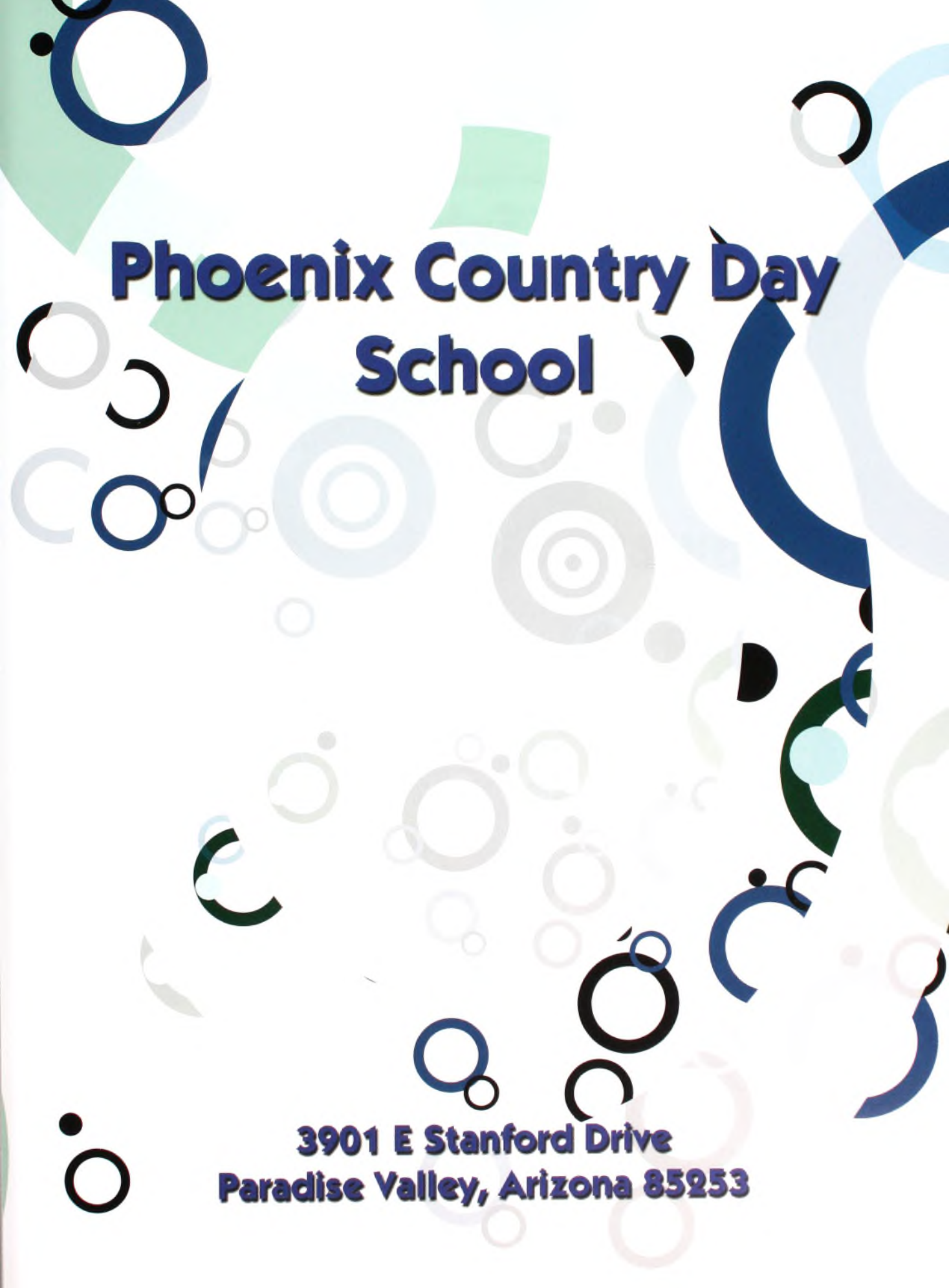


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**Behold the bold UMBRELLAPHANT
That's not the least afraid
To forage in the broiling sun,
For it is in the shade.
The pachyderm's uncanny trunk
Is probably unique,
And ends in an umbrella
That has yet to spring a leak.
And so the bold UMBRELLAPHANT
Is ever at its ease,
No matter if the temperature
Is ninety-nine degrees.
And when a sudden thunderstorm
Sends oceans from the sky,
That fortunate UMBRELLAPHANT
Remains entirely dry.**

-Jack Prelutsky

Geoff Campbell, Head of School



Be bold. Be confident. Be fearless.

**"Go confidently in the direction of your
dreams. Live the life you've imagined. As you
simplify your life, the laws of the universe will
be
simpler."**

-Henry David Thoreau

Sharon Thompson, Head of Upper School



MESSAGES FROM OUR HEADS



Are you bold? Listen to your heart. Find the courage to follow your best path and make bold choices.

Yes, you can be the one to cure for cancer, bring peace to the world, have a positive impact.

Learn from those who have made bold decisions.

Shoot the 3 for the win, go for it on fourth and inches.

By being bold and taking risks you can discover your true self! BE BOLD!

Andy Surber, Head of Middle School



**In little ways we show we are bolder
With each school year that we get older:**

Pre-kindergarten: letting go of your mother's hand

Kindergarten: writing your full name without any help

First grade: sounding out an unknown word

Second grade: memorizing lines for a play

Third grade: getting organized on your own

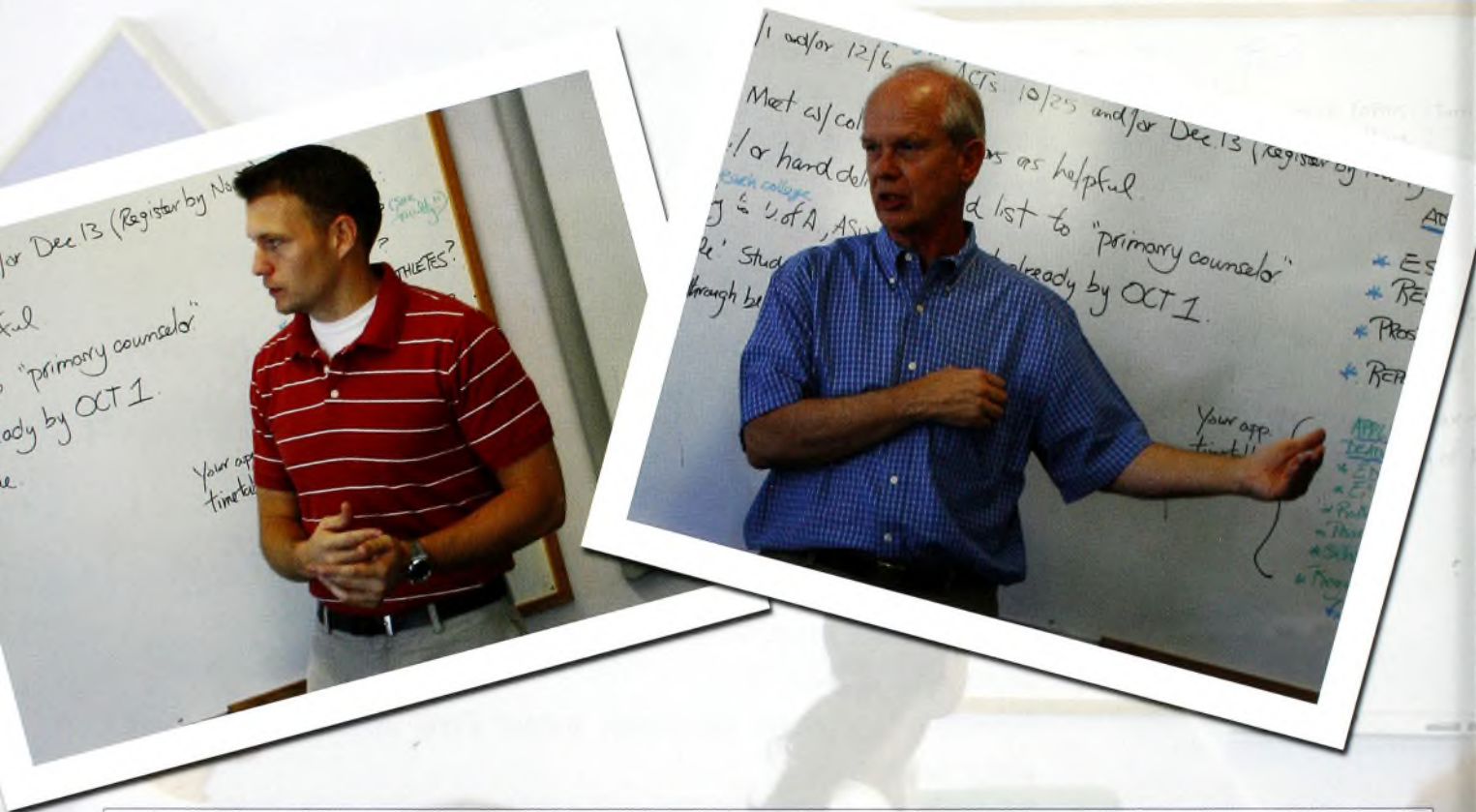
Fourth grade: waving goodbye for the overnight field trip

BOLD! It's what we do!

Barbara Thommen, Head of Lower School

Class of 2009

Dedication: Patrick McHorney and Paul Schweikher



Mr. Schweikher and Mr. McHorney: As we reach the end of our high school careers and stand at the edge of that abyss known as our futures, we must choose our paths thoughtfully. A college choice is a very personal one. You both understand these truths and you have gently and confidently maneuvered us through the maze that is the college application process. Thank you for sharing our triumphs and our tears, for having faith in us, and for putting up with us! As we disperse accross this great country, you both will remain dear in our hearts!

Nicole Swinford, Class of 2009



Gotham City has Batman and Robin. The Rebel Alliance has Yoda and Luke. The Pride Lands of Africa have Pumbaa and Timon. And we, the PCDS Class of 2009, have Mr. Schweikher and Mr. McHorney. Over the last two years, in spite of your hectic schedules, you both have always found time for us. Your doors are always open, your notepads always nearby, your advice always sound. Schweik, you are unparalleled in your knowledge of the college process, unmatched in your compassion for and awareness of each of our needs, and unrivaled in your use of six-syllable words. You always bring a smile to our faces, and you have touched the lives of so many, especially in our class. Mr. McHorney, our class has felt a special bond with you from the beginning. As class coordinator for the last two years, you have singlehandedly organized our communityservice day, Skool at the Pool, and more, all just for us. As a college counselor, your fresh and unique perspective is never unnoticed or unappreciated by our class. To the college counseling team, we, the Class of 2009, thank you for always being aware of our needs and goals and for always offering advice, humor, counsel, and help in response. And so, though you may not fight crime, use the Force, or randomly break out into song, I, along with the rest of the class of 2009, will always remember PCDS's own dynamic duo.

Jack Schwimmer, Class of 2009

The class of 2009 is generally known as the overachieving class. So, of course, we need extraordinary adults to lead and help our class to be prepared for college. Furthermore, we need exceptional people to help us actually get into college. For that task, we could not ask for a better team than Mr. Schweikher and Mr. McHorney. Also senior advisors, you two as our college counselors have united to be an amazing force in our quest to get into college. You read essays, helped us think about our college preferences, and kept us on track. In this time of intense application competition, you had cool heads and patiently dealt with common high school anxieties. You complement each other well with the succinct, direct Mr. McHorney and the slightly more verbose Mr. Schweikher. Like a wise father and a protective older brother, you two guided us all along our own paths toward college. Kind, generous, focused, serious, funny, dedicated ... these are only a few of the many words that we can use to describe you. We have learned over the past two years that we can count on you always for anything and everything. We love you both and thank you very much for everything.

William French, Class of 2009



All School

Board of Trustees President Jahm Najafi delivered an outstanding speech that inspired students for the new year.

"The Paradox of Our Age"

B. Moorehead

We have taller buildings
but shorter tempers,
wider freeways but narrow viewpoints.

We spend more
but have less;
we buy more
but enjoy it less;
more conveniences,
yet less time.

We have more degrees
but less sense,
more knowledge
but less judgment;
more experts,
yet more problems.

We have more gadgets
but less satisfaction,
more medicine,
yet less wellness.

