

Oxford Academy High School

A YEAR IN REWIND



Town of Oxford

by Ms. Melissa Smith

Before the American Revolutionary War, and for hundreds of years, the Iroquois Confederacy, made up of the Mohawk, Oneida, Onondaga, Cayuga, Seneca and later the Tuscarora, lived in New York State.

On September 22, 1788, at the site of Fort Schuyler in Utica, the Oneida Indians, the Nation living on the land that present day Oxford sits upon, signed a treaty with New York State Governor George Clinton. This treaty ceded the area known as the "Chenango Twenty Towns" to The New York State Government and it was opened to Colonial Settlers.

In 1791, Benjamin Hovey moved his family from Oxford, Massachusetts to our area, and built a log cabin. Twelve more families arrived this same year, all with different interests and needed skills. Benjamin Hovey was a General in the Revolutionary War and became successful in business with "friends in many high places" including NYS Governor, George Clinton. He became known in our area as "the Father of the Settlement." In 1793 areas known as Fayette, Gore, Union and Jericho were incorporated into the Town of Oxford.

The first Town Meeting was held in General Hovey's home in April of 1794. He became the First Town Supervisor and named Oxford after his hometown. He was also instrumental in the forming of The Oxford Academy, and served on the Board of Trustees of Oxford Academy for 10 years.

The Oxford Academy and Central School History

by Kayla Wood, Ms. Joni Eaton and Mr. Fred Lanfear

"No institution in Oxford has affected more people, been of more public concern, or created more loyalty in our town, than the Oxford Academy."

The education of Oxford's youth began in the mid 1700's, when Philip and Betsy Bartle opened their home on Panther Hill (Painter Hill) to those who wanted to learn.

In 1792 General Hovey and David Bates gave an acre of land on the Northeastern side of Washington Park to Oxford, for the purpose of building an Academy building. This became the first frame building raised in town. With only a few families in Oxford, Yale graduate, Uri Tracy was the first teacher and principal. The Academy was two stories high and was a Private Classical Boarding School for young men only.

On January 12, 1793, the Trustees of Oxford Academy petitioned the NYS Regents for a Charter. On January 27, 1794,

Oxford Academy received its Charter with the legal title of "The Trustees of Oxford Academy" and was signed by Governor George Clinton. This Charter hangs today in the front entrance way of the Oxford Academy Middle School.

During that time, the Academy was one of only four Charter Schools west of the Hudson River. The Oxford Academy attracted students not only from Oxford, but also surrounding counties. As its reputation grew it also attracted students from nearby states, such as Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky.

In Autumn of 1799 a second building was erected near the site of the present Episcopal rectory but it was destroyed by fire and never occupied. A third building was erected on this site in 1806, until it was moved to the corner of Greene and Merchant Streets. This school was used until 1831 and was then sold to the Trustees of The Methodist Church.

In 1832 a fourth Academy was erected on the Easterly side of Fort Hill and the School was now opened to girls. A separate Boarding House was built for them.

In 1854 New York State Regents examinations began and a fifth Academy was dedicated on August first of that same year. This building was located at the Southern end of Fort Hill, and was the last building erected by the Trustees of Oxford Academy. Their vision held true that with the construction of the schools, Oxford was expected to prosper and high standards were meant to be met.

These first Five buildings were Private Institutions and the students who attended were required to pay a tuition. Many students opted for a Classical curriculum, which included Latin, French, Mathematics, Astronomy, Geography, History, Literature and Rhetoric. The Oxford Academy's extensive curriculum adequately prepared its students for college.

In 1895 Districts One and Two were combined into a Union School District. This became a Public School under the name of Oxford Academy and Union School and the sixth school was officially opened in 1897. Due to inadequate conditions of this building, On December 12, 1929 a plan for a new building was submitted to the voters of Oxford.

In that same year, Centralization in New York added twelve districts, and "Oxford Academy and Union School" became "Oxford Academy and Central School."

In 1930 the vote was passed, and the seventh school was built, which is our present day Middle School Building. Because of over crowding, an addition was added parallel with the river in 1953.

In the Summer of 1963 the first High School of Oxford Academy and Central School was built on the West side of South Washington Avenue, making this the eighth building of Oxford Academy History. Near this school, a Primary School was built and opened in 1973.

In 2004 the present High School was built and is connected to the Primary School. The former High School was razed, and parking and athletic fields now take its place.

In 2014 we have 3 separate school buildings in our District, all aligned to the same purpose and "Focused on Learning." Our Mission Statement is "To develop self-directed learners who are able to make intelligent choices and contribute to society." One Student at a Time.

For three centuries, the Oxford Academy has continued its school pride and lifelong traditions.



The Tuscarora Native Americans Move to Oxford

by Ms. Joni Eaton

Long before White men and women ever arrived on our continent, Native Americans lived in New York. Here flourished the great Iroquois Confederacy which was made up of 5 separate Indian Nations. These were the Mohawk, Oneida, Onondaga, Cayuga and Seneca Nations.

At this time the Tuscarora Indian Nation thrived in the North Carolina, but were driven north by white settlers. They arrived in our area and settled in this place we call Oxford. They built a fort where the Fire Station stands now. Human bones, ancient earthen cooking utensils and other relics were found there, while excavations were made to create trenching for the village system of water works in 1897.

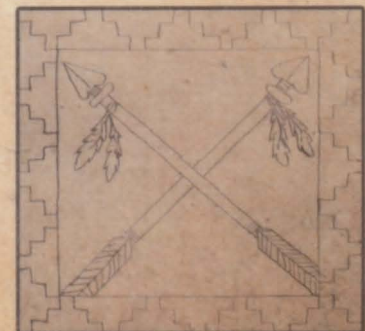
The vantage point of this fort was perfect, built out on a mound of land from which one could see up and down the Chenango River. The fort was semi-circular in form and its curved sides were encircled by a well defined ditch about four feet in depth. It must have been a formidable place against the bow and arrow and war club.

The Tuscaroran chief connected to this particular fort was named "Thick Neck" and he was a deadly foe to the Oneida Indians, who resided north of them.

Whenever the Oneidas came into this vicinity, Thick Neck destroyed them. The Oneidas attempted to lure Thick Neck out of his stronghold many times and finally succeeded in getting between him and his fort.

It was then that Thick Neck quickly turned and ran down the Chenango River to Warn Pond where he hid in the marsh. He was soon discovered and was unable to combat with the enemy and was killed. The Oneidas buried him on the bank of the pond.

Thick Neck's tribe, the Tuscaroras, were adopted by the Oneidas, thus becoming the 6th Nation of the Iroquois Confederacy and forever removing the permanent Native Americans from the Oxford area.



Oxford Academy High School

Around town

The Chenango River

By Danielle Camadine & Ms. Eaton

The Chenango River runs through our town of Oxford and was the principle way early people and goods moved to and through our area.

The name "Chenango" was given to the river by the Oneida Native Americans and means "Land of the Bull Thistle."

The river has been used for transportation, food and other resources.



The Washington Park Gazebo

By Elizabeth Gonzalez, Ms. Smith & Ms. Eaton

Plans for the Washington Park Gazebo were drawn by D.L. Sherwood. On April 21, 1875 the proposed plans were presented to the Village of Oxford at a construction cost of \$80 and was built.

The Gazebo was restored in 1991 by The Oxford Historical Society and The Oxford Revitalization Project.

This nostalgic and historic Oxford icon continues to be where our townsfolk go for photographs of proms, weddings and dances.



The Rail Era in Oxford

by Lea Davis, Fred Lanfear & Ms. Eaton

As the use of the Chenango Canal declined in the 1870s, it was gradually replaced by two railroads, The Ontario & Western (O&W) and The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western (DL&W.) These became Oxford's primary method of shipping and transportation. The beginning of this new era in Oxford, crossing Lyon Brook Bridge on December 23, 1869.

The first passenger trains began stopping in Oxford on February 21, 1870, connecting Oxford to Oswego. Train travel continued to grow well into the 1900s, with passenger and freight trains stopping at the Depot (now the Oxford Historical Society Building) essentially 24 hours a day. Four trains ran north to Utica with the cost of 90 cents one way and four trains ran towards Binghamton for 70 cents one way.

Besides making cross-country travel an option for Oxford residents, the railroad also gave a boost to the town's Bluestone production, with specially designed railroad cars making it much easier to ship slabs of bluestone to customers. Bluestone buyers during the railroad era included the Vanderbilts in New York City, who paved their sidewalks with our Oxford Bluestone



The Great Era of The Chenango Canal

By Lea Davis & Ms. Eaton

The Chenango Canal was built entirely by the hands of many men in 1837. The 97 mile canal stretched from Utica and connected to the Erie Canal in the North, to Binghamton in the South.

A look back through time

Oxford, N.Y. 13830



Special flat bottomed Canal Boats, called "Packet Boats" were hauled by a team of two mules or horses which traveled along a tow path, driven by a canaller. Travel moved at an average speed of 4 miles an hour. To surpass this speed would result in a ticket.

Passengers and goods were transported along the canal for almost 40 years. Oxford became one of the canal's most important local ports because of its many factories, bluestone quarries, lodging, restaurants, and storage buildings.

Besides bringing jobs and visitors to Oxford, people living in the village often played in the canal waters. In the summers people swam and fished in the canal, and ice skated and held horse races on the frozen water in the winter months.

After the arrival of two major railroad companies in Oxford, canal operators found it hard to compete with the transportation of goods and passengers. Thus The Chenango Canal began to decline until it was finally forced to close in 1878.

Modern day Route 12 literally was built upon the original Chenango Canal bed, and runs exactly how it flowed through the middle of Oxford.



Our Popular Pathway by Rheia Benedict & Fred Lanfear

The pathway that leads to the Primary and High Schools from South Washington Street is used by many walkers and students.

Students from the East side of town may use the path to save time walking to school. With school in session or not, many Oxford citizens use the path to go for leisure walks.



We Remember The McDonough Union School

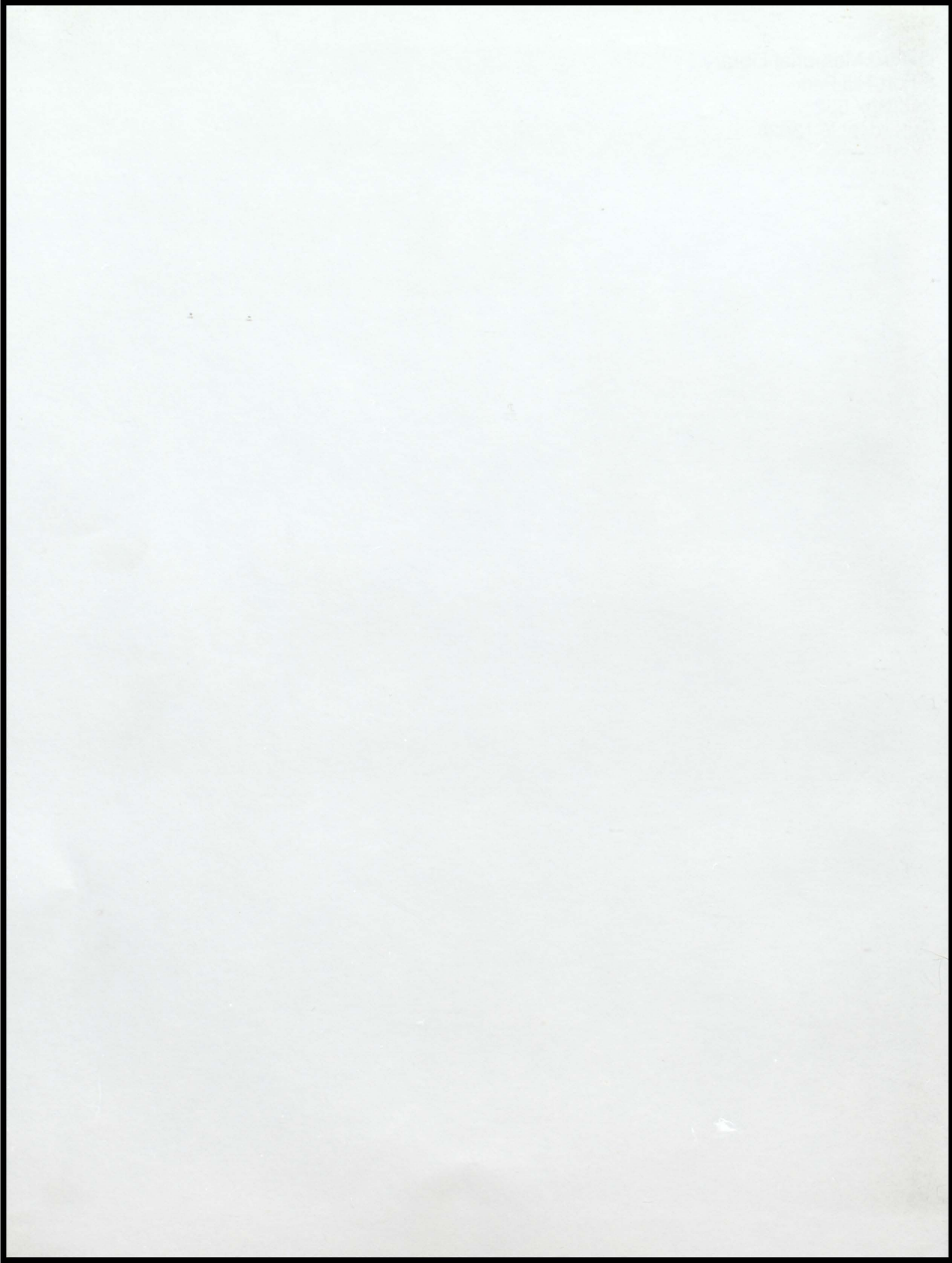
By Darci Herrick, Samantha Proppe & Ms. Eaton

In 1914, The McDonough Union School was built on "Great Plot 62" now known as "The McDonough Park." The cost to build the four room school house then was \$4,800.00.

The first teachers were John C. Hayes and Gertrude Lidell offering an education up to the middle school level. If students wished to have a high school education they had to travel to Oxford, Norwich and other larger towns.

Beginning in 1921, and for many years thereafter, the school housed all grade levels through high school. However, the population began to decrease in McDonough and the idea of total consolidation with Oxford Academy was raised. This did occur in 1964.

After the school was closed, it was used for various purposes. Some community members thought it should be used as a museum. However, in the late 1960s the contents and the school building were sold at auction. eventually the building was torn down, but the bell was saved. Today the bell sits proudly atop the pavilion at McDonough Park.



Oxford Academy 2014 Yearbook



A Year In Rewind

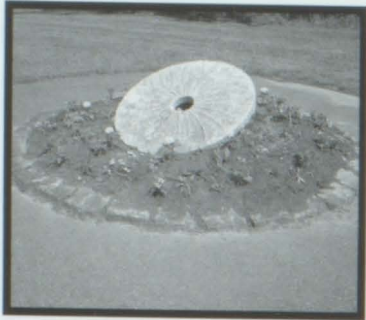
In Loving Memory of Miss Kathryn Stopper
Feb. 13, 1984 - Sept. 1, 2013



Kathryn "Kate" Laurette Stopper joined our faculty in the fall of 2008, becoming our director of instrumental music. A native of New Haven, CT, Kate first came to upstate New York in order to complete her Bachelor's Degree at Syracuse University (2006) and then continued there, earning her Master's Degree (2007). Kate was an excellent choice for director of instrumental music, given her impressive background. She graduated Summa Cum Laude, was a member of the National Honorary Band Sorority and a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. She had served as the graduate assistant for the Syracuse Marching Band, was a member of the marching band, and the Sour Citrus Society. Additionally, Kate was an avid reader, loved cooking, and traveling. During her time at Oxford Academy, Kate took great pride in the many musical achievements of her students. Not only did she conduct the concert, jazz, and marching bands, she also conducted for the annual musical production and did much to encourage instrumental and vocal students. Under Kate's careful instruction, many Oxford students were able to participate in All-County and Area All-State Festivals, and were encouraged to participate in NYSSMA competitions. Sadly, her time at Oxford was cut short due to a cancer diagnosis. Over the course of 3 1/2 years, she did much to try to beat this horrible disease, with hardly a complaint. She continued to play her flute and even took courses through Yale University, as much as her health would allow. She was a woman of enormous talent and taught us all to value our good health and not to waste a day. Kate was beautiful, full of fun, graceful, positive, and accepted the many challenges of a devastating illness. She is dearly missed by her family and those of us here who grew to love her.



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The 2013-2014 publication of the Blackhawk Yearbook is a tribute to the vast history of the Town of Oxford, as well as Oxford Academy itself.



Turn the pages to see not only a year in rewind, but the history of the town through the years. Let's embark on a journey through time...



- 1. Oxford Academy Class of 1902.
- 2. Oxford Academy, 6th Building.
- 3. Oxford Academy High School.
- 4. LaFayette Park Bandstand.

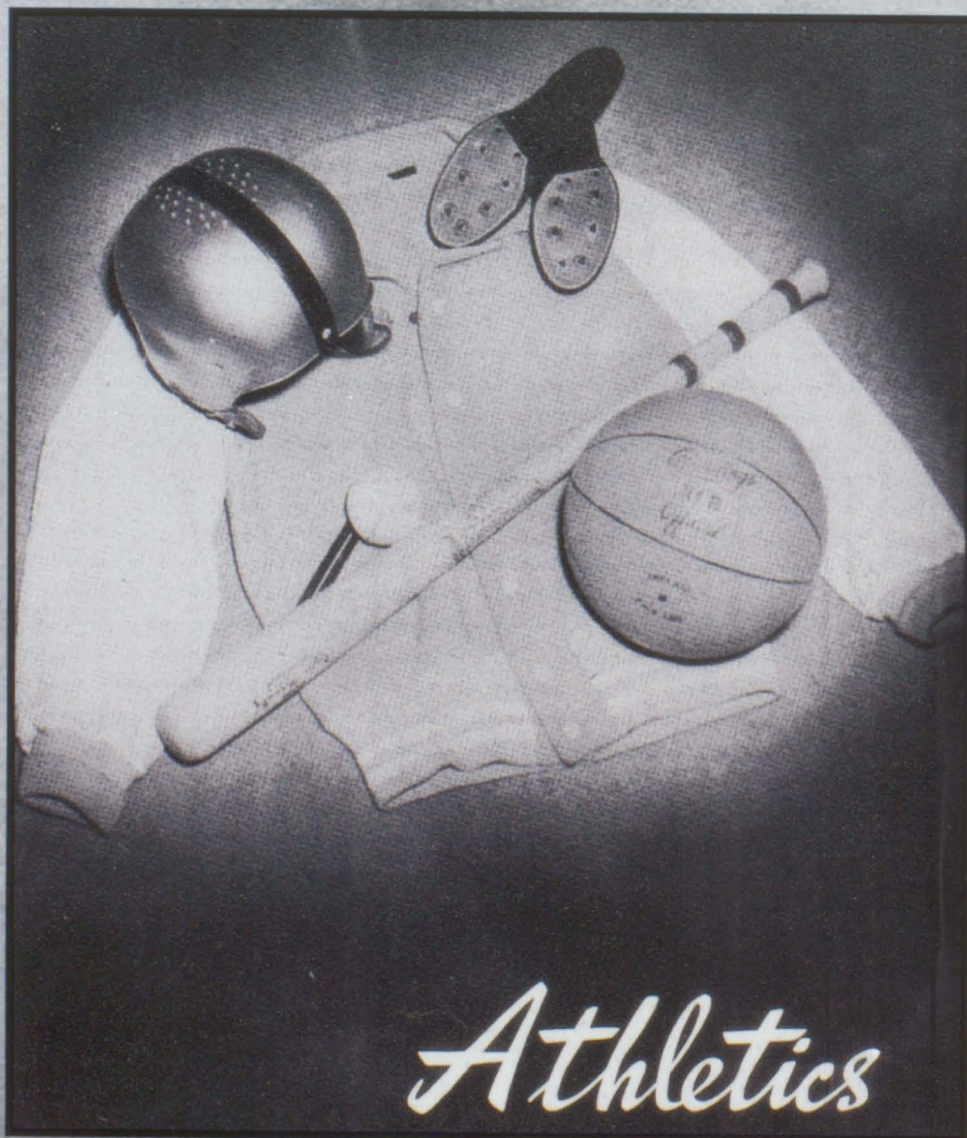
- 5. Oxford Bank Building.
- 6. Flagman's Shanty.
- 7. Train Depot, Circa 1920.
- 8. Chenango Canal.

Rewind to... Spring

Looking back at Oxford Athletics

by Rheia Benedict and Mrs. Gross

Organized athletics began at Oxford Academy in 1895 when the "Hellenic Society," an Athletic Association, was first formed with the purpose of providing physical training and a way to raise money for the baseball and football teams of that era. Students could join by paying the 25 cent annual fee each fall. Since the beginning of the athletic program, Oxford Academy has maintained a long-standing reputation of competitiveness and sportsmanship.



Athletics

Varsity Baseball



Got him!



Don't drop the ball!

Front: Daniel Lawton, Nate Head, Kyle Crawford, Cameron Heggie, Matt Diamond.

Middle: Jeff Lawton, Matt Moore, Coach Palmer, Angelo Gonzalez.

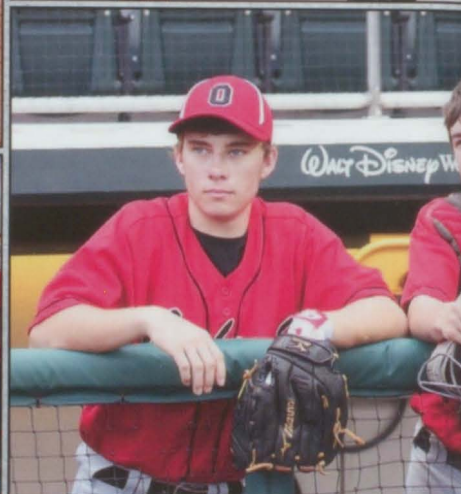
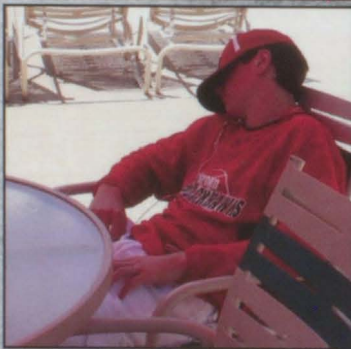
Back: Coach Heggie, Richard Ryan, Kevin Davis, Andrew Golden, Lane Barry.



"Going down to Florida with my teammates is one of my fondest memories of my high school baseball career. Going down there, and being able to play that type of competition helped us a lot. Not only did we get to play against good competitors, we also had the opportunity to play outside before any other teams back home had the chance. This experience not only improved our ability, but was also extremely fun and I hope we can go again in our 2014 season."

~Matthew Moore

The team enjoyed time away from the field as much as they enjoyed their time on the field...



ROAD TRIP

The baseball team had the opportunity to go to a baseball competition in Florida over spring break!



Frontrow: Matt Moore, Coach Palmer, Matt Diamond, Angelo Gonzalez, Richard Ryan, Lane Barry, Jon Heggie.

Back row: Jeff Lawton, Kevin Davis, Cameron Heggie, Nate Head, Kyle Crawford, Andrew Golden, Daniel Lawton.



FLORIDA BOUND

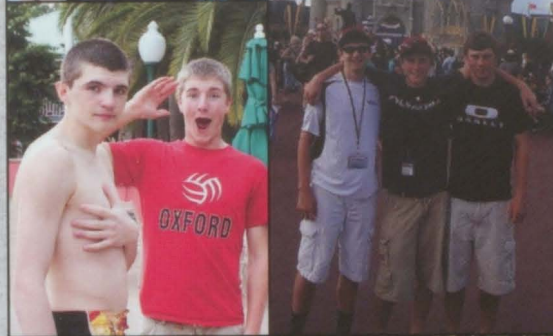
Oxford Varsity Baseball team heads to Florida

The Varsity Baseball team, through a year long fundraising event, was able to travel to Florida and participate in ESPN's Wide World of Sports Baseball Competition.

"It was an experience I'll never forget." ~ Jeff Lawton



Daniel, Kyle, Kevin and Richard hanging out.



On the left, Daniel winds up for the pitch. The picture on the right is of team members participating in the golf tournament fundraiser.



Softball

Spring 2013



Front:

Cassandra Gies,
Megan Golden.

Middle:

Rheia Benedict,
Shai'nai Marte,
Jessica Frank,
Sarah Hadlock,
Danika Dykeman,
Rachel Seiler.

Back:

Claudia Cardona,
Mariah Bullock,
Anna Kriz,
Logan Nuzzolese,
Sarah Renaud,
Lorrin Parks.
Not pictured:
Coach Pizza



Bluestone Golf Course:

Good golf, scenic view and history.

By Darci Herrick and Fred Lanfear.



The Bluestone Golf Course, known as Chenango Valley's "hidden jewel of golf," was started by Fred Bartoo in 1929, near the famous F.G. Clarke Bluestone Quarry which gives this course its name.

The front nine holes were opened in 1932, and the back nine were opened in 1992.

The course is popular to this day and is currently owned and operated by Will Bradley. Tournaments and Leagues are held at the course and the Oxford Varsity Golf Team plays and practices there during the High School's Golf season.

2013 Golf Team:

Jacob Marrone, Thomas Ryan,
Jacob McConnell, Carly Marrone,
Jody Smith, Darci Herrick,
Phil Jackson, Joe Jackson,
Seth Morley, John Beckwith.



