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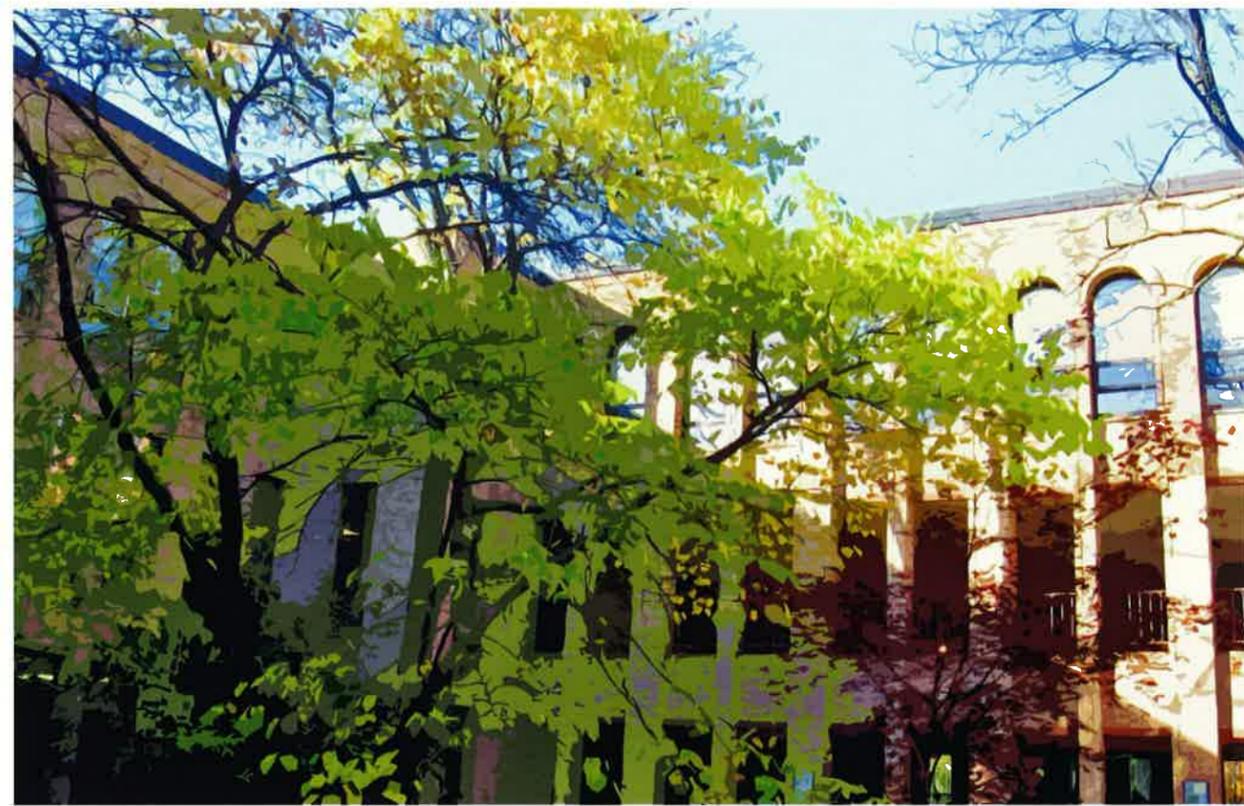
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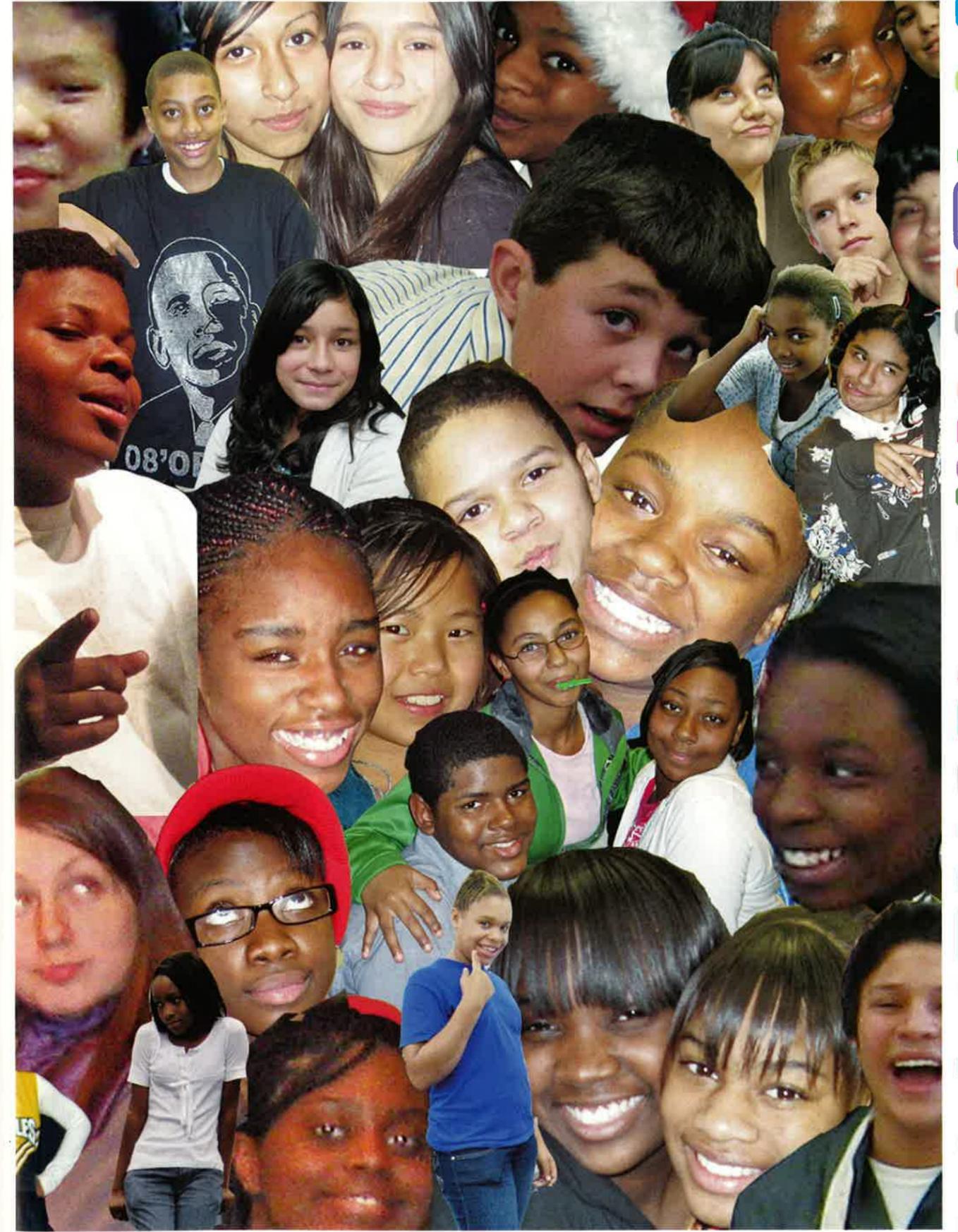
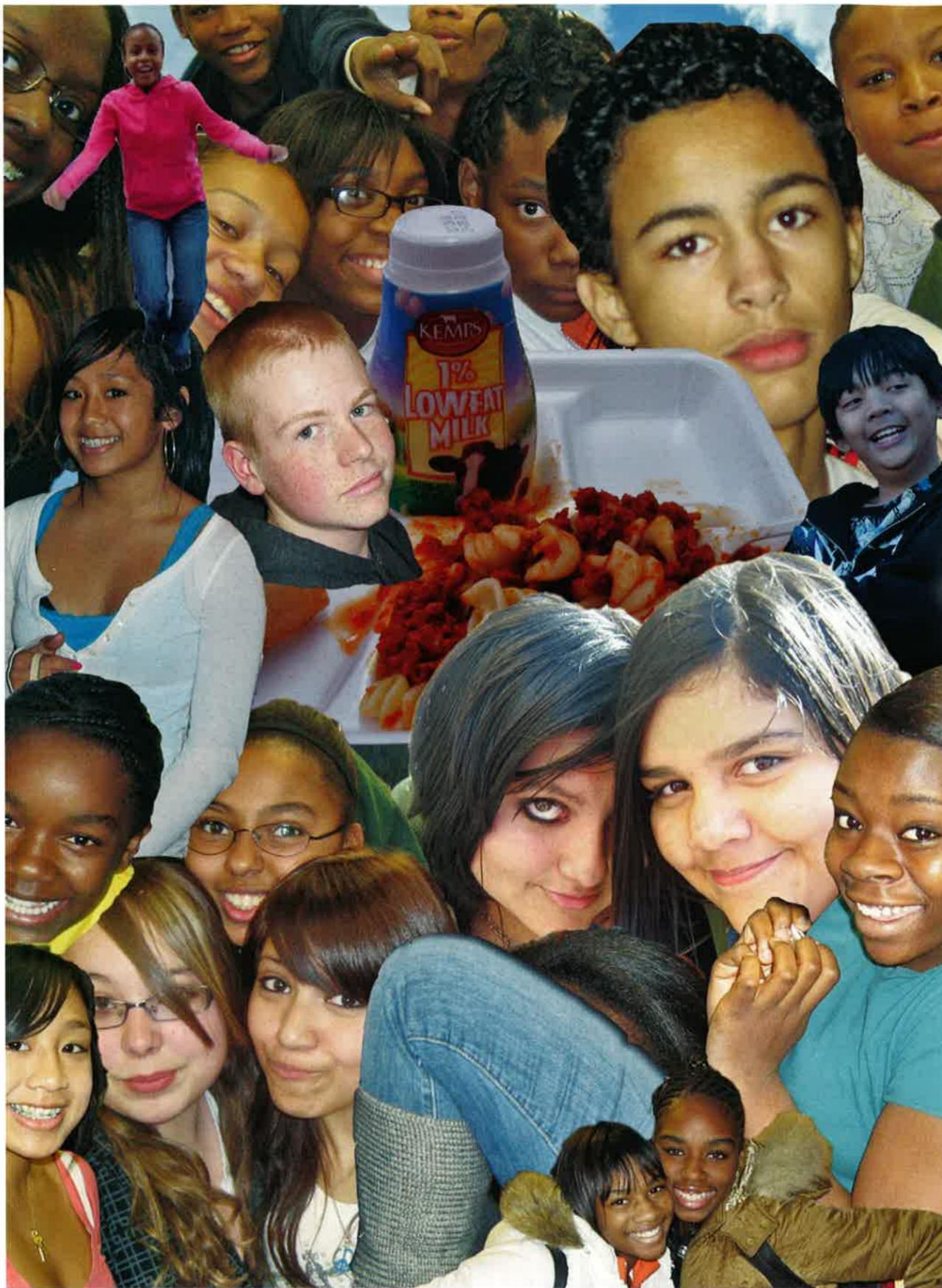
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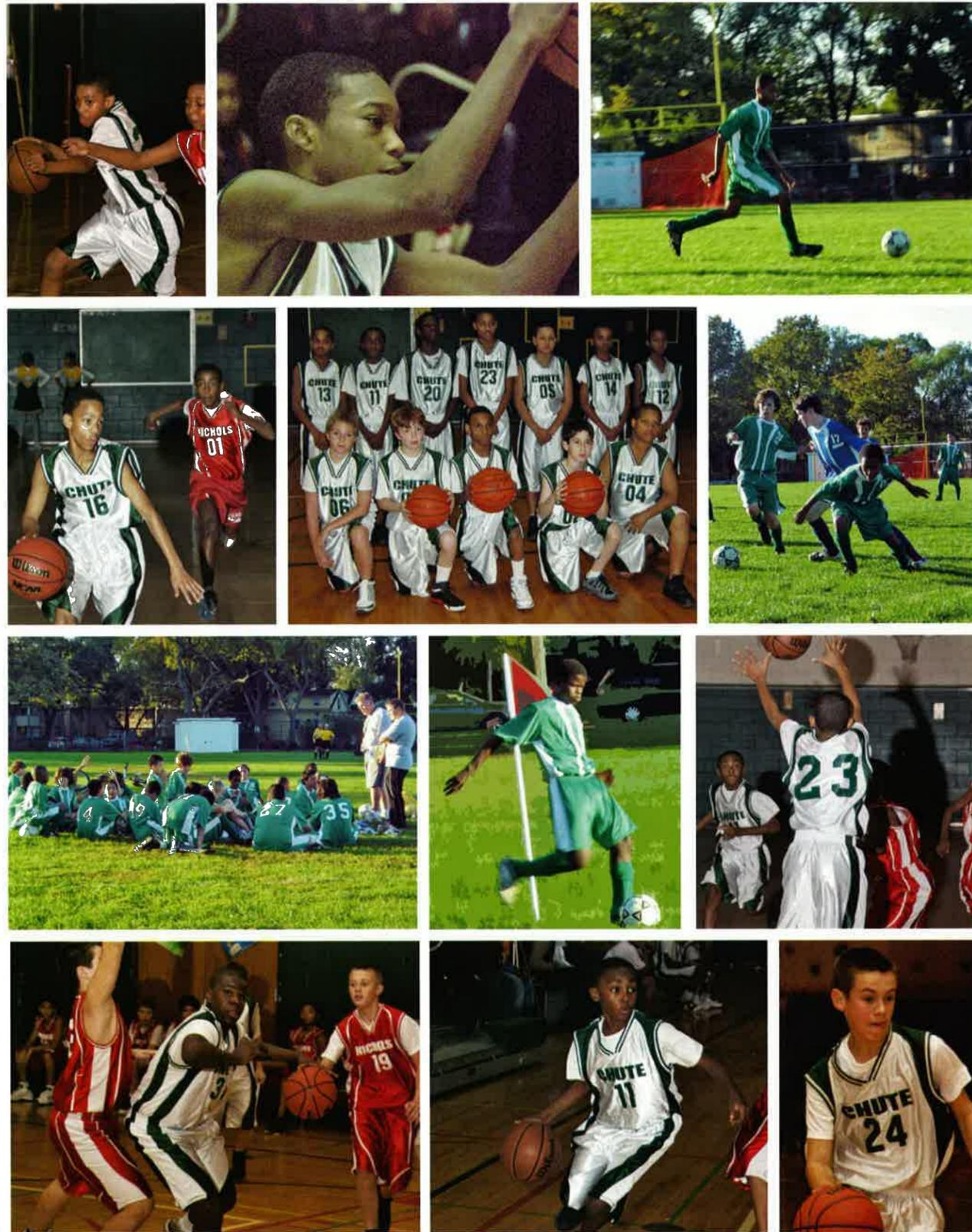
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Boys' Sports (Basketball & Soccer)