We drink too much, eat too much, spend too
recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too
angry, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too
seldom,

watch TV too much.

We have multiplied our possessions,
but reduced our values.

We talk too much, love too seldom, and lie too
often.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life.

We've added years to life, not life to years.

We've been all the way to the moon and back but
have trouble crossing the street to meet the new
neighbor.



The third-graders take in all the excitement of First Friday.



Kindergartner Aaron Bracher gets two senior buddies, Gino Picozzi and John Greenberg, to perform the traditional walk around the gym.



FIRST FRIDAY

Student Body President Robert Adrian's commitment to all parts of PCDS started the year with a bang!



We've done larger things, but not better things.
We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul.
We've split the atom, but not our prejudice.

We write more, but learn less.

We learned to rush,
but not to wait.

We have more weapons but less peace,
higher incomes but lower morals,
more parties
but less fun.

More acquaintances
but fewer friends.

More effort
but less success.

We build more computers to hold more
information, to produce more copies than ever, but
have less communication;
build larger factories that produce less.
We've become long on quantity but short on
quality.

These are the times of fast foods and slow
digestion,
tall men but short character,
steep in profits but shallow relationships.
These are times of world peace but domestic
warfare;

these are days of two incomes, but more divorces.

These are times of fancier houses but broken
homes.

These are days of quick trips, disposable diapers,
throw-away morality and pills that do everything
from cheer, to prevent, quiet or kill.

I encourage you, and you and you and yes, you too:
to laugh more, read more, listen more, learn more;
do more things for your true friends and teach
more. I want you to live life more.



**More seniors
follow with
their eager
buddies.**



**Senior Sakina
Pasha and
kindergartner
Claudia Sheridan
walk hand in
hand.**

All School

Blue and Gold Spirit



Left, top to bottom: Quinlan Hamann shows his Blue and Gold Day spirit in a place all people will see: his face!

Devin Ingersoll enjoys her wild ride at the hands of hardworking kindergarteners.

Senior boys show off their killer moves to the receptive PCDS fans.

Above: Matt Prusak (as the PCDS Eagle, "Thunder,") entertains the Blue and Gold Day crowd by moving to the music.

Boat Regatta



Above: Sophomore Rachel Epstein serves up an ace!

Right, top to bottom:

Seniors ultimately claimed victory in the hotly contested race.

Freshmen cruise by while Daniel Niv plays a sailor's tune.

Senior Colin Kelly screams the cry of a ruthless pirate as his crewmates try to kick off the PCDS swim-team marauders.

PROJECT EXCELLENCE



Project Excellence is a community outreach program that invites gifted students from inner-city schools to the PCDS campus for academic enrichment. The mission was originally to motivate students to stay in school throughout high school and has since been extended to include counseling, guidance, and encouragement for the Scholars to stay active in the program, excel in school, and attend college. The challenging, experiential program integrates writing, reading, mathematics, science, research, information technology, and performing and visual arts. This unique curriculum provides a learning experience different from the one students have in regular schools.

FAMILY PROMISE



Family Promise - Greater Phoenix is one of many Family Promise programs throughout the country meeting the needs of homeless families with children under the age of 18. In keeping with the guidelines from the parent organization, our program provides meals, a homelike setting, emotional support and a full range of social, economic, and educational services for those families that are accepted into the program. PCDS is proud to partner with family promise. Students and staff alike look forward to the opportunity to welcome these families to our campus.

All School

Welcome to New Zealand



Back row, from left: Mr. Dummer, Mr. White, Olivia Cumsky, Bianca Cervantes, Haley Carroll, Benazir Khan, Adelar Pesqueira, Robert White. Middle row: Ms. Smith, Alfred Alvarez, Stephanie Germaine, Nithin Pusapati. Front row: Chris Abdo, Brett Hennessy, Colin Kelly.



Safely strapped into the helicopter, Mr. Dummer prepares to take flight.



Ms. Smith wonders, "If a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush, what's a bird on the head worth?"



Their futures are so bright, they gotta wear shades: Benazir Khan and Nithin Pusapati pose for the camera.

SUMMER EVENTS AND TRAVELS



Above: Students (from left to right): Steph Kost, Chris Garagiola, Thomas Turansky, Spenser Gwozdzik, Maude LaBelle, Josh McGrath, Taylor Pitt, David Selvala, Lexi Myers, and Jake Villadolid, along with teachers Mr. Martin and Mr. Guthrie, smile with their new German buddies.

Wanderlust and a desire to learn about their world take PCDS students around the globe. School-sponsored trips included a summer venture to Australia and New Zealand as well as an October jaunt to Germany.



Left: Mr. Guthrie reads the description in a museum in Germany.

Middle: Latina and Teddie Vidolova hang out in Amsterdam.

Right: Lexi Myers, Maude LaBelle, Steph Kost, and Taylor Pitt show off their hearts in Deutschland.

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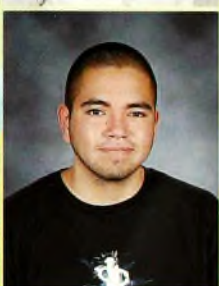
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All School



This page, counterclockwise from left: These Lower School boys have a love of the game ... flag football, that is! Pre-K student Alex Goldstein shows off her positive "chin-up" attitude. Freshman Kate Gonzales flashes a winning grin. Pre-K students are all smiles on their way to class.



AROUND SCHOOL



This page, counterclockwise from top: Second-grade students gather with Ms. Gurnee to show off the clay geckos they made for the garden. First-grade readers Jing Clayton, John Moore, Anna DeFilippis, and Christopher Buskirk assemble in the library, pencils ready. Senior Sakina Pasha knows that an apple a day keeps the doctor away. Middle-school students enjoy their lunches at the covered tables.



All School



Top: PCDS students put their best foot(wear) forward. From left: Things that make you go "UGG" in the Upper School, a Lower School student's take on the classic ruby slippers, and an Upper School student's iconic rain boots, perfect for any weather. Middle: Pre-K students Kylie Smith and Kirtana Roopan model their variations on a theme: Girls in the hood(s). Bottom: ZÜCA rolling backpacks are an ergonomic and fashionable way to tote everything you need for a jam-packed school day... and express your personality, too!



FASHION



Top, left to right: Senior Tyler Tse shows off his adept layering skills. Eighth-graders Zoe Fitzgerald and April Curci are just "plaid" to be here. Sophomore Rachel Epstein models one of the schoolyear's hottest trends: the just-so scarf. Middle: Sixth-grader Bond McGillivray looks like he came straight from the beach with his sunny, tousled 'do. Bottom: Seventh-grader Alex Rigberg is in step with the latest fashions in his military-style hat.

All School



Counterclockwise from immediate right: Author, humanitarian and Nobel Peace Prize nominee Greg Mortenson speaks to a soldout crowd. Lawrence Krauss was one of the speakers in the Spirit of the Senses series. Native American writer Simon Ortiz speaks to upper school students. Kindergarten students visited the Jeffrey D. McClelland Flight Training Center. Second-grade students learn about careers from classroom visitors throughout the year.

COMMUNITY SPEAKERS



Top: Third-graders took a field trip to Heritage Square. **Middle row, left to right:** First-grade students enjoyed time with a special guest. Kindergartners visited the Desert Botanical Garden. Author and former Clinton administration speechwriter Andrei Cherney speaks to students in Hormel. **Bottom:** Parents volunteered as guest readers in many lower school classes. Here, second-graders enjoy a story.

Lower School



The Lower School program provides a quality education for students in pre-K through fourth grade. At the heart of the school's philosophy and mission is a commitment to excellence in the academic, personal, and social development of the students. The Lower School faculty and staff work closely to create a nurturing environment with small classes and a challenging, comprehensive curriculum. With a solid foundation in traditional academic disciplines, the students develop and master skills and discover the joy of learning. Each class is taught by a homeroom teacher, and in pre-K through third grade, students receive additional support from an assistant.



The core curriculum in the Lower School at PCDS is enhanced by the study of music, art, science, physical education, technology, library science, and foreign language (Spanish). Specialists in each area work closely with the homeroom teachers to create a rich and motivating program. Curriculum integration across subject disciplines strengthens the students knowledge and applications for learning.

Lower School

Sonya Barkdull
Julien Berman
Charlotte Bishov
Diana Briguglio
Bianca Burke



Will Burnham
Anna Buskirk
Parker Cashdan
Nikki Clayton
Natalie Conomos



Tommy Conomos
Harrison Culverhouse
Keara Dean
Mikayla Drewitz
Etienne Dunoyer



Elliott Ernster
Alexandria Goldstein
Juliana Gonzalez
Isabelle Hogan
Elsa Jackson



Emilio Justo
Abigael Marquez
Cooper McKee
Lilly Robinson
Kirtana Roopan





Max Rubin
Norbu Shastri
Ashton Simons
Ally Smith
Kylie Smith

Sydney Anne Stewart
Daytona Taylor
Madison Williams



What is your favorite color?

"Pink! My sister says pink is the prettiest color ever."

Mikayla Drewitz

What is your favorite class?

"P.E., because we get to run." Maxwell Rubin



Lower School

Greta Bindley
Gwen Bindley
Luca Borletti
Aaron Bracher
Ciena Carmichael



Kyndall Cole
Foster Commins
Andrew Conomos
Rachel Cooper
Hannah Drewitz



Emile Dunoyer
Lauren Eby
Eric Emami
Alexa Flader
Nicholas Gaylord



Max Goldstein
Talia Goodman
Jaden Grossman
Darwin Harriss
Jason Kim



Matthew Linhart
Ella Maffi
Spencer McKee
Victoria Moreno
Shaqir O'Neal



What is the kindergarten's favorite animal?
"We like bats, because they remind us of Halloween."

KINDERGARTEN



Dasan Orlich
Anika Patel
Ciara Rethore
Benjamin Richardson
Claudia Sheridan



Jacob Singer
Keenan Surber
Annabel Symington
Olivia Vu
Ava Williams



Alexandra Xanthos
Karsen Yue



What's your favorite class?

"We like computers, because we can play games and draw on Kidpix."



Lower School

Erik Barkdull
Luke Briguglio
Christopher Buskirk
Alexandra Jing Clayton
Anna DeFilippis



Dylan DeFilippis
Allie Dever
Chaya Feng
Annabel Firestone
Arjun Gill



Daniel Gomez
Myla Hill
Zain Jakwani
Tyler Lodato
Kiki Longo



Katherine Lynch
John Moore
Amirah O'Neal
Teddy Peles
Alexander Petrides



Annie Prusak
David Richmann
Joel Rubin
Zachary Singer
Aari Sivakumar



What is your favorite animal?"
Emily Tenaglia: "Dogs." Brierly Wand: "Bears."
Teddy Peles: "Dogs."

FIRST GRADE



Lauren Stein
Samantha Stein
Shray Swarup
Somya Swarup
Emily Tenaglia



Nicole Thoits
Luca Walsh
Brierly Wand
Kevin Wang



Benjamin Williams
Brendan Zuieback



Lower School

Luc Bergera
Andrew Bivens
Gage Bradford
Morgan Bradford
Sarah Burr



Simon Cantor
Clayton Carmichael
Jack Connelly
Isabella de Roos
Tatum Dial



Fiona Donovan
Brenna Dugel
Will Ellegard
Jakob Feng
Ali Garvin



Lauren Garvin
Ryan Gilburne
Ida Jackson
Allyson Kim
Zachary Linhart



Ella Longo
Laura Lu
Nicholas Lu
Thomas Lu
Darshan Mand



SECOND GRADE



Sophia Najafi
Justin Racine
Henri Richardson
Oliver Rosenberg
Zach Sarver



Momo Siu
Michael Slate
Ariana Isabel Sokolov
Brent Stein
Alexander Tam



Charlie Towle
Phillip West
Olivia Witt
Caroline Wittekind
Nicole Zuniga



Michael Rosenthal



What do you like to do after school?

"Play on my Nintendo DS." Clayton Carmichael

What is your favorite animal?

"A cheetah." Michael Rosenthal

What is your favorite color?