Tennis

Sidney-Oxford 4-1 Greene-Oxford 5-0 BG-Oxford 4-1
 Walton-Oxford 3-2 Oxford-Hancock 5-0 Walton-Oxford 3-2
 Sidney-Oxford 5-0 Greene-Oxford 5-0 BG-Oxford 3-2
 Oxford-Hancock 3-2



Our seniors and top players!
 Katelyn Smolcnop and Casey Bevan

Pachari Meade, Andriana DeStefano, Sara Hodge, Alyssa McCann, Adam Camiel, Emily Roach, Jesse Gates, Brandon Markowski, Katelyn Smolcnop and Casey Bevan.



Track & Field



Getting ready for the race.



The Oxford team is in the race



Oxford track team getting ready under the Norwich bleachers.



Makenna Karn and Jessica Russo chillin' out at the track.



Cole Pierce, Caleb Cutting, Christopher Graves, Nate Ingraham, Hayden Begeal, Aaron Mosner, Nate Head, Lucian Morse, Alex Utter, Ethan Monk, Jon Benjamin, Lauren La Mariana, Justine Huang, Carly Bates, Kasey Peters, Makenna Karn, Cheyanne Moore, Patti Simpson, Jessica Russo.

Talent Show



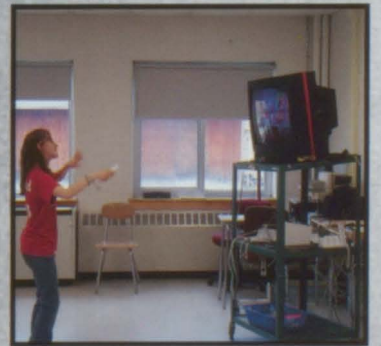
The talent show was fun for everyone who performed and for everyone who watched.

Fun Friday was a great afternoon devoted to fun and school spirit. There were many different activities and everyone got a chance to spend time with their classmates and enjoy themselves. A refreshing break from hard work and study!

Building School Spirit!



**Fun
Friday!**



Activities included kickball, Wii, casino and board games.

Pantene Locks of Love

On May 30, 2013, hair stylists Jessica White and Margaret Darragh came to the school to help us with our first annual ponytail drive to benefit **Pantene Beautiful Lengths**. Due to the wonderful stylists and gracious donations of students, faculty, and community members, we were able to donate **20 ponytails at 98.5 inches** to this cause this year!



Kera Shepler donated at least 8 inches of her hair!



Lorrin Parks also donated 8 inches of her hair!



Sarah Renaud was willing and happy to donate 8 inches of her hair as well!



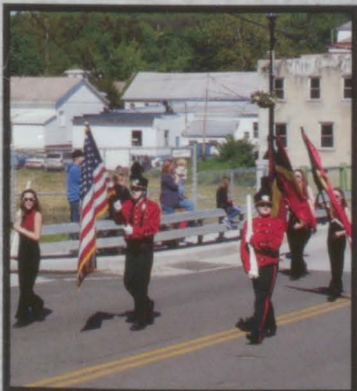
Mrs. Barrows and Mrs. Aukema also donated hair to Pantene!

Marching Band

Taking it to the streets...



The Marching Band in the Memorial Day parade. At far left, the band is crossing the bridge. At right, David Covey is shown playing taps at the cemetery.



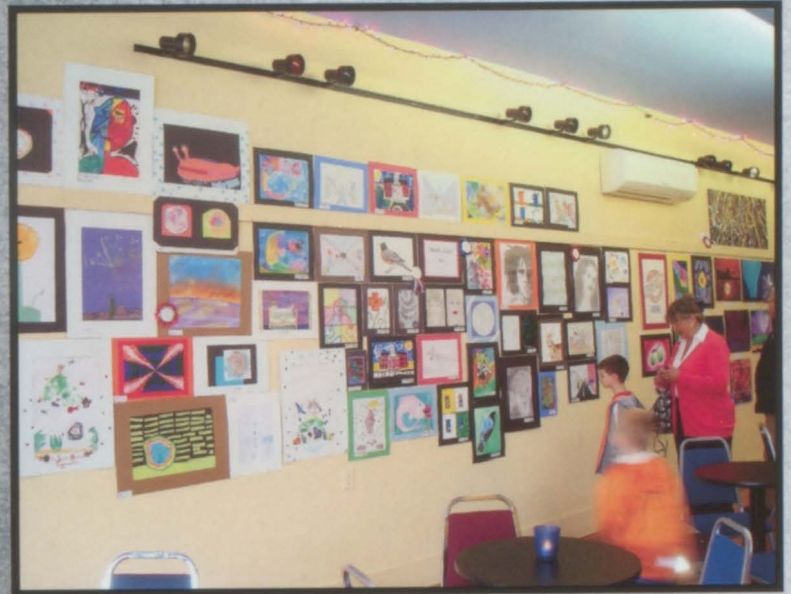
2013 Spring Concert and Art Show



End of year District Art Show at 6 On The Square



Oxford Primary School Art



Oxford Middle School Art



Oxford High School Art



Oxford High School Art



Oxford High School Summer Art Show at 6 On The Square

Rewind to... Summer



Hoppie's

By Mrs. Gross and Ms. Eaton

For nearly 20 years, Hoppie's has been a staple in the Oxford Community. Situated right in the heart of town, this establishment provides young and old alike with a true 1950's ice cream parlor experience.

The original Hoppie's was a confectionary shop, opened by Howard "Hoppie" Hoffman in another location in the village and moved several times.

Born in Oxford in 1889, Mr. Hoffman was well liked by everyone and had an array of business adventures besides his shop, and provided much community service to Oxford.

He was a farmer, had a grocery and poultry business, and created the Hoffman Inn out of the original residence of F. G. Clarke. This provided Oxford with one of the finest Hotels in the community's history. Still standing, today it is an Apartment building.

Mr. Hoffman served as the Village Town Clerk, was President of the Chamber of Commerce, served on the Board of Directors of Back River Cemetery, the School Board, was Assistant Chief of the Oxford Fire Department, was a Rotary Club Charter member, a member of the Citizen's Club, a member of the First Congregational Church and was at one time Mayor of Oxford!

Local businessman and Oxford alumna, David Emerson, knew Mr. Hoffman when he was a child, so when he and his wife, MaryEl, opened their corner restaurant in 1995, they named it Hoppie's in Mr. Hoffman's honor.

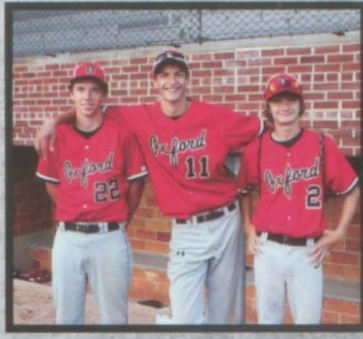
They furnished the shop with true 1950's equipment to provide authenticity.

The shop was later sold to Courtney Emerson who continued the tradition.

Hoppie's is currently owned by Oxford alumna, Danielle Williamson, who took over the establishment in 2006. Danielle has made many changes to the menu and the restaurant is now open year round, serving the community and attracting many tourists to our area.



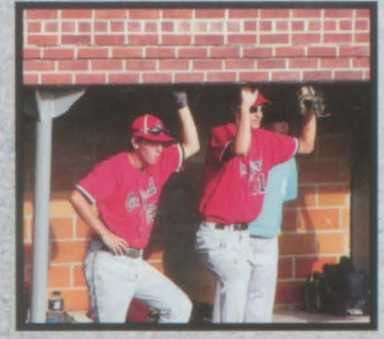
Jon throws another one over home plate!



Dan, Kevin and Kyle posing for an after game shot.



Dylan's throwing on his gear to dominate the field.



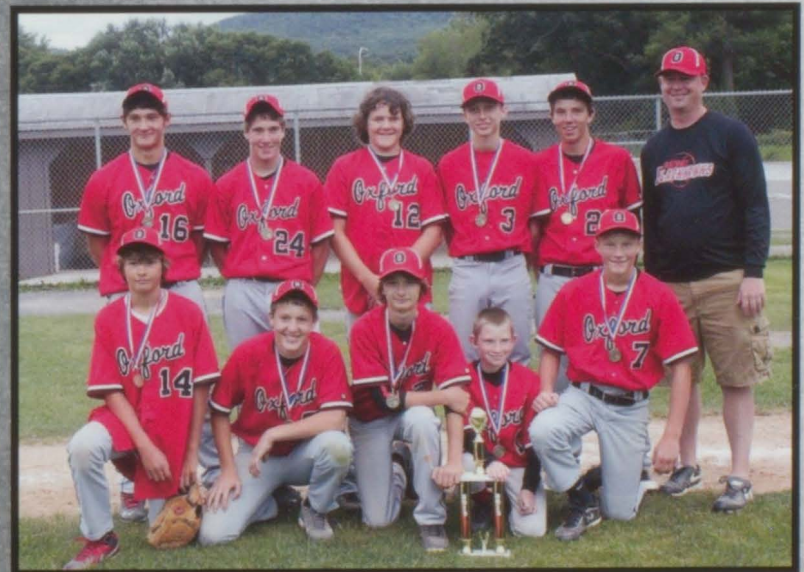
Dan and Kevin chillin' in the dugout.



Pony League

Top Row: Angelo Gonzalez, Corey Marshman, Dylan Depew, Thomas Voce, Daniel Lawton, Coach Chris Palmer.

Bottom Row: Austin Crawford, Garrett Sylstra, Kyle Crawford, Joshua Christian, Jonathan Heggie.



Summer Fun!



Jeff and Dan race it out in Motorcross!



Mr. Rathbun, caught napping!

Olivia, Bridget, Danielle, and Kylie enjoying McDonalds.

TEAM BRICK!

Corey won a trophy for showing one of his cows.



Octavia had a gorilla at her party!



Mr. Gilroy has been working hard to restore his car.



Mrs. Gross spent her summer with her son, Sean, and friends at many music festivals. This picture was taken at the Taste of Country Festival held at Hunter Mountain.



Mural painting done by Ms. Eaton in North Carolina.



Mrs. Barrows spends her summers showing horses at horse shows. In this picture she is riding Bubba because her daughter, Natalie, was injured and unable to ride.



Mrs. Laytham went kayaking with her niece and her dog.

Ms. Cox spent a month in Oregon sight-seeing while visiting with her son and daughter-in-law.



Chenango County Fair Art Show



Kasey Peters
Third Place in Mixed Media



Angela Lananna
Honorable Mention in
Mixed Media

Danielle
Camadine
Honorable
Mention in
Drawing



Monique Moore
Honorable
Mention in Mixed
Media



Carly Marrone
Honorable Mention
in Painting

Colorscape 2013



Our alumna, Jessica Russo, won the Francis Wilcox Emerging Young Artist Scholarship for 2013. She was provided with her own booth to exhibit her artwork!



Kasey Peters won Best of Show at Colorscape for her watercolor painting!



Sierra Holte
First Place in Painting



Elizabeth Gonzalez
Third Place in Painting

RYLA

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards



Robert Hofmann and Jessica Frank were chosen to attend RYLA at Oneonta State Campus from June 23, 2013 to June 28, 2013.



As much as I'll try to describe it here, RYLA is a truly indescribable experience. From the people I met, to the friends I made, to the bonding I went through with my small group, I can honestly say that it was one of the greatest experiences of my life.

Between the dance, talent show, RYLathon and small group sessions, I was very busy learning about leadership, finding new ways to look at the world and creating memories that will last with me forever. If you have the chance to go, RYLA is definitely not an experience to miss.

~Robert Hofmann

RYLA is an amazing experience that I wish everyone could participate in. It is hard to explain how amazing it actually is, but it is an incredible leadership program where you don't only sharpen your leadership skills, but you make lifetime friends.

This is a place where everyone talks, everyone listens, and people understand. RYLA simply changed my life and I'll always appreciate my fellow RYLANs, especially The Crew of 2013 <3

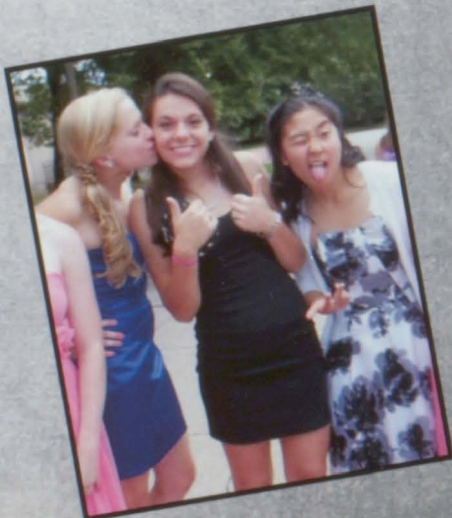
~Jessica Frank



Girl 's State

My experience at Empire Girl 's State can be defined as life changing. I personally walked away with a renewed appreciation for my flag and the service of our veterans. Girls State was a wonderful experience and I would go back right now if I could.

-Lorrin Parks



Boy's State



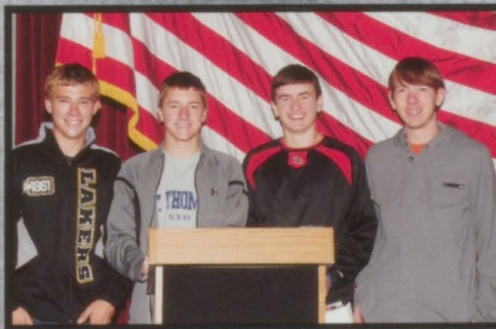
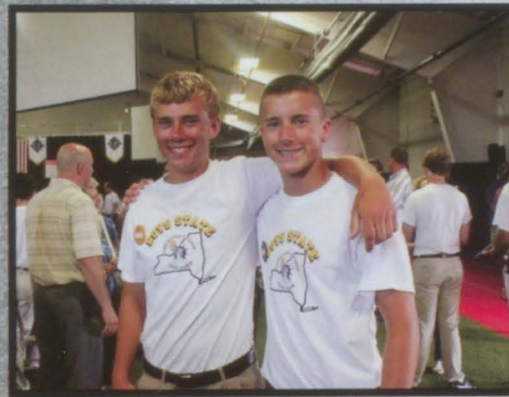
Boys State was a great experience. It's a little difficult when you first arrive because you don't know anyone there and you have no contact with your friends and family. After the first day, getting involved made everything better. I began making friends and competing against people for elected positions. We learned a lot about the government and the process of making laws. At the same time, we experienced life with a Marine screaming at us. He pushed us physically and mentally, drilling things into our minds and kept us on task. We marched for hours as a single platoon. All of this tied into a very fun week which was one of the highlights of my summer.

-Cameron Heggie

Boys State was truly an educational experience for me. I met tons of new people. I learned about the government and also a little of what it is like to be in the military.

Throughout, we were given a great opportunity to hear the experiences from other leaders like ourselves. This was a nice experience because we could see how their hard work paid off and how ours would too, one day. I'm glad I had the opportunity to attend Boys State and would encourage anyone who had the chance to go as well.

-Matthew Moore



I didn't know what to expect upon my arrival to Boys State. As soon as I arrived there though, I knew I was going to have a good time. There was always something going on so there is no chance of getting bored. The best part was that I made friends from all over the state and learned some cool new things about city life. In another aspect, you will learn a lot, but you have to get involved. Boys State is something that makes you feel like you're part of something big, and if you ever get the opportunity to go, then I strongly encourage you to take it.

-Jeff Lawton



While at Boys State, I had an amazing time. From the time I woke up to the time I went to bed, I was learning and having fun. I learned about how the state government functions. During assemblies I helped entertain the other boys by playing in the band. Things were tough at times, but I am glad that I had the chance to attend.

-David Covey

HOBY



HOBY, or Hugh O' Brian Youth Leadership, was founded in 1958 by actor Hugh O' Brian. HOBY's mission is to inspire and develop the global community of youth and volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service and innovation.

HOBY programs are conducted annually throughout the United States, serving local and international high school students.

During the summer of 2013, Emma-Leah Hess was Oxford High School's representative at the HOBY leadership conference.

Rewind to...

Fall

Football Field Holds Memories

By Cheyanne Moore

The Oxford Academy football field has been a part of the school since 1963. The field holds a lot of meaning and value for the football teams that have played on it as well as for those who have participated in other activities. Soccer games, field hockey games, Homecoming, running track, sledding, air band competitions are some of the other various activities that have been held on this field.

This fall, the field was dedicated to Coach Tony Abbott. See page 87 for photos about this event.



Health Office
Mrs. Colquitt
Mrs. Solyian

Guidance Office
Mrs. Button
Mr. Kaschak



Main Office
Mrs. C. Barrows
Mrs. Loomis
Mrs. Laytham

Resource Room
Seated: Ms. Hinman, Miss Hodge.
Standing: Mr. Gilroy, Mrs. Swayer,
Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Paul, Mrs. Drelich.

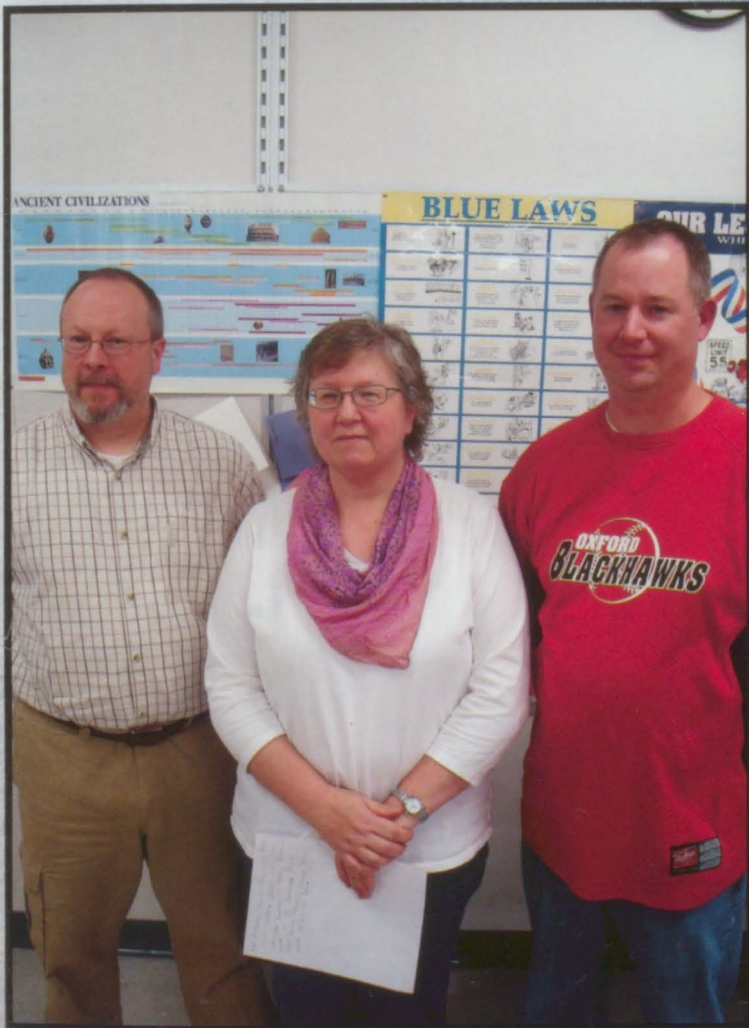


Physical Education

Mrs. M. Barrows
Mr. Thorne

Media Center

Mrs. Gross
Ms. Cox



Art & Music

Ms. Eaton
Mr. Riley
Mr. Moren

Social Studies

Mrs. Schaefer
Mr. Palmer
Mr. Rogers

Spanish
Mr. Miller
Mrs. Palmer



Science

Mr. Mason
Miss Powers
Mr. Muller

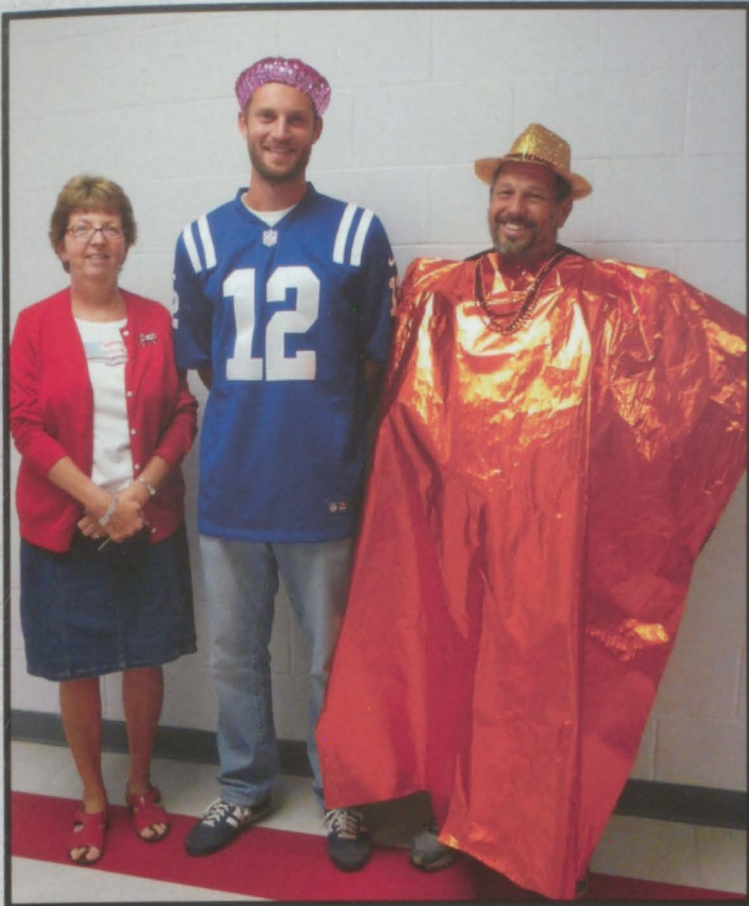


English

Mrs. Burcroff
Mr. Degan
Mrs. O'Connor



Double Trouble?



Math

Mrs. Constantine
Mr. Dorman
Mr. Rathbun

Agriculture & Technology

Mrs. Aukema
Mr. Davis



Custodians

Mr. Hodge
Mr. Brazee
Mr. Hadlock

Super Substitute
Mr. Jankowski



Bus drivers

Back:

Robert Aiken
William Brower
Mark Carlson
Tim Fowlston

Middle:

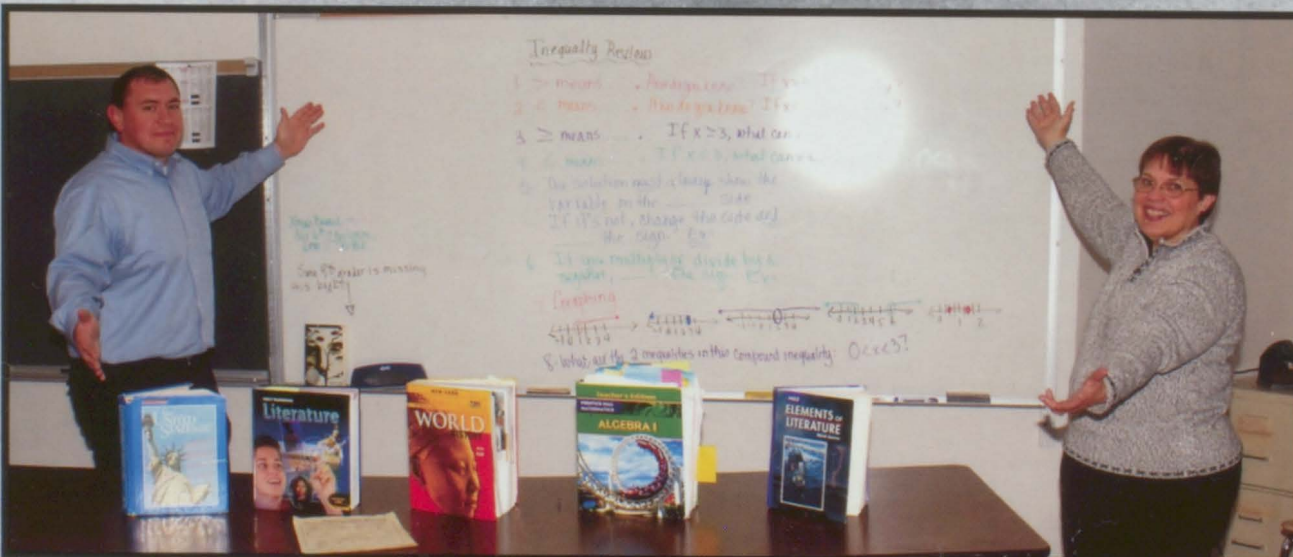
Tony Zdobyak
John Todaro
Charlene Bryant
Lorayne Carlson
Angelique Bakalyar
B.J. Sutton
Joanne Dean

Front:

Anthony Corrente
Carol Wilson
Edward Somers
Margaret McGowan
Robert Donholt, Jr.

Cafeteria

Pete Pezzino
Candy Burke
Robert Shimer
Annabelle Gage
Liz O'Rourke
Veronica Farwell



AIS

Mr. Tefft
Mrs. Ford

Welcome to Oxford High School!

This year we welcome back Mr. Degan to the English department as well as Mrs. Davis as a study hall monitor.



Oxford High School had to say good-bye to Mrs. Anderson, who retired, and Mrs. Miceli, who took another position elsewhere. Luckily for us, Mrs. Anderson can still be seen in the building as a regular substitute.