Boys' Sports (Basketball, Soccer, & Intramurals)



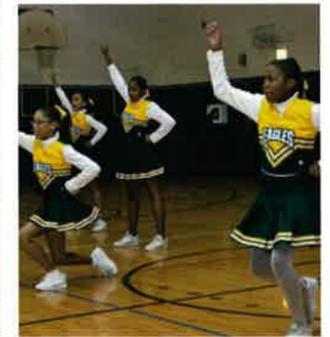
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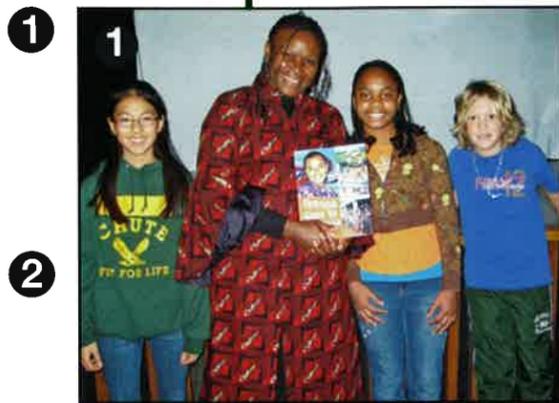
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Clubs, The Presidential Election & Special Events

1 The author Ifeoma Onyefulu presents her book "Ikenna Goes to Nigeria."



2 Environmental Club went on an overnight field trip.



3 Students participated in the presidential election at Chute & around District 65.



4 Obama wins the presidential election at Chute and in the USA.



5 Stage crew works hard to put on all shows in the Chute Auditorium.

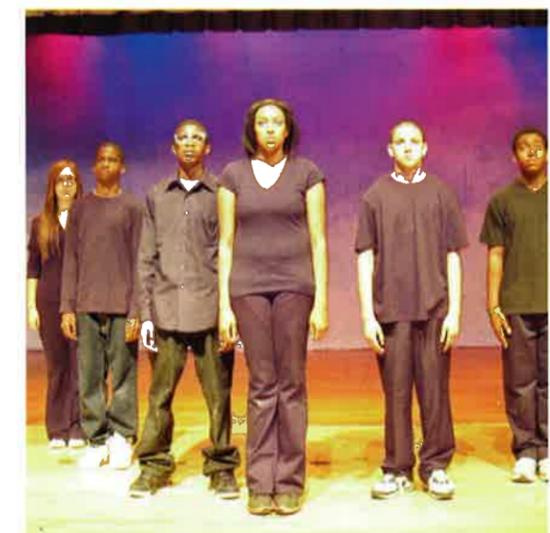
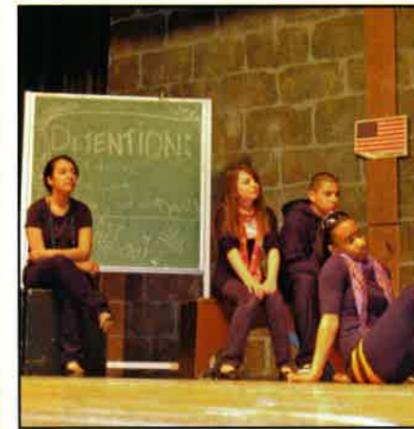


6 Band practices every Monday and Wednesday.



7 Science Olympiads meet every Wednesday

"Fly" Spring Assembly



A Celebration of Believing and Achieving

Northwestern Field Trip



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Adams, Malachi



Amarteifo, Remy



Amoah, Antonio



Arreguin, Karla



Austin, Stephanie



Barnes, Linh



Beaudouin, Vanessa



Becerra, Cristina



Becerril, Bertina



Bentley, Vernell



Bercasio, Bo



Bibat, Orlando



Blake Lazu, Yamila



Boadi, Kelyn



Bowes, Alexys



Bowser, Angelin



Brown, Kahreem



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Carmel, Hope



Carreon, Jose



Carter, Brandon



Carter, Evan



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Carter, Lamont



Castillo, Paulina



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Pittman, Jeffrey



Ponce, Eduardo



Porter, Miles



Poyser, Kendard



Prendergast,
Justin



Pruitt, Malik



Ramirez, Chris



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Ransom, Jesseca



Rees, Charlotte



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Rogan, Benjamin



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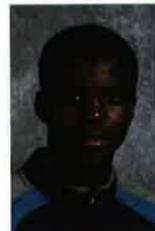
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Headline News



Housing Crisis

The housing market hit crisis status in 2008. With the rise in unemployment, one in 10 homeowners was at least one payment behind on their mortgage or in foreclosure. Nationwide, median home prices fell more than 11 percent to \$183,000—the largest year-over-year drop on record since 1968.

Billion-dollar Bailout

The U.S. Senate sparked intense debate when it approved a \$700 billion plan to rescue Wall Street. The bailout came in response to months of retail sales decline, home foreclosures and record drops in the stock market (dropping 777 points on September 29). Worldwide \$30.1 trillion of global stock market value was lost.



Americans Ditch Cars

With a recession in full swing and commuters concerned about record gas prices, drivers traded their cars for bikes. The Federal Highway Administration reported that Americans drove 9.6 billion fewer miles over the previous year. With consumers buying fewer cars, the big three American automakers felt the pinch. Seeking relief, they asked for and received a \$13.4 billion piece of the federal bailout originally intended for Wall Street.



Hurricane Ike Hits Texas

Thousands of residents evacuated coastal and inland areas of Texas in preparation for Hurricane Ike, which turned out to be the third most destructive hurricane ever to hit the U.S. The early evacuation efforts (put in place after Hurricane Katrina) undoubtedly saved thousands of lives.

Cleared for Takeoff

It's official—Delta bought Northwest Airlines for \$3.1 billion, creating the world's largest airline. The combined new airline now serves more than 390 destinations in 67 countries. It is expected to generate about \$35 billion in yearly revenue and employ 75,000 people.

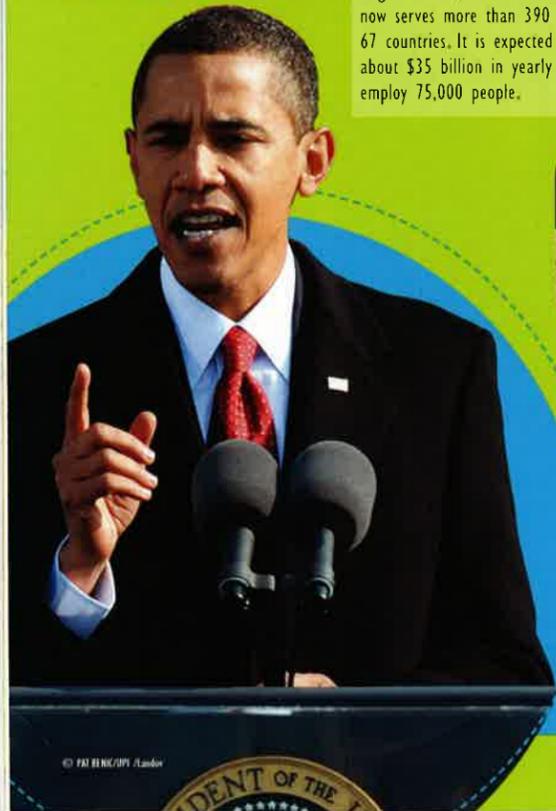


Crisis in Gaza

The long-standing conflict in Gaza rose to war when hundreds of civilians lost their lives and thousands were injured in airstrikes and mortar shell attacks waged separately by the Israeli military and Hamas militant groups. Hamas is listed as a terrorist organization by the U.S. and many other Western nations. In January 2009, Israel withdrew its troops and the Hamas groups declared a cease-fire, ending the three-week war; however tensions between the two sides remain high.