"Blue." Ella Longo



Lower School

Louis Aaron
Sophie Ax
Sam Baker
Nicola Buskirk
Lindsey Cherilla



Carter Clemmensen
Eric Cole
Karli Davis
Kati Dean
Stephanie Elizondo



Olivia Ellegard
Asad Farooqui
Griffin Fletcher
Grant Gaylord
Ryan Goodman



Isabella Gordon
Andrew Hanneman
D.J. Hauben
Carina Ho
Rose Larkin



Christopher Montooth
Blake Moorad
Jennifer Moore
Natalie Moyes
Matthew Reed Myers



What do you like about third grade?

"I like in P.E. when we do soccer, and I enjoyed swimming early in the year." Isabella Gordon

Who is your favorite teacher?

"Ms. French, because she is fun and silly."
Nikasha Patel



THIRD GRADE



**Cameron Najafi
Olivia Najafi
Jackson Nichols
Shareef O'Neal
Nikasha Patel**

**Joey Peles
Will Ray
Michael Richmann
Harrison Rooney
Stuart Rucker**

**Anika Sanghvi
Jake Sarver
David Schwartz
Jem Stern
Ryan Wang**

**Not Pictured:
Avery Oberfield**



Lower School

Daniel Aklog
Katie Birzon
Andri Bonadurer
Annalise Bracher
Madison Bradford



Wally Brown
Emilie Canulla
Rica Noelle Chan
Adam Cherilla
Curtis Clemmensen



Madison Dever
Will Donovan
David Farca
Marc Fuller
E.K. Gaylord



E.L. Gaylord
Lilly Giller
Alejandro Gonzalez
Nate Goodman
Meredith Grehan



Ally Grounds
Max Johnson
Margaux Katz
Thalia Koliopoulos
Kylie Kowalske



What do you like about fourth grade?

"I like fourth grade so far, because we get to do all of these fun activities that we will remember for a long time." Emma Sheridan

Who is your favorite teacher in fourth grade?

"I like all the fourth grade teachers. I also like the special teachers. All the teachers are very nice and kind. Some are stricter than others." Gabby Loeff



FOURTH GRADE



Janae Lewis
Gabby Loeff
Shakilla Maniraju
Surrein Maniraju
Celeste Martinez



Nicky Meath
Brendan Morey
Alexa Portigal
Maxwell Rosenberg
Nathan Rubin



Emma Sheridan
Edison Siu
Amanda Slate
Matthew Stein
Pierce Swanson



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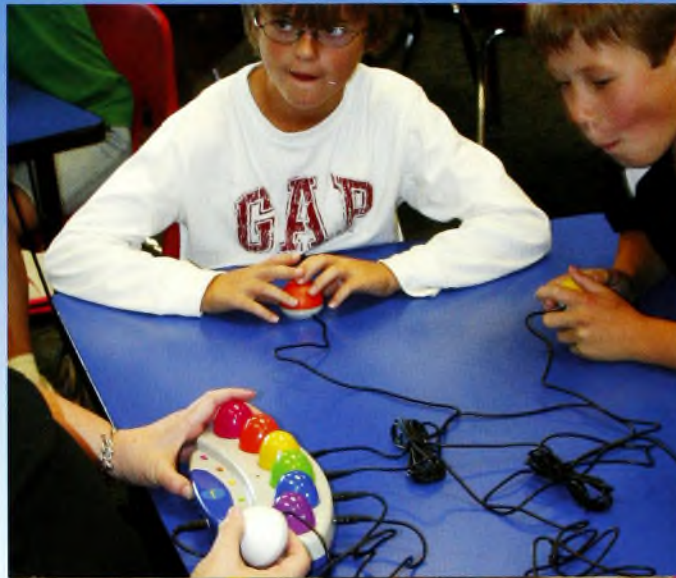
This page,
counterclockwise
from top right:

Second-grader
Nicholas Lu waits
patiently for class
to begin.

Fourth-graders Marc
Fuller and Will
Towle sharpen their
skills with a learning
game in Spanish
class.

Third-grader Olivia
Ellegard takes a
moment to read
one of her own
books to the rest of
her class.

Third-grader David
Schwartz takes a
break from drawing
during art class to
pose for the
camera.





This page, clockwise from top left:

Fourth-graders Spencer Wand and Will Donovan love school thiiiiiiiiiiiiis much!

First-grader John Moore uses candies to complete a graphing activity. Math has never been so sweet!.

Third-grader Eric Cole works diligently on his artwork.

Picking and grinning: Kindergartners enjoy a rollicking banjo performance by special guest Ian MacPherson.

Right: The PCDS Children's Choir explores the finer points of music.



Below: Pre-K students get their groove on during music class.



Right: Mrs. Cose-Giallella rehearses a choir tune with Spencer Wand.



Right: Third-graders Ryan Wang, Michael Richmann, and Will Ray have tons of fun in music. Can you feel the beat?





Ms. Gurnee poses for a class picture with all of her Eagle's Wings After-School Art students.



Left: Ms. Gurnee's second-grade art students show off their Chinese character cutouts created with exchange teacher Vicky Xia from Chengdu.



Above: Zachary Singer poses for the camera using paper from an art class collage project.



Left: Nicole Thoits wears a white apron to protect her clothes as she puts some final touches on her project during art class.

Left: Jason Kim and Dasan Orlich (kindergartners by day, junior Picassos by night) practice watercoloring together.

Lower School

Seniors Kendra Simon and Steph Kost smile excitedly as they walk in hand-in-hand with their kindergarten buddy, Greta Bindley.



Senior Mark Eisenberg watches over his kindergarten buddy, Eric Emami, during a fun snack time between the kindergarten and senior classes.



Above: Architects-in-the-making, senior Brett Hennessy and kindergartners Annabe Symington and Emile Dunoyer are excited about their completed stick building.

Left: Senior Quinlan Hamann offers his buddy, kindergartner Dasan Orlich, some reader response.



Kindergarten-Senior Buddies

Right: Senior Zinnia
as and kindergartner
wen Bindley laugh
and talk about life
PCDS.



Below: Seniors Alex
eller and Anna
ilverman and
ndergartners Karsen
ue and Lauren Eby
njoy cookies and
uality bonding time
ne Monday morning.



The tradition continues:
seniors Matt
Rosenzweig and Noah
Segal escort
kindergartners
Nicholas Gaylord and
Keenan Surber
respectively during the
First Friday Ceremony.



A serious guy moment:
seniors Eric Fram and
Colin Kelly walk into
the gym with
kindergartner Darwin
Harriss.

Lower School

Halloween



Clockwise from top left: Andri Bonadurer, Curtis Clemmensen, and David Farea applaud the speaker in their halloween costumes. Harrison Culverhouse proudly walks up to the stage with Etienne Dunoyer following behind him. A group of Lower School students poses for a group picture. Aaron Bracher eagerly shows off his pumpkin. Michael Richmann, Jacob Stern, and Will Ray show off their festive outfits.

Grandparents and Special Friend Day



Clockwise from top left: Jennifer Moore shows off her work to her grandparents. Parker Whitfill poses for a picture with his family. Ryan Goodman is happy to spend the day with his close family. Samantha Stein displays her musical talent during assembly. The pre-Kindergartners play with sticks to keep the beat.

LOWER SCHOOL



Brent Stein shows off his muscles while waiting for his turn.



Grace Tuton smiles for the camera after her race.



Janae Lewis is congratulated by her coach.



Isabella de Roos demonstrates proper side-breathing technique in her hot pink goggles.



It's a close race between three lower school children just off the starting blocks.



Coach Sadie Etheridge prepares her relay team for the big event.



Christopher Montooth takes a deep breath as he prepares to keep swimming.

SWIM EXHIBITION



Alex Tame shows off his matching blue goggles and blue swim shirt.



Reid Meyers enjoys his purple popsicle to cool down.



Samantha Stein opens up her popsicle.



Ali Dever finishes up her delicious popsicle. What joke was on the stick, we wonder.

The winning team poses for the classic picture in front of the American flag.



Left: Dan Majeski announces the results of the swim exhibition. Right: The Lower School girls prepare to begin the race.

Anika Sanghui determinedly continues down the lane.



Middle School



Our middle school encompasses the fifth through eighth grades and has approximately 250 students. Class sizes are kept below 20 to ensure the kind of personal connections with faculty that we believe are the cornerstones of an excellent education. Incredible programs in the arts complement our core classes. Students also participate in a class taught by the middle school counselors that helps them to make sense of themselves and their world. Students travel on annual class trips designed to increase the cohesiveness of each grade and to allow students opportunities to develop greater independence.



As we believe that middle school is a time to explore new things and expand horizons, our athletics program gives any interested student the chance to play on a team and build both skills and confidence. In much the same way, our student council welcomes all interested students willing to give themselves and their time. We believe that middle school students need our help to develop a strong sense of their roles and responsibilities as community members. Providing service and developing awareness are essential elements of our program. The best we can do as a school is to give our students the opportunity to feel that they have made a valuable contribution to the world.

Middle School

Sophie Arregoces
Jake Bain
Sabrina Barkdull
Daniel Bashir
Carson Bishov



Alexandra Botto
Nic Briguglio
Mackenzie Cantor
Leah Chanen
Caroline Cohen



Natalie Cohen
Natalie Cooper
Wyatt Dial
Tara Dugel
Andrew Ekmark



Sam Evans
Abraham Farooqui
Sam Garvin
Edaise Germany
Jillian Gilburne



Why do you like fifth grade?

"I like it, because it's the first year of middle school and it's so different. I like having different teachers and being able to chose our own instruments."

Leah Chanen



FIFTH GRADE



Ali Goldberg
Mollie Goldfarb
Alex Heinritz
Drew Hosmar
Kira Kirby

Raagini Kothur
Chloe Leifer
Daniel Lillard
Josh Lindley
Stephanie Liu

Ammar Mand
Amara Miller
Alexa Nino
Mia Oberfield
Isa Pesqueira

Natalie Prieb
Liam Rethore
Michael Rohacz
Matthew Rosenthal
Max Sarver

What is your favorite class?

"I like PE, because it's really fun and I get to experience a lot of new sports!" Isa Pesqueira



Middle School

Ethan Shacknai
Anita Sheih
Jessica Sherman
Tiana Siragusa
Sophia Swinford



Braxton Underwood
Carissa Wang



Not Pictured:
Natasha Bradley

What do you like about fifth grade so far and why?

"I like all the new classes we get to take, like band. I play the trombone."
Kira Kirby

Are there any teachers whom you particularly enjoy and why?

"I like Mr. E, because it's fun to be in his class and I love the Tiger pencil case."
Leah Chanen





What sports or other extracurricular activities are you involved in?
What do you enjoy about your activities?

"I'm in volleyball and soccer. I really like soccer, because I get to see old friends and meet new people on other teams."