Faculty & Staff

Crystal Aukema
Margo Barrows
Charmaine Barrows
David Branham
Maria Burcroff



Charlene Button
Susanna Colquitt
Kate Constantine
Margaret Cox
Tim Davis



Matt Dorman
Sylvia Drelich
Jeannette Dunckel
Joni Eaton
Jane Ford



Kevin Gilroy
Melissa Gross
Kathy Hodge
Mark Hodge
Kris Kaschak



Malinda Loomis
Phil Mason
Corey Miller
Michael Moren
Mark Muller



Our Fearless Leaders

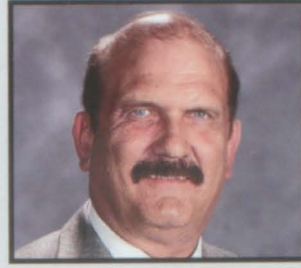
People In Charge

"My brain is getting smarter and smarter each day!"
~first grade student



Mrs. Laytham has more school spirit than almost everyone in this building! Since she took over Principal duties in April 2010, Mrs. Laytham has attended as many school functions as she possibly can!

Mrs. Laytham



Dr. Richards joined our district as the Superintendent in 2012 and has been a constant presence in all 3 buildings throughout the school day as well as school functions after hours!

Dr. Richards



Mr. Rogers has been the Dean of Students since the 2010-2011 school year. He can be seen early mornings and at the end of the day dishing out discipline!

Mr. Rogers



Jena O'Connor
Chris Palmer
Sarah Palmer
Denise Paul
Ellyse Powers

Ralph Rathbun
Corey Riley
Elizabeth Schaefer
Karen Sawyer
Craig Tefft

Lance Thorne
Michelle Williams

Not Pictured:
Jenny Davis
Jerry Degan
Chris Hinman

Faculty and Staff

Look who's running the show...



Board of Education

Mr. Gene Rood, Mr. Timothy O'Brien,
Mrs. Julie Gates, Mrs. Dawn Golden,
Mrs. Tahitian Tefft.



District Office

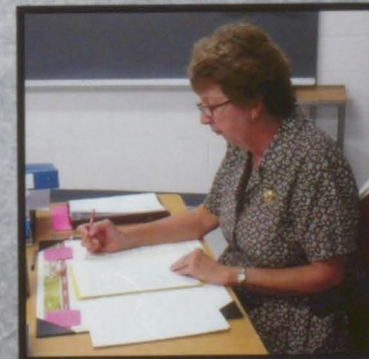
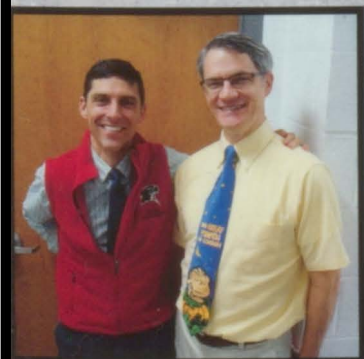
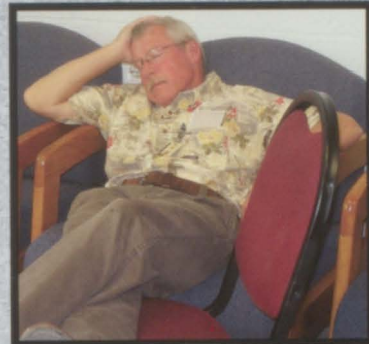
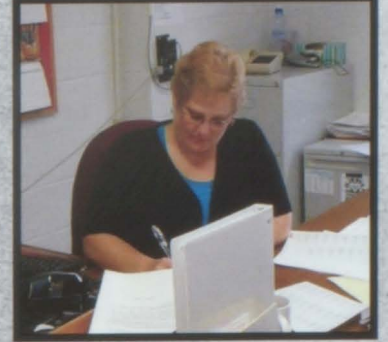
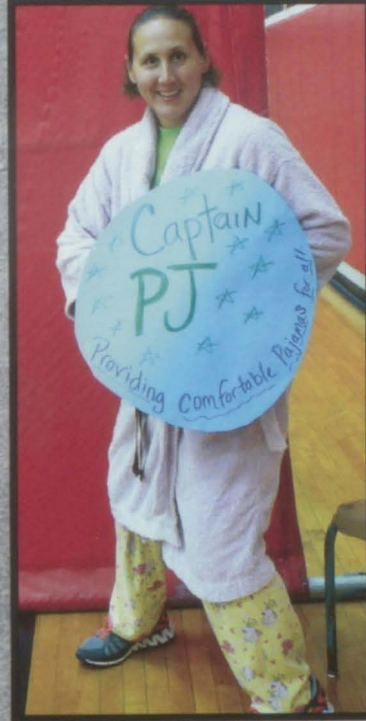
Mrs. Michele Rice, Mr. Joseph Gugino,
Mrs. Hope Crawford.



In order to keep with this year's theme, some of our teachers, at the request of the yearbook advisors, opted to dress in period costumes for the faculty picture.



Faculty & Staff Candidids





Lorrin poses with the cow, and they are even color coordinated!

Layla shows off her face paint.



Victoria, Emily and Megan get a nice shot with the cow.



Jon and Matt entertain everyone at the fair with some dance moves.



Miss Rosas lets Anna show off her painting skills!

The face painting table was a HIT with the Primary Schoolers and even some High Schoolers!



Larissa puts her art skills to the test with face painting.



Pachari poses with the horse.



Kaitlyn helps out with face painting.



Brandon is ALL smiles for the School Fair!

School Fair



Congratulations
Darci, Cameron
and Bridget!



Spring Inductees:
Cameron Heggie
Darci Herrick
Bridget Rice

Honor Society Inductions



Fall Inductees:
Makenna Karn
Carly Marrone
Emma-Leah Hess
Trevor Kaminsky

Emma, Makenna, Trevor
and Carly swear into
Honor Society!



Freshman

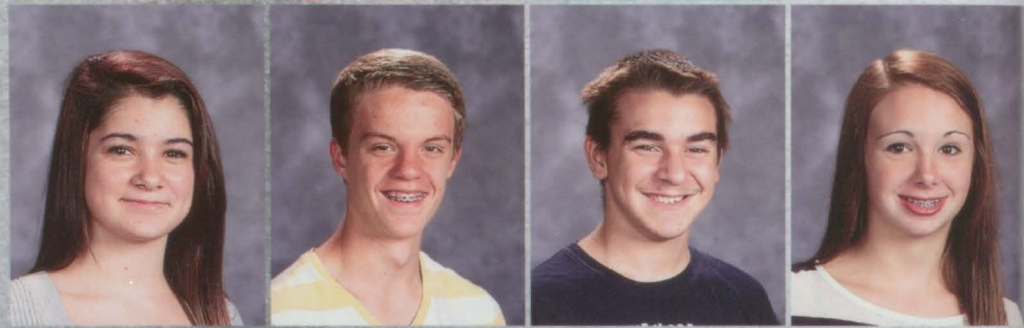
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Katilyn Barber
Alexandra Barrows
Gage Barrows



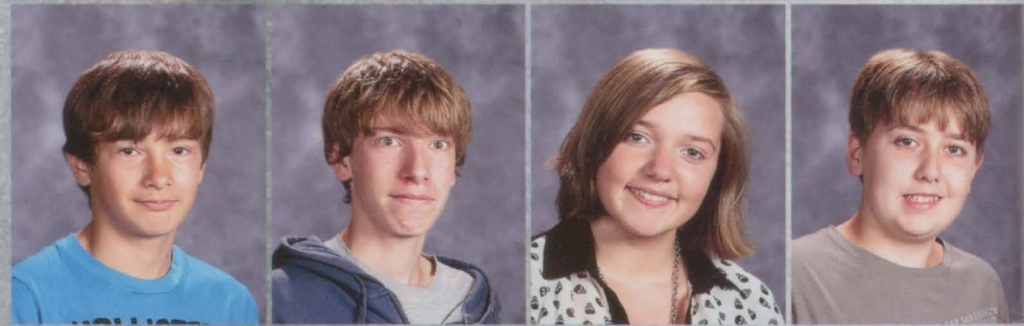
Dallas Beang
Autumn Brewer
Gunnar Brown
Jared Bush



Serena Bush
Rece Camadine
Danny Clark
Lauren Cobb



Austin Crawford
Kevin Crispell
Kaitlyn Decker
Nicholas DeForest



Dylan Depew
Katelyn Diamond
Raigen Ehly
Stephen Ehly



Freshmen



Nicholas Gardner
Jaret Gates
Aimee Greenman
Alexis Hamilton-Mele



Lacey Hathaway
Jonathan Heggie
Jenna Hodge
Garyn Huntley



Alan Hurlburt
Dylan Ingraham
Nicole Ingraham
Misty Johnson



Savannah Johnson
Joseph Knoll
Layla Kriz
Connor Lawton



Jaci Long
Joshua Lynch
Dustin Mack
Layne Manwarren

Freshman

Thomas Marshman
Ciana Marte
Robert Meek
Taylor Munson



Jacqueline Murrer
Cheyenne Nebel
Nicolas Neer
Joshua Nelson



Fletcher Nisbet
Harry Oliver
Megan Peila
Richard Polanco, Jr.



Indaira Quintana
Emily Redfield
Cole Rice
Holly Roach



Noah Robb
Taylor Rogers
Kylie Roys
Graciela Salazar



Freshmen



Elaina Sasso
Thomas Seminera
Philip Smith
Eleni Spyrtos



Evan Stickle
Nathaniel Tucker
Corey Turner
Christopher Vargas



Marcus Vigus
Jacob Warren
Gavin Wheatley
Daniel Woodford



Corbin Wright

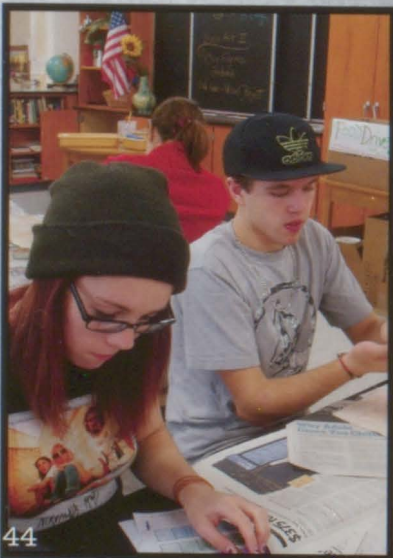
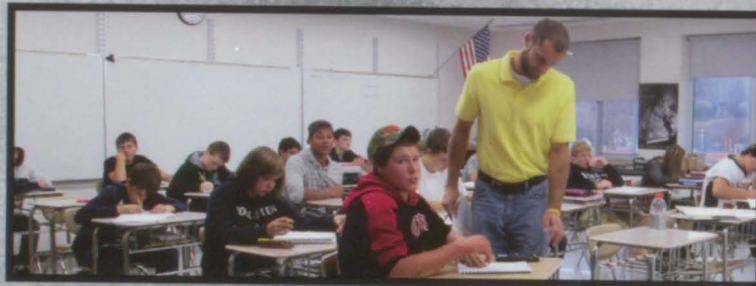
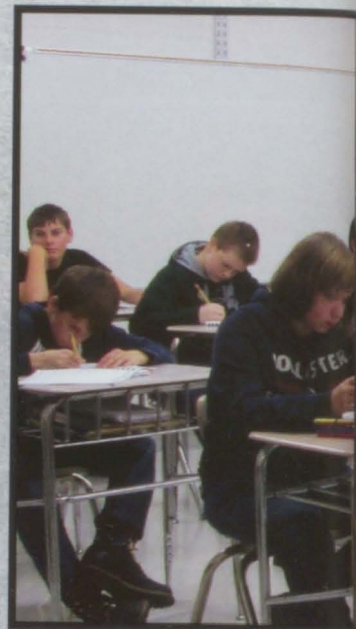
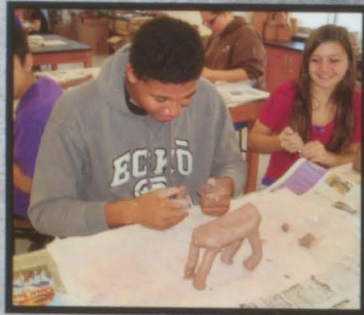
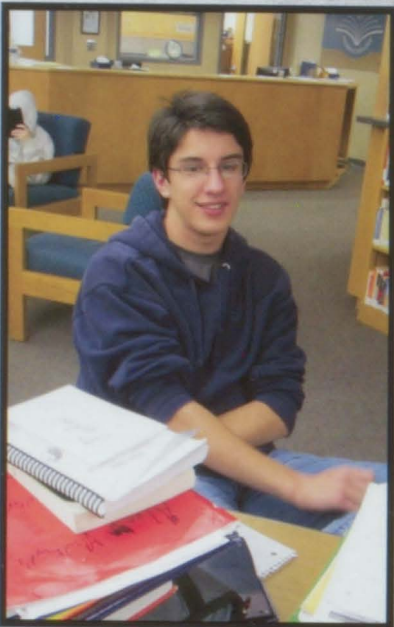
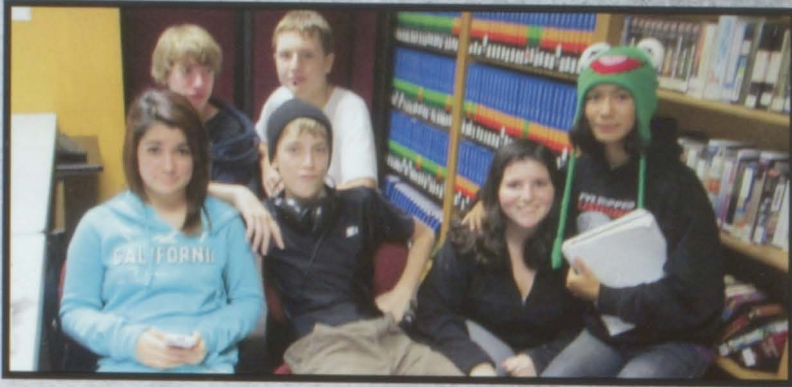
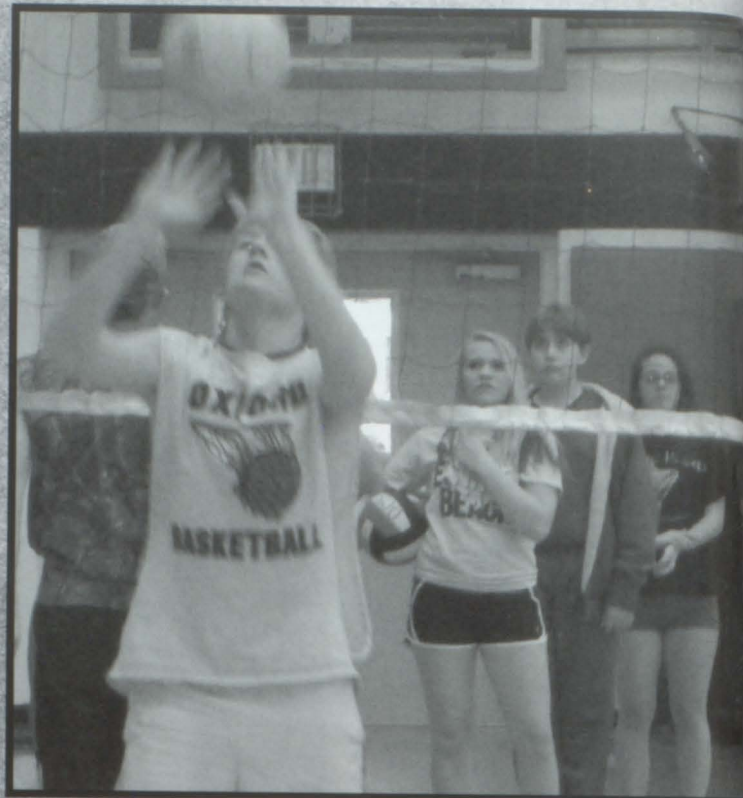
Class Advisors

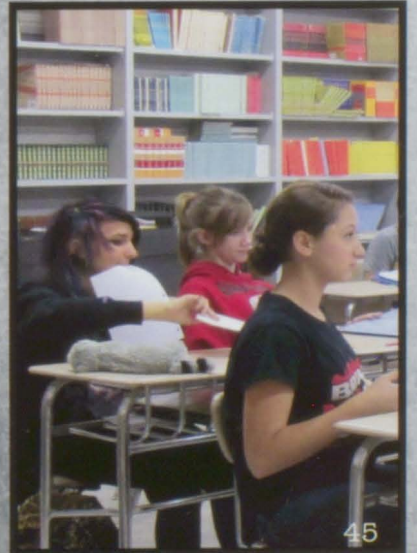
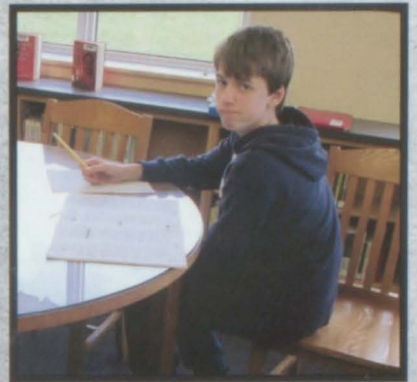
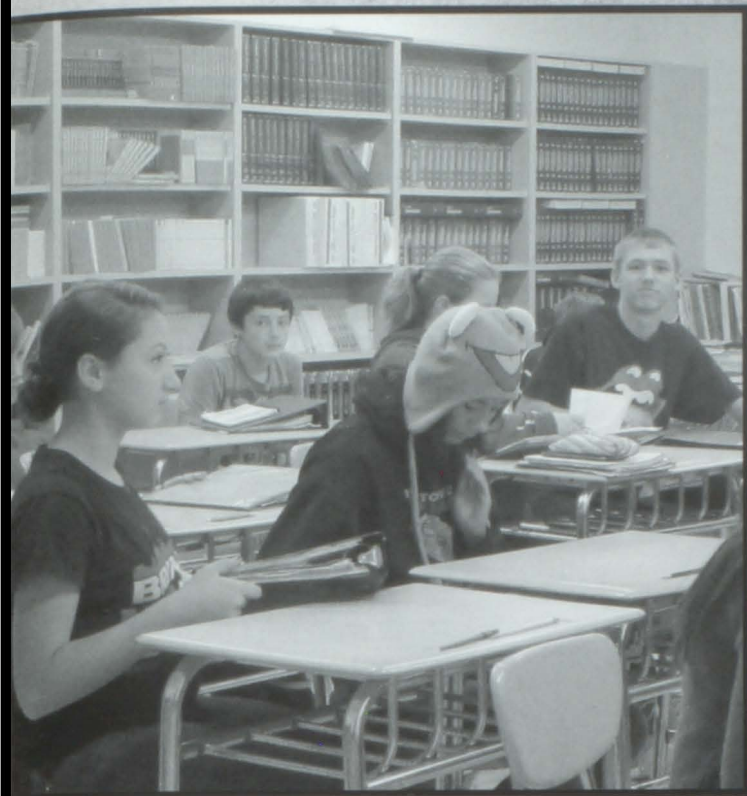
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Mr. Mason, Miss Powers, Mr. Riley.



Class Officers
Jacqueline Murrer
Emily Redfield
Layla Kriz







Sophomores

Andrew Audas
Lane Barry
Carly Bates
Cydnee Beam



Jacob Bedell
Vanessa Bishop
Amy Branham
Alesha Brown



Samantha Bush
Jaden Chesebro
Kate Cirello
Devin Clark



Benjamin Crandall
Kevin Davis
Kayla Deloatch
Dylan Demuth



Brianne Dewey
Nichole Dinolfo
Emilee Eldred
Stevie Estelow



Sophomores



Christian Fitzpatrick
Angelo Gonzalez
Heath Hadlock
Dain Hamilton



Nathaniel Hansen
Timothy Hinman
Douglas Hitt
Sara Hodge



Emily Howard
Joshua Hull
Leah Karn
Anna Kriz



Trenton Lyons
Samantha Mack
Damon Maricle
Thomas Marks



Corey Marshman
Ethan Aaron Mosner
Victoria Peila
Francisco Quintana

Sophomores

Erin Redfield
Kelsey Reynolds
Kendra Reynolds
Adriana Rheinheimer



Rachel Seiler
Jacob Selwood
Steven Shapiro
Donald Stevens, Jr.



Garett Sylstra
Alexander Utter
Tiffany Utter
Emma Vandeusen



Tyler Wagner
Austin Wakefield
Montessa Warner
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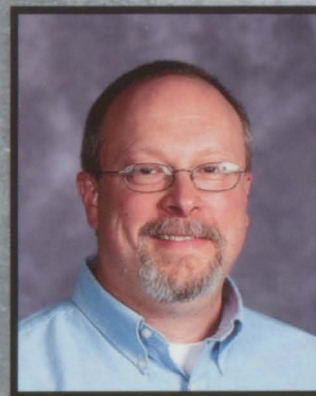
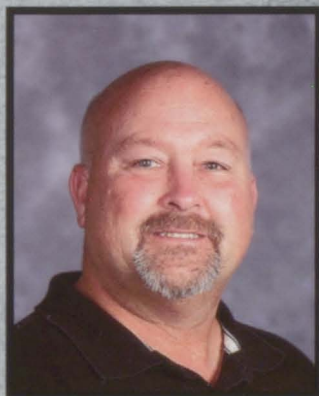
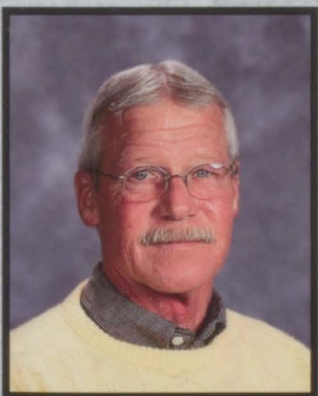


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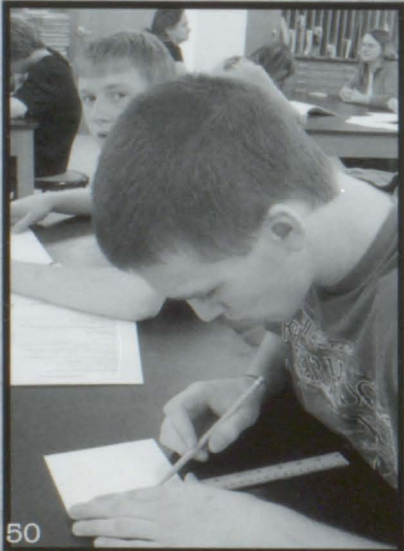
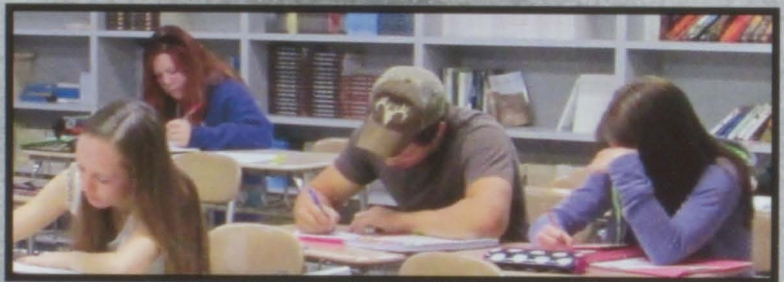
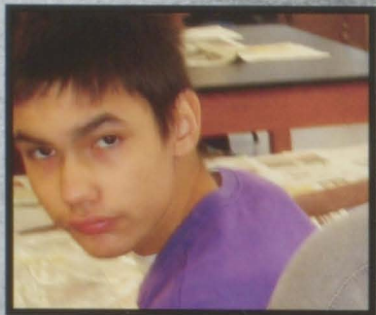


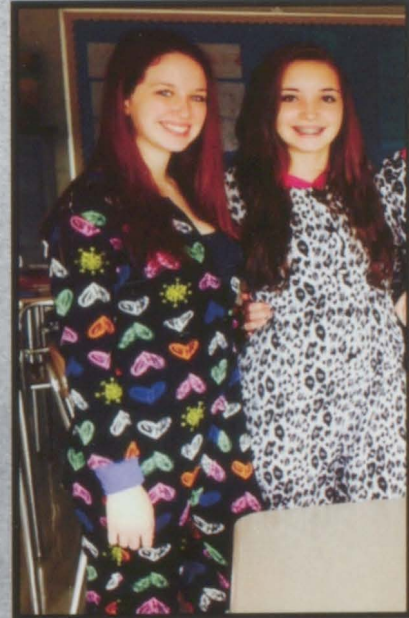
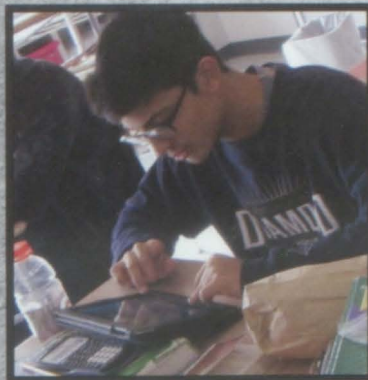
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Class Advisors



Mr. Gilroy, Mr. Muller, Mr. Rogers,
Mrs. Paul, Mrs. Drelich, Mr. Tefft.
Not pictured: Ms. Hinman.