Obama Elected 44th President

In a historic moment, 47-year-old Barack Obama, a freshman senator from Illinois, became America's first African-American president. In addition to shattering 200 years of history, he became the fifth youngest president ever when he was sworn in to office on January 20, 2009. In his inauguration speech, President Obama delivered a message of bipartisan hope and expectation to a crowd of over one million people in Washington D.C. and to millions more via television and the Internet.



Energy Independence

The U.S. Congress agreed with President Bush's decision to lift the almost 20-year ban on offshore drilling operations. The high price of crude oil as well as the strategic importance of energy independence led to the decision.



U.S. Troops

After more than five years of war, plans to reduce the presence of U.S. troops in Iraq were moved forward. A new agreement between U.S. and Iraqi officials was ratified, outlining the withdrawal of U.S. troops by 2011. At the same time, in Afghanistan there were 31,000 U.S. troops, and that number is expected to double in 2009.

Winning against Cancer

New diagnoses and deaths from cancer both fell for the first time in the U.S. according to the National Cancer Institute's 2008 report. The overall death rates fell for the most common cancers, dropping .08 percent annually from 1999 to 2005 for both men and women. While overall cancer rates decreased, lung cancer remains a concern in the Midwest and the South. Both areas have yet to adopt anti-smoking laws that ban smoking in public places or to increase taxes on cigarettes.



Cease Fire

Following a short yet destabilizing conflict, the governments of Georgia and Russia signed a U.S. brokered cease-fire, which required all Russian troops to withdraw to their pre-invasion positions. The invasion was in response to Georgian suppression of Russian supported separatist rebels in the breakaway region of South Ossetia.



Earthquake Rocks China

A 7.9 magnitude earthquake rocked southwest China leaving 4.8 million people homeless. More than 60,000 people were injured while over 20,000 people lost their lives. To help rebuild the livelihoods, schools and basic services the area needs, several United Nations agencies have set up continuing operations in China.



Prepared for Landing

In January 2009, US Airways' Pilot C.B. "Sully" Sullenberger prepared for impact less than 90 seconds after taking off from LaGuardia International Airport in New York, as Flight 1549's engines went out after hitting a flock of birds. The pilot decided the safest place to land was in the icy waters of the Hudson River. Pilot Sullenberger's skill and quick response saved the lives of all 155 passengers.



Adventurer to the End

Almost 13 months after adventurer Steve Fossett disappeared in a single-engine plane over Nevada and a year to the day since the search was called off, hikers found his airplane and remains in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Fossett holds many world records including being the first person to fly solo nonstop around the world in a hot air balloon.



Mumbai Targeted

Over three days in November, India's city of Mumbai was attacked by terrorists, allegedly backed by a Pakistani-based Islamic militant group. Over 160 people lost their lives in the planned attack which targeted India's financial center.



Goodnight Nighthawk

After three decades of exemplary service as the first aircraft in history to successfully make use of stealth technology, the F-117 Nighthawk was retired at a private military ceremony. The "Stealth" gained notoriety through now famous camera footage of its precision performance in Desert Storm in the early 1990s.

Myanmar Devastation

A massive cyclone hit the small country of Myanmar in May 2008, tallying an eventual death toll of over 100,000 people. The military government of Myanmar initially refused foreign aid and asserted that it could handle all relief and rescue efforts. According to International Red Cross reports, the lack of immediate international support most likely cost thousands of lives.



An Election to Remember

The nation witnessed several history-making events during the 2008 presidential election.

Alaskan Governor Sarah Palin became the first female Vice Presidential candidate for the Republican Party.



New York Senator Hillary Clinton made a run at America's number one seat as a candidate in the Democratic primary. After withdrawing from the race, Clinton went on to accept the role of Secretary of State in President Obama's administration.



Voters turned out in record numbers with over 133 million Americans showing up at the polls. Social networking websites like YouTube, MySpace and Facebook played a major role in yielding the highest turnout in 40 years.



President Obama's inauguration was visible from space. Satellite images showed the record-breaking 1.8 million people gathered on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. to be a part of the historic event.

Test Your Presidential Knowledge

- What is the name of the President's office?
 - Square Office
 - Oval Office
 - Circular Office
 - Presidential Office
- The President often flies on a plane provided by the Air Force. What is the name of the plane?
 - Whitehouse Air
 - President's Plane
 - Air Force One
 - U.S. Force One
- Which state has yielded the most U.S. Presidents?
 - Illinois
 - Texas
 - New York
 - Virginia



Answers: 1. b 2. c 3. d

Planet Earth



Teens Take Title
A high school team from Mater Dei High School in Evansville, Indiana beat out students from 23 universities to take the Shell Eco-marathon grand prize for designing, building and driving a vehicle that went the farthest distance using the least amount of fuel. The three-wheeled combustion engine car achieved an amazing 2,843.4 miles per gallon. The students won \$10,000 for their invention.



Trash to Gas
The high price of gas in 2008 put a spotlight on the study of alternative fuel sources. In America, at the University of California at Davis, engineers repurposed table scraps into bio-gas. In similar studies in the United Kingdom and Japan, jellyfish, spoiled milk and confectionary waste were all given new life as alternative fuel sources.

Run Green

Did you know that a running shoe can last 1,000 years in a landfill? Brooks® has designed a shoe that reduces your carbon footprint—literally. The shoe features a new kind of midsole called BioMoGo, which degrades 50 times faster than a standard running shoe. Brooks® estimates that its green footwear will reduce 30 million pounds of landfill waste over a 20-year period.



Farms of the Future

In the future, farms could rise straight into the air resembling skyscrapers instead of sprawling acres of land. "Vertical" farming presents many advantages over traditional farming, mainly growing more food on less land. Currently, it takes a plot of land as large as Virginia to grow enough food for approximately 8 million people.

Stone or Glass?

Add countertops to the list of eco-friendly products. BottleStone, a Los Altos Hills company that makes ceramic stone countertops out of recycled glass, walked away with the \$100,000 prize from the CleanTech Open, a contest showcasing the newest innovations in the world of sustainability. The company said that zero emissions are created in the production of the new surface material, yet the glass countertops are as strong as concrete and cost less than marble or granite.



Tejon Ranch Protected

Conservationists and developers in California reached a historic agreement that will permanently protect the Tejon Ranch, 240,000 acres of land just north of Los Angeles. The newly protected area provides a critical habitat to many wildlife species. The strong support for environmental conservation is a sign of the times and will guarantee public access for generations to come.

Running on Air

Zero Pollution Motors, together with automaker MDI, plans to produce an affordable, environmentally-friendly car powered by air. While it won't run like a sports car, it can reach speeds of 35 miles per hour for 60 miles on a tank of compressed air, a sufficient distance for 80 percent of consumers to commute to work and run errands. On highways, it can cruise at interstate speeds for 800 miles with a small motor that compresses outside air to keep the tank fueled. Vehicle sales are slated for 2011.



Bird, Mammal or Reptile?

One of the most curious animals on the planet, the platypus, has a duck's bill, mammal fur and snake-like venom. Scientists mapped its genetic makeup, which indicates that this strange looking creature is, in fact, a little bit of all three—bird, mammal and reptile.

Earth Invades Mars

Usually we think of Martians invading Earth but it looks like Earthlings will make contact first. In May 2008, NASA's Phoenix Lander arrived on Mars and for the first time discovered ice on the Red Planet.



Shipwreck Treasure

Geologists searching for diamonds off the coast of Africa discovered a treasure far more rare—a shipwreck loaded with gold and silver coins, as well as ivory and cannons used to fend off pirates. The ship is thought to be around 500 years old, dating back to the time of Vasco de Gama and Christopher Columbus.



Ancient Sea Creature Discovered

A new group of plesiosaurs, a reptile species that swam in ancient seas, was discovered in North America. The plesiosaurs roamed during the Jurassic and Cretaceous periods—about 65-205 million years ago. This find represents one of the oldest and most complete skeletons of a prehistoric aquatic reptile ever discovered in North America.



Sustainable Dave

Camerasman Dave Chameides embarked on a study to reduce waste. To showcase his effort he saved all of his trash for one year—only 30.5lbs. In comparison, the average family throws away 1,700lbs of trash annually. Chameides conducts seminars and writes a sustainability blog teaching that "no one can do everything, but everyone can do something."

Quarter-Sized Slither

A U.S. scientist discovered the world's tiniest species of snake, measuring only four inches long, on the island of Barbados in the Caribbean. Out of 3,100 known snake species, the newly named Zootaxa snake is so small it can curl up to the size of a quarter.



Super Earth Planets Discovered

Astronomers discovered 45 "super Earth" planets, indicating that one-third of all stars have a solar system in orbit with planets similar to Earth in size. Don't hold out for tiny green men, these planets orbit close to their stars (measuring mean temperatures of 354 degrees Fahrenheit) and cannot harbor life.

Elusive White Whale Spotted

A rare sighting of a white killer whale had biologists running for their cameras. The scientific team on board the Oscar Dyson spotted the nearly mythical creature off of Alaska's Aleutian Islands. According to the research biologist who snapped a photo of the animal's back and fin, it was the equivalent to finding a "needle in a haystack."



Solar Wind Source Found

With the help of images shot from the Hinode space observatory, scientists pinpointed the source of the stream of particles that make up slow solar wind. Astronomers knew where fast solar wind originated but knew little about slow solar wind. Now scientists know that it comes from the region above the Sun's equator allowing them to better understand the dynamics of space weather and solar storms.

Under the Sea

A marine survey revealed thousands of discoveries from beneath the surface of the sea, including a city of starfish and a carpet of crustaceans. The Census of Marine Life is part of a worldwide project to understand life under the sea. The census is expected to reveal important information about 230,000 known marine species and possibly identify more than 5,500 new species.

Colossal Carats

A potentially record-breaking diamond, totalling 478 carats, was found in the small southern African country of Lesotho. Although not the largest diamond found to date, this particular stone is valued for having the highest possible color rating for a white diamond and its potential to produce a polished stone of over 100 carats—now that's a rock!



Find at Ferry Farm

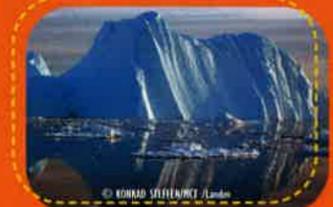
George Washington's boyhood home was discovered at Ferry Farm, along the Rappahannock River near Fredericksburg, Virginia. The exciting find revealed many artifacts that could have been used by Washington while he lived on the farm from 1738-1754. Archaeologists were able to piece together the home's structure, making it possible to build a replica.