Isa Pesqueira



Middle School

Rae Aaron
Sofia Aklog
Carlos Alvarado
Meryl Ax
Myles Baptiste-O'Neal



Will Bassoff
Dean Boyle
Mackenzie Bradford
Ian Burke
Shannon Burke



Caroline Cogliani
Kyah Cohen
Adam Davis
Peter Firestone
Gracie Gilberg



Morgan Gonzales
Sarah Gonzalez
Maddie Gordon
Julia Grehan
Wynston Hamann



What do you enjoy most about school?
"I love soccer and art because they free your
mind of stress." Shannon Burke

Who is your favorite teacher?
"I like Ms. de Anguera because she is a
really good teacher." Lina Khan



SIXTH GRADE



Gabe Hamilton
Katie Hanneman
Lina Khan
Arion Koliopoulos
Carson Krause

Staley Lane
Dylan Langerman
Brandon Lee
Fallon Leyba
Peter Martineau

Daniel Matloff
Bond McGillivray
Kyle Money
Yocoyani Montiel
Amelia Montooth

Paulina Moreno
Jake Morey
Joshua Munoz
Claire Myers
Lexi Nelson

What are you looking forward to about sixth grade?
"I am looking forward to playing Aussie-rules football in
P.E. and watching the open-heart surgery video in science."
Wynston Hamann



Middle School

Lance Nino
Sarah Petrides
Sreya Ravi
Kendall Reaves
Morgan Richman



Bryeson Rodgers
Cassidy Server
Bradley Sheffield
Yohan Sivakumar
Mariel Sokolov



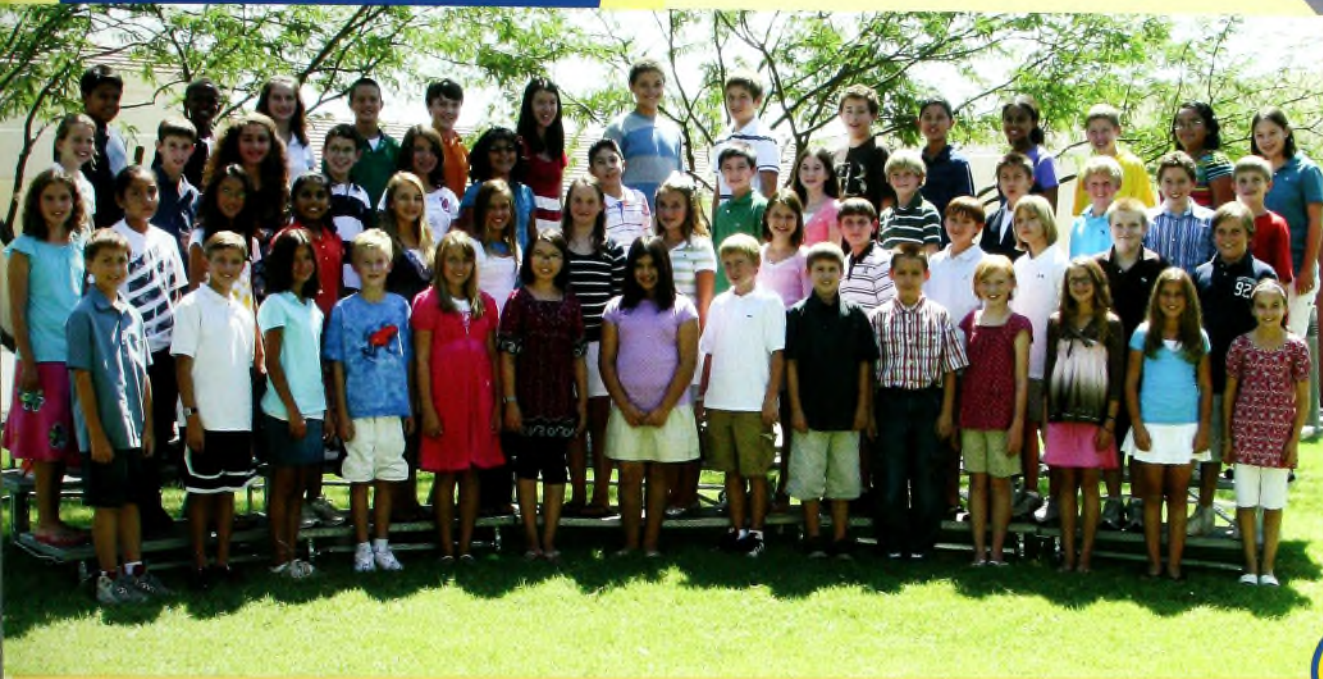
Bryce Stockslager
Hunter VanDolah
Sabrina Whitfill
Tyler Witt



What did you enjoy about the sixth grade trip?
"Pali Mountain was really fun because we had fun with our friends." Peter Firestone

What are you looking forward to this year?
"An awesome year." Mackenzie Bradford





What classes do you enjoy most?

"Language classes because there are lots of cool languages to learn."

Sarah Gonzalez

What is your favorite class?

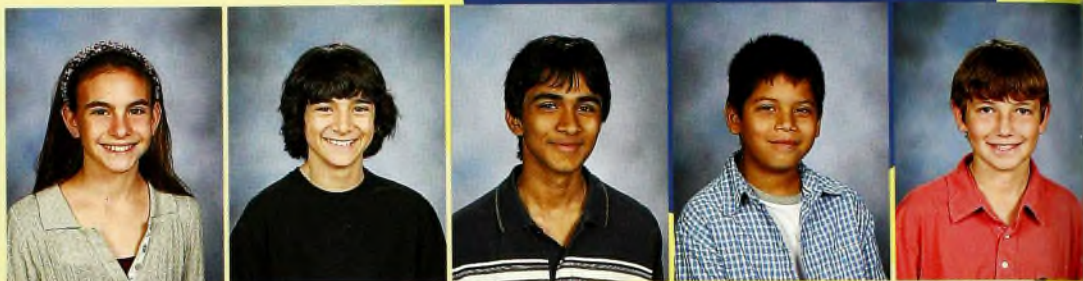
"Art because we learn lots of different styles and do many different projects."

Kyah Cohen



Middle School

Charlotte Aaron
Jonathan Abdo
Raghav Agarwal
Jose Alvarado
Samuel Ax



Reid Bard
Tommy Beckham
Chase Bishov
Isabelle Brothers
Brendan Burke



Karen Catano
Anna Connelly
Ana Corey
Tyler Dial
E.J. Dohring



Michael Engert
Briana Ewart
Chelsea Fassero
Joanna Fennessy
Andrew Garner



What do you enjoy about seventh grade?
"Friends, because they are funny and awesome. I
call all of the seventh-graders my favorite
people." Sophia Ho

SEVENTH GRADE



**Jake Ghelfi
Sam Gilson
Niki Gomez
Michelle Greenfield
Nick Grounds**

**Gage Hampton
Sophia Ho
Sidrah Khan
Tony Knudson
Tyler Kowalske**

**Quinn Larkin
Brennen Lee
Sierra Lee
Lexie Lewis
Grant Lillard**

**Lauren Lindley
Craig Logan
Margaret Loncki
Kalea Martin
Chris Mattinson**



Middle School

**Madison Mayhew
Ashlynn Miller
Blake Miller
Christopher Moorad
Maddy Nelson**



**Jennelle Norem
Rachel Onken
Sydney Portigal
Avery Racine
Alex Rigberg**



**Jonathan Rooney
Nikhita Sachdeva
Aashay Sanghvi
Morgan Schwartz
Sydney Schwartz**



**Gabby Shacknai
Cole Shepard
Rachael Stottlemire
Olivia Swinford
Emily Taracena**



How was your class trip to Joshua Tree?

"It was really fun to sleep in the tents." Jonathan Abdo

Who is your favorite teacher?

"Mr. Rowe, because he is funny and laid-back."

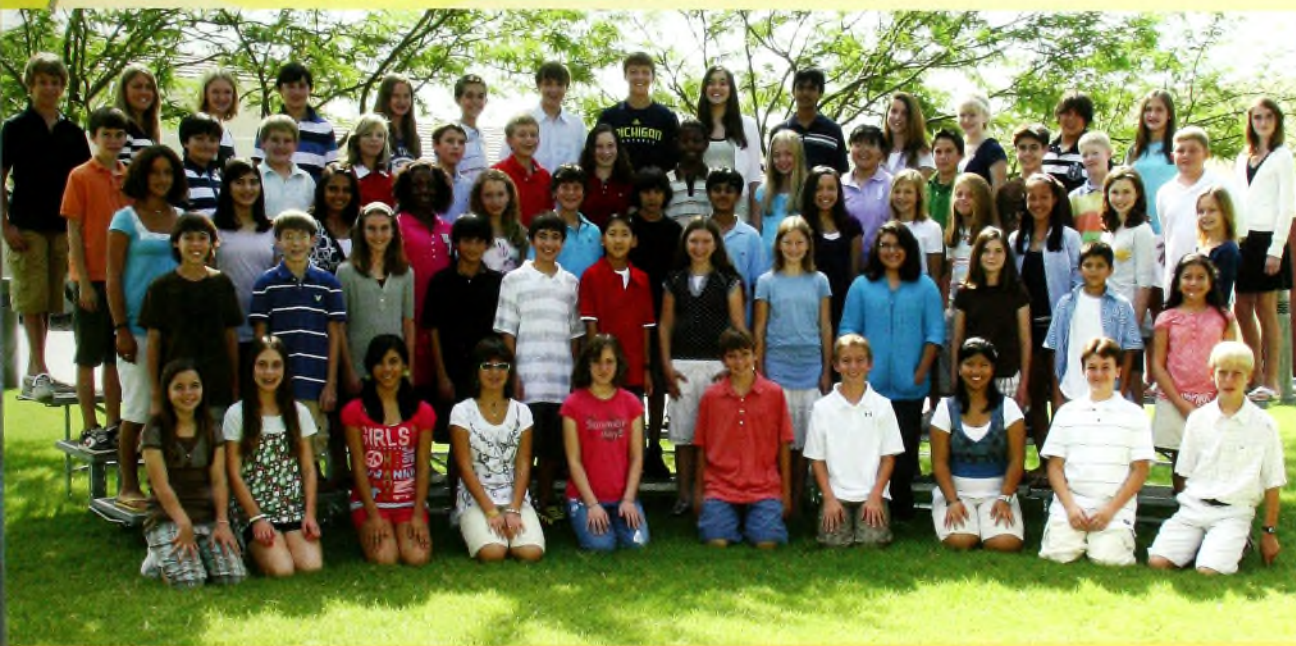
Sophia Ho



SEVENTH GRADE



Summer Travis
Emily Wendt
Kate Werth
Jacie Wright
Alice Zhao



What is your favorite part of seventh grade?

"Classes, because we actually learn stuff this year and theyre easy. I also like my friends, because they are fun people." Sydnee Schwartz



Middle School

Andrew Bohannon
Gian-Reto Bonadurer
Maria Bridgeman
Jaimie Bryan
Isabel Carter-Kahn



Clay Cashman
Derek Chan
Dominique Clancy
Ace Cohen
Melanie Cohen



April Curci
Nicolas DeMaggio
Christy Doherty
Amelia Drumm
Whitney Fahnbulleh



Zoe Fitzgerald
India Grasso
Grant Gustafson
Stenson Hamann
Lauren Hanneman

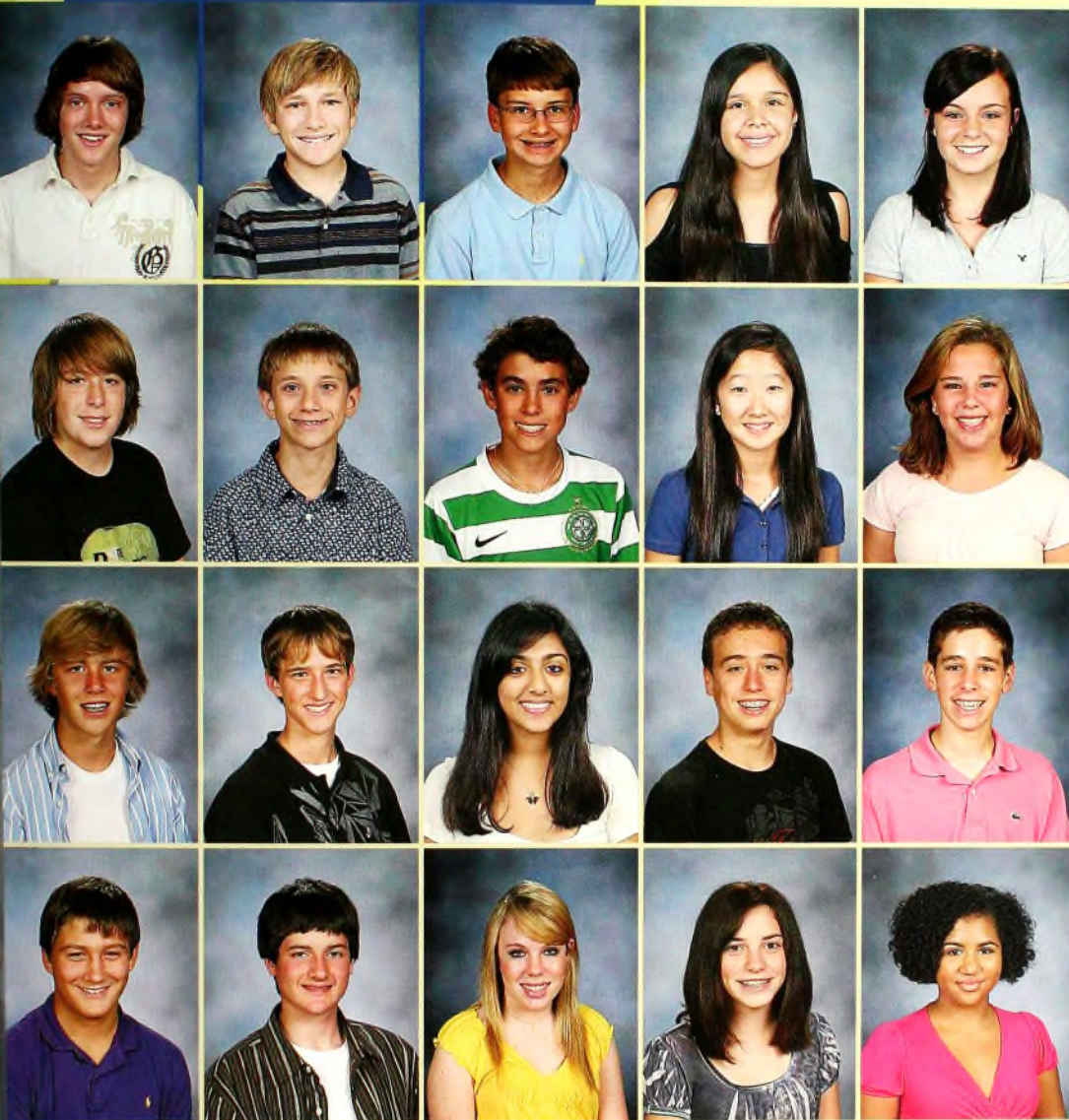


What do you enjoy about eighth grade?