Juniors

Jazmine Albin
 Brionna Anzano
 Sabastian Armstrong
 Daniel Beauchamp



Mariah Bullock
 Adam Clark
 Kyle Crawford
 Andriana DeStefano



Matthew Diamond
 Erik Eldred
 Jesse Gates
 Mark Golden



Michael Gonzalez
 Erika Goodrich
 David Gregory, Jr.
 Emma-Leah Hess



Kassidy Hodge
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Trevor Kaminsky
Makenna Karn
Danielle Kocijanski
Lauren La Mariana



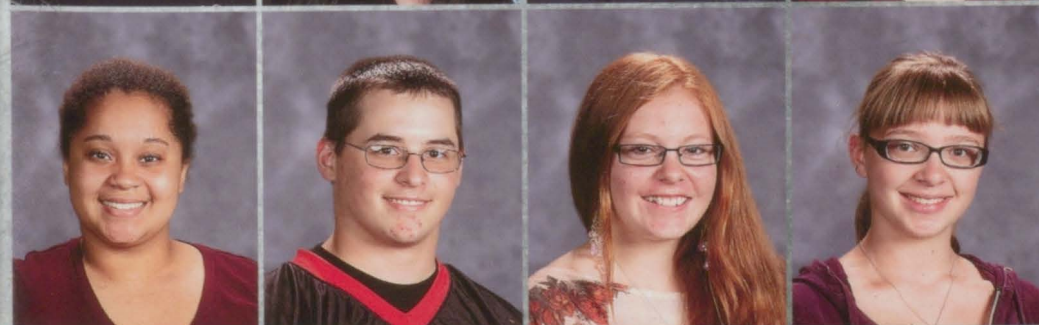
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Spek MacDonald



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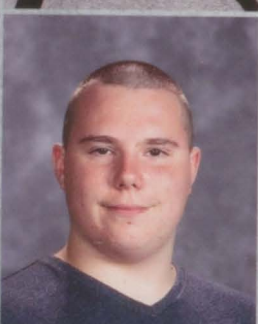
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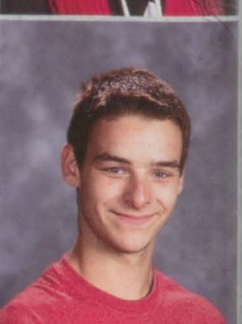
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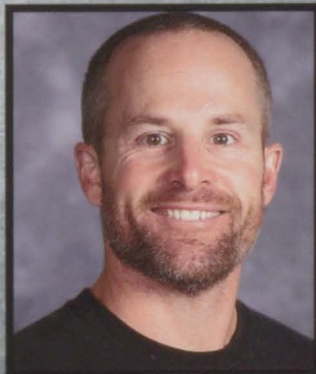


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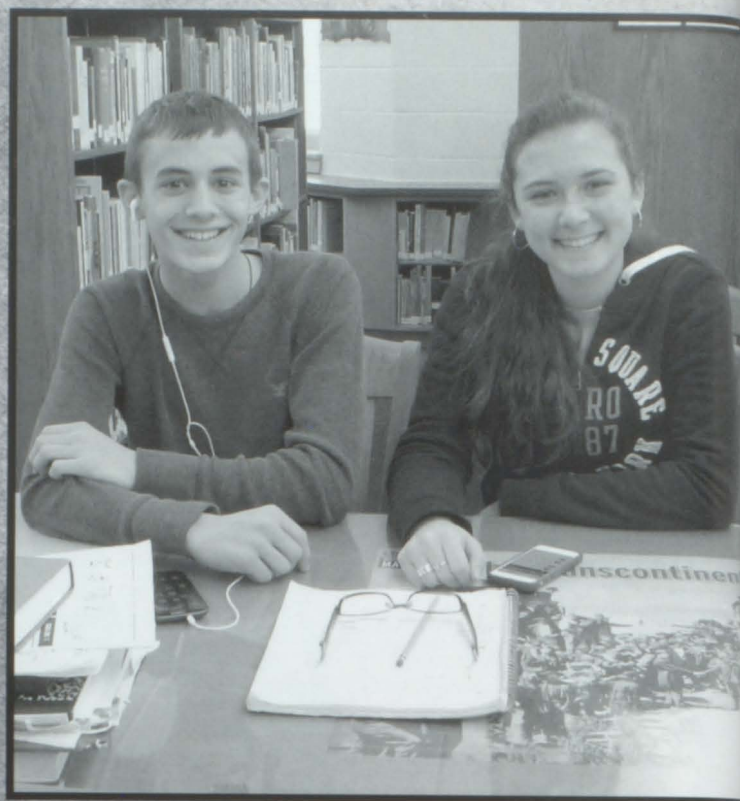


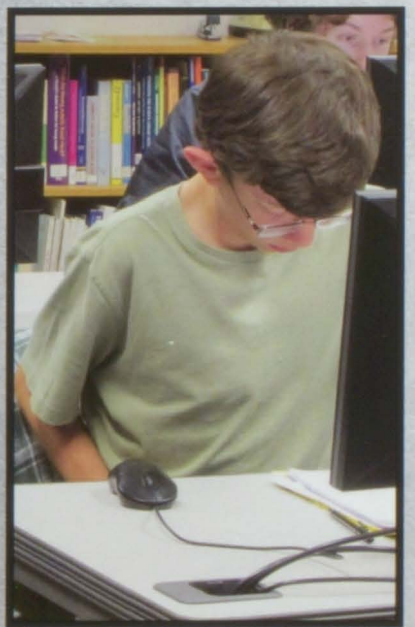
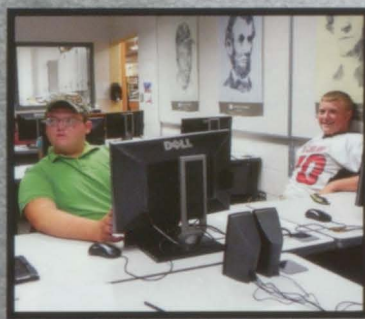
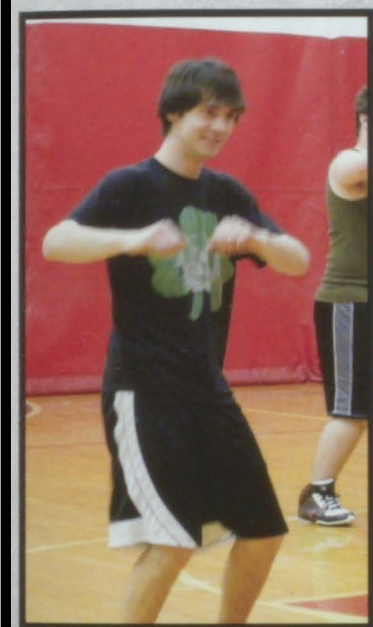
Trevor Kaminsky, Mariah Bullock

Class Advisors



Mrs. Burcroff ,
Mr. Dorman,
Ms. Eaton,
Mrs. Swayer ,
Ms. Schaefer,
Mr. Thorne,
Mrs. Barrows.





Class of...



2014



Standouts!

Most artistic

Jessica Frank
&
David Covey



Biggest cell phone user

Haleigh Wakefield
&
Brandyn Velez



Friendliest

Claudia Cardona
&
Jon Chesebro



Best hair

Olivia Sylstra
&
Jordan Maynard



Class clowns

Caitlin Blair
&
Austin Knapp



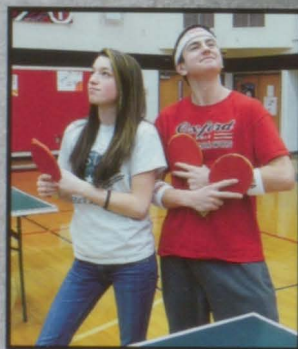
Worst driver

Danielle Camadine
&
Nik Hansen



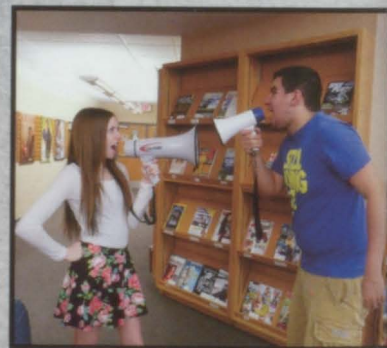
Gym class heroes

Taylor Chapman
&
Matt Moore



Most talkative

Marisa Baldwin
&
Greg Brewer



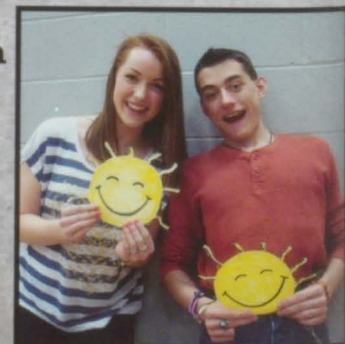
Most rebellious

Gabby Lewis
&
Mike Mendola

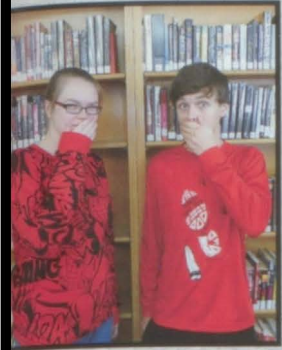


Most likely to brighten your day

Bridget Rice
&
Brendon Rhodes



Standouts!



Quietest
Sierra Brown
&
Trenton Piatt



Most outgoing
Lorrin Parks
&
Joe Nelson



Most likely to be future President
Micaela Miceli
&
Robert Hofmann



Best style
Tia Quintana
&
Jeff Lawton



Craziest
Kirsten Fink
&
Nate Ingraham



Most school spirit
Taylor Ament
&
Adam Camiel



Most athletic
Rheia Benedict
&
Cameron Heggie



Most musical
Kasaundra Shore
&
David Covey



Most likely to be on a reality show
Kayla Wood
&
Brandon Markowski



Most outspoken
Octavia Bishop
&
Ethan French

Senior Memories



Michele Mead

Quote: "The best place in the world is in the arms of someone who will not only hold you at your best, but will pick you up and hug you tight at your weakest moment." -Unknown

Spending my high school career with Kirsten and KC BOCES bus rides. Friday night football games. Gym class. Mr. Muller's Biology class. International Harvester with Mrs. Margo Barrows during dances. The library with Ms. Smith. Country Music. Being with Shane Abbott, spending as much time as possible with him, always having a good time with him, and being able to call him my best friend. 5-6-13<3



Danielle Camadine

Spending my life with JREG<3, late night McD's & Dunkin' runs;), living with Leah, setting up "Danell", Russian Olympics with BLR, first princess at Prom 2013, Prom 2012 with KMB, workout liars LKK & SRM, Paul, Dumb & Dumber in vball with ORB, ugliest pics BLR; "Can I come out yet?"; my sidekick Luey, every morning with TLP <3, bridge jumping, Gus Macker lol, preschool babies, Lily Bea<3, jamming with LEP & BLR in Senoras coche, gator mudding, having the best mom and father I could ever ask for & my best friends; love you all! (you know who you are) :)



Trenton Piatt

Friday night football games, always having an awesome gym class, fun times with all of my friends, playing football, soccer and track, WRESTLING, spending too much time in Josh's bathroom, throwing it in everyone's face when the Cowboys beat the Giants, water blast at lunch, and having the best times with my beautiful girlfriend, Danielle Patricia Camadine.



Olivia Sylstra

Quote: "Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory." -Dr.Seuss

Crazy car rides with KJB, late night trips to DD & Walmart w. BLR, JERG, DPC, & KRR, Hoopla, & Sweet-Frog dates, wing night, cuddle time w. BLR, Getting lost on back roads with KJB, BLR, and HAB, crying over everything, Bus rides and Chinese fire-drills w. the hockey team, Football games, getting harassed by PHW, & AJG, the summer going into my senior year w. DPC, KJB, JERG, BLR, HAB, KRR, & KNW, and homecoming week 2013<3



Calisa Lesser

Quote: "But, mother, I don't want to grow up." -Wendy, Peter Pan

To put four years of high school in 100 words? Near impossible. Four years. 40 weeks. 180 days? I'd have too much to rant about.



Matthew Moore

Union Springs, Florida Trip, Volleyball MAC Champs, Miniclip Pool, Bike Race, Subway Surfer, Running with Friends, Sports with CH, JL, KD, Food Fight, Nabby's earth science class, Oxford Pool with TP, JL, RM, JH, JH, and AG, Four wheeling parties, wing nights, Giving BR all my answers on HW, Sports with my brother, Xbox with TP, GS, KC, RH, DH, and DW, Shamokin and Utica with JN, Clarkson with RM, CI, NK, and NW, Lunchtime basketball, HOBY, Boys State, Wearing crosses.



Austin Knapp

Quote: "He who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life." -Muhammad Ali

Going 1 & 8 during Football, going to homecoming with Lorrin Parks. English class was a blast with Trenton Piatt, Joe Nelson, Jordan Maynard, and Jake McConnell not giving a darn. Mr.Palmer in Psychology. Always trying to be the gym class hero. Knock-out during lunch and the BOCES bus ride. Going to Cortland and getting soaked with Richard Ryan, Patti Simpson and Bryan Simpson. Last but not least, having fun with my Blackhawk family.

Gabby Lewis

Quote: "Sometimes you have to see where the darkness takes you. And if you can't fully get hurt, you can't fully get healed."
-Brendon Urie.
Back of the bus concerts. That's about it.



Brendan Rhodes

Quote: "I tried being reasonable, I didn't like it." -Clint Eastwood
"It's been quite a ride. I loved every minute of it." -Charlton Heston
Debating on pointless topics, learning things aren't important in any way. Dorman's quotes, still don't understand "most likely to brighten your day". Marisa guess what, I WIN Pew pew pew. TA thanks for being there when I needed to talk. MM you're a great friend and I appreciate it. All the good times and bad. There's not enough room to say all I want, but do know I won't forget most of you. It's been fun, so thanks everyone.



Kayla Wood

Instead of recapturing the memories I've made throughout high school, I would like to say thank you, from the bottom of my heart, to the class of 2014, along with several underclassman, for coming into my life and impacting me in a way I will never forget. You have all taught me valuable life lessons I plan to carry with me forever, whether you're aware or not. However, I would like to send a special thank you to TYQ, CLM, CAB, SLM, GDH, ORB, and FMP for helping shape me into the person I am today.



Elizabeth Gonzalez

Quote: "The limit does not exist." -Mean Girls
O.T.T. with my soccer team, purple dress with DC, they can't be calmed! with RB, bunny suit with DC, MB, & JG, meeting Jesus, a nun & priest with MB & LP, movie days with AP & KW, getting caught on the roof with DC, TQ, & MB, prank phone calls with TQ, Spanish class with Senora, eating all the food in my house with SR, dancing with EC, JA, AB, JG, & KC, mornings with RB & CM, being a bad kid with TC, candy crush with KH, working out with CB, LP, TC, AD, KC, & RS.



Kirsten Fink

Quote: "Fall in love or fall in hate. Get inspired or be depressed. Ace a test, or flunk a class. Make babies or make art. Speak the truth or lie and cheat. Dance on tables or sit in the corner. Life is divine chaos. Embrace it. Forgive yourself. Breathe. And enjoy the ride..." -Unknown.
Watching movies and playing games with KC and KT. Going swimming in the summer, camping, and tanning. Bus rides with Michele. Winter Guard in 9th grade with Kam, Cowboy Casanova<3. Dayton Ohio for WGI. Winter Guard in 11th I'll Stand by You<3. Going to Kissimmee Florida with KC and Momma. Going to the ocean.

Brandyn Velez

Quote: "Don't pray for easy lives, pray to be a stronger man." -JFK
Meeting new people, playing sports, relationships, Heart breaks, best friends, track, summer days, hip-hop music.



Robert Hofmann

Quote: "Hope like an optimist, plan like a pessimist." -Unknown.
Carousel, Little Shop of Horrors, Seussical, Bowling, Booking through Darien in the rain to find my sunscreen, "I have Happy Feet...on DVD..." Sole participant of Freshman Friday, Making sweater vests a fad, shorts in December, "Face Plunger", President of everything, Zombies master, being pounded in Halo by upper classmen, "My car is not purple!...It's maroon!" Tromboning, Student Government, and all of the friendships that I have made in the years.



Zenna Copeland

Quote: "To help yourself, you must be yourself. Be the best that you can be. When you make a mistake, learn from it, pick yourself up and move on." -Dave Pelzer
Meeting new people, playing sports and meeting the other team, going on vacations, going to the beach, playing in the water, Deer hunting, going mudding with friends and family. Having a family reunion, and seeing the family I haven't seen in years, helping my uncles. Going on a cruise. My Grandma always being there for me, no matter what happened to me.



Kasey Peters

Quote: "Failing to prepare is preparing to fail." - Benjamin Franklin
"What's meant to be will always find a way." - Trisha Yearwood

States and State qualifiers for track, our close relay teams, art classes with Greg, Monique, & Ethan. Darien Lake, Area-All State and All-county, senior year of band, Suessical, "my little chipmunk", Mr. Muller's classes, Psychology class, the headless horseman, summer 2013, 17th birthday with Brandon, Aaron, and Pachari, Prom 2013, long walks with Michael Mendola, working, creek walking, Trig class, bus rides with Trenton, Caitlin, Jordan's hair and classes with him, training Ethan for hurdles.



Bridget Rice

Quote: "Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end." - Semisonic

Spending free time with Señora, Coffee in the morning, Getting Dunkin' with ORS & KNW, Ugly pictures with DPC, Inappropriate poster with LEP, Sophomore Year with JRN, Three best friends & The trio DPC MCM BLR, Singing 1D with ACB & CAB, Sitting on the football hill, Homecoming Queen '13, Missing my wifey JREG, Webkinz, Lunchtime talks, Spray tans, 4th of July in DC, Vermont trips, Never a dull moment with RCH, 1.19.13



Jessica Frank

Quote: "Oh my god. I. Am. So. Hungry."

Videos in Media productions. "Freshman!!!" Triple overtime. Jumping fences/breaking into a football game with JMBH. Spilling the water jug on the bus. Chemistry Class. Cutting corners when running laps-shh. Schaefer's desks. "Fluffy?!" Summer shopping with ELC. RYLA 2013-The Crew. 10/21/2011. Study hall with Mendola. Skipping with ELC & CAB. Substitutes with "Calisa." "Josh Hull!!!" Physics labs with KTD, SDB, & CAB. Hot stuff. Homecoming 2013. "No." Desserts in Pre-Calc. Black Bananas. Lucky kisses. JBMH, ELC, CAB, CAC, SDB, KTD <3



Lorrin Parks

Quote: "Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." - Ralph Waldo Emerson
Milano cookies, owemo wat, DIY haircuts, water's bookin' today!, rainy-day poster quotes: BLR. Holiday cookies, Squidward drinking with a pinky up, homemade everything, Thrifty Shopper, can I come out now?, expired Pepto Bismol:DPC. Endless memories 9-27, Charleena:CSM. Limitless convos:EH. Unforgettable trip to BU: MLB LMG. Flannel boys SP MM. Educating LQ on the bus. Cauterizing wounds, king and queen status: MCM. Last game first win, no hitter, Audrey, hi I'm Dorothy and, welcome to good burger.



Monique Moore

Quote: "Forget about the past, don't worry about the future and live for now."

Work experience with Brandon Markowski in Mr. Muller's, Art classes with Kasey Peters, Greg Brewer, and Ethan Monk.



Octavia Bishop

Quote: "Sometimes you have to forget what's gone, appreciate what still remains and look forward to what's coming next." - Anonymous

Becoming best friends with SH and CP. Playing Black Ops with MM and SH. Joining the volleyball team my sophomore year. Never paying attention with DC. Laughing on the bench with coach. Team captain with SH. All the times spent with NH. Basketball with BR and SR. Sneaking out with LP, and being grounded my whole summer. Drivers Ed with NH, JN, JM. Water Safari with CP, and DD. I will never forget SR, BR, LP, MM, JN, NH, KW, DC, SP, OS, GH.



Audrey Van Deusen

Quote: "Laughter is timeless, Imagination has no age, Dreams are forever." - Tinkerbell



Shaina Davis



Nikolas Hansen



Jordan Maynard



Jacob McConnell



Rheia Benedict

Quote: "It isn't where you come from, it's where you're going that counts." ~Ella Fitzgerald
Riding baby cows, "I found a dollar!", Food fights, beating Greene, bus ride to games, field hockey, getting stung in Mrs. A's, Walking Henry, our mice having babies, being undefeated in JV Volleyball, nature walks, late night four-wheeling, night swimming, Walmart trips with Chey, "Where's Brazil?" "Next to South America!" getting beat up by Richard, Thomas, Mark, Matt, Reapers Revenge, Football games, Singing with Karma, Snirt run, mud bogs, Beadle Brothers, Getting Harley, Parallel parking with Andi, Movies, meeting Ryan Villopoto, Motorama, CDM, SLD, TLC, ACD, SMP, KRR, RDR, NPN, MTS, WMC, ITV, GRB, TPL<8



Brandon Markowski

Quote: "We all know that light travels faster than sound. That's why certain people appear bright until you hear them speak." ~Albert Einstein
Bowling with some of my best friends, keyboarding with Frodo and Osmer, work experience with Monique, tennis doubles with Pachari, somehow always being put with Frodo and Robert, awesome times with Mr. Muller, getting a hug from Mr. Muller everyday, all my gym classes with Adam Clark, hanging out in anatomy with Emily, Pachari, and Aaron, tapping/clicking my pen to purposely annoy Kasey. Being able to make it through high school thanks to all my friends.

Adam Camiel

Quote: "The Dude Abides" ~Jeff "The Dude" ~The Big Lebowski
Making a point at the Basketball game, Drinking Mountain Dew's backstage with the cast, hacky sack with Jordan and Elijah, Surprisingly making prom court, soda breaks at BOCES, irritating Spek with my mere existence, Bus rides with the Tennis team, Winning volleyball games during gym, Peers listening to my Rambles, Horribly failed attempts at getting a girlfriend, Restraining orders from said failed attempts, Graduation parties over the summer, Just a feeling of acceptance, To sum up my High School Experience into one word...Meh.



Caitlin Blair

Quote: "No."
13 Years and counting with TJW. Getting in trouble with Micaela and Evelyn. Middle School years with MEM, HSW, and ERJ. 'Going to Erica's! Crash, French toast and cows with DPC. The bus family. My black boyfriend, GDH. Mr.Muller and the 't' word. Chem class, OTT. Mermaid dancing with RKS. Beating up Greg. Blue slime with MEM. Skipping class with JAF and ELC. Spring Break with the Carr's. Gym classes with ACD. Nights that I can't remember with the people I'll never forget, TJW, ELC, JAF, APR, GRB, AJS.



Taylor Ament

Quote: Keith: "What are we doing? Really." Natalie: "This is the goodbye scene." Keith: "Let's not. Okay?"
MB, KD, AH, BH, VC, CS, BR, MO, WK, MD, CC, EF, JB, MM, "Shh, the fir can hear us", Ms. Eaton, Surviving the puma, airband, powderpuff, Yoko, Afton, Garyn's singing, Tig, dressing up Oscar, "McDonut ask me if I want fries with that, of course I want fries with that", Betsy and Ben, being a minecraft addict with Marisa, hunting, wanting a cow, movie nights with everyone.



Jonathan Chesebro

Quote: "A day with a smile is a day well lived." ~Unknown "Get-'er-done" ~Larry the Cable Guy
A lot of firsts and a lot of lasts. Learned more about life than any other years of my life.

Claudia Cardona

Meeting amazing new people when I moved here my junior year, joining my softball team and breaking my nose the second day of practice. Physics with JAF, SDB, and KTD, work experience with Mr.Muller, passing trig thanks to Mrs. Constantine, sleepovers everyday over the summer, that one really awesome Halloween party, saying goodbye to LTM and crying like a baby, bus rides with EMM my freshmen and sophomore year, lunch with everybody my junior year, Prom.



Courtney Mannix



Corey Hadlock



Jeffery Lawton



Candace Cullipher



Tiatira Quintana

"Life is like a camera. Focus on what's important, Capture the good times, Develop from the negatives, and if things don't work out, Take another shot." ~Anonymous
Moving here to Oxford as the new kid in 9th grade. Making new friends and making a new best friend, which was Lizzie. Having fun at sleepovers. Meeting my other best friend Taylor R. Having fun at her house and spending time in town. Dancing at Homecoming with friends. Being in style in school. Prom! Having Kayla as a really close friend now in our Senior year and many more to come.



Sierra Brown

"It is better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to open your mouth and remove all doubt." ~Abraham Lincoln
Lunch table Secret Santa, basketball with Rachel S., NYLC, Honor Society induction ceremonies, Homecoming with Jordan, working in the concession stand during football games (which was sometimes more fun than watching the actual game), Physics with Jessica, Claudia, and Kamrie, "Bones" marathons in Mr. Muller's anatomy class, work experience in the primary school with some of the cutest kindergarten kids ever, Miss Thomas and Mrs. Ruff, Prom 2013 and getting to know a really great class, the class of 2014!



Taylor Chapman

"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter, and those who matter don't mind." ~Bernard M. Baruch
Food fights, Ag mice having babies, singing with the team on volleyball bus rides, being undefeated for JV volleyball, smacking my face off the stop sign during a Chinese fire drill, going to Mottoroma with Rheia, finding Willy with MoeMoe, being run over by Shaina, football games, Clyde Cole, sneaking into wrestling practice, Natural Resource Management, chasing chickens, Thomas' week long hand print, getting wings with Richard and Corey, Man Cave baseball with the guys, and other things I can't say. RFB, SLD, LMG, RDR, TSR, CMH, PMS, KNW, NPN, GRB, MoeMoe, HSW, JGJ<3



Marisa Balwin

"If you can't blind them with your brilliance, baffle them with your BS." ~Unknown
Fighting crime in the Justice League (RS & JR), meeting Jesus, a nun, & a priest (LP & LG), Surviving a puma attack (TA), unplugging Greasey Scale (CM), jam sessions in the car (CB & AB), sweet frog dates (CB), Minecraft for 17 hours straight (TA), story time with Rachel, singing with the whole soccer team, twerking with the OTT, extreme campout (TA), marker Tee shirts (CM), Bake Sake bake-a-thon (DC), going to Buckley Hollow (JG, LG, & DC), getting lost in Ithaca (LG), haunted house (TA, EF), bonfires (NI), running laps for swearing, green is not a creative color (TA, CC, LG), "What? What are they selling?!", & more good times with the people I'll never forget.