Eye on the Environment

Around the globe, evidence of climate change continued to make news.

In 2008, a 160-square mile chunk of Antarctic ice—seven times bigger than Manhattan—broke away, placing more glacial ice at risk.



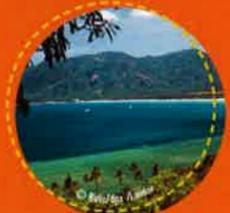
Carbon dioxide is entering the atmosphere at a faster rate than plants and oceans can absorb it.



More than a million species face extinction due to climate change including the polar bear, which in May 2008 was officially added to the list of endangered species.



Some scientists warn that sea levels could rise as much as 23 inches by the century's end. Rises of just four inches could flood many South Sea Islands and swamp large parts of Southeast Asia.



Test Your Environmental Knowledge

- How much water can you save per day by turning off the faucet while you brush your teeth?
 - 8 gallons
 - 20 gallons
 - 100 gallons
 - 50 gallons
- If every household in the U.S. used recycled paper towels, how many trees would be saved each year?
 - 1,000
 - 544,000
 - 200
 - 200,000
- Over one million plastic bags are used per minute worldwide. True or False?

True



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Answers: 1. a 2. b 3. True

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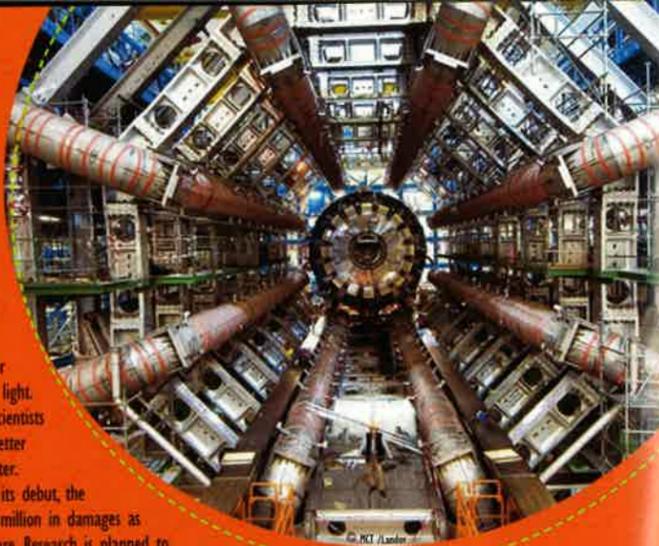
Walk This Way

Discovering new ways to generate energy is a top priority. Kinesiologist Max Donelan from Simon Fraser University invented a device that harvests energy from the simple and routine act of walking. The 3.5 lb. device wraps around each knee generating five watts of power—enough to charge 10 cell phones.



Large Hadron Collider

Scientists at the European Organization for Nuclear Research developed the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) that smashes atom protons together at 99.9999% of the speed of light. The \$9 billion device allows scientists to test physics theories and better understand the nature of matter. Unfortunately, nine days after its debut, the "atom smasher" suffered \$21 million in damages as the result of an electrical failure. Research is planned to resume after the repairs are completed.



Get a Life-Form

It's not what "they" will think of next, but what gamers will create in their own video game experience. Spore™, the new game by Will Wright, the creator of SimCity and the Sims, allows players to design their own unique life-form and manage every aspect of its progression through centuries.

Floating Ads

Created by a company called Flogo, these new floating advertisements can take the shape of anything you want—from simple messages to images of superheroes. The "clouds" are made by combining soap-based foams with lightweight gases such as helium. The company uses repurposed artificial snow machines to create the floating ads which last 30-40 minutes on average and don't pollute the environment.



Let's Get Chummy

The newest form of on-the-go entertainment, Chummy connects to your wi-fi to keep you up-to-date on your favorite music, podcasts, celebrity news, videos, games, photos and more. Chummy technology delivers your favorite parts of the Internet, leaving the keyboard and computer behind.



Computer Hears

Dictation software is nothing new but Nuance's Dragon™ NaturallySpeaking™ 10 is the first program on the market that adjusts for the different ways people speak. The program recognizes eight accents including Australian, British, Spanish and Southern United States and understands basic commands such as "italicize" and "search." Now if it could only do your homework.



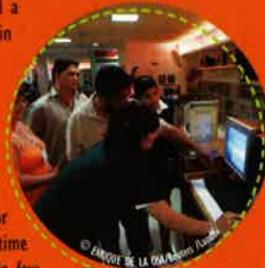
Back in the Swim of Things

Pierre, a 25-year-old penguin at the California Academy of Sciences, was losing his feathers. Without waterproof leathers penguins cannot survive the cold. An aquatic biologist created a wetsuit for him like the ones humans wear making it possible for him to join his fully-feathered friends.



Cuba Gets Wired

Desktop computers, a technology that is considered a necessity in the U.S., became available to Cuba's public market for the first time ever. While few could afford the QTech computers that cost nearly \$800, electronic stores throughout Cuba drew crowds of excited onlookers.



Superhuman Contacts

Soon you may be able to use bionic contacts to zoom in on distant objects, displaying useful facts about what you see. These super-power lenses use tiny light-emitting-diodes (LEDs) powered by solar cells and a radio frequency receiver to display images and information in midair. The invention could prove beneficial to drivers and pilots as well as video gamers by projecting directions and speed within their view, eliminating the need for external screens.



Clean Keys

Seal Shield LLC introduced the world's first fully submersible, dishwasher safe, antimicrobial, glow-in-the-dark keyboard. The Silver Seal Flex™ keyboards have the potential to reduce the risk of getting sick from colds and other communicable diseases.



Going Digital

U.S. households prepared for television's final transition from analog to digital. To help consumers absorb the cost of a necessary converter box, the government issued \$40 vouchers. The Obama administration sought support from Congress to postpone the transition after the Commerce Department reached its funding limit. The request was passed by the Senate as consumers continued to prepare for the digital switch.

Off the Chain

No need to worry about pinching your finger or getting your pants stuck in a bike chain. Wisconsin-based Trek Bicycle introduced two models of chainless bikes that move using the same technology as motorcycles and snowmobiles. These bikes are low maintenance, environmentally friendly and light weight making them ideal for city commuters.



No Ordinary Pen

The Pulse™ smartpen developed by Livescribe is the latest "it" gadget that transforms an ordinary pen into a digital tool. The high-tech pen records what you hear or say

while writing, plays back your recordings and provides visual cues on a tiny imbedded display screen. The information can then be downloaded to your computer for easy editing.

You Play, i.play

Playgrounds in the U.K. are taking on a new look with the i.play system. This breakthrough combines interactive electronics with conventional playground equipment. The system's intelligent design adjusts according to a child's performance to keep them engaged and moving.



Goodbye Dentist Drill

It won't get you out of your yearly dental checkups, but the dentist drill could soon be gone.

Scientists began development on a formula to allow teeth to re-grow the crystals that make up dentin and enamel; materials that make teeth the strongest element in the body.

Sitting on Cloud 9

Forget sandy beaches, the British have a new way to relax: an acrylic lounge that can hover in midair. The gravity-defying chair developed by Hoverit LTD works by repelling magnetic forces producing the sensation of floating on a cloud.

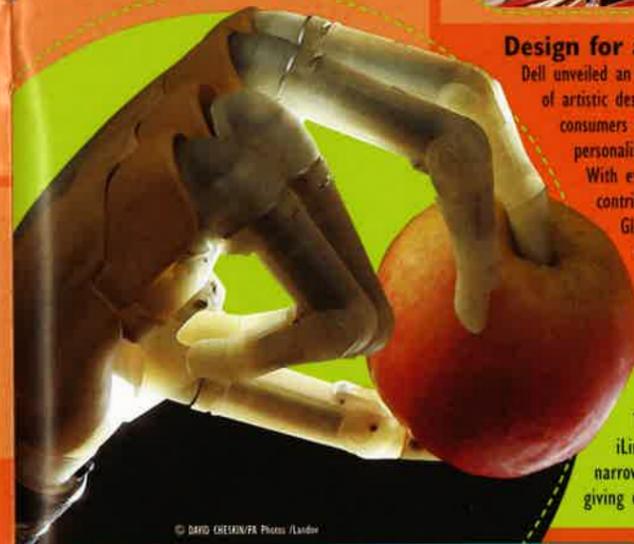


High-Tech Gift Cards

Retailers went high-tech with gift cards to entice consumers. Best Buy created a card with tiny speakers and a headphone jack allowing users to listen to their favorite music, while Target® introduced a 1.2 megapixel camera gift card. Lucky recipients enjoyed two gifts in one.

Design for a Cause

Dell unveiled an exclusive gallery of artistic designs that consumers may purchase to personalize their laptop. With every sale, Dell contributes \$20 to The Global Fund, a charity helping AIDS patients in Africa.



Bionic Hand

The world's first bionic hand was created by Touch Bionics. The iLimb's revolutionary motorized fingers have the ability to grasp narrow objects and the power to hold heavier objects like coffee cups, giving users more independence.

Test Your NASA Knowledge

Did you know? NASA celebrated its 50th birthday this year. What started in 1958 as a small laboratory with 80 employees is now an agency with more than 17,000 people in 10 centers around the country.

- NASA has focused its efforts on a return to the moon, where they intend to
 - Someday build a sustainable long-term human presence
 - Return moon rocks from previous missions
 - Have a fashion show featuring newly designed space suits
- What is the name of the Galaxy in which we live?
 - Andromeda
 - Milky Way
 - Galactose
 - Alpha Quadrant
- Astronauts will soon be able to send and receive emails while in space. True or False



Answers: 1. a 2. b 3. True

The Auto Age

One-hundred years ago the Ford Model T was introduced. In the years to follow, vehicle technology and innovation continued to evolve.

The Model T changed the face of transportation when Henry Ford began using the conveyor belt for production, making cars affordable for the masses. Following in its footsteps came the "family utility" vehicles, the station wagon (1947), mini van (1983) and SUV (1990), accommodating the growing needs of busy families.



Hybrid technology emerged as consumers demanded fuel efficiency. Honda's Insight, the first hybrid marketed in the U.S. led the way for many other top automakers to develop their own line of gas/electric vehicles.



Imagine the Next 100 Years. Automakers plan to push automotive technology even farther by promoting eco-chic cars, electrically powered luxury vehicles for drivers who don't want to compromise strong design for environmental friendliness.



The Scoreboard



Steel-ing the Win
The Pittsburgh Steelers won a record-setting sixth Super Bowl title by defeating the Arizona Cardinals. A game-winning touchdown in the final seconds moved the score to 27-23, giving the Steelers a tension packed last-minute win. Steelers' wide receiver Antonio Holmes was named MVP.

Double-Dutch
Double-dutch is now an officially recognized sport in New York City high schools. A year after cricket was inducted as a varsity sport, school administrators have added double-dutch as a way to increase student participation in competitive sports. Cycling, badminton and netball are also being considered.



Striking Gold at the X Games
Ryan Sheckler, the X Games' youngest street skateboarding gold medalist at age 13 in 2003, struck gold again at the 2008 Games. Female skateboard champ, Elissa Steamer, returned to claim her fourth gold medal.

