared to other players during practices. Matthew Wilson said “I expected to make the team, but I did not expect to play the first Varsity match.” It's really important that the seniors make the freshmen feel welcome each year in order for them to play to their full potential.

Ronnie Burr says “The car rides down are fun and funny. The seniors made sure that I had a good time.”

Senior Jackson Riddle agreed by saying, “The car rides are one thing he will look back on when thinking about his memories as a Central Golfer.” The season was very enjoyable for all.

Jake Mikesch said, “I don’t regret dropping baseball, because I have met more people and became a better golfer.”

This season there are seven seniors on the team. A team with that many leaders makes for a promising season. This also makes for a lot of role models, so the Freshmen can eventually lead the team in the next couple of years. There are about 14 players total this year which leaves a lot of room for wins.

Above: Senior Jake Giles and Freshman Jake Mikesch walk down the fairway to retrieve their golf balls. The golfers are preparing for their season.
Right: Freshman Jake Mikesch lines up a putt in practice. For this freshman, precision is key.
Above: Sophomore Austin Jackson watches his drive in practice. This is Jackson's second year on the varsity squad.
Left: Senior Kale Czerwonka practices his golf swings. Czerwonka was a key aspect on the varsity squad.
Right: Members of the Freshmen and Sophomore track team pose for photo before their races.

Above:
Sophomore Gabby Cotton leaps over the hurdles. This is Cotton’s first year of track at Central.
Right: Freshman Jailine Delgado, races to the finish line. This is her first year of track.

Right: Sophomore Jacob Bahr runs a lap for the relays. Bahr has been on track for two years.
We Make Tracks
Running In Between the Lines

Story by Torey Clinton

Central’s track has started off on the right foot as new and returning members of the team are in it to win it all. The team has a mindset to do great things this season. Goals are being set and personal records are being made. Track has some great things in store for the team. They are planning to send multiple people to state and expecting people to place. Everyone has worked hard to get to where they are. There has been a lot of push this season to prepare everyone.

Junior Paityn Howat has set a new personal record for her mile time. “I ran at the Rusty Hodge Invitational, which was my 3rd meet of the season. I beat my personal record of 5:16 and got down to 5:09.” Howat has been training for this season with a great mindset. “I ran track all winter and went to a couple indoor meets at MU. My mile time at MU was 5:21. I have made some adjustments to get myself where I am now.” Howat plans to make it far. She is already setting other goals for the rest of the season. “I am hoping to break the school record later this season when I am running against other people.” Another goal for Howat is to make it to state. “I am going to have to continue to push myself harder and harder to accomplish my goals.”

“Track is a mental sport,” says sophomore Gabby Howat. “I have to stay really positive with myself so I don’t psych myself out before the races.” The track team is really good about being supportive of one another. “A lot of the same girls on the team ran cross country this year so we are use to being around each other and talking each other up.” Team bonding is a big thing between everyone. “We go on long runs together all the time.” Gabby Howat said. The track team has big things in store for them this season.

Far Left: Freshman Ami Dias, sprints to the finish line. This is Ami’s first year of track.
Left: Alec Pfeiderer runs to the finish line in the relay. Pfeiderer has been on the track team for two years.
Above Left: Freshman Dalton Walker hurries to the finish line to win the race. This is Walker’s first year of track.
Above: Doubles partners Josh Fangman and Loc Lee communicate between points. This season was both boys first year of varsity experience.

Far Right: Senior Gene Hayes and Junior Harrison Cargill celebrate after a point. The boys worked as doubles partners throughout the season.

Right: A group of varsity players rest on a bench in between matches.
No Love Here
Matching up to the Competition

Story by Haley Hoffman

This spring brought a new challenge for the boys tennis team. With only three returning starters from last season—only one being a senior—coach Everett Hoffman was not sure what to expect. A new group of players needs a strong backbone of experience, and Hoffman knew that the returning players could bring that much needed expertise. Hoffman has a reputation of being a tennis veteran, and always knows how to bring a group of young men together.

"The season has started off strong," remarks Hopkins. With more than 20 players on the roster, majority being novice, the Indians tennis team saw progress early on. Getting some close victories has helped to strengthen the positive attitude of the team. Senior Alex Fangman was no stranger to success. Three years on varsity, and an All-Conference award recipient, Fangman had no lack of confidence going into his final season. Fangman, along with the top-ranked player Van Hopkins, create a doubles team that has the potential to be one for the books.

"I have high expectations for Van and I" declares Fangman. To build on to the post season success of last year, Fangman hopes to pull out a few essential wins at the end of the year.

Tennis is both an individual and team sport; players have singles and doubles matches, but the team wins or loses based on how well the players did. No matter what the outcome is at the end of the night, one thing always stays constant. The boys have a lot of fun playing the game they love.

"There's good teamwork, support, and coaching. I play because it's fun," states junior Austin Miller.
Far Right: Madison Sapp delivers her speech regarding the quality of leadership. Sapp is the secretary of Central's NHS chapter.

Right: Second-year members of NHS rise for recognition during the assembly. These students were initiated in their junior year.