"I like eighth grade, because at Catalina I really got to bond with people I never really thought I would get to know." Paige Thomas



EIGHTH GRADE



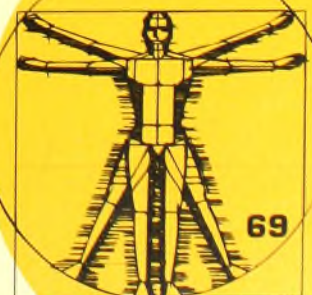
Dylon Heinritz
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Selena Jacquez
Hannah Johnson-Clague

Alec Knappenberger
Evan Kolbet
Jack Larkin
Arielle Lee
Elana Leifer

Riggs Lennon
Kevin Lynch
Saira Malhotra
Taylor Money
Justin Moorad

Cole Novatt
Danny Onofryton
Christine Owens
Emma Pappas
Olivia Pearson

What activities are you involved in?
"I'm involved with the play and I really enjoy it."
Ace Cohen



Middle School

Mariclare Rethore
Breana Roberts
Garron Rodgers
Patrick Rody
Phillip Rody



Claire Rose
Natascha Schippel
Kiersten Schneider
Emily Schron
Michael Selvala



Emma Seraichick
Erin Sheffield
Pauline Shongov
Colton Siddle
Angelica Sisson



Kaddie Stephens
Maddie Stern
Charlie Sturr
Alex Sylvester
Paige Thomas



What do you like most about eighth grade?

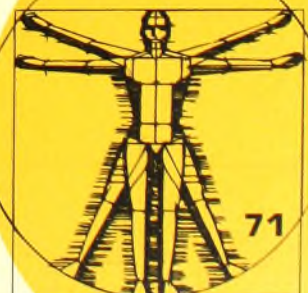
"I really love all the teachers. I love the confidence they give me and the persuasion to push myself." Christine Owens

Are there any teachers whom you particularly enjoy? Why?

"I think Mrs. Marks is an awesome teacher because she makes history fun and she is a great advisor." Mariclare Rethore



EIGHTH GRADE



Middle School



Above, left to right: Students in this seventh-grade English class get an "A" in enthusiasm! Seventh-graders Jackie Wright and Karen Catano are deep in concentration. Center, left to right: Ms. Hall has a "teachable moment" with her fifth-grade students. Ms. Gaumer explains the color wheel to her seventh-grade art class.

Below: Ms. Olson lays some algebra on her seventh-grade students. Fifth-grader Isa Pesqueira hits the books.





Above: Ms. Youngman uses the latest technology to take her eighth-grade science class around the world without leaving their seats.

Top right: Students raise their hands when they have questions or ideas to contribute to class discussion.

Right: Ms. Marks has a clever method for making sure her eighth-grade History students don't lose important papers: hot pink handouts!



Left: Fifth-grader Chloe Leifer waits patiently for some one-on-one time with her teacher.

Right: Ashlynn Miller manages to laugh during her studies.





ART



Left: Colton Siddle and Michael Selvala "donut" waste any time getting down to the business of art.

Clockwise from far right: A Middle School art student shows her taste of art in her clothes and projects. Three Middle School boys work together to make a project. Not all art is on paper, as Middle School students demonstrate on a picnic table. Madison Mayhew enjoys working on all of her art projects.



MUSIC



Left: Cool cat David Rowe conducts the Middle School musicians.

Clockwise from top left: The seventh-grade band class takes a moment to rest in between sets. Two seventh-graders watch as one of their fellow musicians demonstrates musical skill. Sixth-grade band students pay close attention during class.



Left: Natalie Cooper and Jessica Sherman toot their own horns. Andrew Hosmar keeps the beat as he sits coolly behind his drum kit.

Middle School



**Clockwise from top left:
Eighth-graders Paige Thomas,
Garron Rodgers, Erin Sheffield,
and Hannah Johnson-Clague.**

**Ms. Malone helps her students
understand important math
concepts.**

**Fifth-graders show tremendous
focus as they remain on task in
class.**

**On the fifth-grade trip to
Arcosanti, a group of students
put memories of their
experience on paper.**





Counterclockwise from left:
Sixth-graders soar to monumental heights on their class excursion to Pali Mountain.

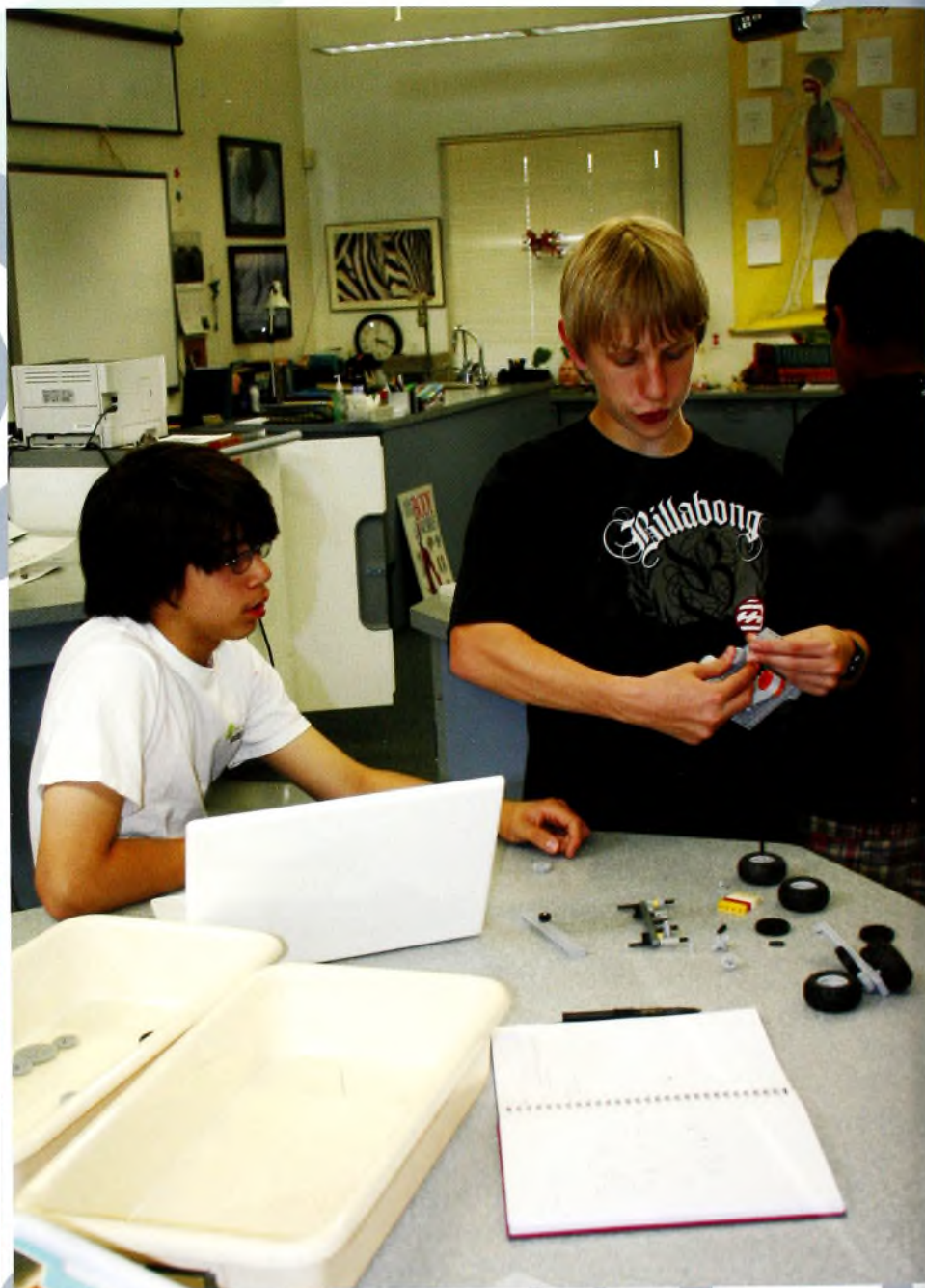
Ms. Youngman, a renowned eco-enthusiast, lectures her Environmental Science class.

A counselor supervises the seventh-graders taking down their tents at Joshua Tree.

Fifth-grader Wyatt Dial works hard on his math homework.



Middle School



Clockwise from top left: Ms. Valencia teaches a fifth-grader Spanish. Seventh-graders Chris Mattinson and Jonathan Rooney build a car during science class. Fifth-grader Tara Dugel scans a book before checking it out of the library. Middle School students take advantage of the nice weather to hang out in the grass.



Clockwise from left: Kira Kirby works efficiently during class. The sixth-grade life science class pays close attention while taking notes. Josh Lindly packs up his bag after an intense day of learning. Morgan Richman and Paulina Moreno smile while sitting in the grass.

Middle School



Clockwise from top left: Fifth-graders get back to nature on their class trip to Arcosanti. A group of seventh-graders sits studiously, working responsibly. A sixth-grader experiences the ultimate rush of adrenaline as he flies through during a ropes course. Seventh-grader Sam Gilson focuses on accuracy during his science experiment.



Clockwise from top left: Sixth-graders eat lunch out in the grass. Sixth-graders Ben Whitmore, Bryce Stockslager, and Meryl Ax concentrate during class. A group of sixth-graders bonds on a class trip. Ms. Bernhardt teaches a class. Lexi Nelson and Wynston Hamman enjoy the benefits of a small math class.

Middle School Sports

Volleyball

Flag Football

Boys Basketball

Girls Basketball

Baseball

Softball

Boys Soccer

Girls Soccer

Lacrosse



Middle School Volleyball



Above: Seventh- and eighth-grade volleyball, blue. Coach: Kevin Cherilla. Team Roster: Isabelle Brothers, Joan Clancy, Anna Connelly, Chelsea Fasero, Dominique Gomez, Michelle Greenfield, Selena Jacquez, Arielle Lee, Margaret Loncki, Madeline Nelson, Emma Pappas, Natascha Schippel, Emily Schron, Paige Thomas, Pallavi Wakharkar, Emily Wendt.

Below: Fifth- and sixth-grade volleyball, blue. Coach: Nanna Farrell. Team Roster: Sofia Aklog, Sophie Arregoces, Caroline Cogliani, Grace Gilberg, Sarah Gonzalez, Julia Grehan, Kira Kirby, Lexi Nelson, Alexa Nino, Sreya Ravi, Morgan Richman.



Above: Seventh- and eighth-grade volleyball, gold. Coach: Paige Hannawait. Team Roster: Ana Corey, Joanna Fennessy, Lauren Hanneman, Lauren Lindley, Kalea Martin, Madison Mayhew, Sydney Portigal, Gabriele Shacknai, Erin Sheffield, Rachel Stottlemire, Olivia Swinford, Summer Travis, Nayely Velez Cruz, Katherine Werth, Jacqueline Wright.

Below: Fifth- and sixth-grade volleyball, gold. Coach: Nanna Farrell. Team Roster: Sabrina Barkdull, Carson Bishov, Leah Chanen, Natalie Cohen, Edaise Germany, Katherine Hanneman, Chole Leifer, Stephanie Liu, Tiana Siragusa, Sophia Swinford.