Eight is Great

Michael Phelps was the shining star of the 2008 Beijing Olympics, winning eight gold medals, breaking Mark Spitz's record for most gold medals won in a single Olympic Games. Phelps swam 17 times over nine days and broke the world record in four of his five individual swims. His three relay teams also set world records. Phelps' achievements led to *Sports Illustrated* naming him 2008 Sportsman of the Year plus numerous endorsements.



Serena's Comeback
A backhand shot signaled tennis star Serena Williams' return to glory. With her 6-4, 7-5 victory over Jelena Jankovic at the US Open, Williams regained the No. 1 world ranking, a title she last held in 2003. The gap between achieving No. 1 world rankings is the longest in history for a woman or a man.

Racing Victories
2008 was a year of surprises in car racing, especially for Danica Patrick and Jimmie Johnson. Patrick was in the spotlight, becoming the first woman ever to win an Indy Car race. Johnson won his third straight NASCAR Sprint title, making him one of two drivers in NASCAR history to win three championships in a row in the marquee series. With his win, Johnson tied Cale Yarborough's 30-year record.



Celtics Win 17th NBA Title
The Boston Celtics won their first NBA title in 22 years. In Game 6 of the playoffs they won with a 131-92 blowout over the Los Angeles Lakers. The win was also the first for the "Big Three," Paul Pierce, Kevin Garnett and Ray Allen.

Silver Stars Shock-ed
The Detroit Shock swept a three-game series over the San Antonio Silver Stars to win their third WNBA title. Katie Smith, Detroit's leading scorer in all three games, was named Finals MVP.



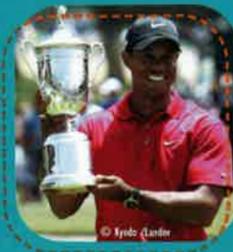
Immelman Grabs Green
Trevor Immelman overcame Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson with a score of 75 in the final round to win the coveted green jacket at the Masters in Augusta, Georgia. Vijay Singh was the season's overall winner scoring the most points and claiming the FedEx Cup and its \$10 million prize.



Win for Shin
Twenty-year-old Ji-Yai Shin of South Korea became the first non-LPGA member to win three LPGA events with her win at the ADT Championship, marking her 11th worldwide victory in 2008. The event was bittersweet for women's golf legend Annika Sorenstam who failed to make the cut in her last official LPGA tournament before retirement.

Tiger Tamed
After winning the U.S. Open, golf legend Tiger Woods announced that he had been playing with a leg injury. Despite his injury, Tiger played 91 holes, defeating Rocco Mediate on the 19th hole of the playoff. Woods chose to end his season early to treat his injury. The famous golfer has 65 victories, ranking third of all-time on the PGA Tour with 14 professional majors, making him second only to the record 18 won by Jack Nicklaus.

Hole-in-One Times Five!
Amateur golfer Curt Hocker of central Illinois hit five hole-in-ones in one week at the El Paso Golf Club. The 22-year-old, who works in the club's pro shop, has recorded seven aces (five on par-4s) and two other double eagles in the past year. Hocker, along with his friends and family who witnessed his strokes of luck, is mystified by the repeat performances.



Kickin'!
The U.S. Women's Soccer National Team captured the Algarve Cup once again, defeating Denmark 2-1 at Municipal Stadium in Portugal. The team went on to win the 2008 Peace Queen Cup with a 1-0 victory over Canada. The victory marked the second time the U.S. has defeated Canada by a 1-0 score to win the Peace Queen Cup.

MLS Cup Glory
For the first time in franchise history, the Columbus Crew became Major League Soccer champions with a 3-1 win over the New York Red Bulls. League MVP Guillermo Barros Schelotto scored a Cup Final-record three assists to help deliver the championship in only his second season.



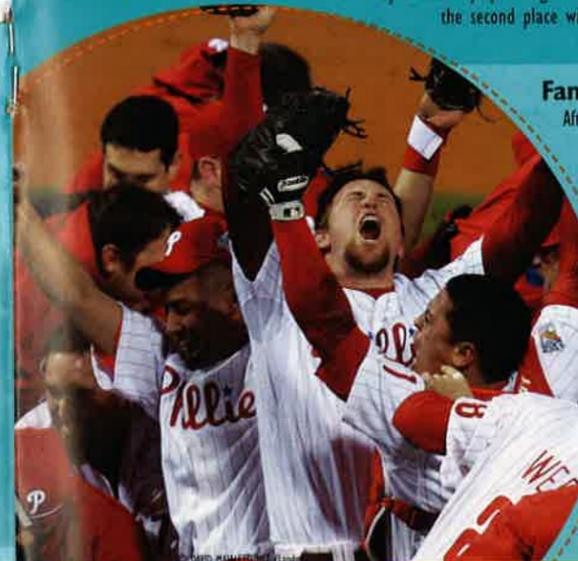
Run for the Roses
Big Brown won the 134th running of the Kentucky Derby in a final kick that gave him a 4 3/4-length victory before a crowd of 157,770, the second-largest in history. With this win Big Brown became the seventh undefeated Kentucky Derby winner in history. The victory celebration was eclipsed by a fatal injury to Eight Belles, the second place winner.

Wimbledon Winner
The 122nd Wimbledon Championship concluded with a grand finale, when Spain's Rafael Nadal brought down five-time champion Roger Federer in the longest men's final in the history of the All England Club. Nadal's victory took four hours and 48 minutes of actual playing time.

Science of Swimming
Speedo's LZR Racer, a new high-tech one-piece swimsuit, molds a swimmer's body into an aerodynamic shape, potentially giving swimmers more buoyancy in the water. Several swimmers, including Michael Phelps, debuted the suits at the 2008 Summer Olympics.



Fabulous over 40
Dara Torres, 41, surprised everyone when she returned to her fifth Olympic Games with teammates nearly half her age. Torres won the silver medal in the 50 meter freestyle sprint final, swimming a personal best of 24.07 seconds, but missing the gold by just .01 seconds.



Fantastic Phillies
After 25 years, the Philadelphia Phillies won the World Series trophy. Despite a rain-delayed game, they took down the Tampa Bay Rays 4-3 in Game 5 to win their second World Series title. The team named Cole Hamels MVP. Hamels out pitched Scott Kazmir for a 3-2 win in the opener, then tossed six effective innings before the delay, but never pitched in the final game. Hamels finished 1-0 with a 2.77 ERA in two World Series starts.



Red Wings Capture Cup
After a surprising loss in Game 5, the Detroit Red Wings made a triumphant comeback in Game 6 of the 2008 Stanley Cup Finals, winning 3-2 against the Pittsburgh Penguins. The Stanley Cup win was the fourth for the team in 11 seasons.

Bolt Sprints to Win
Jamaican born Usain Bolt took the track by storm with three record-setting runs which all won him gold medals. Bolt now boasts the title "Fastest Man Alive," running the 100 meter dash in 9.69 seconds.



Test Your Baseball Knowledge

Did you know? The catchy jingle, "Take Me Out to the Ball Game," written by Jack Norworth, is 100 years old.

- Which Major League Baseball player holds the record for the most homeruns?
a. Alex Rodriguez b. Babe Ruth
c. Barry Bonds d. Hank Aaron
- What is the most popular food to eat at a baseball game?
a. Pizza b. Hot Dogs
c. Peanuts d. Cracker Jacks®
- How many Major League Baseball teams are there in the U.S.?
a. 30 b. 75
c. 15 d. 102

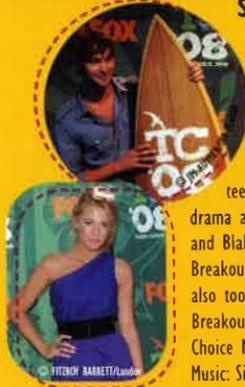


Answers: 1. c 2. b 3. a

Chart Toppers

Surfboard Goes to...

Gossip Girl has six more reasons (in the form of surfboard trophies) to rule the school. The Teen Choice Awards were selected based on over 30 million votes cast online by teenagers who hailed the prep-school drama as their top choice. Chace Crawford and Blake Lively each took home a Breakout Actor Award. The Jonas Brothers also took home six awards: Choice Breakout Band, Choice Male Hotties and Choice Male Red Carpet Icons, Choice Music: Single, Choice Music: Summer Song and Choice Music: Love Song.



AMA Winners

Chris Brown was the big winner at the American Music Awards taking home three awards including Favorite Male Pop/Rock Artist. Kayne West, Rihanna and Alicia Keys also walked away with multiple awards, while newcomer Taylor Swift was awarded Favorite Female Country Artist.



Good as Gold

The uplifting film *Slumdog Millionaire*, presented partly in Hindi, charmed the Golden Globes judges, who awarded it Best Dramatic Picture. The night's other big winners included Kate Winslet for Best Actress in a Drama for *Revolutionary Road* and Best Supporting Actress for her role in *The Reader*. Mickey Rourke made a comeback in *The Wrestler* winning Best Actor. The HBO television series *John Adams* picked up four awards while NBC's *30 Rock* was named Best Comedy with its star and creator Tina Fey picking up Best Actress in a Comedy and her cast mate Alec Baldwin winning Best Actor in a Comedy.



Gone Country

George Strait took home four trophies from the 42nd annual Country Music Awards. To date he has received 22 awards, an industry record. Kenny Chesney picked up his fourth Entertainer of the Year Award, and Brad Paisley won his second Male Vocalist and fourth Music Video of the Year Award for *Waitin' on a Woman*. The night wasn't all about the guys. Carrie Underwood, who also became the newest member of the Grand Ole Opry, snagged her third consecutive Female Vocalist of the Year Award.



Five for Feist

Singer/songwriter Feist was nominated for five Juno Awards and took home all of them, beating out Avril Lavigne and Celine Dion. Feist's awards included Artist of the Year, Album of the Year and Pop Album of the Year for *The Reminder* and Songwriter of the Year for *My Moon My Man*, *1234* and *I Feel it All*. Michael Bublé won the Fan Choice Award and Serena Ryder won New Artist of the Year.



John Adams Rules

HBO ruled the 60th Primetime Emmy Awards, winning a record 13 Emmys for its hit mini-series *John Adams*. The first Emmy for outstanding host for a reality or reality-competition program was awarded to Jeff Probst of *Survivor*. *The Daily Show with Jon Stewart* prevailed as outstanding comedy series and CBS's *The Amazing Race* was named outstanding reality-competition program—both show's victories marked a record breaking six straight wins.



Juanes Sweeps Latin Grammys

The 2008 Latin Grammy Awards was a night to remember for Colombian rocker Juanes, who took home five awards for Record of the Year, Album of the Year, Song of the Year, Best Short Form Video and Best Male Pop Vocal Album. Newcomer Kany Garcia won Best New Artist and Best Female Pop Vocal Album. Marc Anthony also walked away with the Best Salsa Album award.