Above: Mackenzie Shelter and Alison Sigrist light their candles during the NHS assembly. The two juniors were assisted by Jacob Sprague and Madison Sapp. Right: Rylee Schultz faces the crowd after lighting her candle at the NHS assembly. Schultz is a junior at Central.
Beyond the Academics

Honors for Past, Present and Future

Story by Sara Marquardt

Central’s finest senior scholars filled the auditorium’s stage clad in shimmering gowns and sleek tuxedos for this year’s National Honors Society (NHS) induction ceremony. The 53 new inductees wore their stoles with white dresses and suits while they eagerly listened to the speeches delivered by the 2014 members on the qualifications of an NHS member. The qualifications, scholarship, leadership, service, and character, drive the students to go above and beyond what is expected of them. Junior inductee Niki Mitchem said “It means you have to be accountable not only for academics but for showing good character too.”

The excitement of being honored so highly helped to ease the nerves of many of the students. Baker Hodges said “I had my doubts but I was excited.”

Niki Mitchem said “It was exciting to be up there and to light the candle that represented education.” After each of the new members, primarily juniors but some seniors too, took their vows and had lit their candles they were officially members of NHS and they will remain members through the 2015-2016 school year.

During the assembly a new tradition was also started, the induction of members into the Central High School Enright Academic Hall of Fame. This portion of the assembly was conducted by Mr. Paul Kunz. Three Central graduates, Daniel Belcher, Robert V. Duncan, and Kristi L. Kirschner, were honored for their contributions in their field and their high character, much like the NHS members were being honored.
Indians Prefer Europe

Indians by Day, Europeans by Night

Story by Kristen Tieman

Some experiences only present themselves to us once in a lifetime. For a group of Central students, this Spring Break was that very moment. After over a year of planning, on March 27, a group of 14 students, 2 teachers, and 1 parent chaperone boarded the plane for Europe. They traveled to Paris, France and Madrid, Spain. The sights, smells, and emotions will forever live inside those students.

For sophomore Spanish student Kelsie Heckel, the trip to Europe was a time for learning. "I enjoyed seeing the different cultures and just how everyone went about their everyday lives in France and Spain." recalls Heckel. About half of the students who attended the trip were French students, and the other half were Spanish students. One Latin student, junior Ethan Bennett came along too. He states that his Latin education helped him immensely in Europe. As Bennett recalls, "I could use my knowledge of Latin roots to help decipher basic phrases in French and Spanish. Both of these languages are based off of the Latin language."

Some of the highlights of the trip were visiting the Palace of Versailles, seeing the artwork at the Prado Museum, and of course, the view from the top of the Eiffel Tower.

"It was absolutely breathtaking. I don't think I will ever forget the beauty of Paris from that height." states Sophomore French student Ally Franks.

Lucky for the traveler inside all of us, Europe is not too far away, and the trip coordinator, Madame Russell, is planning to take another visit across the sea in about two years. Keep your eyes open and your passports ready for updates regarding the upcoming adventure.

Right: Students pose for a group photo in the Chicago Airport before boarding the plane for France. The flight overseas was about 8 hours long.
Participants of the Trip, From Left to Right Below: Molly Davies, Jazmine Rivera, Abby Palmer, Alex Fangman, Kelsie Heckel, Julia Stolfus, Ethan Bennett, Kara Beemer, Ally Franks, Kristen Tieman, Harrison Meers, Gabby Herrington, Cyrus Wallis

Left: Group poses for a photo on the outskirts of Toledo, Spain. Toledo is known as one of the religious mixing pots of the world.
Below: Students pose in front of the Eiffel Tower. The Tower lights up every night once the sun goes down.

Above: Sophomores Kelsie Heckel and Julia Stolfus eat “Chocolate y Churros,” in Madrid. Churros are a famous Spanish dessert.
Left: Students pose in front of the Palace of Versailles. The Palace was built in the 17th century under the commission of King Louis XIV
Influencing the Youth
Sports and Hugs, Never Drugs

Story by Allegra Hayward

"To become a Drug Free Superstar you have to play a sport and obviously be drug free. If you meet these two qualifications then you have to fill out an application that asks you questions and makes you include an activity list. Then you interview in front of a panel of administrators from Central," Holly Johnston explained. The 2014-2015 Drug Free Superstars were Ben Allen, Emory Corso, Holly Johnston, Emily Mikesch, Jonathan Stickler, and Cole Thienes.

They do things like visit elementary and middle schools and talk to the students. They speak about remaining drug free and encourage involvement in school activities. Although the audience is younger and might not have had any interaction with illicit drugs and their users, drug use in high school is unfortunately common. A key trait belonging to each Superstar is the ability to refuse participating in drug use. "I have been in situations where that was happening around me, and I just removed myself from the situation and went somewhere else with my friends," Emory Corso stated.

A healthy surrounding of peers is also vital to abstain from controlled substances. "If you choose friends who have the same values you do about what you choose to put into your body and what you choose to focus on, it makes it a lot easier to make the right decisions at all time," Johnston said.

All Drug Free Superstars have a huge poster of them hanging up in the top floor of the sophomore hallway, seen by most everyone in the school. They’re prime role models for the whole school. "Stay drug-free... you’ll have enough stuff going on without having to add that to the mix," Corso advised.

Top: Jonathan Stickler and Holly Johnston pass out their sports cards to elementary kids. Middle: Cole Thienes, Emory Corso, and Jonathan Stickler stand up in front of a class to talk about the advantages of avoiding drugs. Bottom: Emily Mikesch holds up the poster of Ben Allen. Drugfree Superstar posters were displayed all year outside of the office.

Left: Drug-Free Superstars, from left to right; Ben Allen (track), Cole Thienes (wrestling), Jonathan Stickler (soccer), Emory Corso (cheerleading), Holly Johnston (tennis), Emily Mikesch (soccer)