Middle School Flag Football



Fifth- and sixth-grade flag football. Coaches: Shane Lewis and Sean Newland.

Team Roster: Jacob Bain, Wil Basoff, Dean Boyle, Adam Davis, Wyatt Dial, Andrew Ekmark, Peter Firestone, Gabriel Hamilton, Andrew Hosmar, Dylan Langerman, Daniel Lillard, Bond McGillivray, Kyle Money, Joshua Munoz, Bryeson Rodgers, Ethan Shacknai, Bryce Stockslager, Braxton Underwood, Ben Whitmore.

Below: Seventh- and eighth-grade flag football. Head Coach: Shane Lewis. Assistant Coach: Sean Newland.

Team Roster: Jonathan Abdo, Raghav Agarwal, Reid Bard, Clay Cashman, Michael Engert, Andrew Garner, Jake Ghelfi, Nicholas Grounds, Grant Gustafson, Michael Hampton, Tyler Humphrey, Anthony Knudson, Tyler Kowalske, Grant Lillard, Kevin Lynch, Blake Miller, Taylor Money, Justin Moorad, Cole Novatt, Daniel Onofryton, Michael Selvala, Colton Siddle, Zachary Wright.



Middle School Lacrosse



Above: The Middle School Lacrosse Team poses for its team photo with Coach Vince Perez-Mazzola.

Team Roster: Gian-Reto Bonadurer, Brendan Burke, Clay Cashman, Nicolas DeMaggio, Michael Engert, Peter Firestone, Jake Ghelfi, Nicholas Grounds, Grant Gustafson, Gabriel Hamilton, Quinn Larkin, Riggs Lennon, Kevin Lynch, Justin Moorad, William Morey, Daniel Onofryton, Cole Shepard, Colton Siddle, Hart Sturr, Hunter VanDolah, Tyler Witt.

GO TEAM

GO TEAM

Middle School Boys Basketball



The fifth- and sixth-grade boys basketball team, Gold. Coach: Troy Farnsworth. Team Roster: Ian Burke, Samuel Garvin, Gabirel Hamilton, Andrew Hosmar, Brandon Lee, Peter Martineau, Daniel Matloff, William Morey, Joshua Munoz, Braxton Underwood.



The fifth- and sixth-grade boys basketball team, Blue. Coach: Shane Lewis. Team Roster: Jacon Bain, Myles Baptiste-O-Neal, Dean Boyle, Adam Davis, Andrew Ekmark, Carson Krause, Dylan Langerman, Ammar Mand, Kyle Money, Bryeson Rodgers, Bryce Stockslager.

Not pictured: Seventh- and eighth-grade boys basketball, Blue and Gold. Coaches: Shane Lewis and Sean Newland. Players: Chase Bishov, Michael Engert, Andrew Garner, Riggs Lennon, Grant Lillard, Kevin Lynch, Justin Moorad, Alex Sylvester, Jean Troutman, Raghav Agarwal, Samuel Ax, Thomas Beckham, Andrew Bohannon, Samuel Gilson, Anthony Knudson, Tyler Kowalske, Quinn Larkin, Craig Logan, Christopher Moorad, Daniel Onofryton, Kenneth Racine, Aashay Sanghvi, Michael Selvala, Cole Shepard.



Middle School Girls Basketball



Clockwise from top right: fifth- and sixth-grade girls basketball (gold), fifth- and sixth-grade girls basketball (blue), seventh- and eighth-grade girls basketball (gold).

Not pictured: Seventh- and eighth-grade girls basketball (blue).



The middle school girls basketball teams had a great season. They played with passion, heart and commitment and gave their everything to every game and practice. Way to go, girls!

Middle School Baseball

Coach: Shane Lewis.

Team Roster: Dean Boyle, Dominic Briguglio, Ian Burke, Wyatt Dial, Samuel Evans, Gabriel Hamilton, Andrew Hosmar, Brandon Lee, Ammar Mand, Peter Martineau, Kyle Money, Lance Nino, Bernard Rethore, Michael Rohacz, Ethan Shacknai.



The fifth- and sixth-grade boys baseball team.



The seventh- and eighth-grade boys baseball team.

Coach: Shane Lewis.

Team Roster: Samuel Ax, Nicolas DeMaggio, Michael Hampton, Michael Hosmar, Tyler Humphrey, John Larkin, Quinn Larkin, Grant Lillard, Craig Logan, Kevin Lynch, Blake Miller, Taylor Money, Daniel Onofryton, Colton Siddle, Alex Sylvester.

Middle School Softball



Seventh- and eighth-grade girls softball. Coaches: Paige Hannawait and Shane Lewis. Team roster: Isabel Carter-Kahn, Melanie Cohen, Anna Connelly, Dominique Gomez, India Grasso, Michelle Greenfield, Selena Jacquez, Sidrah Khan, Alexa Lewis, Lauren Lindley, Madeline Nelson, Mariclare Rethore, Kiersten Schneider, Emma Seraichick, Rachael Stottlemire, Paige Thomas, Emily Wendt.



Fifth- and sixth-grade girls softball. Coach: Paige Hannawait. Team roster: Sophie Arregoces, Mackenzie Bradford, Natalie Cohen, Grace Gilberg, Jillian Gilburne, Kira Kirby, Fallon Leyba, Claire Myers, Alex nino, Isa Pesqueira, Sarah Petrides, Sreya Ravi, Kendall Reaves, Morgan Richman, Cassidy Server, Jessica Sherman, Tiana Siragusa.

Middle School Boys Soccer

Though not pictured here, the Middle School boys soccer team had a wonderful season and should feel proud. We all can't wait to see what happens next year!

Fifth- and Sixth-Grade Team

**Briguglio, Dominic
Dial, Wyatt
Garvin, Samuel
Hamilton, Gabriel
Lillard, Daniel
Mand, Ammar
Martineau, Peter
McGillivray, Bond
Money, Kyle
Munoz, Joshua
Nino, Lance
Rethore, Bernard
Rohacz, Michael
Rosenthal, Matthew
Sarver, Max
Shacknai, Ethan
Sheffield, Bradley**



Seventh- and Eighth-Grade Team

**Ax, Samuel
Bishov, Chase
Dial, Tyler
Humphrey, Tyler
Knudson, Anthony
Lennon, Riggs
Lillard, Grant
Logan, Craig
Money, Taylor
Moorad, Christopher
Selvala, Michael
Sylvester, Alex
Witt, Aaron**

Middle School Girls Soccer



Fifth- and sixth-grade girls soccer. Coach: Tom Sylvester. Team roster: Rae Aaron, Sophie Arregoces, Meryl Ax, Carson Bishov, Mackenzie Bradford, Shannon Burke, Mackenzie Cantor, Leah Chanen, Natalie Cohen, Natalie Cooper, Grace Gilburg, Jillian Gilburne, Alexandra Goldberg, Madeline Gordon, Julia Grehan, Lina Khan, Kira Kirby, Raagini Kothur, Chloe Leifer, Lexi Nelson, Alexa Nino, Mia Oberfield, Isa Pesqueira, Sarah Petrides, Cassidy Server, Tiana Siragusa, Sophia Swinford, Carissa Wang.

Not pictured: Seventh- and eighth-grade girls soccer. Coach: Diana No.



Upper School



The Upper School places a high priority on the love of learning, the use of talents and skills for the greater good, and respect for the diversity of the PCDS community and the larger community of which the school is a part. Students in the Upper School balance a challenging academic schedule with sports, social activities, and community service. They know that their success comes from self-motivation and perseverance. They achieve a solid academic grounding through a superior liberal arts curriculum with numerous electives that enable them to explore individual interests. There are 14 Advanced Placement subjects offered, and students can select from 17 varsity sports and 15 extracurricular activities.



The Upper School prepares students for entrance into selective colleges and universities. All graduating seniors enter college, and more than 100 colleges visit our campus each year to attract PCDS students to their schools. To meet the needs of such an able and motivated student body, PCDS recruits a highly talented academic faculty and offers small classes with easy access to teachers and learning resources. Our Director of College Counseling, Paul Schweikher, has more than 25 years of experience with PCDS students and has earned the respect of college admissions officers throughout the country.

Upper School

Amy Aube
James Barranco
Nicole Bassoff
Maxwell Baum
Jonathen Berry



Jehan Bista
Zannah Black
Lauren Chanen
Lindsay Coda
Alessandra Dagirmanjian



Natalie Davenport
Jeffrey Dempsey
Aida Duarte
Rachael Franks
Clare Fuller



Alexander Garner
Elliot Goldberg
Katherine Gonzales
Kendall Goodyear
Adam Grounds



NINTH GRADE



Kevin Heath
James Hobin
Devra Hock
Joshua Huckleberry
Kyle Jackson

Samantha Kaplan
Nimra Khan
Rohit Kothur
Jacob Langerman
Danielle Lee

Megan Lehrer
Sawyer Lincoln
Benjamin Mattinson
Brandon Mayhew
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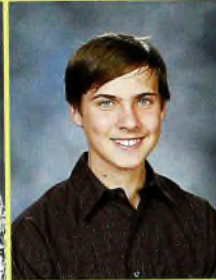


Upper School

Daniel Niv
Reid Price
Kylie Prusak
Alexa Roeper
Christine Rohacz



Kelsey Rose
Joseph Schornak
Jessica Segal
Tianna Sheih
Eric Showers



Avery Silverman
Robert Simon
Zoe Simon
Jb Stockslager
Leah Stofko



Maggie Turansky
Rachel Underhill
Harrison Vandolah



How do you feel about being in the ninth grade?
"I like the freedom, because it's more than we had in
middle school." Jessica Segal



Who is your favorite teacher?

"I like Ms. Smith and Dr. Allison, because they're funny and helpful."

Rachel Underhill

What are you looking forward to this school year?

"Dances!" Lauren Chanen



Upper School

Jeremy Abdo
Gregory Adrian
Keshav Amla
Joseph Bacal
Ivaylo Bahtchevanov



Ashley Barnhill
Matthew Benson
Alexandra Blandford
Morgan Brown
Cody Cashman



Conor Cathey
Rachel Chanen
Pallavi Dhadvai
Ryan Dougherty
Savaria Drumm



Rachel Epstein
Max Farrar
Courtney Finnegan
Nicholas Gibbs
Sara Goldsworthy



TENTH GRADE



Henry Gridley
Cindy Hwang
Michael Kalamchi
Nabeer Khan
Jace Knudson

Alexander Kost
Rachael Lopez
Shannon Manley
Danielle Marquis
Sofia Mastikhina

Rebecca Matwijkow
Kirea Mazzolini
Dylan McAdam
Michael Meath
Lindsay Merhege

Ryan Miller
Nikita Mokhashi
Julia Najafi
Ian Neuffer
Marcela Niemczyk

Upper School

Zahid Pasha
Adelar Pesqueira
Ryan Pitt
Arianne Price
Matthew Prusak



Allison Puglisi
Nithin Pusapati
Neha Ravi
Ryan Reisman
Elizabeth Rodie



Hailey Rose
Sybil Rose
John Sands
Gordon Silverman
Christine Stockslager



Elizabeth Sturr
Sophie Swanson
Ashley Sylvester



Are there any teachers whom you particularly enjoy and why?

"I really enjoy Mrs. Mazzolini's class, because it moves like a cheetah (it's so fast!) and she's super funny."

Kathie Zhang



TENTH GRADE



Latina Vidolova
Michael Young
Kathie Zhang



What do you like about sophomore year and why?

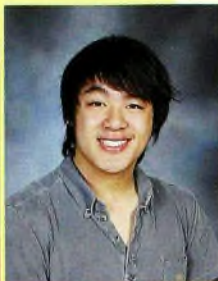
"Sophomore year is about freedom and exploration. Our classes are more open and full of discussion. We have more flexibility in choosing our classes and have more freedoms."

Ivaylo Bahtchevanov



Upper School

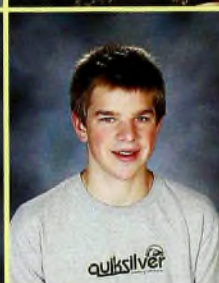
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**Peter Brown
Haley Carroll
Margo Casselman
Bianca Cervantes
Kevin Crain**



**Douglas De la O
Erica Dohring
Tyler Drew
Christopher Garagiola
Alexander Gonzales**



**Cole Goodyear
Ariel Gordon
Sarah Gordon
Spenser Gwozdzik
Christopher Jackson**



Are there any teachers whom you particularly enjoy?
Why?