Cameron Heggie

"Pain is temporary, it may last for a minute, for an hour, for a day or even a year, but eventually it will subside and something else will take its place, but if you quit, it will last forever" ~Lance Armstrong
Beating Union Springs in sectionals, Sports with MCM and JDL, Being able to play on a team with my brother, Gym class volleyball, Men's volleyball MAC Champions, 8 Ball Pool During Study hall, Nabby's family, Food Fight, Florida Trip with the Baseball team, Making the Under Armor Baseball team, Norwich Oxford Legion Baseball, Football with PHW and AJG, Paintball Parties, Wingnights at the Stadium, World of Warcraft with Muller, Rogers, MCM and AJG, COD Zombies with MCM JDL and AJG, Dates with KLS, June 10, 2011, Lunchtime Knockout, Buzzer beating alley oop to KD, Making friends at Boys State.



Josh Barrows

"I may not have come where I intended to go, but I think I ended up where I needed to be." ~Douglas Adams
November 2013-Hit a deer with my new car, Just my luck. Joined the fire department in March 2011.



Heather Cushman

"In a world where you can be anything; be yourself." ~Etta Turner
Fun Friday, bowling, Bowman, best friend fun, good times in Global, First Rose, Military boyfriend dread, dog losses, walking with friends, football practices and hanging out with NH, Dances and sweet times with JMC, vacations with family, playing new instruments, food fight, discovering a brother and true family, Speidie Fest with grandparent; Getting a cell phone, internet, facebook, and dish, frequent library visits, awesome teachers, fun with mom, first family pictures; wreath making, barn painting, not mowing with the Ferris, great times in NRM. Flower arrangements, taking home the guinea pigs, getting a new house, Awesome life.



Katie Lord

Quote: "Why fit in, when you were born to stand out!" ~Dr. Seuss



Gregory Brewer

All the good times through Freshman Year. Study halls with Micaela and Caitlin. Chem class with Caitlin slacking off all the time. Being able to get Mrs.Schaefer off topic for an entire class. All the Ag classes and gym with Waya. My sophomore year of football. Classes with Paul and Trenton. Going to the Library to say hi to Ms.Smith. My Sophomore Art Class, OHANA, no class will ever compare to that. Basketball nicknames, Beba, slomo. Having fun in Muller's class, also having him as a basketball Coach. My junior year making so many new friends. All the new arguing with Rogers and having a great class, him calling me wheels. "No Rogers I'm not going to play tennis." RFB, CAB, MEM, HSW, MJM, MMM, Joni Eaton, Mark Muller.



Kamrie Davis

"Lets go; because there is beauty in the breakdown." -Frou Frou
ABC<3, 1-1-2013, KAS, KAF, TDA, CLM; summer 2013, camp<3, cupcakes, winterguard, colorguard, lunchtime, Pageant of Bands, bus rides, getting my license , football games, Florida, WGI-Dayton, Texas, nights with KAF, and KAS, sister time, powderpuff, Betsy the goat, chasing Ben, homecoming, late nights, physics lab with SDB, JAF, and CAD<3



Kasaundra Shore

"It is better to be absolutely ridiculous than absolutely boring." -Marilyn Monroe
Making Kamrie pee her pants, late nights and mornings that came way too early, Florida<3, British Accents, Football games, Dunkin Donuts<3, tanning, not hesitating. Pizza Hut, freaking out whenever I see Mer, and making memories that will last a lifetime.



Krista Horne

"If opportunity doesn't knock build a door." -Milton Berle.
Friday night football games at the stadium. Fooling around the first year of Security and Law Enforcement with Stevens and along the way meeting some amazing people. Working my butt off patrolling and taking notes and tests during the second year of Security and Law Enforcement with Culver. Becoming a Sergeant. Hanging out with my best friends in the world Amethyst Sayles and Gabby Lewis. Work Experience at the Norwich Police Department, Norwich City Court CC Sheriff.



Micaela Miceli

"To find success in the world, one must first find success in themselves." ~Unknown
Black eye, food fight, Nabby, Detweiler, Jv/Varsity Soccer, RIP Grandma: I'll love you forever and miss you even longer, volleyball "one heart", tardies, Mrs.Locke, continuing a lifelong and priceless friendship with Haleigh Wakefield, sweet 16, geometry with Caitlin, Crazy A, Bio with Haleigh and Caitlin, The Ryan's cook park, prom, study hall with mom, Spanish 4 & 5, living with Sarah, date nights with Daniel, Comp with Haleigh, Gov/Eco with Greg, business law, meeting some amazing people at Tops (mostly Scotti), Hoopla dates. Every single one of you that I met along this journey-I thank you all.



Haleigh Wakefield

"I'm sorry that everyone is so jealous of me, but I can't help it that I'm so popular." ~Gretchen Weiners
Always having SMM & CMM, family is everything. Spending my entire summer grounded with AD, CML, DOD & SLR <3 Signs. "Family" dinner. Spending the past seven years with my best friend and Adopted sister MEM & spending many more! DD runs every single day of summer. AD moving in & going to Myrtle Beach. Late night beach strolls. Dragging me to the County Fair. Spending all my free time with SMM & CMM. Libro, MEM & CAB. Back roads, mudding, trail rides. "Family" weekend with KAD. Creating, decorating, rearranging & Cleaning the B cave all summer with CMM.



David Covey

Quote: "If you love somebody it may be a fight for them, but don't let that love corrupt your thinking. If they want to be free, let them. Just stay by their side and be the person they deserve."
The most memorable thing about high school is probably when I was in Art or Jazz Band. I was allowed to express myself how I wanted to.

Future Plans



Krista Horne

I plan to attend college for Linguistics and get a job at the UN.



Danielle Camadine

I plan on attending SUNY Cortland and majoring in a field that deals with young children, such as Education or Psychology.



Haleigh Wakefield

I plan to go to college and get a degree in something I'm interested in and spend my life doing something I enjoy.



Bridget Rice

I plan on attending SUNY Plattsburgh and majoring in International Business.



Kayla Wood

I would like to major in Chemical Dependency and have four children and that's about it.



Greg Brewer

I plan on attending Corning Community College to major in Criminal Justice.



Michele Mead

I plan to take a year off to get a decent job and to stabilize my life.



Jeff Lawton

I plan on attending college and majoring in Political Science.



Courtney Mannix

I plan on attending college with an undecided major.



Olivia Sylstra

I plan on attending the University of Tampa and becoming a Registered Nurse.



Brandon Markowski

I plan on going to SUNY Morrisville for a Bachelors in Business Administration and then working for my dad's regulated medical waste and disposal company.



Nik Hansen

I plan to attend college for Business Administration.



Lorrin Parks

I plan on attending Utica College and persuing a career in Occupational Therapy.



Caitlin Blair

I plan on going to college to major in Psychology.



Jordan Maynard
I plan to go to college to be a Graphic Designer.



Candace Cullipher
I want to become a songwriter and travel the world.



Sierra Brown
I plan to go to college to become a Pediatric Nurse and eventually have a family.



David Covey
I plan to go to Morrisville State College to become a Computer Administrator.



Audrey Vandeusen
I plan to go to college in Tennessee after my sister graduates high school.



KC Shore
I plan on going to college to become a Pediatrician.



Taylor Chapman
I plan to go to Morrisville State College for Horticulture and Zoology.



Kirsten Fink
I plan to go to college for Liberal Arts.



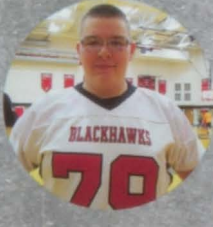
Rheia Benedict
I plan to go to college for Nursing for Pediatric Oncology.



Heather Cushman
I plan on going to college at a SUNY school that offers Animal Science. Then I would like to move some place warm and start a family.



Nate Ingraham
I plan to go to college.



Austin Knapp
I plan on going on with the career I have chosen and hopefully going to college.



Katie Lord
Go to college to become a Massage Therapist.



Matt Moore
I plan on going to Utica College for four years and hopefully get a job in Law Enforcement.



Trenton Piatt
I plan to go to college for Business and be successful.



Cameron Heggie
I plan on going to college to major in Geology.

Future Plans



Taylor Ament

I plan on going to college to major in Business Management or Interior Design.



Micaela Miceli

I plan to major in Human Services and become a Social Worker.



Robert Hofmann, Jr.

I plan on attending college to major in Adolescence Education: Social Studies.



Calisa Lesser

As of right now, my future plan is getting out of this place. Then when that day comes, I'll figure out what to do.



Tiatira Quintana

I am going to a great college, hopefully SUNY Oneonta and then getting ready for a career in Fashion Designing and having the perfect job in that career.



Monique Moore

I plan on going to BCC.



Josh Barrows

I plan on attending Onondaga Community College for Fire Protection and Upstate Medical University to be a Flight Nurse.



Kamrie Davis

I plan to go to college for Physical Therapy.



Claudia Cardona

I plan on going to college and majoring in Neurology.



Adam Camiel

I plan on going to college to get my Liberal Art degree so I have the option of either Burger King or McDonald's as a Career Opportunity.



Brendan Rhodes

I plan to live happily.



Jessica Frank

I plan to go to New Haven to be a Nutritionist and love Joshy forever.



Ethan French

I plan to do hood-rat things with my friends.



William Whittaker

I am planning on getting my CDL license.



Zenna Copeland

I am planning to go to college for Criminal Justice. I want to be a cop or CSI and live far away later on.



Brandyn Velez

I plan on going into the Air Force for 4 years. After moving to Virginia or California for a school in Hardware Technicians. I want to meet the girl of my dreams, get married and live and die happy.



Octavia Bishop

I plan on attending college and receiving a degree in Sociology. From there, I want to go on to become a Social Worker, and work for Child Protective Services.



Joe Nelson

I plan on attending college.



Jon Chesebro

I plan on attending Onondaga Community College for Fire Science and then pursuing a career in Firefighting.



Shaina Davis

I plan to go to college for Mortuary Sciences and then be a Mortician.



Amethyst Sayles

I plan on going to college for Computer Games and Design and also maybe Photography.



Marisa Baldwin

I plan on going to a college to major in Social Work.



Elizabeth Gonzalez

I plan on going to a four year college and live a happy life in Canada.



Kasey Peters

I plan to go to a college to be a Dietitian and to be a Massage Therapist.

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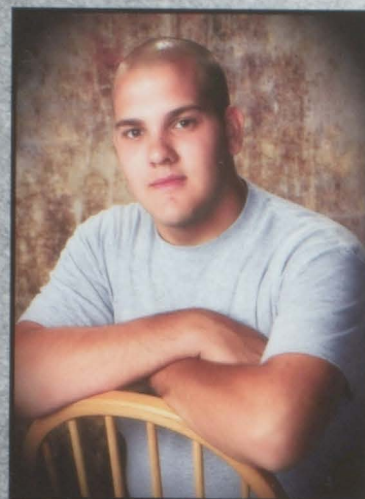
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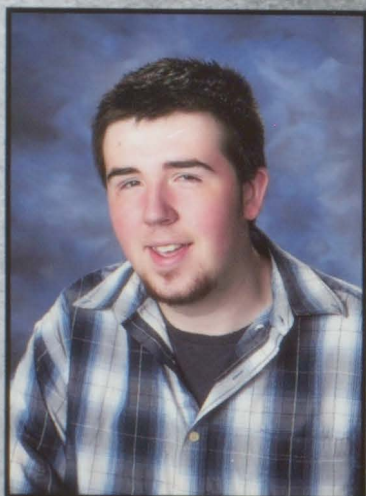
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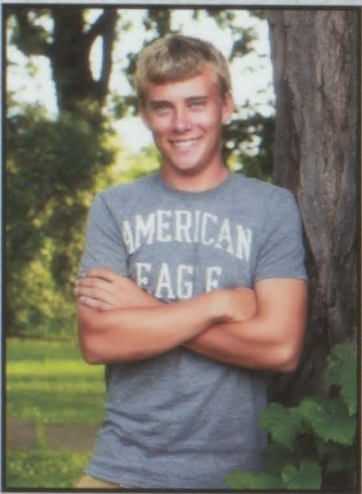
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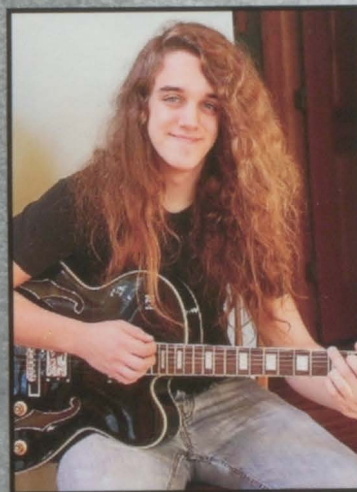
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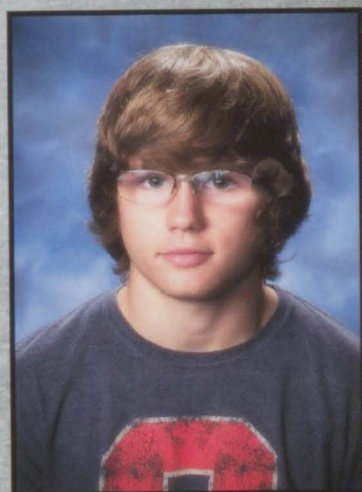
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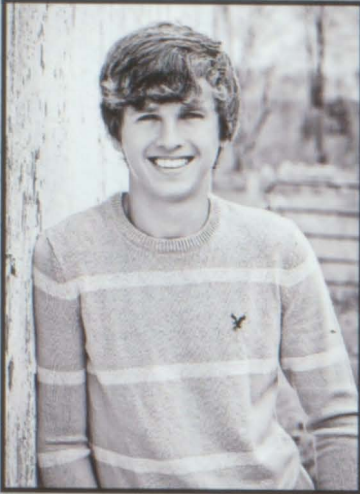


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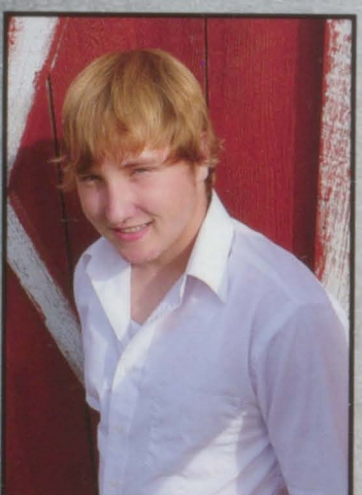
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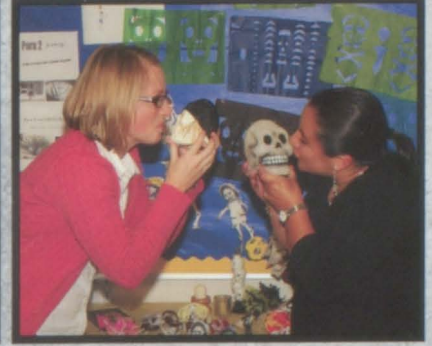
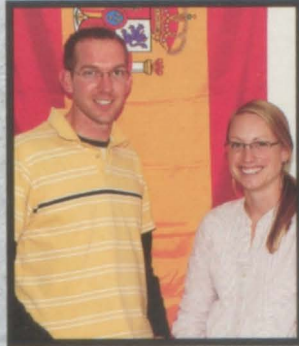


Matthew Moore, Jordan Maynard

Class Advisors



Mrs. Palmer, Mr. Palmer, Mrs. Ford, Mr. Degan,
Mrs. Constantine, Graduation Advisor.



Señora, you are such a great person and I'd like to thank you for everything you have done. Not only have you been great to our class, but you have also helped me personally through so many of my problems. Thank you again! -Lorrin Parks

Thank you for letting me use your coffee machine every morning! -Kayla Wood

Your room became our home away from home these past four years and you've been like our second mom! I'll never forget when you took my phone away (my ONLY write-up LOL) You da' bomb Señora! -Bridget Rice

Thanks, Señora, for being the most helpful and understanding teacher that I've had this year. -Claudia Cardona

Señora Palmer

The Senior Class of 2014 thanks you!

For the last four years you have been our advisor, teacher and confidant. For this, we thank you!!! Many of us would not have had the successes we have had without your guidance and understanding. We shall miss you very much in the coming years as we move on to the next phase of our lives.



Homecoming 2013



Joe Nelson, Rheia Benedict, Nik Hansen, Taylor Chapman, Jeffrey Lawton, Bridget Rice, Cameron Heggie, Olivia Sylstra, Robert Hofmann, Jessica Frank.



Nik Hansen, Jeffrey Lawton, Joe Nelson, Cameron Heggie, Robert Hofmann.



Rheia Benedict, Taylor Chapman, Bridget Rice, Olivia Sylstra, Jessica Frank.



- Freshmen



Sophomores



Juniors



Seniors



Homecoming court:
 Jessica Frank, Jeff Lawton,
 Taylor Chapman, Cameron Heggie,
 Robert Hofmann, Bridget Rice.

Spirit Week



The Parade Floats



Freshmen



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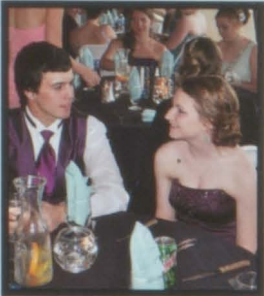


Seniors



The 2013 Junior Class Prom was held on the night of May 18, 2013, from 7-12 p.m. at Genegantslet Golf Course in Greene, NY. Entertainment was provided by Maximum Watts, LLC.

Pictured below is the 2013 Prom Court; Danielle Gamadine, 1st Princess, Brandon Markowski, 1st Prince, Lorrin Parks, Queen, Matt Moore, King, Sierra Brown, 2nd Princess, Adam Camiel, 2nd Prince.

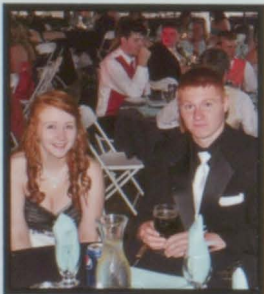
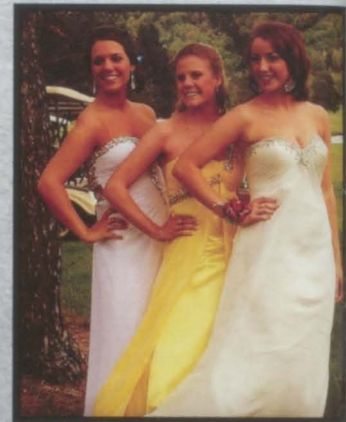


Prom 2013



Mrs. Ford enjoys an evening of dancing with students.

Olivia, Danielle and Bridget show off their runway pose!

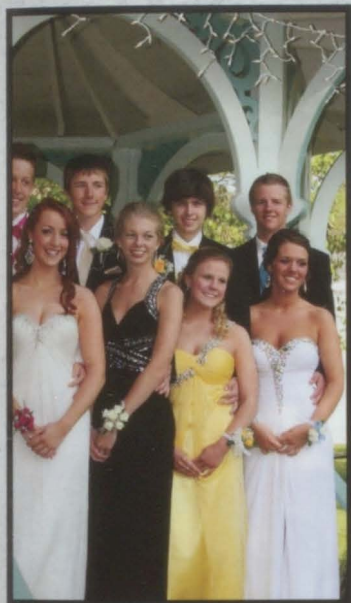


A beautiful smile from Shaina while Greg looks like he's deep in thought.

Danielle, Lizzie, Tia and Marisa all enjoy a dance together without the guys. Beautiful dresses, gorgeous smiles and smooth moves all night long.



Written in the Stars



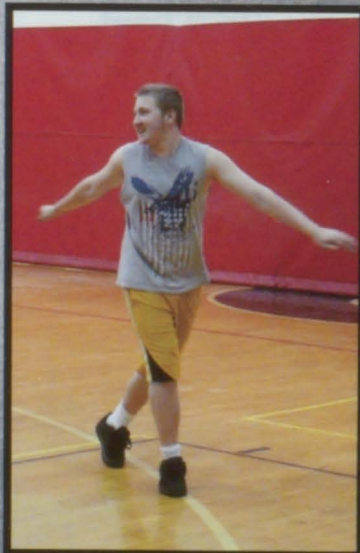
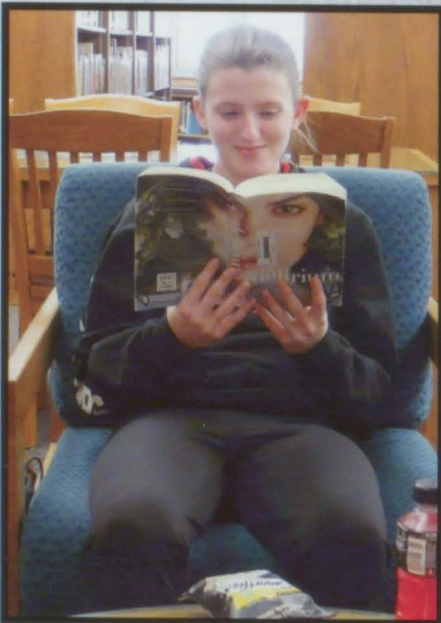
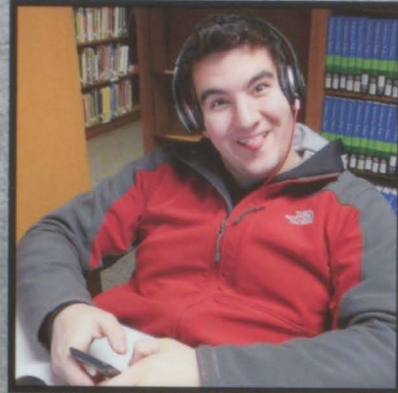
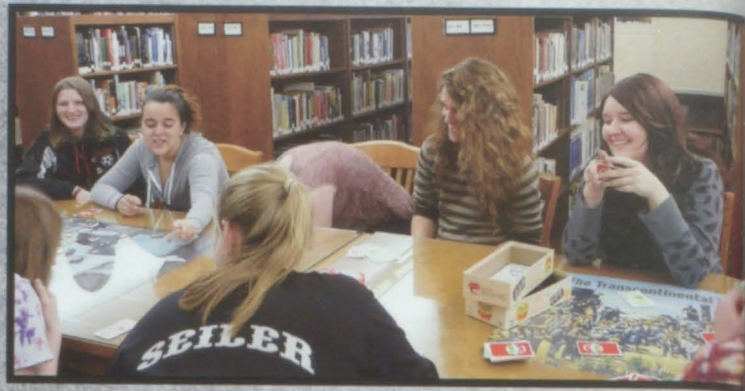
Couples pose for many pictures at the gazebo on Washington Park.