Mariah Moves Up

Chart-topper Mariah Carey broke Elvis Presley's record for No. 1 hits on the Billboard Hot 100 with her 18th hit single, making her second only to The Beatles. The single that broke The King's record comes from her latest album *E=MC²*—a follow up to her best-selling Grammy-winning release, *The Emancipation of Mimi*.



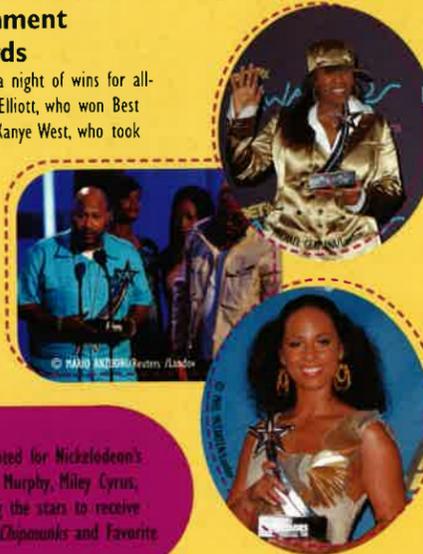
Moon Man Madness

The Video Music Awards gave out the famed moon man trophy to the year's top video performers. Chris Brown won Best Male Video for *With You* and Lil Wayne won Best Hip-Hop Video for *Lollipop*. Britney Spears took home three awards for her *Piece of Me* video winning Video of the Year, Best Female Video and Best Pop Video.



Black Entertainment Television Awards

The 2008 BET Awards was a night of wins for all-star entertainers like Missy Elliott, who won Best Female Hip-Hop Artist and Kanye West, who took home Best Male Hip-Hop Artist. UGK and Outkast won Video of the Year for *International Player's Anthem (I Choose You)*. Heartthrob Chris Brown snagged the Best Male R&B Artist award and Alicia Keys won Best Female R&B Artist.



Every Vote Counts!

More than doubling last year's record, 88,254,272 kids voted for Nickelodeon's 2008 Kids' Choice Awards. Johnny Depp, Jessica Alba, Eddie Murphy, Miley Cyrus, Drake Bell, The Jonas Brothers and Chris Brown were among the stars to receive coveted orange Blimps. Favorite Movie went to *Alvin and the Chipmunks* and Favorite Animated Movie went to *Ratatouille*.



Top 5 of 2008

Movies

1. *The Dark Knight* \$530,722,000
2. *Iron Man* \$318,313,199
3. *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull* \$317,023,851
4. *Hancock* \$227,946,274
5. *WALL-E* \$223,719,052

(According to Box Office Mojo)



80th Annual Academy Awards®

The stars were out in full force at the Academy Awards, hosted by comedian Jon Stewart. *No Country for Old Men* won Best Picture with its cast taking home awards in various acting categories: Daniel Day-Lewis emerged Best Actor and Javier Bardem won for Best Supporting Actor. Marion Cotillard won Best Actress for her portrayal of French singer Edith Piaf in *La Vie en Rose*. Tilda Swinton won Best Supporting Actress for her role in *Michael Clayton*.



Songs

1. *Low*
Flo Rida Featuring T-Pain
2. *Bleeding Love*
Leona Lewis
3. *No One*
Alicia Keys
4. *Lollipop*
Lil Wayne featuring Static Major
5. *Apologize*
Timbaland featuring OneRepublic

(According to Billboard Hot 100)



Music's Biggest Night

Amy Winehouse was the star of the 2008 Grammys, winning five awards for Best New Artist, Song of the Year, Pop Vocal Album, Female Pop Vocal Performance and Record of the Year. Herbie Hancock won Album of the Year for *River: The Joni Letters*, while hip-hop artist Kanye West took home four awards of his eight nominations. Carrie Underwood earned two Grammys: Best Female Country Vocal Performance and Country Song.



People Award Dark Knight

The Dark Knight emerged as the people's favorite in the movie category, winning five People's Choice Awards including Favorite Action Movie and Favorite Superhero. Other winners included *27 Dresses* for Favorite Comedy, *Heroes* for Favorite Sci-fi/Fantasy Television Show and *The Simpsons* for Favorite Animated Comedy. Tina Fey won Favorite Funny Female Star and Ellen DeGeneres won Favorite Talk Show Host. In vocals, Jordin Sparks, Carrie Underwood and Chris Brown all took home awards.



Test Your Music Knowledge

1. At 14 years old, this person was the youngest to ever win a Grammy.
2. With the release of his/her 3rd album, this singer/actor breaks the record for youngest person ever to have three No. 1 albums in two years.
3. At the age of 13, this singing sensation became the youngest person to hit No. 1 on the Billboard music charts.



Search Terms

1. Obama
2. Facebook
3. att (AT&T)
4. iPhone
5. YouTube

(According to Google Zeitgeist)



Answers: 1. Leona Lewis 2. Miley Cyrus 3. Justin Bieber

The Scoop

Sole Survivor

Thanks to decades of fans who have adopted Converse shoes as part of their rock-star wardrobe the company celebrated its 100-year anniversary. Converse reinvented classic designs in its Century footwear collection to honor its achievement.



Tough Guys Rule

"Tough Guy TV"—reality shows chronicling the lives of men in life-threatening professions, from king crab fishermen to ice road truckers to adventurers relying on survival skills in the wilderness, is dominating the airwaves. This new genre has audiences riveted with its realism, documentary-style format and unpredictable action. The Discovery Channel's shows *Deadliest Catch* and *Man vs. Wild* are among cable TV's highest-rated unscripted series.



Text Mania

Figures show that traditional landlines are becoming a thing of the past. The cell phone is increasingly important, especially for tweens and teens whose personal style is expressed with cell phone accessories and whose communication revolves around email and text messaging. According to Nielson ratings, the average teenager texts 1,742 times per month, that's an average of 58 times per day!



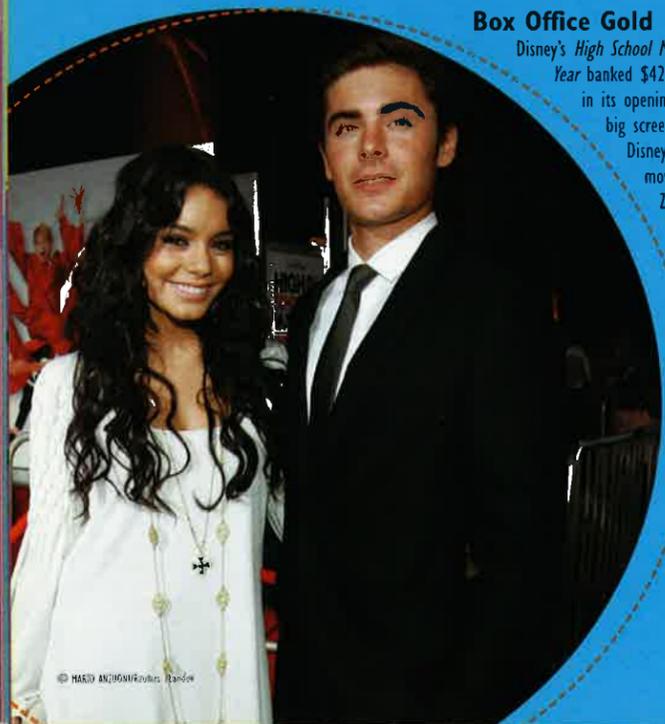
100 Years of FBI

Established in 1908 by the Attorney General, the Federal Bureau of Investigation started with only 34 special agents. Today, the FBI, headquartered in Washington D.C., employs over 30,000 people including more than 1,200 special agents and over 18,000 professional support staff in offices around the world.



Box Office Gold

Disney's *High School Musical 3: Senior Year* banked \$42 million in its opening weekend. The big screen sequel to the Disney Channel TV movies, starring Zac Efron and Vanessa Hudgens, beat the previous record for best opening weekend of \$27.8 million set by *Mamma Mia*.



Long Overdue

A library book checked out from a Tulsa, Oklahoma high school in 1947 was returned 61 years later. The book, *New World Analysis: Or, School Etymology of English Derivative Words* was discovered by the woman who had originally checked it out when she was cleaning her home. She sent the book back to the library with a note and a check for \$250 to cover any late charges.



Superhero Fans Rejoice

Forty-five years after it was created by Stan Lee and Jack Kirby, X-Men fans celebrated the 500th issue of the popular comic book. The anniversary was marked with a surprise move: the outcast heroes left their Westchester, New York mansion for San Francisco.



Dark Knight Shines Bright

The *Batman* sequel *The Dark Knight* earned \$314 million in just 10 days, making it the fastest film to earn \$300 million. The previous record was held by *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest*, which reached \$300 million in 16 days.



Thank You Mom

Mother's Day turned 100 in 2008. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that there are 83 million mothers who celebrate Mother's Day. The National Retail Federation estimates that Americans spend \$15 billion a year honoring their mothers; however, the holiday is celebrated in 52 countries around the world.



Fabulous Fashion Finale

After a season filled with drama and over-the-top fashion, soft-spoken Portland, Oregon designer Leanne Marshall was named the winner of Bravo's hit reality show *Project Runway* hosted by supermodel Heidi Klum. Marshall beat out contestants Korto Momolu and Kenley Collins to win the \$100,000 grand prize to start her own line and the opportunity to sell her collection on Bluefly.com. The series finale was the first time in the history of the show to feature an all-female lineup.



To Infinity and Beyond!

Buzz Lightyear, the popular Disney/Pixar character, embarked on a new mission aboard the STS-124 space shuttle. The space ranger from the *Toy Story* movies delivered the next piece of the Japanese "Kibo" laboratory to the International Space Station, where he remained for five months. The action figure's adventure was part of a collaboration with NASA and Disney Parks to promote the importance of science, technology and math to students.



Smarter Than a 5th Grader?

Kenton Stufflebeam, a 5th grader on a trip to the Smithsonian Museum, discovered an error on one of the exhibit signs. While touring the *Tower of Time*, a display featuring prehistoric exhibits, the boy pointed out to his parents a sign that identified Precambrian as an era, which he knew was wrong. He learned from his teacher that it is a dimensionless unit of time.



Feathers Fly!

The first World Pillow Fight Day brought thousands of people together turning 35 cities into playgrounds. The event's intent was to promote creative uses of public spaces and the power of a shared common goal. Plus, it was a lot of fun!



Lights Out for TRL

MTV's famed countdown show, *Total Request Live (TRL)*, aired its final episode in New York City. The show debuted in 1998 and boosted the careers of superstars like Justin Timberlake, Christina Aguilera and Destiny's Child. Beyoncé gave a show-stopping performance during the show's finale.



Vacation Idol

The new *American Idol* attraction at Disney's Hollywood Studios in Lake Buena Vista, Florida is similar to the Fox singing competition—allowing theme park guests to show off their singing skills by auditioning and performing before a live studio audience.



A Toy for the Imagination

Despite all the fancy high-tech toys available, nature's own stick was inducted into the National Toy Hall of Fame this year. Toy experts selected the stick because of its versatility, natural ingredients, appeal to the imagination and it's free. More traditional inductees this year included the baby doll and skateboard.