"Mr. Swingler, because his class is really fun and he has nice hair."

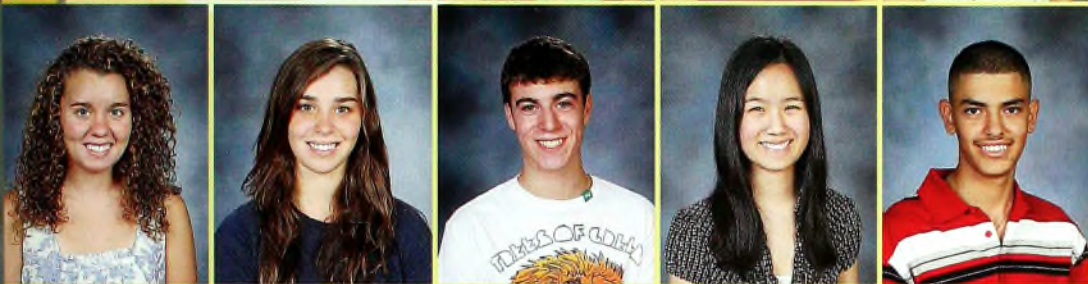
Ariel Gordon



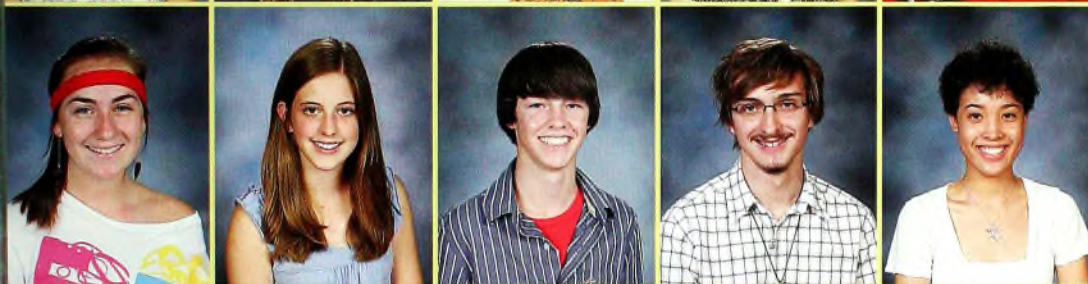
ELEVENTH GRADE



Julia Kaspar
Lauren Kauffman
Hannah Keogh
Benazir Khan
Navneet Khera



Maude Labelle
Sophie Labelle
David Linder
Margaret Liu
Xavier Loza



Grace Martineau
Margaret McCain
Joshua McGrath
Zachary McVay
Yuka Milton



Laura Moraes
Emily Morazan
Alexis Myers
Katharine Onofryton
Themis Panotopoulos



Upper School

Salona Patel
Kathleen Peairs
Michael Perry
Mackenzie Persen
Taylor Pitt



Jaclyn Roberts
Pascal Rutten
Asmit Sanghera
Arielle Schlesinger
Diana Schron



Britain Scott
Matthew Selling
David Selvala
Morgan Shepard
Devika Soni



Sergio Tavizon
Patrick Taylor
Diamond Troutman
Jake Villadolid
Robert White



Not Pictured:
Alexander Diones
Alex Heltne
Basil Latif

What do you like about junior year? Why?

"I love my junior year classes. All of them are convivial and thought-provoking, not to mention the teachers are ingenious!" **Matthew Carl Selling**



What sports are you involved in? Which one is your favorite?

"I am involved in cross country, basketball, and lacrosse. My favorite is basketball, because I like my coach and my teammates!" Hannah Keogh

What are you looking forward to this year? Why?

"I'm really looking forward to my slavery paper, because I love to write and it gives me an opportunity to do what I love." Laura Moraes

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Robert Adrian



Marée Bandrowczak



Alexander Beller



Elliot Ginsburg



Brett Hennessy



Anne Inkpen



Erin Malone



Jessica Ornstein



Noah Segal

Senior year ... busy days of college applications, senior speeches and graduation requirements ... it's no wonder some seniors need to blow off steam and have fun whenever they can. Some of the more daring seniors shown here chose to flaunt their personalities in front of the camera. But turn the page to see how all the members of the class of 2009 relax and recharge!



Tyler Tse

Favorite Quote: "There is a very fine line between not listening and not caring; I like to think that I walk that line every day of my life."— from "Red vs. Blue: The Blood Gulch Chronicles"

Most Memorable Moment: Sophomore year Quizbowl

Never Again: Will I fight Josh in the Quad and subsequently lose my privileges for two weeks

My Favorites Movie: "Tropic Thunder" (and Aytan!)

Quote Me: "I'm allergic to things I don't want to do."



ROBERT ADRIAN

Favorite Quote: "IT'S A TRAP!"

Most Memorable Moment:

Going to states junior year for baseball; putting up a banner senior year for Soccer

Never Again: will I squander Colin's stories, which are completely true.

My Favorites: PCDS, Long Beach Island, homies

Quote Me: Ali'i

"Brett, I like your style."

"I do what I want."

"I don't know if you know, but I'm kinda a big deal."



ALFRED ALVAREZ

Favorite Quote: "Bad idea." — Andrew Chang

Most Memorable Moment: Junior Year JV basketball

Never Again: will I eat Chipotle before a basketball game.

My Favorites: Guitar Hero, Phoenix Suns, Jack in the Box

Quote Me: "I'm unquotable."



MARÉE BANDROWCZAK



Favorite Quote: "Speak softly and carry a big stick." — Theodore Roosevelt

Most Memorable Moment: Day after lip piercing

Never Again: Will I wear fake glasses to school.

My Favorites: Annie Liebowitz, David Sedaris, junk food, horrible singing

Quote Me: Something sarcastic



OWEN BEAN

Favorite Quote: "It's a trap!" — Admiral Ackbar

Most Memorable Moment: Sweat lodges in Montana

Never Again: LF2M for Ulda, pst. Need tank + heater.

My Favorites: "Studying for physics," singing very badly, adventures on Mummy Mountain

Quote Me: "Ladies, attention please. My name is Owen Bean. Here's a pencil in case you need to write that down."



ALEXANDER BELLER



Favorite Quote: "If you even dream of beating me, you better wake up and apologize."
— Muhammad Ali



"A whole new world ... don't you dare close your eyes." — Aladdin



"Man, Alex Beller sure is sweet."
— Everyone



Most Memorable Moment: Cup basketball and "Jell-Oing" office supplies.

Never Again: Class with freshmen

My Favorites: Tyler Seece, Cookie Monster, matzo balls, Ms. Smith's classes

Quote Me: "Transferring in junior year is a mistake."



SOPHIA CARTER-KAHN

Favorite Quote: "In our life there is a single color, as on an artist's palette, which provides the meaning of life and art. It's the color of love." — Marc Chagall

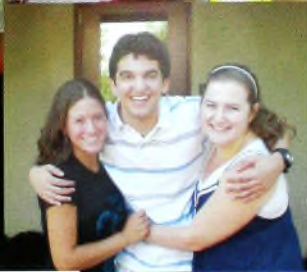
Most Memorable Moment: the London Eye on the England trip; the one nice hotel on the Costa Rica trip

Never Again: will I allow myself to be in the theatre room while "Everytime We Touch" is playing.

My Favorites:

Mommy and Izzy, Jimmy, 2nd block fixes at Hava Java, the Doctors, crushed ice, Otto the Otter, the beach, Diet Coke, books, flowers, cookies, pretty dresses, dancing, laughing

Quote Me: "I can't; I have too much homework."



ANDREW CHANG



Favorite Quote: "Bum bum, bee dum, bum bum bee dum bum" — Rihanna

"I could make the tests so hard that nobody passed, if I were that ridiculous. Or I could make the tests so easy that everyone got an A, if I were that ridiculous. Like the question could be, 'What is Tyler's name?' And you would all get it right. Unless Tyler's name were Fred. Then you'd all get it wrong. Except for Fred here." — Mr. Martin

Most Memorable Moment: The moment I met Sara!

Never Again: will I live life without Sara!

My Favorites: Sara

Quote Me: I love Sara!



Favorite Quote: "Live, Laugh, Love."

Most Memorable Moment: When I walked with a kindergartner around the gym during the first friday ceremony as a SENIOR. It felt great!

Never Again: will I say "I'm good." Thanks, Dr. Allison. :)

My Favorites: chocolate, rainbows, flowers, hugs, dancing, and laughing

Quote Me: "Memo, Shamu, Guds, Munchy, Scruffy, Jpookie and Chubs." All the names I call the people I love very, very much. :)



MARK EISENBERG

Arthur: "Well, I am the king!"

Dennis: "Oh king, eh? Very nice. And how'd you get that, eh? By exploiting the workers! By 'anging on to outdated imperialist dogma which perpetuates the economic and social differences in our society. If there's ever going to be any progress..." — from "Monty Python and the Holy Grail"



Bessie Braddock: "Winston, you're drunk!"

Winston Churchill: "Yes, my dear, but you are ugly and tomorrow I shall be sober."

Abdo: "It's something you put all over your body when you go outside..."
Tibi: "Chipotle!!!"

"The power of accurate observation is commonly called cynicism by those who have not got it." — George Bernard Shaw



"But with dogs, we do have 'bad dog.' 'Bad dog' exists. 'Bad dog! Bad dog! Stole a biscuit, bad dog!' The dog is saying, 'Who are you to judge me? You human beings who've had genocide, war against people of different creeds, colors, religions, and I stole a biscuit! Is that a crime?' — Eddie Izzard



Favorite Quote: "I'm all in favor of keeping dangerous weapons out of the hands of fools. Let's start with typewriters."

— Frank Lloyd Wright



Most Memorable Moment: Mr. Flail describing how to succeed in life: "Marry rich and, well, you know the rest. ..."



Never Again: will I fall asleep in Mr. Martin's Class

My Favorites: Movies: Snatch, Monty Python



Quote Me: "Ecky-ecky-ecky-ecky-pikang-zoop-boing-goodem-zoo-owli-zhiv!"



"Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe."
— Albert Einstein



ALEXANDRA FAVIER

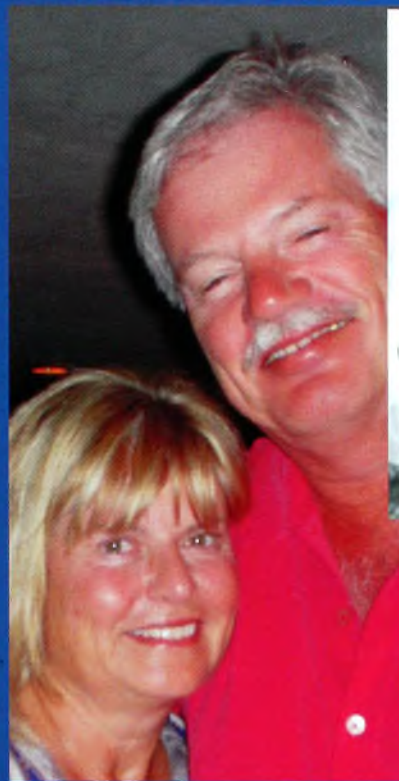
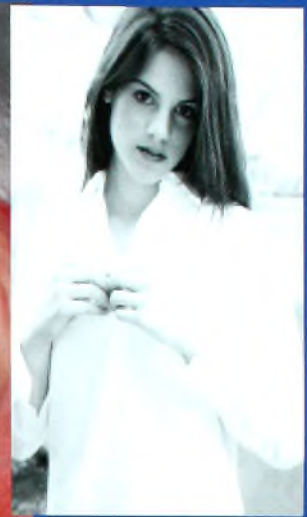
Favorite Quote: "Friendship is not something you learn in school. But if you haven't learned the meaning of it, you really haven't learned anything at all." — Muhammad Ali

Most Memorable Moment: When Colin freaked Amber and me out at the door as we were leaving Jamey's house at night. Why we left the door open when we thought Colin was a predator, I don't know.