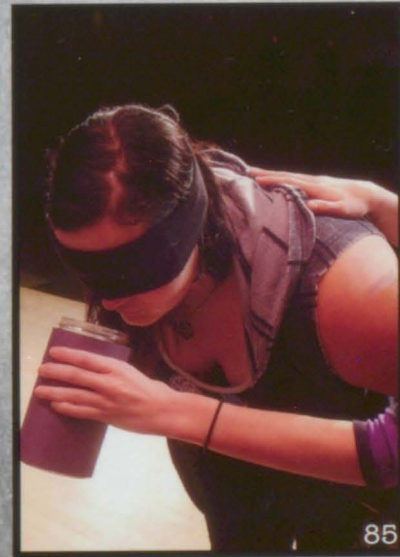
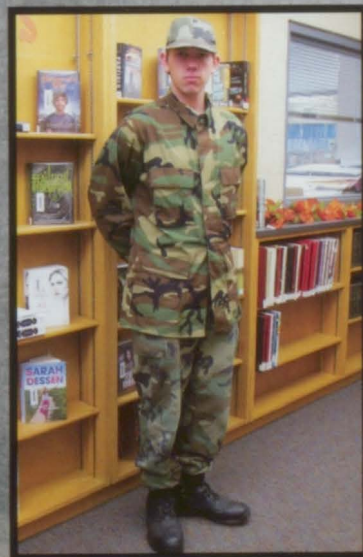
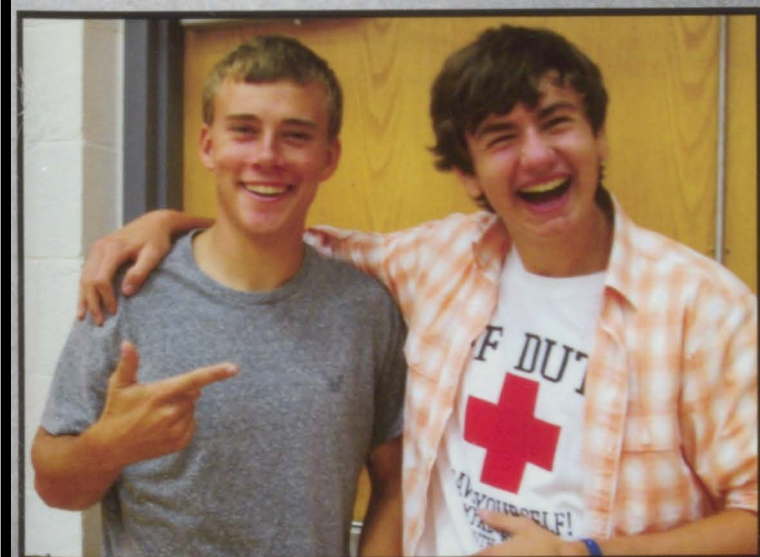
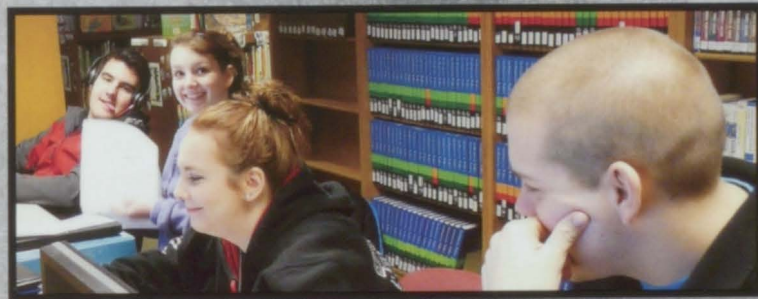
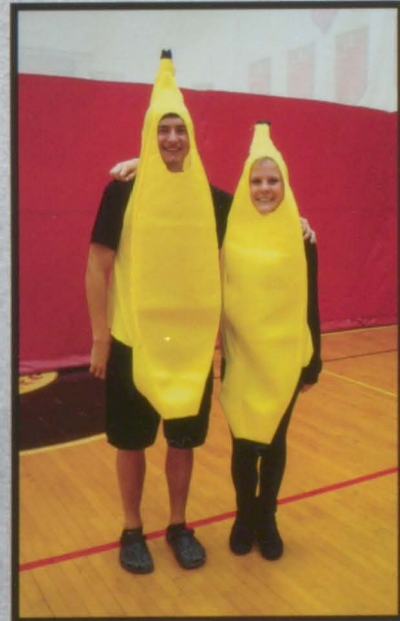
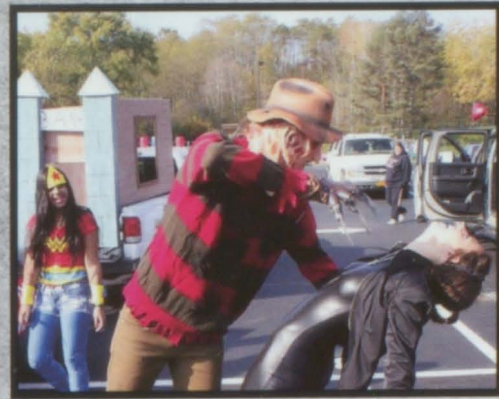
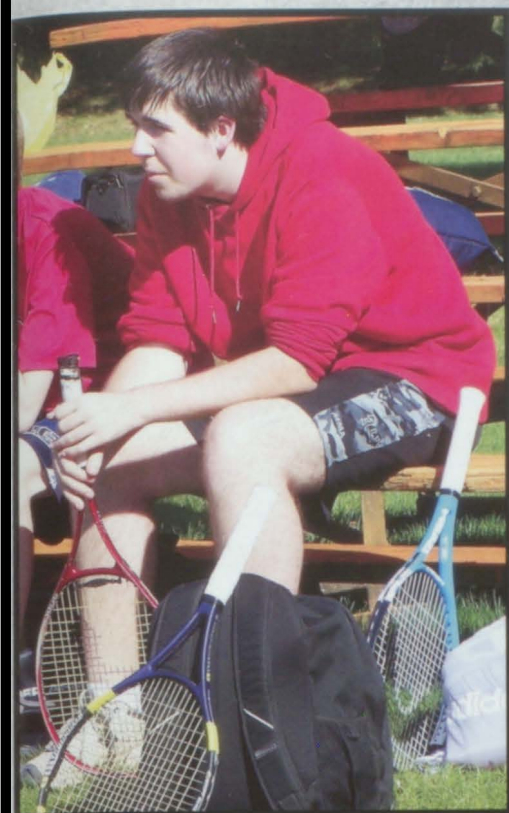
Lorrin, Bridget and Amy look like they are having a great time on the dance floor.



Everyone attending Prom was able to enjoy a relaxing dinner before the dancing began.







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This fall, a powderpuff football game, bake sale and bbq was held as a fundraising event to support an Oxford high school student who was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. At game time, Claudia Cardona, a senior, had completed her second round of chemotherapy and was doing well and on the road to recovery.

The fundraiser was organized by fellow classmate and friend, Taylor Ament.

Seniors Win Again!





Oxford Pep Band
Mr. Riley decided that it'd be awesome to have a Pep Band to cheer for our Oxford Varsity Football players during their games.



Mr. Tony Abbott
Coach Tony Abbott was the High School Physical Education teacher from the Fall of 1971 until his retirement in 2000.



At left, Coach Abbott is accepting the plaque which names the field in his honor.
At right, the beautiful field which now bears his name.



Tony Abbott Field

Oxford dedicates football field to former Teacher and Coach

Under a full moon, on the warm night of September 20, 2013, current and former football players lined the field to honor and support the dedication of the football field to longtime coach and Physical Education Teacher, Mr. Tony Abbott. Record numbers of alumni and current students packed the brand new stadium bleachers to watch this event.

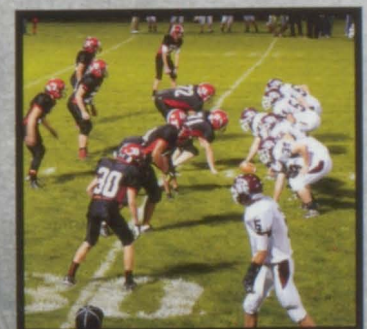


Young and old alike came to the football field to honor former Coach and Teacher, Tony Abbott.

The Oxford Football Teams would like to thank Coach Abbott for the memory, "Abbott Mile."



As a former student and athlete, Tony was one of the biggest reasons that I decided to become a Physical Education Teacher. I had the pleasure of Coaching football with Tony for a short time at the beginning of my Coaching career. Tony taught me how to get the best out of my players, and at the same time earn their respect that's crucial to becoming successful.
~Lance Thorne



Varsity Football Team 2013

Front Row: Thomas Marks, Trenton Lyons, Francisco Quintana, Cameron Heggie, Rece Camadine, Bryan Simpson, Jonathan Heggie.

Second Row: Nikolas Hansen, Michael Martin, Daniel Lawton, Nicholas Neer, Joseph Jackson, Richard Ryan.

Third Row: Thomas Ryan, Corey Marshman, Angelo Gonzalez, Michael Gonzalez, Jacob Bedell, Lane Barry, Austin Knapp.

Back Row: Coach Kaufman, Garyn Huntley, Kordell Huntley, Coach Dayton, Coach Miller.

Modified Football Team 2013

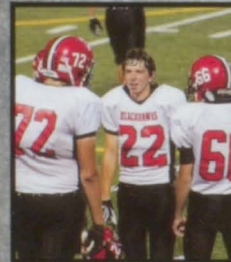
Front Row: Harry Oliver, Isiah Langille, Evan Eldred, Richard Hathaway, Darrin Law, Nick Gardner, Aidian Ingraham, Chris Martin.

Second Row: Dakota Friedell, Dustin Mack, Owen Davis, Stephen Ehly, Jacob Marrone, Andrew Coy, Austin Crawford.

Third Row: Coach Tefft, Noah Robb, Dylan Depew, Philip Smith, Corey Turner, Coach Thorne.



Under the lights... Football





Volleyball



Junior Varsity!



Top Row: Coach: Sandi Stoddard, Emily Redfield, Lacey Hathaway, Ciana Marte.

Bottom Row: Katelyn Diamond, Taylor Munson, Idaira Quintana, Raigen Ehly, Lauren Cobb.

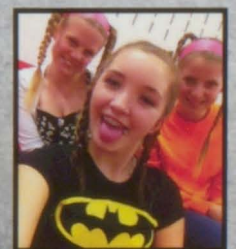
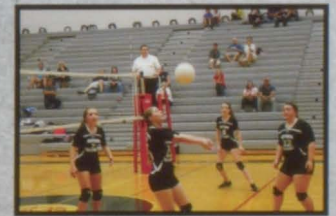
Varsity!



Back: Coach Martin, Patricia Simpson, Leah Karn, Taylor Chapman.

Front: Jessica Frank, Montessa Warner, Kristy Pier, Danielle Camadine, Octavia Bishop.

Not pictured: Mariah Bullock.



Girls Varsity Soccer

On the field...



Front: Micaela Miceli, Rheia Benedict, Larissa Quirino, Caitlin Blair, Kylie Roys, Elizabeth Gonzalez, Carly Bates.

Middle: Lorrin Parks, Amy Branham, Layla Kriz, Courtney Mannix, Marisa Baldwin, Rachel Seiler.

Back: Lauren La Mariana, Dallas Beang, Sarah Pratt, Cheyanne Moore, Coach Cragle.





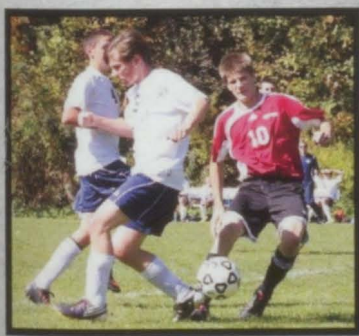
Back Row: Fletcher Nisbet, Mark Golden, Matt Moore, Kevin Davis, Coach Dorman.
Middle: Trenton Piatt, Jeff Lawton, Daniel Woodford, Garrett Sylstra, Tim Hinman, David Gregory.
Front: Alex Utter, Ethan Monk, Adam Brady, Jake McConnell, Josh Hull, Nate Hansen, Kyle Crawford.



Mr. Dorman, Coach of the boys Varsity Soccer Team, with the Senior soccer players, Jeff Lawton, Matt Moore, Trenton Piatt and Jake McConnell.



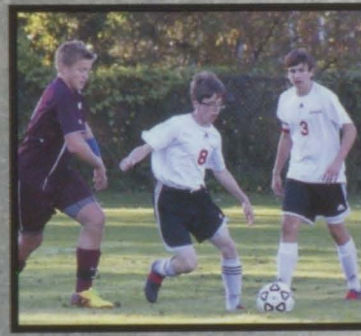
Boys Varsity Soccer



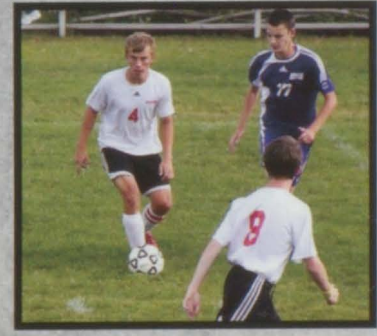
Mark Golden steals the ball from the other team!



Jake McConnell with a goal kick!

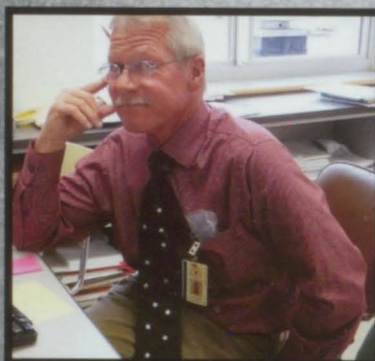


Josh Hull and Matt Moore making sure the other team doesn't receive the ball!



Jeff Lawton dribbles the ball away from the other team!

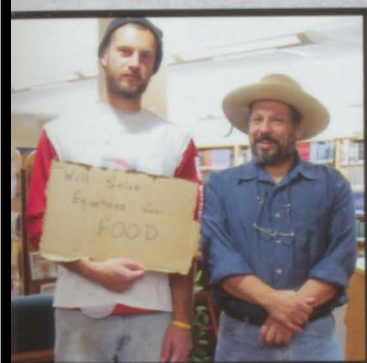
Sparkle Day



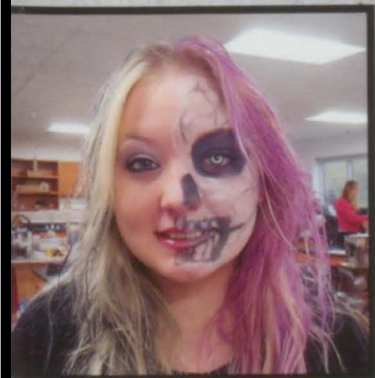
A special day for everyone to show their "sparkle"



Halloween



Oxford High students get in the "spirit" of the holiday



Health Fair



Many community groups and organizations came to the Health Fair so students could become familiar with the different Health Programs in our community.



Construction

The 2013-2014 school year began with a lot of unfinished building projects. Pictured on this page are photos of some of the ongoing construction.



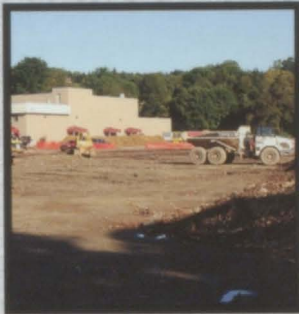
New bleachers were installed at Blackhawk Stadium.

Pictured at right is the early stage of the new press box.

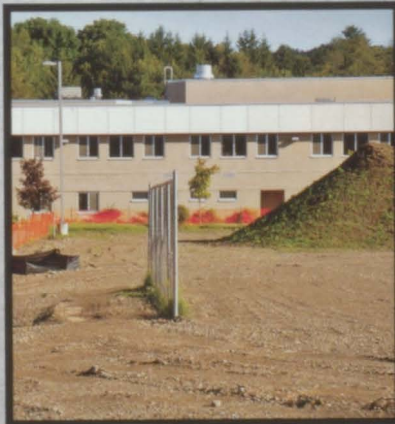


Below is a photo of the fields being worked on taken from the roof of the high school.

The new softball and baseball fields were still under construction and not completed until near the end of October.



Above, and to the left, is the construction of the new art room.



Above is the mound of dirt that didn't move from the end of the 2012-2013 school year until almost the end of October.



Boces



A.M. BOCES - Back Row: Tiffany Manwarren, Brionna Anzano, Erika Goodrich, Cole Pierce, Jesse Gates, Calisa Lesser, Stephen Rheinheimer, Cody Maricle, David Gregory, Daniel Lawton.

Middle Row: Katie Lord, Cody Reynolds, Daniel Beauchamp, Devon White, Shae Rome, Mike Mendola, Mariah Bullock, Erik Eldred.

Front Row: Angela Lananna, Amy Sayles, Brandyn Velez, Maylee Law, Kristy Pier, Courtney Wakefield, Lauren La Mariana.



P.M. BOCES - Back Row: Adam Camiel, David Covey, Jon Chesebro, Austin Knapp, Holden Potter, Josh Barrows, Gregory Leet, Krista Horne.

Middle Row: Gabby Lewis, Michele Mead, Jordan Maynard, William Whittaker, Eli Whittaker, Nik Hansen, Dylan Utter.

Front Row: Brendan Rhodes, Kirsten Fink, Shaina Davis, Danielle Kocijanski, Audrey VanDeusen.

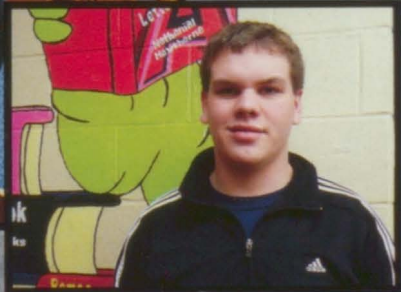
Student Government



Bottom Row: Mariah Bullock, Rachel Seiler, Sierra Brown, Jordan Maynard, Anna Kriz, Matt Moore, Jeff Lawton.

Middle Row: Kate Cirello, Emma Leah Hess, Jacqueline Murrer, Erin Redfield, Trevor Kaminsky, Lorrin Parks, Amy Branham, Mrs. Barrows.

Top Row: Layla Kriz, Robert Hofmann.



UCP - Unique Career Placement

Olivia Sylstra, Kamrie Davis and Jake McConnell had the opportunity this year to take part in Unique Career Placement, a special program for career readiness.



Chorus



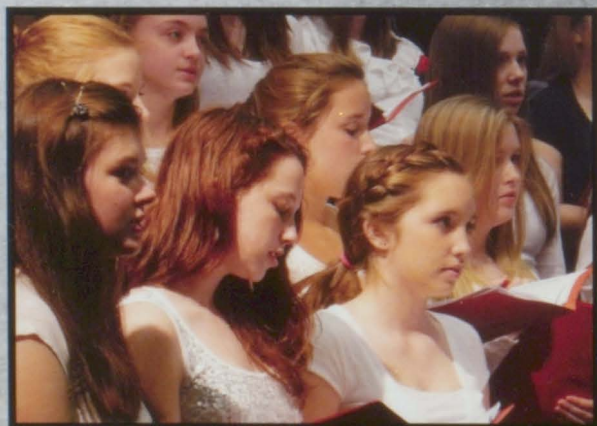
Front row: Jazmine Albin, Eleni Spyrtatos, Kasey Peters, Misty Johnson, Terry Whitmore, Vanessa Bishop, Victoria Peila, Layla Kriz, Autumn Brewer, Kaitlyn Decker, Lauren Anthony, Brianne Dewey.

Kneeling: Pachari Meade, Andi DeStefano, Sara Hodge, Zenna Copeland, Alexis Hamilton-Mele, Samantha Bush.

Third row: Mr. Moren, Nichole Dinolfo, Tia Quintana, Carly Bates, Kate Cirello, Jessica Frank, Emma-Leah Hess, Amy Branham, Emilee Eldred, Courtney Mannix, Makenna Karn, Alesha Brown, Anna Kriz, Serena Bush.

Fourth row: Jaci Long, Leah Karn, Shai'nai Marte, Josh Hull, Joseph Knoll, Alex Utter, Andrew Audas, Devin Clark, Samantha Mack, Carly Marrone, Emily Howard.

Back row: Jordan Maynard, Aaron Mosner, Brandon Markowski, Josh Nelson, Tim Hinman, Kevin Davis, Trevor Kaminsky, Fletcher Nisbet, Daniel Woodford, Spek MacDonald, Robert Hofmann, Lorrin Parks.



Band and Jazz Band



Front Row: Sierra Holte, Emily Howard, Shai'nai Marte, Amy Branham.

Second Row: Nicole Salazar, Brianne Dewey, Kasaundra Shore, Rachel Seiler, Kasey Peters, Kaitlyn Decker, Fletcher Nisbet, Andrew Audas.

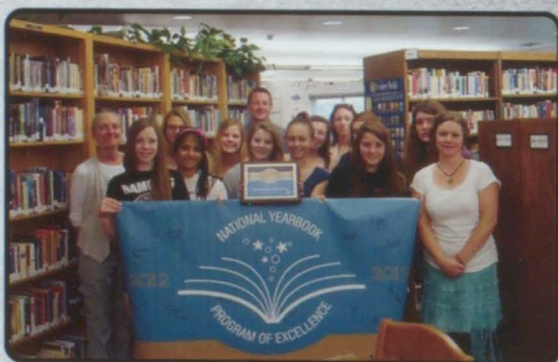
Third Row: Ciana Marte, Jordan Maynard, David Covey, Robert Hofmann, Alex Utter, Adam Clark, Aaron Mosner, Harry Oliver.

Fourth Row: Douglas Hitt, Jacob Selwood, Taylor Ament, Layla Kriz, Mr. Riley, Brandon Markowski.



2014 Yearbook Staff

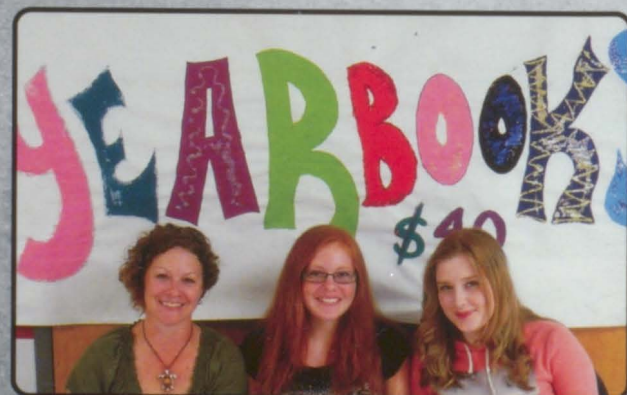
Front: Michele Mead, Krista Horne, Kayla Wood, Bridget Rice, Haleigh Wakefield, Olivia Sylstra, Octavia Bishop, Alyssa McCann.
Back: Mrs. Gross, Emily Roach, Ms. Eaton.



Our National Award of Excellence was presented to our staff for the second year in a row in June 2013. At right, Kayla and Octavia sign the banner recognizing the achievement staff. The banner currently hangs in the library.



Yearbook staff members are busy preparing carnations for the fundraiser held in February. Due to a snowstorm, the flowers had to be delivered a day early!



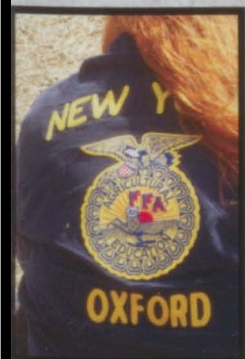
Yearbooks are ALWAYS on sale! Here, Mrs. Gross with Alyssa McCann and Emily Roach selling at the High School Open House in October.

FFA



Back Row: Corey Marshman, Thomas Ryan, Taylor Chapman, Vada Mack, Damon Maricle, Cody Maricle, Heath Hadlock.

Front Row: Lauren La Mariana, Autumn Brewer, Terry Whitmore, Victoria Peila, Mariah Bullock, Megan Peila.



Peer Mediation



Front: Makenna Karn, Carly Marrone, Emma-Leah Hess, Kasaundra Shore, Mrs. O'Connor.
Back: Spek MacDonald, Brendan Rhodes, Jon Chesebro.

Peer Mediation is a program that facilitates students as mediators rather than an adult authority figure, to solve conflicts that occur between students. Student volunteers are specially trained to assist those who are referred to Peer Mediation and must remain neutral throughout the process as well as maintain complete confidentiality. The goal is to produce an agreement between the parties involved to solve their conflict.

Students can be referred by a teacher, staff member, other students, or themselves. During the process, two peer mediators meet with the parties involved and help them come to a resolution.

Types of problems peer mediators can help with include:

- Social media improprieties
- Relationship difficulties/harassment
- Rumor and gossip
- Cheating and stealing
- Racial and cultural confrontations
- Vandalism
- Classroom or extracurricular disputes
- Bullying, minor assaults and fighting

Work Experience

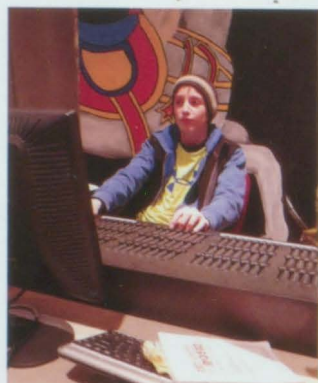


Students discover what it's like to work in various school positions through Work Experience.



Drama Club

The people behind the scenes



Many hands help make the high school musical production a success

With the help of Mr. Riley's Music Technology students, the Drama Club production was a success. These students help run the lighting and sound during each rehearsal and performance. Jaret Gates, Ethan Monk and Brandon Markowski are three of Mr. Riley's student helpers pictured above.

Mrs. Griffin helps the high school drama club every year. Here she is behind the scenes with her headset ready to give directions to the cast members.



Above: Mr. Riley directing the pit band.
Right front: Jessica Frank, Amy Branham, Lorrin Parks Layla Kriz.
Second row: Mr. Moren, Kate Cirello, Anna Kriz, Shai'nai Marte, Kasey Peters, Emily Howard, Autumn Brewer.
Third row: Pachari Meade, Aaron Mosner, Josh Hull, Alex Utter, Alexis Hamilton-Mele, Misty Johnson.
Back row: Tim Hinman, Trevor Kaminsky, Spek MacDonald.

Exchange Student



Larissa Quirino

Larissa Quirino, coming all the way from Brazil, and speaking Portuguese, is here to experience the American way of life and education. Though she is quiet, Larissa has made some friends that encourage and help her along the way. Larissa is now almost fluent in the English language and is a great student.

Larissa is participating in bowling for her first time. She is exceeding expectations with her great bowling skills and has received two trophies!

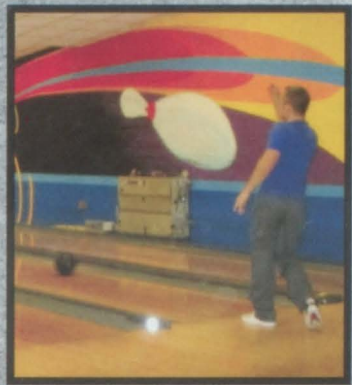
Larissa likes to play soccer, her favorite color is purple, her favorite class is Biology, and she likes Mr. Kaschak because he is nice. She LOVES ice cream! :) Larissa absolutely HATES the cold, but likes the snow because it is pretty. In her Math class, Mr. Rathbun puts on music just for her so she feels at home.

Rewind to... Winter

It isn't very often during the course of a school year that all the sports teams are dressed up for game day on the same day. One of our school photographers took this opportunity to capture this "historic moment" in order to share it in this year's publication of the Blackhawk Yearbook.



Bowling

Our Oxford bowling team kicked butt in the games this year!

Front: Heather Cushman, Larissa Quirino, Emily Roach, Terry Whitmore, Pachari Meade, Emily Howard, Alyssa McCann.
Back: Brandon Markowski, Robert Hofmann, Nick DeForest, Zenna Copeland, Nathaniel Ingraham, Coach Thorne.