Say Papaya

As if ice cream wasn't good enough, scientists are working on a way to make your favorite flavor extra velvety smooth. Using gelatin and papaya protein, a University of Wisconsin researcher developed an "edible antifreeze" that prevents ice crystals from forming in ice cream, so that it stays creamy and smooth with every bite.



Get Smart ... Feed the Hungry

Sixth-graders in Indiana have no shortage of motivation to learn new words. When students play a vocabulary game at FreeRice.com, 20 grains of rice are donated to the World Food Programme for each correct answer. Eight thousand miles away, students at Palwong Elementary in northern Uganda receive a nutritious lunch. The game has generated 28 billion grains of rice ... that's enough food to feed more than 1 million people for one day.



Test Your Crayon Knowledge

Did you know? The Crayola 64 Box is 50 years old. To commemorate the event, nearly 20,000 kids across the country helped select and name a special set of "Kid's Choice Colors" that include a color palette of "super happy," "fun in the sun," "giving tree" and "best friends" among others.

1. What is America's No. 1 Crayola Crayon color?
 - a. Plum
 - b. Blue
 - c. Electric Lime
 - d. Black
2. How many colors were included in the first box of Crayola Crayons?
 - a. 16
 - b. 64
 - c. 8
 - d. 4
3. Crayola has made enough crayons, that if they were laid out end to end, they would circle the globe 200 times. True or False



Trend Watch

This year's fashions reflected the style of the 80s. From the runway to the real world, here's a look at some of the popular trends.

Patent Leather handbags, shoes and belts added shine to outfits from coast to coast.



Skinny Jeans were paired with a variety of footwear. Girls wore them with knee-high boots, flats or platform sandals while guys wore them with tennis shoes or motorcycle boots.

Eco-wear Collections from designers and clothing manufacturers such as Levi's introduced products made from organic cotton and other earth-friendly materials.



Metallics added glamour to accessories, shoes, jeans and dresses.



Technicolor Fashion had clothes covered—from dresses, tops and leggings to jewelry, shoes and other accessories.



All About Me

My Name:

My Age:

My Signature:

My Hobbies:

My Cash

This is how much I paid for:

A Movie:

A Concert:

A Pair of Jeans:

A Pair of Shoes:

Other Stuff:



My Future

When I grow up, I want to be:

I want to live:

I will drive:

My pets will be:



My Faves

Actor:

Book:

Movie:

Music Group:

Sports Team:

Song:

Teacher:

Food:

Actress:

TV Show:

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School Subject:

Store:



My Friends

My best buds are:

What we like to do:

My friends call me:

Our best memory:

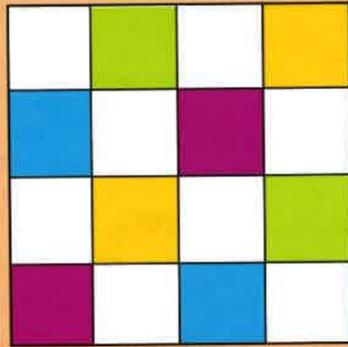


Fun & Games

BRAIN TEASERS

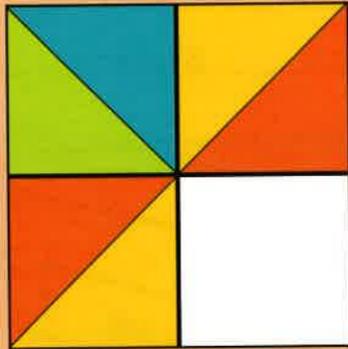
1. How many squares can you count?

- a. 16
- b. 20
- c. 31
- d. 36



2. Which image belongs in the empty square?

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.



3. Which image fills the space?

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.



COMMONYMS

What does each group of words have in common?

Example:

Olympics • Leap Year • Presidential Elections They happen every 4 years

1. Index • Pinky • Ring _____
2. Door • Painting • Eyeglasses _____
3. Picnic • Pool • Coffee _____
4. Ball • Salad • Coin _____
5. Dog • Cat • Gold _____

WORD SCRAMBLE

Unscramble the words below. The answers can be found throughout Zoom. Use the highlighted letters from each word to answer the final scramble below.

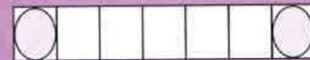
1. NBRCAAPMERI

A dimensionless unit of time



2. IOBGMOO

An item to lighten your carbon footprint



3. JIGBIEN

A golden city for Michael Phelps



4. AACDNI RCKAIPT

First female to win in her profession



5. OERHSMT

A day held in their honor turned 100



He was voted TIME's 2008 Person of the Year



Morrow, Armesha



Muckleroy, Cashauna



Myers, Harold



Nguyen, Michelle



Norwood, Doriana



Novak, Alexander



Olivier, Taina



Orozco, Diego



Orozco, Lizeth



Paramore, Star



Patino, Juan



Patino, Wendy



Patino, Xochitl



Pemberton, Alexander



Petrosus, Jacob



Philbrick, Channing



Phillips, Grace



Ponce, Diego



Powell-Shumate, Dashae



Primous, Marlon



Quarles, Kayla



Quinn, Jasmene



Ramirez, Ryan



Ransom, Sydney



Richardson, Keith

7th Graders

ANSWERS:
Brain Teasers: 1. c 2. b 3. d
Commonyms: 1. They are fingers 2. All have frames 3. They are tables 4. They can be tossed 5. They are fish
Word Scramble: 1. Precambrian 2. BioHogo 3. Beijing 4. Danica Patrick 5. Mothers
Final: Barack Obama

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7th Graders



Ritchie, Charles



Rivera, Saul



Roberts, Whitcliffe



Rodriguez, Lynette



Romero-Beasley, Jecica



Rosales, Anamaria



Rosenberg, Graham



Rosenfeld, Erin



Rubenstein, Leo



Sagan, Daniel



Salgado, Deycy



Sanchez, Elisa



Sanchez, Guadalupe



Say, Doe



Scott, Courtney



Sehrawy, Kamal



Slusher, Jovan



Smith, Demetrius



Sosa, Victoria



Sprengelmeyer, Mario



St Louis, Melchi



Stutz, Valeria



Tamay, Jessica



Tanno, Marios



Tillett, Raven



Todd, Maalik



Torres, Areli



Urban, Elizabeth



Vakil, Caroline



Vaughters, Chante



Vega, Christopher



Vega, Diana



Vega, Jasmin



Vergil, Benjamin



Vergil, Katelyn



Wallace, Travis



Walters, Payton



Watson, Haley



Watson, Jeneen



Wells, Cornelius



West, Essence



Wharton, Jaysha



White, Caroline



Wiley, Johnathan

NO
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Witchard, Serafina



Wright, Terrell



Young, Nairobi



Zuckert, Annelise

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7th Graders

Class of 2013



Class of 2013



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Abrigo, Julianne



Abu Ajameyeh, Mourad



Aiden, Gabrielle



Ali, Riyaz



Allen-Burton, Shanequa



Alltop, Stephanie



Arce, Edgar



Avila, Nayelli



Banks, Joppa



Barth, Drisana



Bilger, Jacob



Binford, Charles



Binford, Evan



Bisbee, Breanna



Blackmon, Tamika



Blackwood, Kiron



Boothe, Erin



Bowie, Jermaine



Brill, Erin



Brown, Sabrina



Bryant, Cody



Buonaiuto, Sarah



Burkhardt, Melissa



Calhoun, Ashley



Campos, Gustavo



Cardenas, Andrew



Cardenas, Nancy



Carmichael, Amy



Carter, Kenneth



Castillo, Christel



Coburn, Curtis



Coker, Kristopher



Comfort, Matthew



Cox, James



Darian, Michelle



Davis, Nicholas



Dennis, Ashley



Derrick, Anthony



Dumitru, Jason



Edwards, Maquee



Elliott, Paul



Escobar, Henry



Feliciano, Antonio



Foster, Karl



Frazier, Kelsea



Galich, Sophie



Garcia, Marissa



Garretson, April



Gephart, Dylan



Gervacio, Kimberley

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Gilliland, Morgan



Gomez, Andrea



Gomez, Andres



Gomez, Freddy



Gomez, Pedro



Graham, Kimarie



Grant, Jabari



Greenwell, Sakari



Gregory, Katelyn



Guillaume, Naomi



Hall, Joshua



Hambourger, Kyle



Harris, Dayona



Harris, Geoge



Harris, Wynter



Harris-Ollarvia,
Romell



Haymer, Elijah-Wa



Henderson, Cory



Henry, Imani



Henry, Mariah



Herrera,
Montserrat



Hill, Laurel



Hoseman,
Amanda



Hosman, Emily



Hubbell, Zachary



Jacobson, Dana



Jean, Roops



Jean-Joseph, Keola



Johnson, Andre



Johnson, Miya



Jones, Lorenzo



Jones, Lorenzo



Joseph, Marsha



Joyce, Quinn



Justice, Jeffrey



Kennedy, Eva



Kennedy, Tuajuan



Kerizareth,
Katherine



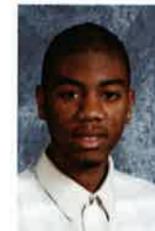
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Klamm, Patrick



Labrosse, Violet



Levy, Damonte



Lewis, Ramone



Lindland, Sawyer



Lindley, Jonah



Long, Anna



Louis-Charles,
Emmanuel



Lyttle-Davis,
Cherie



Maccrimmon,
Calla



Madete, Steve

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Madlangbayan, Jahn



Maloles, Ana Katrina



Mancera, Gerardo



Mandujano, Benjamin



Martinez, Brandon



Martinez, Brenda



Martinez, Daniel



McCarthy, Kerrigan



McCullough, Dominique



Melendez, Guadalupe



Melendez Jr, Gerardo



Millan, Alejandro



Miller, Dimitri



Miller, Kerrian



Miranda, Wendy



Mitchell, Taj



Morris, Keyon



Myles, Keith



Nassiri, Yaseman



Neal, Shantel



Nebenzahl, Aria



Nelson III, Anders



Newman, Latoya



Nezc, Tina



Novak, Jeremy



Okpala, Joseph



Oliphant, Rakeem



Omoghibo, Eseh



Orozco, Gabriel



Otis, Thomson



Pascal, Ceaira



Patterson Jr, Horland



Perez, Jose



Pham, Don



Pickett, Jaquan



Ramirez, Johnny



Randolph, Tyresa



Raud, Marion



Rico, Yocelin



Roberson, Shar-Dae



Robinson, Alexis



Rodriguez, Escarleth



Rodriguez-Cancho, Alejand



Ross, Savon



Rowe, Yasmin



Rowland, Precious



Salazar, Josue



Samson-Sprague, Cody



Santos, Michael



Schumann, Emma

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Schumm, Rachel



Scott, Tiara



Shoaf, Samuel



Sierra, Marilu



Silvano, Vanessa Marie



Sinclair, Dina



Smith, Justus



Smith, Madeline



Smith, Shannon



Smith Jr, Jernone



Sosa, Richard



Soto, Aurelio



Stevens, Tevin



Stoimenova, Margarita



Sykes, Roshenika



Taylor, Amondo



Taylor, Stacy



Temple, Khari



Terrazaz, Ronny



Tran, Romeo



Valverde, Ariana



Vamarasi, Brandon



Vargas, Amayrani



Vaughn, Orlando



Vergara, Alexander



Vergil, Kathleen



Walker, Teresa



Washington, Elizabeth



Wathall, Jean-Luc



Whiteley-Allen, Noah



Whyte, Nicholas



Williams, Geron



Williams, Tatiana



Williams II, Clark



Williams Jr, Mark



Wimberly, Lorenzo



Wong, Jessica



Worth, Jamel



Wright, Tony



Wynter, Joycelyn



Yalda, Sara



Yalda, Steven



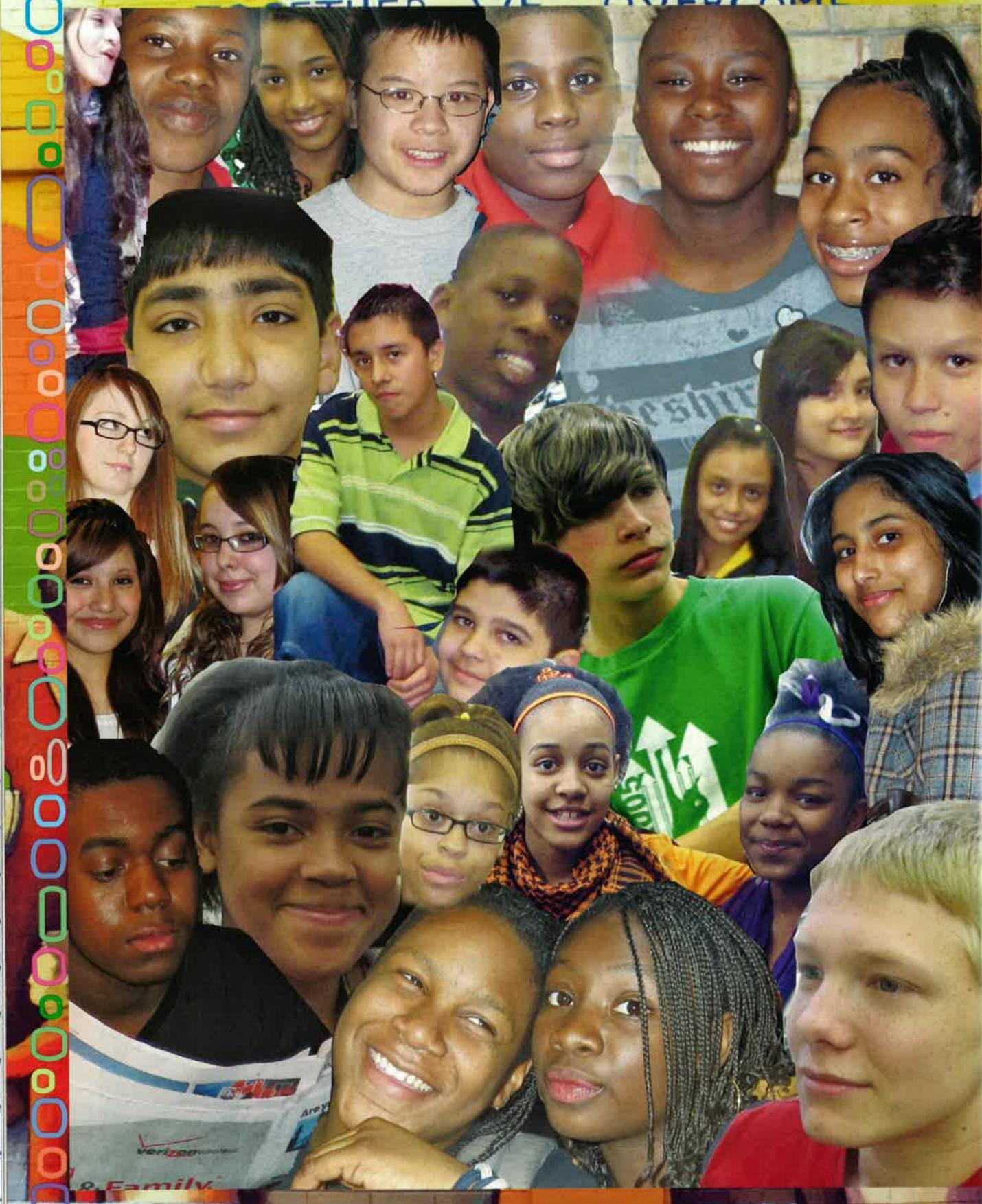
Yasuda, Toshiko



Zineddine, Alexandre

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I remember...

when we first went to Great America with the school, it was fun.....Elizabeth Washington
when Ms. Mims brought in Mexican Food from Las Palmas.....Tevin Stevens
when Mr. Drayton was our Spanish sub for 3 months.....Tony Wright
the school bus crashed into a car.....Ronny Terrazaz
watching the Inauguration of President Barack Obama in the auditorium.....Jaquan Pickett
seeing a mouse in Mr. Roche's class and Erin & I jumped on the desk.....Wynter Grace Harris
first coming to Chute and in Ms. Osher's class, a friend showed me around.....Kimarie Graham
when Tommy and I started a conga line at the school dance.....Jonah Lindley
the first time I climbed the High Ropes course in 7th grade.....Keyon Morris
when Dimitri, Kerrigan and I were in the office together.....Anna Long
my first day at Chute. I walked in these big halls looking lost.....Alexis Robinson
when Horland got hit in the head by a football and we all laughed.....Shanequa Allen
when some Chicago Bears players came to Chute.....Evan Binford
Ms. Clunie walked backwards to her seat and tripped.....Maquee Edwards
that Mr. Drayton sent me to the office about 7 times in 3 years.....Ashely Dennis
when Ms. Lange scuffed the floor using her Irish clogs.....Jeremy Novak
when Yasi was terrified by a dead squirrel.....Arianna Valverde
when I danced to "4 minutes" in the talent show.....Tina Nezc
when I was a High Flying Eagle.....Jean-Luc Walthall
when Mr. Roche gave us a quiz on the last day of school.....Alex Vergara
putting Phil in the recycling bin.....Cody Sampson
dropping the cake in Ms. Lange's room.....Stephanie Alltop
when I dropped Stephanie on the climbing wall.....Rachel Schumm
when Damonte got mad at Kris for taking his seat on the bus.....Quinn Joyce
when I was nominated for a High Flying Eagle in 6th grade.....Kathy Vergil
going to the Northwestern game with Nancy and Andrea.....Violet LaBrosse
when I cut myself in class.....Yasmin Rowe
when Ms. Clunie got gum stuck on her shoe.....Breanna Bisbee

I remember...

when Wendy fell out of her chair in Math class.....Tamika Blackmon
making an awesome skit in Drama with Marion and Alex.....Aria Nebenahl
when Sgt. Hicks visited our class and talked to us about the war.....Tiarra Scott
when Maquee fell flat on her face.....Jessica Wong
eating food and playing games in Ms. Mims class.....Dana Jacobsen
when a squirrel chased me after school.....Escarleth Rodriguez
when all of my friends would stand in a circle and hang out.....Amayrani Vargas
when we threw a birthday party for Ms. Webber.....Cierra Levy
when Katelyn pushed me down the stairs.....Calla MacCrimmon
when I took my first steps into Chute.....Eseh Omoghibo
thinking that Chute looked like a jail.....Margarita Stoimenova
good times in 7th grade with my favorite teacher, Ms. Mims.....Emily Hosman
when Patrick, Michelle and I had a crayon fight in math.....Sofie Galich
when I won a big teddy bear for a girl at Great America.....Horland Patterson
when my friends and I played basketball and football at the park.....Jason Dumitru
not remembering a memory to remember.....Kerrigan McCarthy
when Ms. Tzortzis burned some pita bread and the alarm went off...Geron Williams
when Mr. MacHarg made some awesome fire displays in class.....Joycelyn Wynter
all the good times in Ms. Osher's 'and Ms. McCann's class.....Mostserrat Herrera
the first day of 6th grade. I got lost!.....Madeline Smith
our field trip to the Sculpture Park in 6th grade.....Alex Milan
when Mr. MacHarg lit his desk on fire.....Drisana Barth
when Ms. Lange did an Irish dance for our class in 7th grade.....Noah Allen
when Brenda thought the Superbowl was for baseball.....Alex Zineddine

Clubs and More



Pirates of Penzance performs @ Chute



Art Club meets every Tuesday.



Students can stay after school and go to Y.O.U. to finish their homework

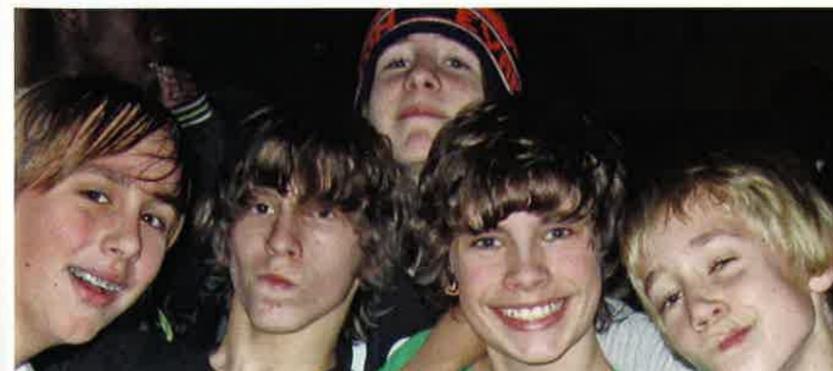
The Winter Concert



Mrs. Berger conducts the orchestra during the winter concert.



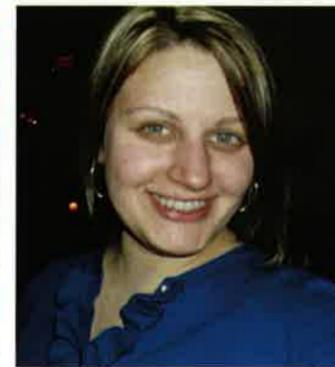
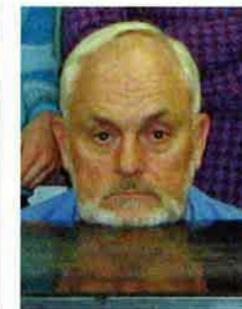
Winter Dance



Advanced Classes

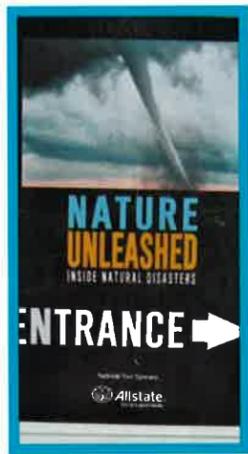


Teachers



Events & Activities

Northwestern Basketball Game and The Field Museum



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