Scores

	Boys	Them	Girls	Them
Deposit	4	0	1	3
Hancock	4	4	2	6
Walton	8	16	6	18
Bainbridge	12	16	10	18
Afton	15	17	12	20
Green	15	21	14	22

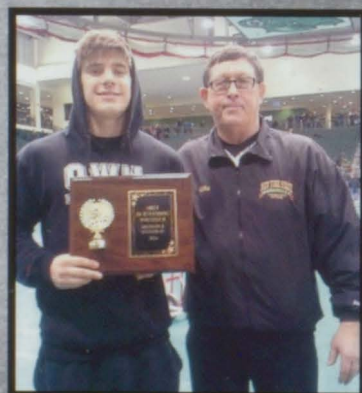
Oxford Wrestling



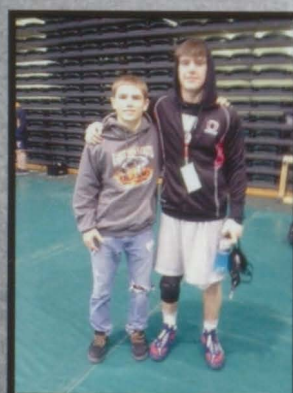
Front row: Cody Reynolds,
Erik Eldred, Joe Nelson,
Cole Rice, Nate Hansen,
Ciana Marte.

Middle row: Garrett Sylstra,
Corey Marshman,
Devon White, Ethan Monk,
Joe Jackson.

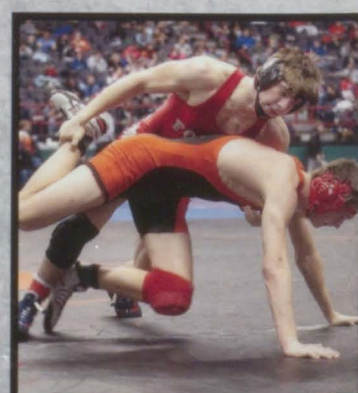
Back row: Coach Tefft,
Kordell Huntley, Nik Hansen,
Garyn Huntley, Coach Rice.



Section IV
Most Outstanding Wrestler
Nik Hansen



Section IV 1st Place
Winners
Joe Nelson and Nik Hansen



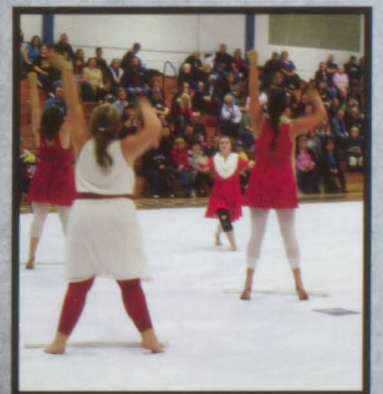
Nik Hansen placed fourth
in State Competition.
Photo: Keith Lanfear

Winterguard

O.N.E. - Oxford Norwich Ensemble



Winterguard is an ensemble that combines students from both Oxford Academy and Norwich High School. It takes a lot of hard work and practice to prepare for their competitions. The students participating from Oxford Academy High School are Kamrie Davis and Kirsten Fink coached by Amber Davis.



Boys Basketball



Varsity

Back Row: Greg Brewer, Matt Moore, Coach Davis.

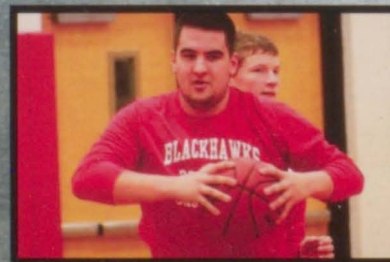
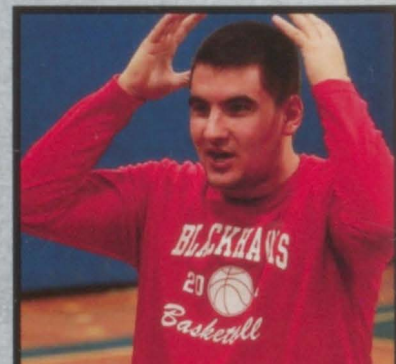
Front Row: Adam Camiel, Jake McConnell, Jeff Lawton, Kevin Davis, Lane Barry.



Junior Varsity

Back Row: Coach Dorman, Daniel Woodford, Harry Oliver, Angelo Gonzalez, Trenton Lyons, Rece Camadine.

Front Row: Damon Maricle, Gage Barrows, Francisco Quintana, Gavin Wheatley, Jon Heggie, Josh Nelson, Stephen Ehly.



Girls Basketball



Varsity

Back Row: Coach Palmer, Taylor Ament, Vanessa Bishop, Sierra Brown.

Front Row: Michele Mead, Rachel Seiler, Sarah Pratt, Bridget Rice, Patti Simpson, Vada Mack.



Junior Varsity

Back Row: Coach Powers, Layla Kriz, Leah Karn, Kylie Roys, Sam Mack, Sarah Hodge.

Front Row: Rachel Tefft, Nichole Dinolfo, Jenna Hodge, Katelyn Diamond, Taylor Munson, Hannah Ryan, Raigen Ehly.



Winter Band, Chorus Concert & Art Show



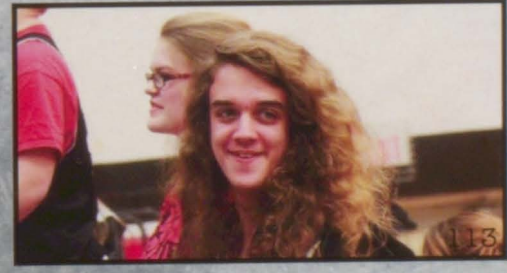
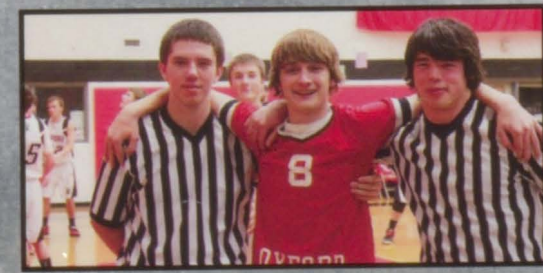
The evening of December 16, 2013, brought the beautiful sound of holiday music floating through the auditorium as our high school band and chorus took the stage to perform for the community.

The performance included many solos featuring some of our extremely talented students. Even members of our faculty took to the stage to play along with the band!

Every concert includes a display of artwork from our talented student artists.



Fans in the Stands

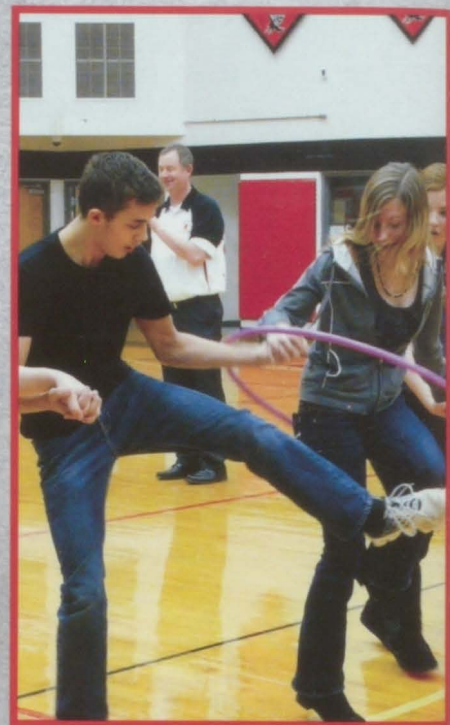




Fun Friday...



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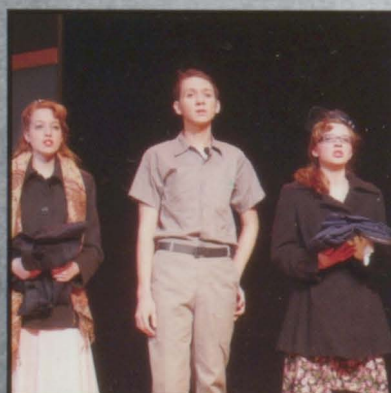


Red, White

Oxford High School Drama Club presents the story of Rosie the Riveter

Set during World War II, women such as Rose Johnson, Sally Hastings, Emmie Washington, and Missouri Washington set out to find jobs to support their families. They worked at Royce Enterprises building airplanes for the war.

Below is the corresponding art show.



The wall celebrating the senior cast members was displayed outside the auditorium. Also shown, is the poster created by Oxford High student, Gabby Lewis.

Alexis Hamilton-Mele as a factory worker, Trevor Kaminsky as Mr. Smith and Pachari Meade as Clara Locke.

Lorrin Parks in her role as Rose Johnson.

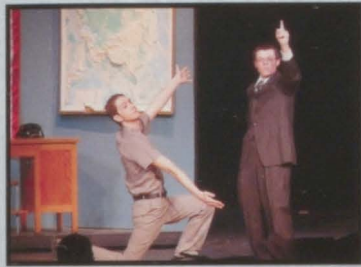
and Rosie!

Cast and Crew put on a fabulous show celebrating the lives of women during WWII



Coming into the work force, women had to remember one thing; they were unskilled workers on hand only until the war was over. However, the women built their confidence and realized they could work and be successful in the man's work force.

Below is the full cast and crew.



Mrs. Williams volunteers every year to help with costumes.



The cast takes their final bow.



Trevor Kaminsky as Mr. Smith and Robert Hofmann as Oliver Royce, factory owner.



Jessica Frank as Missouri Emerson.

Dodgeball - 2014

Running for the ball, hopefully to be the first to the line, the boys did their best and played hard through the game!



February Spirit Week Dodgeball Challenge Students

The students and staff, with great school spirit, participated in this years Dodgeball Challenge.

The Winning Students against the faculty are:

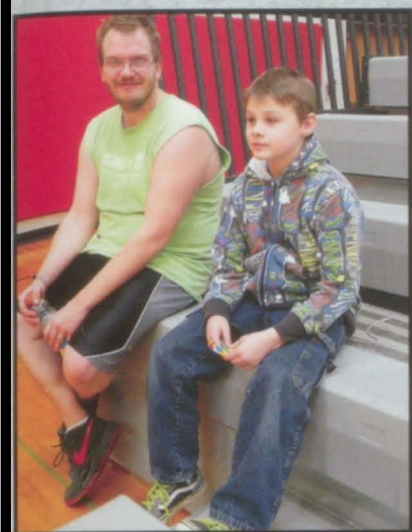
Nathaniel Ingraham
 Kevin Davis
 Matthew Moore
 Nicholas Neer
 Marisa Baldwin
 Elizabeth Gonzalez



The dodgeball teams headed to the line trying their best to be this years dodgeball winners.



Students vs Faculty



Mr. Jankowski, tired out from the game, lies on the floor gaining back his lost energy.



Dodgeball Challenge Teachers

The 2014 staff played a hard game against our student winners of this years Spirit Week Dodgeball Challenge.

It was a rough game and even tired out some of the staff (Mr. Jankowski).

All dodgeball participants had a lot of fun and were able to challenge themselves to do their best.



The staff had a great time during the game and as you can see, Mrs. Laytham has a big smile on her face!



All County Band & Chorus



Above: Dr. Richards welcoming everyone to the performance.

Oxford High School was the host of this year's All County Band and Chorus Concert. This event took place on Saturday January 25, 2014.



Left: The full Choral Ensemble in the auditorium.

Below: Misty Johnson sings with the Choral Ensemble.



Left: David Covey performing a solo during the Jazz Ensemble performance.

Below: Alex Utter and Robert Hofmann.



Above: Amy Branham, Emma-Leah Hess, Jessica Frank and Shai'nai Marte.



Above: Jazz Ensemble including Mr. Riley, Brianne Dewey, David Covey, Adam Clark and Aaron Mosner.

Right: Emily Howard, Kasey Peters and Anna Kriz are also part of the concert performance.



Spirit Week - February 2014

The dance was originally scheduled for Valentine's Day, but a snowstorm forced the school to close and reschedule the Dance and Airband competition to the night of March 7, 2014. Below are pictured some of the activities and character dress ups from this week long event.



Above and far left: Pudding Feed during lunch.



Right: Pudding Feed.
Below: Donut String.



Left: Twin Day.

Below: Camo Day in the Ag room.



Above: Mrs. Barrows and Mr. Dorman sporting their best school spirit costumes for the dance.



Above: Costume Day



Left: Musical Chairs was the first lunch time activity during spirit week.

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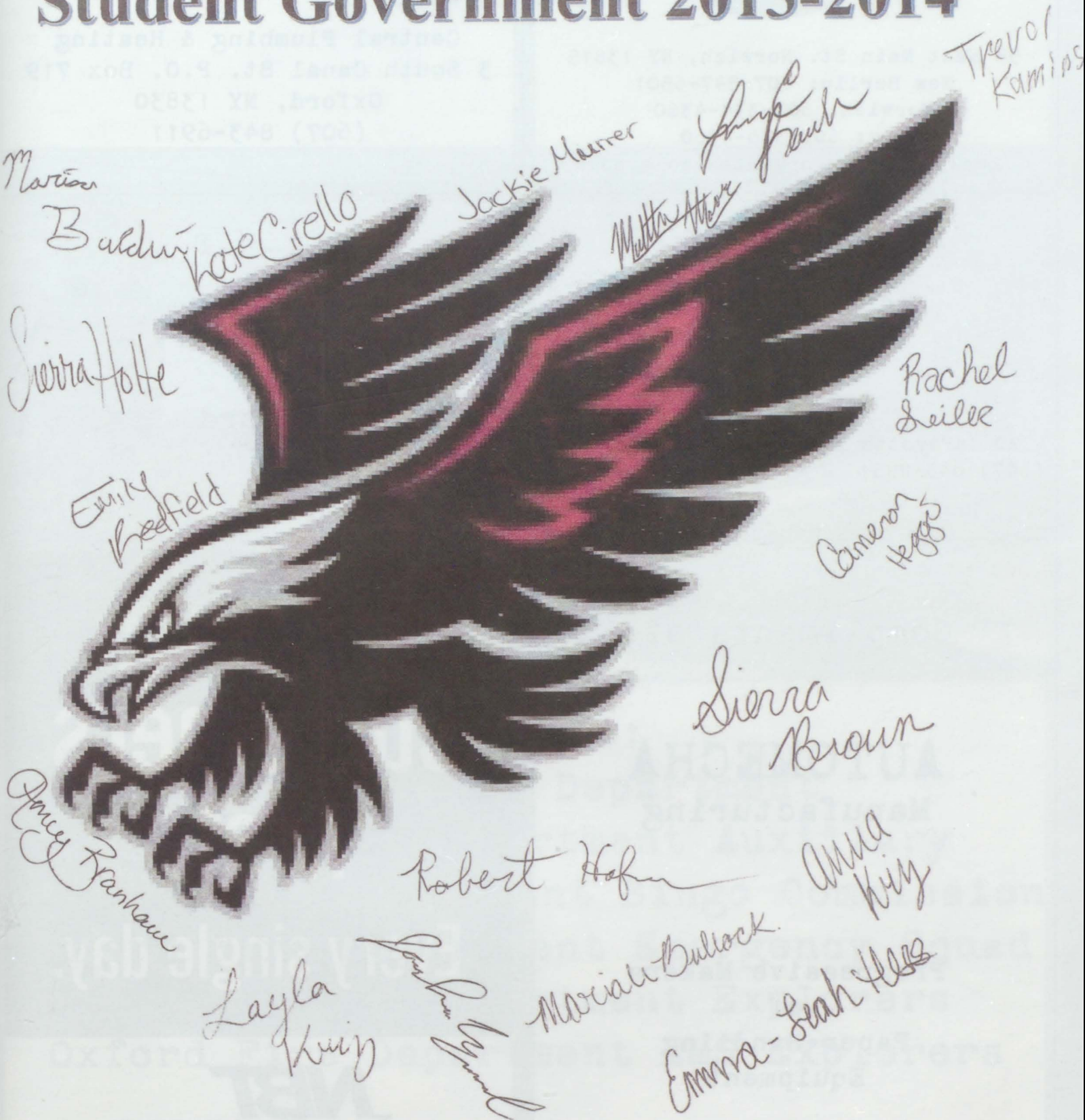


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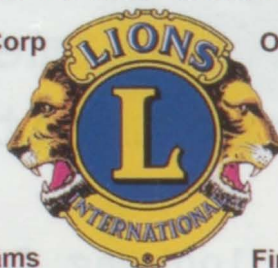
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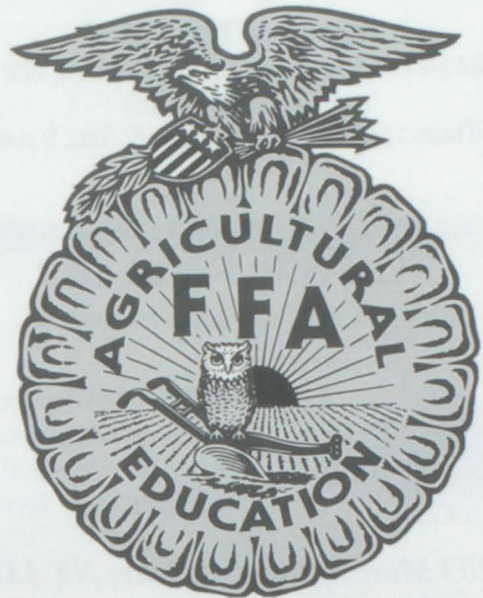
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Kayla, Michele, Octavia**

Boys Volleyball



MAC Tournament Champions.

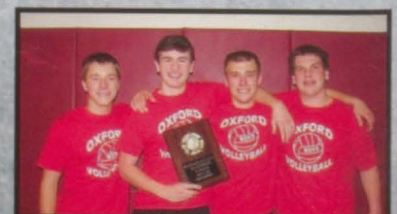
Front: Josh Hull, Harry Oliver,
Kyle Crawford.

Back: Jon Heggie, Cameron Heggie,
Kevin Davis, Jeff Lawton, Coach Dorman,
Matt Moore, Coach Miller, Dylan Depew,
Jake McConnell, Daniel Lawton.



Section IV Champions

Seniors:
Cameron Heggie,
Matt Moore, Jeff Lawton,
Jake McConnell.





Sweets,

They say that your children grow up before you know it, and indeed I've found it to be true. I'm overwhelmed at times when I see you as the beautiful young woman you have become, for just the other day, you entered my life.



Like the stormy weather the week and night you were born, you have been a strong, determined girl. I saw this within a few weeks after bringing you home that you would be just that, and remember looking at you and saying to your father... "She's going to need to be a lawyer." Why? I just had a feeling you would be that forceful, direct person who would want to win, who would not stop until reaching that goal. Indeed, you have become that person, and that's a great thing. As you venture into your chosen career, these traits will endure, and you will make differences in the lives of many. I'm proud of your choice, not for the reasons you believe I am, but because of WHY you opted to pursue it. I'm proud you're moving in to your future with a sense of responsibility, compassion, humor, intellect, and understanding of community. You've worked hard and accomplished many great things academically, athletically, personally, and in the community.



Throughout your life, I have enjoyed watching you grow and aspire to do the best at whatever you set out to do. I remember when you insisted you were going to be the first lady president, and how I've cringed, thinking you would achieve this goal because you are so determined...a job I consider the most dangerous job EVER. I appreciate your change of heart.



I love our goofy times, our shopping trips, our Saturday night movie nights, our love of cats, sarcasm, tears for toys that move on. You've inspired me, exhausted me, entertained me, made me laugh, made me cry, made me proud, and made me happy. I admire the person you are yet to become.



You are always my Baby Girl,

Love you...Hugga Bugga, BEAT YOU,

Mama, Madre, Mama Mia

Haleigh



We reminisce of years ago, you were so tiny then,
Sometimes we can't help but wish you were little again.

So full of wonder, spunk and sass

Funny how quickly time has come to pass.

In primary school, we were told you need to be more serious,

You were only in second grade! That teacher was delirious.

In middle school, you wanted to be like the others, you took a chance

Playing sports, singing in chorus, even tried dance.

High school brought on more of the original you

That funny, spunky princess that we all knew.

As your school days come to an end, your future looking bright

Tomorrow is a blank page of a book only you can write.

Just turn your face to the sky day or night and know this

We are looking up to the same sun and stars and sending a kiss.

So, our beautiful daughter, if you get feeling blue

Just read this and know, Mommy and Daddy love you.





Our Sweet Jessica,

Looking back, watching you get on the bus for the first time and then getting off so excited and sprinting up the driveway seems like it was only yesterday.

You continue to grow into one of the most amazing people that we have ever known.

Stay true, stay strong and stay proud and you will go anywhere that you want to in this life.

There are no limits for you and your potential. You make us proud and happy to be your parents.

Now go clean your room!

*Love Mom, Tim, Kristina,
Logan and Liam*

Jessica Ann Frank

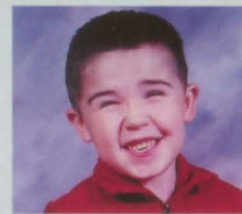
A - Articulate



D - Devoted



A - Artistic



M - Mindful

Our son of many gifts.
For the future only knows.
For the many souls you lift.
For your Destiny will form the road you go.
For the Brightening of people's emotions,
This is your greatest gift.

You bring joy to our lives thinking how far you have come, and we are so excited to see how far you will go. Your potential is unending. We thank God that he gave you to us because you are truly a blessing.





Olivia Sylstra (Goose)

You have grown into a beautiful, smart, talented,
and caring young lady, that we could not be more proud of!

Even though you are graduating from high school, we still see you as our precious, fragile,
little princess. We know and can respect that you are now older and the decisions that
you will make will be your own. We want you to Always remember that, no matter how old,
or how smart you are, you will NEVER stop being our little girl!

OUR WISH FOR YOU..

Is that this life becomes all that you want it to.
Your dreams stay BIG and your worries stay SMALL!!!!

WE LOVE YOU AND WISH YOU THE BEST!

Love, Mom and Dad

XOXOXOX

Katie

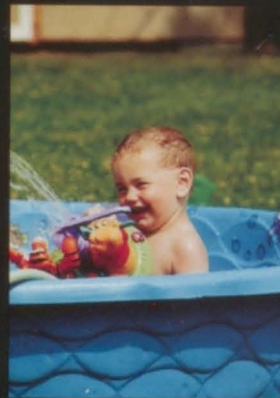
Lord

Our Sweet Katie,
We have watched you go
through so much, you are a
pure miracle. Your life now
will be full of whatever
God's plan is for it.



No matter what it brings,
you are as strong as it gets.
Stay strong and don't ever
forget that we love you very
much and you've just begun
your real life journey.

Love Always,
Dad and Mom

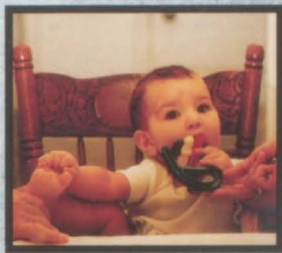


You're on your own,
And you know what you know.
And **YOU** are the one who'll decide where to go...

Dr. Seuss



We are proud of you. Love from Mom, Dad & Ryan



Dear Taylor,

Here we are! It's been a long, sometimes rocky, road, but we made it. I am so proud in spite of the obstacles we have had to face. What a beautiful, young woman you have grown into. With all we have been through, we know we can get through anything! I found these words of wisdom that say it all:

Wisdom for My Daughter:

- Your future does not lay in front of you - it lies deep inside of you.
- Life is not about finding yourself - it's about creating yourself.
- When life becomes a roller coaster, climb into the front seat, throw your arms in the air and enjoy the ride!
- Rise by lifting others.
- When life gets crazy, do something normal - and if life gets too normal, do something crazy!
- Always be nice!
- Life is all about how you handle Plan B.
- Practice the art of listening.
- Play with wild abandonment no matter how old you get!
- Find the joy in all choices you make.
- Remember, in the end, good girls always win!!

Author unknown

And never ever forget -
I will love you forever, for always, and no matter what!!

Congratulations!

Mom

Taylor,

It seems like yesterday that Papa was helping your Mom bring you home from the hospital. What a precious gift you are to us! You are Nana's & Papa's girl and we are so proud of you!

Congratulations!

Nana & Papa

Amazing how we can light tomorrow with today. May your tomorrow be forever bright. We love you with all our hearts and wish you great success in your new journey.

Love, Sean, Brienne, Kelleen, Karson, Kullen, & Karmign

Taylor,

We are so proud of you! All of your hard work has really paid off. You deserve the best! We Love You!

Jim & Jenn

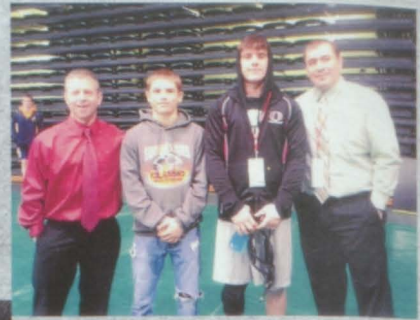
Dear Little Sister,

Avoid the community punch bowl. Make friends. Get tight with your R.A. This relationship will benefit you in the future. Keep your room and suite clean - angry roommates are not fun. Do your homework. Ask questions in class. TRUST YOUR GUT. Have fun, but remember why you are there. Most important - put me on speed dial!

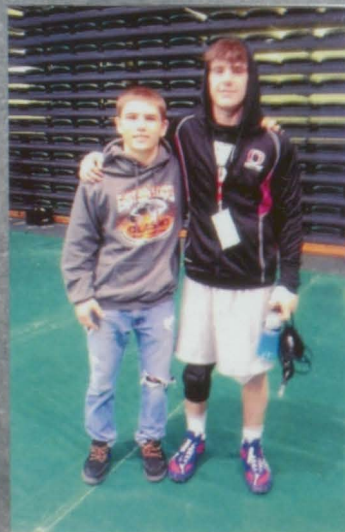
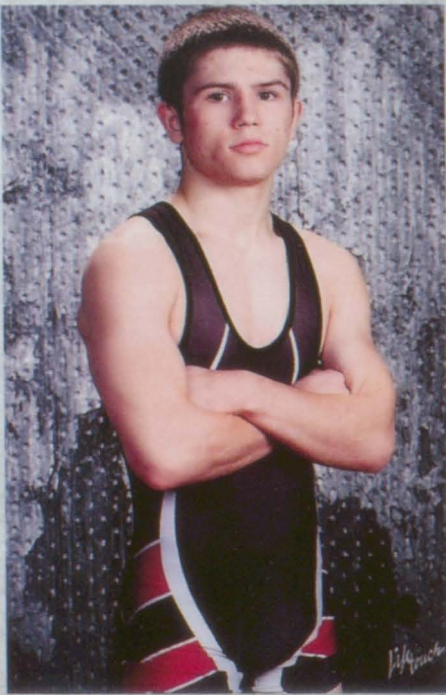
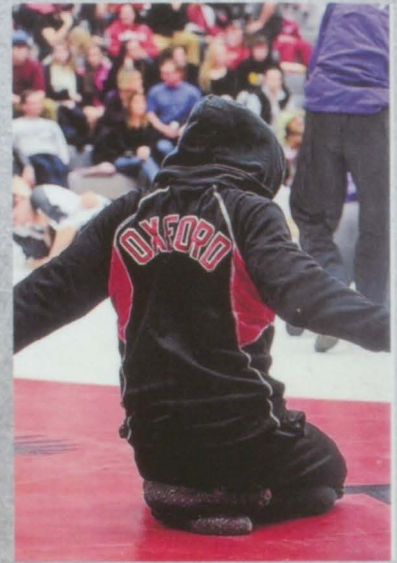
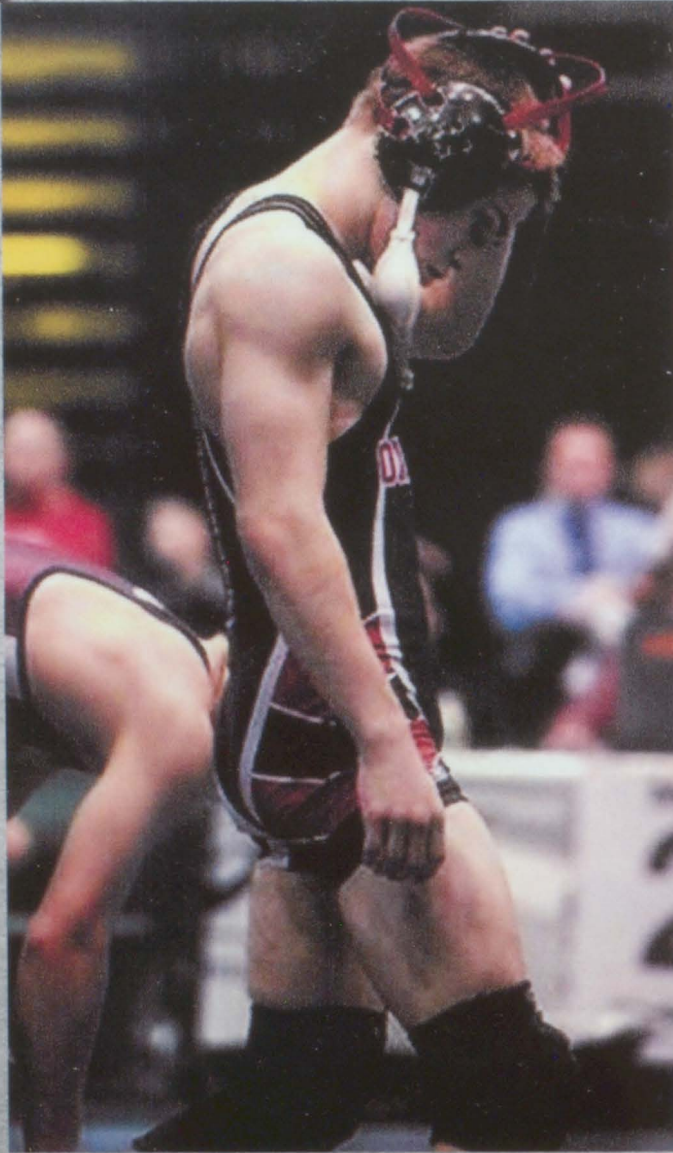
Love, Your Big Sister

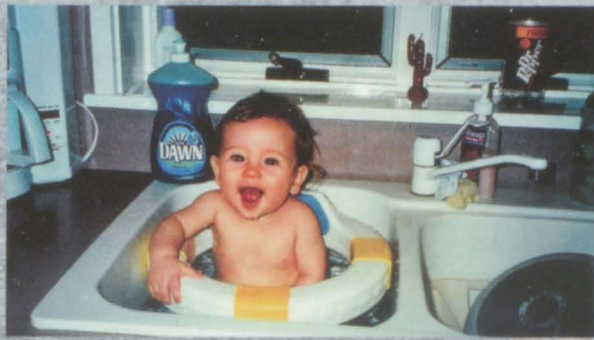
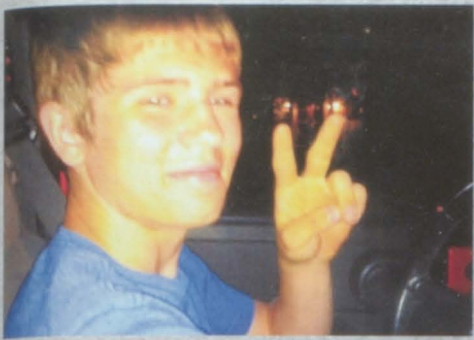
Congratulations and Much Love!
Uncle Bobby





Joe...
My Beautiful Boy...
I will always be your biggest
fan. I love you to the
moon and back...
~Mom~





Kayla,

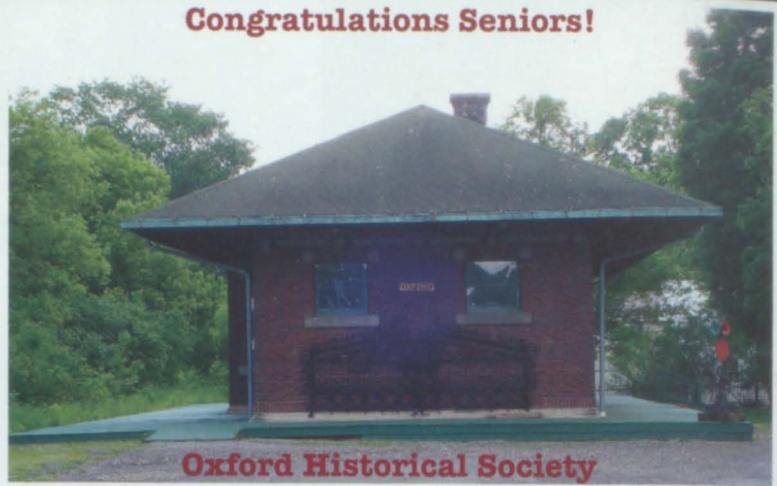
*We are so proud of you and love
you.*

*Don't ever give up on anything
that life hands you.*

*I will always need a reading
partner. :)*

*Love you,
Mom, Brett
Cam & Darren*

Congratulations Seniors!



Zenna,

Wow, it's finally here. Time for you to fly.
It has been a rough, rocky road, with lots
of laughter and tears, but with all my
love and understanding.

Love, You,
Nana

Nik,

I am so proud of you for all you do, all you are,
all you have done and for all you will do.

Always your biggest fans,
Mom, xoxo
&
Dad

Jon,



We are so very proud of you and wish you all
the best for the future!

Love, Mom, Dad, Sarah, Jeff, Justin, Jason & Jaden

We are proud of you, Elizabeth!
Keep blossoming into a lovely
young woman, INSIDE and out

Love & Peace,
Mom & Dad

Caitlin

Blair

Sis,

It seems like just yesterday that you were our adorable little girl. You have grown to be a strong, beautiful young lady.

Watching you on this journey has been such a joy. A new and exciting journey is now waiting.

As you venture out into this world, Remember that...

You climbed before you walked,

You sang before you talked,

And you had our hearts before you were born.

Keep dancing to the beat of your own drum!!

Congratulations Caitlin!! We are very proud of you!

Love you bunches,
Mom, Dad, Nick and Hannah



As soon as I saw you,
I knew an adventure
was going to happen.

~Winnie the Pooh



Rheia



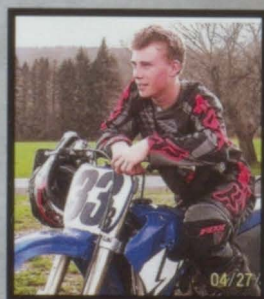
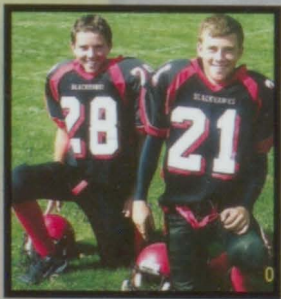
You have made us so proud for everything you have accomplished.

Journey On.

Love,

Mom + Dad

and the whole family



Jeff Lawton

Time has gone by too quickly. Not just your senior year, but your whole life so far. It seems like just yesterday you were a toddler singing to Raffi and insisting we call you Poppy. By kindergarten, you had climbed on-and fallen off-everything inside and outside the house. If you could invent it, you could build it. Always enjoying physical activity, if you weren't wearing a baseball uniform you were wearing a Ghillie suit. Loving anything with tires and a motor, you seemed to only know two speeds-fast and faster. And never one to turn down a dare, you have lived your life like the ultimate action sport.

Thank you for being our son, for making us laugh and keeping us on our toes. You are strong, funny and honest.

Never stray from those qualities. Remember that life is a journey, so experience all that it has to offer. Along the way we hope we can be a help to you. We won't always get it right, but we'll always be here and we'll always try, no matter how far you go in distance or time. We are so very proud of you and everything you've done so far.

Congratulations on your graduation and emerging as a fine young man with such a bright future.

Love you more,
Mom and Dad

Sierra Brown



The time has come to move on to the next step in life. As you do, know I am very proud of you, your hard work will take you far. 7:22

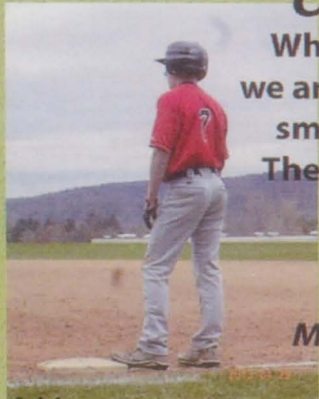


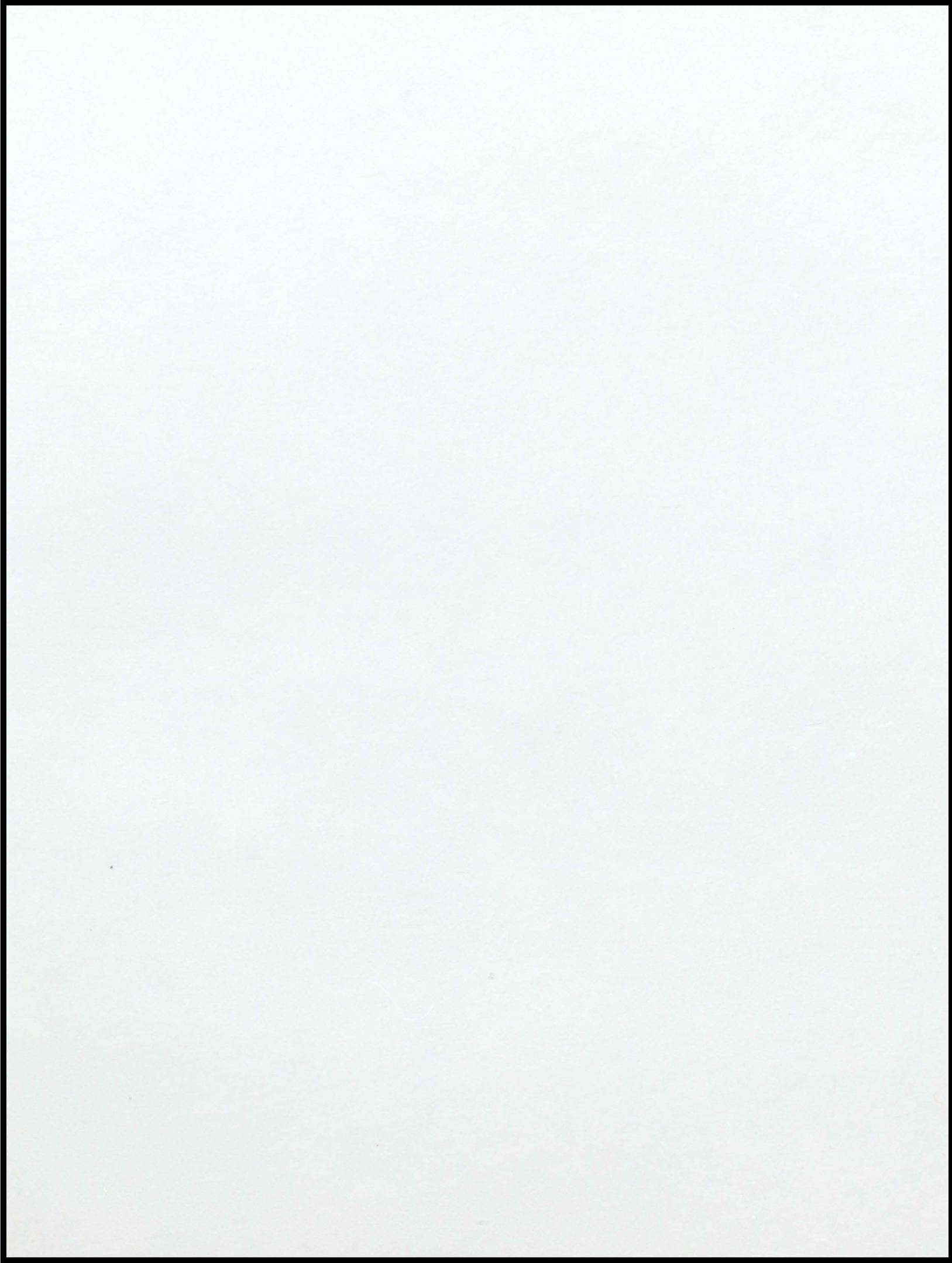
Cameron James Lanning Heggie

What an amazing young man you have become & we are so proud of all you have done. You are caring, smart, witty & have an awesome sense of humor. There is no limit to what you can achieve! Set your sights high and never say never!!

We love you Cameron!!

**Mommy, Daddy, Julianne, Jacquelyn, Jonathan
Grammy & Pappap
Gry & *Poppy***





Our town

The Oxford Fire Department By Fred Lanfear, Alicia Miller & Ms. Eaton

The first really big fire in Oxford was caused by unstoppable flames that devoured the new school, before it was ever used. It happened on a September night in 1799. That night there was no organization, no equipment, and no water supply.

A few years later in 1810 a Fire Company was formed with little equipment. The method of getting water to a fire consisted of leather buckets filled with river water and passed from one person to another.

The Oxford Fire Department was started in July of 1823 and began with 21 Firemen. In April of 1824 \$50.00 was appropriated to build a firehouse on Fort Hill. In April of 1845 a Hand Engine was purchased and in 1855 the Niagara Fire Company No. 1 was formed with 50 men.

With so many men joining the Fire Department, in April of 1859 the company was divided, and the two companies that formed were Niagara Company No.1, which had 27 members, and Niagara Company No. 2 with 44 members.

Through the years came the formation of many fire companies and a new building:

- 1859 : The Lady Washington Hose Company
- 1867 : New building purchased for \$1,500.00
- 1873 : Sappho Hose and Engine Company
(later to become The Steamer Company)
- 1878 : The Hook and Ladder Company
- 1887 : The Niagara Hose Company
- 1889 : The Lady Washington Hose Company was disbanded.
- 1898 : The Independent Hose Company

The fire companies all shared the Fort Hill Building. In 1920 the first motor powered apparatus was purchased, which drastically cut the time to answer fire alarms.

Throughout the years many new trucks were purchased and the years of 1966 through 1968 saw the reorganization of the many Oxford fire departments.

During this time, and with the approval of the Village Board, the four existing companies, Niagara, Sappho, Independent, and Hook and Ladder, dissolved their corporations and merged into one department. At the annual meeting on April 4, 1968, the department became known as The Oxford Fire Department, Inc.

Today The Oxford Fire Department is housed in a modern station, with five engines, pumpers, a rescue vehicle, and high ladder truck. The all volunteer crew are highly trained and have a four minute response time. It has equipment and material to combat any type of fire in the Oxford district and nearby communities.

The Fire Department has two ambulances staffed with emergency medical technicians, a river rescue boat, and a jaws~of~life for automobile and small space rescues.

The Oxford Fire Department is one of the most respected organizations in Oxford..



Oxford Bluestone is Nationally Known

By Cheyene Moore, Mr. Fred Lanfear & Ms. Eaton

The "Bluestone Belt", which ran along the west bank of the Hudson River, southwest just past Pennsylvania, seemed to have inexhaustible deposits in Oxford.

Oxford was fortunate to have many quarries in the 1800's and the Bluestone business was booming, adding to the prosperity of the village. Two of the quarries were the most productive in the entire United States and they were both owned by the F. G. Clarke Blue Stone Company.

Part of the success of the bluestone business was due to the close proximity of a transportation method utilizing the Chenango Canal. The tremendous weight of the stones, approximately 9 to 14 tons each, could not be handled by horse drawn carts or riverboats for any long distance, but the canal could handle any payload.

The stones still had to be transported from the quarries to the canal by horse teams and a heavy "truckwagon". The horses had to haul as much as 15 tons of stone down the street, past LaFayette Park, across the bridge, and up on Fort Hill, which might have taken two days to accomplish. Sometimes as many



Greek Revival Style Bandstand Built in LaFayette Park

By Tiatira Quintano and Mrs. Smith

The Bandstand, located in the middle of Oxford in LaFayette Park, was designed by James Edward and was constructed by Fred and Bernard Tracy in the Greek Revival Style.

On May 30, 1916, before a very large gathering of town's people, the new Bandstand was dedicated by the Citizen Band and the Ladies Village Improvement Society.

The Bandstand is kept in magnificent condition and continues to be used today by The Community Band that performs there during the summer months on Thursday evenings.

as 12 horses had to employed, which became a way of measuring the stone, by "horse power", not by the ton.

The stone, popular at that time, was used for sidewalks, curbs, and architectural elements. The stones were huge, heavy blocks or slabs, known as "platform stone" sometimes 12 inches thick by 16 feet square.

When the canal was no longer in use, special railroad cars were designed to hold the stones upright on their edges. About a dozen of these stones were transported to New York City for the Vanderbilt Family Mansion to be used for their sidewalks. They had an estimated value of \$10,000.00 way back then!

The F.G. Clarke Blue Stone Company had about 300 employees, many were immigrants from Ireland and Germany, but the majority of laborers were from Lipari, Italy. The company took contracts for cut stone for buildings "dressed", which means they were cut, trimmed to size and polished on one side, ready to set in place.

One fine example of bluestone work in Oxford still stands. It originally was the First National Bank of Oxford, built in 1894, and now houses the Town and Village Hall.

Oxford bluestone was shipped throughout the Northeast providing sidewalks and curbing for the cities of Boston, New York and Philadelphia. Thirty railroad cars of bluestone were required for the steps of the Capital building in Albany, and Oxford bluestone was used for the construction of Grant's tomb. Times Square and Rockefeller Square in New York City, are also graced with bluestone from Oxford.

The bluestone business slacked off after WWI with the invention of Portland Cement, and then the stock market crash destroyed any plans for new construction. By the 1930's it was the end of a grand era. One of the quarries reopened in the mid-1980's, providing bluestone for patios, fireplaces, and garden walkways, but business would never be the same as the century before.

Today the beauty of bluestone sits quietly as a legacy, especially evident in the town that made it great.

The photograph shows several undressed slabs which are stacked and ready for dressing and shipping. The four men in the center of the photo portray the grand size of the bluestone.



Finally a Pool and Still Cool at 35!

By Danielle Camadine & Ms. Eaton

Since 1978 the small town of Oxford has had a Public Swimming Facility! The Oxford Swimming Pool and Bath House were dedicated to Oxford's Youth by the Oxford Recreation Association, The Town and Village Boards of Oxford, and The Citizens of the Community. Accompanying the Pool is a Picnic Pavilion that was donated by The Oxford Rotary Club and constructed in a Southwestern Style. This provides a shaded place for family and friends to relax and eat during their summer days spent at the pool.

In 2008 the pool's 30 year old feeder pumps, electrical system and the concrete surface were refurbished.

The pool offers swimming lessons each year to our resident children and is a popular place for people in town to cool off during the hot summer days!



We're The Oxford Blackhawks!

by Marisa Baldwin, Mr. Fred Lanfear and Ms. Joni Eaton

The Blackhawk is an icon of the entire Oxford community and the mascot of our school, however, few people may know just how this mascot was chosen.

In 1942, the high school students created a list of suggestions for a school mascot to be chosen from. On October 22 of that same year, the students voted and the Blackhawk was chosen to represent the school. It is thought to have been named after Chief Blackhawk (Ma-Ka-Tai-Me-She-Kia-Kiak or Black Sparrow Hawk) who lived from 1767-1838. He was a leader and warrior of the Sauk American Indian Tribe located in the Iowa region. He fought on the side of the English in the war of 1812, and his most notable battle was when he led an ambush on Missouri Soldiers at the Battle of Sink Hole.

After which, this particular war chief was paraded around various townships and his story was well known. His iconic red and black war paint are now the school colors, with his heroism representing the Oxford School District ever since.



The National Bank of Oxford - Another Oxford Icon

by Elisabeth Gonzales

Isaac Perry was New York State's premier architect who designed The National Bank Building that sits in the heart of the Village of Oxford. On the corner of NYS Route 12 and State Street, it is a three story brick and Oxford bluestone building with a conical tower, large rock faced stone masonry, and impressive round arches using the Richardsonian Romanesque Style.

This grand building was built in 1894, and stands today in testimony to Architect Isaac Perry who also designed the New York State Capitol in Albany and many other public structures and armories.

The New York State Veterans' Home

by Octavia Bishop, Mr. Fred Lanfear and Ms. Joni Eaton

In the 1890s the Women's Relief Corps (WRC) appealed to the New York State Legislature to provide funds for the building of a retirement home for Veterans of War, to which they could also bring their wives. Before this time, Veterans could go to New York State Soldiers and Sailors Home in Bath, New York, but they could not bring their wives with them.

The 60 acre site chosen to build the Women's Relief Corps Home was located in the village of Oxford, New York, and was opened on April 19, 1897. 24 residents were immediately admitted.

In 1911 the WRC Home was expanded to five buildings consisting of four cottages and one infirmary. At this time there were 172 residents, consisting of veterans from the Civil War, the Spanish - American War and World War I.

In 1931 a wing was added to the skilled nursing facility.

In 1971 the WRC home was transferred from the New York State Department of Social Services to the Department of Health. The buildings no longer met the health and safety requirements, because they were built of wood. In 1972, the State Legislature approved funds to develop plans for a new facility.

The influx of World War II veterans, mostly males, brought about the building of a large one-story building, and the old buildings were completely razed.

The new home for veterans was opened in May of 1981. From this point forward, the facility was called The New York State Veteran's Home.

In 2010 a new multi-story complex was constructed to replace the 1981 building.

It is now billed as a nursing home and offers medical, nursing, rehabilitative and psychosocial services for eligible veterans. It has the capacity for 242 residents and a staff of 350 - 400 employees.



*"To develop self-directed learners who are able to make intelligent choices and contribute to society."
"One student at a time."*



The Oxford Memorial Library

by Marisa Baldwin and Ms. Joni Eaton

The Oxford Memorial Library was originally built as a private residence by Theodore Burr in 1811. Theodore Burr, a master craftsman in woodworking, came to Oxford in 1792 from Connecticut. By 1794 he had built a Grist Mill on the Chenango River and dam to power the mill. In 1800 he built the first stringer bridge over the Chenango River in Oxford.

From 1809 through 1811 he built an impressive Federal Style house for his wife and seven children on the site of an ancient Tuscaroran Indian Fort, in the area known as Fort Hill. After successfully building 45 bridges all over New York State, he became known as the "Father of American Bridge Building." He and his family moved to Pennsylvania in 1818.

Ira Wilcox, an Oxford Merchant next purchased the house, and lived there until 1873. From 1873 until 1890, Benjamin Cannon, a Lawyer owned the house.

From 1890 until 1899 the house served as a Rectory for St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

In 1900 the house with its grounds, was dedicated as a Free Library in memory of Eli Lyon Corbin and his wife, Abigail Tainter Corbin, by their children. Since then, the Library has been open to the public, with strong community support and generous donations made for renovations over the years.

Cole Memorial Fountain

by Tiatira Quintana

The Fountain located in Lafayette Park is called the Cole Memorial Fountain. It was given to the Village of Oxford as a gift from Augustus, John Calvin and Henry Clay Cole in loving memory of their parents, Calvin and Fayette Cole.

The dedication and presentation was held on the night of July 17, 1884. For this occasion Lafayette Park was lit with Chinese Lanterns, and the hotels and businesses were all brilliantly lighted and decorated.