Never Again: will I go white water rafting in a class five river.

My Favorites: My friends, my family, shopping, going to the gym, laughing, hugging.

Quote me: boo, baho, cheapoo, suga mamma, girlie, lovelution, suga muffin, winnie, love ... all the things I call my favorite people.



ERIC FRAM



A BELOVED PCDS INSTITUTION



Favorite Quote: "It's a trap!"— Admiral Ackbar

Most Memorable Moment: impossible to explain

Never Again: cave-aged Swiss Gruyère

My Favorites: candlelit jazz clubs, the opera, tea on the veranda, polo in the afternoon, political campaigning, bull's-eyeing womprats with my T-16 back home (they're not much bigger than two meters)

Quote Me: "I'm a doctor."



WILLIAM FRENCH

Favorite Quote: If I can stop one heart from breaking, I have not lived in vain. — Emily Dickinson

Most Memorable Moment: Sitting backstage or in Mr. Burns's room during performances, hanging out with fellow castmates.

Never Again: climb Kilimanjaro

My Favorites: theatre, dogs, relaxation, my family, and my friends

Quote Me: "Don't mind me. I'm just talking."



ELLIOT GINSBURG

Favorite Quote: "Things may come to those who wait, but only the things left by those who hustle." — Abraham Lincoln

Most Memorable Moment: When I look into your eyes

Never Again: I regret nothing.

My Favorite: You

Quote Me: "Toodles!!!"



JESSICA GORDON

Favorite Quote: "In the end, it is always OK, and if it is not OK, it is not the end." —**Author Unknown**

Most Memorable Moment: daily bicycle rides at nine, basket and bell included :)

Never Again: will I use the bus system in Ithaca.

My Favorites: red cars, Agawak, College Town Bagels in Ithaca, snacks and finding jobs, winter, "The Notebook," Poshie, Bella, Bentley's crane

Quote Me: Can we go to the Community Pooool?



JOHN GREENBERG

Favorite Quote: "It's a trap!" — Admiral Ackbar

Most Memorable Moments: Every day in Varsity Jazz Band, attending Super Bowl XLII, Game 7 of the 2001 World Series

Never Again: Give you up, let you down, run around and desert you. Make you cry, say goodbye, tell a lie and hurt you.

My Favorites: Metallica, Michael Jackson, Rihanna, Star Wars, the Pittsburgh Steelers, the Arizona Diamondbacks, Mexican food, Futurama, Family Guy, my friends/family

Quote Me: Please don't stop the music.



QUINLAN HAMANN

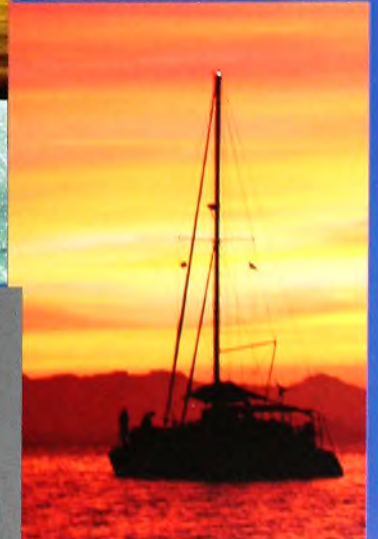
Favorite Quote: Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Psalm 51:10

Most Memorable Moment: left to the squirrels on the rim of the Grand Canyon

Never Again: I don't like this question.

My Favorites: frisbee, Japan, viola, guitar, wakeboarding.

Quote Me: "I know that you believe you understand what you think I said, but I'm not sure you realize that what you heard is not what I meant."



STEPHEN HAMWAY



Favorite Quote: "It's a trap!" — Admiral Ackbar

Most Memorable Moment: Junior Prom

Never Again: Will I work on my senior page.

My Favorites: Star Wars and Chipotle

Quote Me: "No dice."

"Sing me something soft,
Sad and delicate,
Or loud and out of key,
We're glad for what we've got,
Done with what we've lost
Our whole lives laid out,
right in front of us."
— Straylight Run

"We are men of action; lies do not become us." — The Princess Bride



"A man cannot be comfortable without his own approval." — Mark Twain



BRETT HENNESSY

Favorite Quote: "It's a trap!"
— Admiral Ackbar

"Rob, I like your moves." — Brett Hennessy

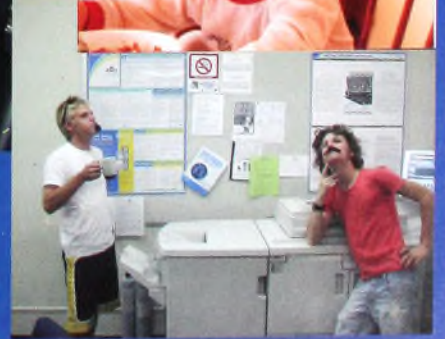
"My apartment smells of rich mahogany." — Ron Burgundy

Most Memorable Moment: beating Pusch Ridge to get into states

Never Again: will I stand idly by as the alien menace enslaves this sector in its new world order.

My Favorites: baseball, bert, my peeps

Quote Me: "I do what I want; I ski when I want!"



ISABEL MILLET-HINES



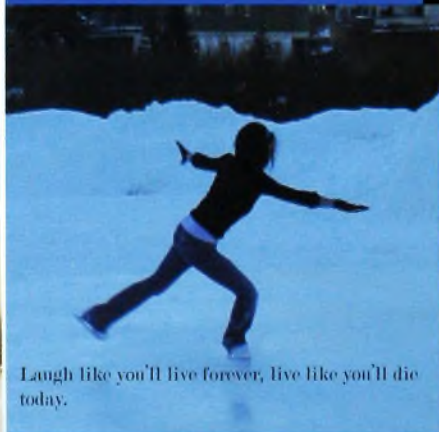
Favorite Quote: Never regret something that once made you smile — Amber Deckers

Most Memorable Moment: Wilkins in a boy's large chocolate muffin morning madness T-shirt (which he later ripped off)

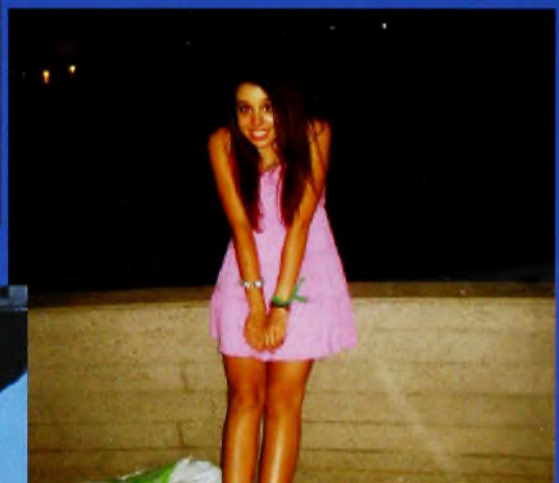
Never Again: will I egg on a bull walking down the street. They chase you. Oops.

My Favorites: periwinkle, chicken fingers, sliding and lying on cold ice, Audrey Hepburn, Breakfast at Tiffany's, Mr. Darcy, Nicaragua, redheads, good wrap jobs at Chipotle

Quote Me: "Mermaids! What the flu? Yeah redania durr. Pretty much pretty much. Via the definition of my life. Rip bartlett. PELVIS!"



Laugh like you'll live forever, live like you'll die today.



ZACH HITCHCOCK

Favorite Quote: "I wish there were Internet dating for people under 18." — Thomas Turansky

Most Memorable Moment: Lake Powell, Sophomore year

Never Again: will I play soccer, haha.

My Favorites: SKIING, friends, life, road trips, and music

Quote Me: FC Shizzie, Represent, Fo sho, Peace!



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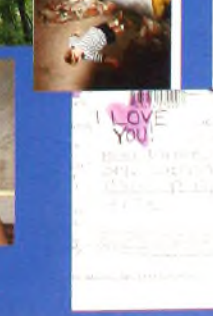
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VICTORIA HUSSEY



Favorite Quote: "All that we see or seem is but a dream within a dream." — Edgar Allan Poe



Most Memorable Moment: It's the moment before the opening night of a PCDS show that is most memorable. We all gather in a circle and prepare to boggle the mind.



Never Again: will I drink eight Mountain Dew's to make it through an all-nighter.



My Favorites: sour Skittles, swimming, Pirates of the Caribbean, reading, writing, laughing, and good times

Quote Me: "Nice!"



DEVIN INGERSOLL

Favorite Quote: "Don't sweat the petty things and don't pet the sweaty things."

— Anonymous

Most Memorable Moment: beating SCA for my senior year!

Never Again: try wasabi.

My Favorites: volleyball, math, pizza, AJ's ice, 3oh!3, the salmon dance, driving in my car with friends

Quote Me: "False!"



ANNE INKPEN



Favorite Quote: "Life is like driving a car at night. You can see only as far as your headlights but you can make the whole trip that way."

— E.L. Doctorow

Most Memorable Moment: This one time ... in anatomy ...

Never Again:

My Favorites: Cake, stuffed animals, purple, techno, Nova Scotia, bacon, country music, napping, dresses, swimming

Quote Me:



KAREN JOHNSON

Favorite Quote: "Associate yourself with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for 'tis better to be alone than in bad company."
— George Washington

Most Memorable Moment: Winning Nationals for Wisconsin State Basketball Team, working on stage crew, Northwestern football games, going to the beach, and singing in cars

Never Again: will I have a curfew.

My Favorites: My family, Boston, Ryan Adams, Nordstrom, Cape Cod, playing outside

Quote Me: "Character is property; it is the most worthy possession."



A portrait of a smiling woman with long, dark, wavy hair, wearing a black studded vest over a white top. She is resting her head on her hand and wearing a large gold earring and a silver watch.

Quote Me: "Believe in yourself, even if others don't."



COLIN KELLY

Favorite Quote: "It's a trap!" — Admiral Ackbar

Most Memorable Moment: That one time when we all gelled back our hair, wore sleeveless T-shirts and V-necks, and spoke in Corsican accents.

Never Again: Will I tell Rob stories that are COMPLETELY TRUE for his enjoyment and watch him utterly SQUANDER THEM.

My Favorites: (video game) Doom, (singer) Rihanna, (Movie) Blade Runner, (People) MY BEST FRIENDS LOL

Quote Me: "My teammates are no good to me alive!" — Colin Kelly, 1999, Quake



Disclaimer: What you see here are the pictures that signify my golden years. Only the best have been distilled down for your enjoyment.



HARRISON KENT

Favorite Quote: "And Kendra ... Catullus ... Kent!" — Dr. Eric Tiberius Fram XIV

Most Memorable Moment: Every time I laugh, I have a new favorite moment.

Never Again: will I work on my senior page.

My Favorites: The people I love, which probably includes you.

Quote Me: "C'est chouette."



Favorite Quote: "Today you are You, that is truer than true. There is no one alive who is Youer than You." — Dr. Seuss

Most Memorable Moment: Flanny getting up in front during Morning Meeting and just holding up his empty hand. "What is this?" (*pause*) "It's my calculator. It's missing."

Never Again: Will I fail a pre-calc test. Oh, fun times.

My Favorites: blue, bubbles, Slinkies, brownies, Pazuccis, Silence of the Lambs, Wall* E, Finding Nemo, The Beatles, and last, but certainly not least, my friends :)

Quote Me: "Mr. Swinger, I don't get it."



NICOLE LOPEZ



Favorite Quote: "I am a big cup of luvv!"
— Sakina Pashia

Most Memorable Moment: Skool at the Pool; our dodgeball tournament!!! It was super fun!!! Also playing in the SCA game on Game Day!!! It was very intense and loud!!!

Never Again: will I lose my school I.D.

My Favorites: (TV shows) One Tree Hill and Criminal Minds. I love cookies, pizza, Chipotle and Volleyball!!!!

Quote Me: "I smell like love."



Favorite Quote: "We all know that art is not truth. Art is a lie that makes us realize truth." — Pablo Picasso

Most Memorable Moment: Staying at school until 3 a.m. for a week to finish the 2007-2008 yearbook.

Never Again: will I be editor-in-chief of a yearbook.

My Favorites: (food) steak, (music) rock, (sport) basketball, (sports team) Phoenix Suns

Quote Me: "How many times do I have to explain? I don't drink caffeine."



ERIN MALONE



Favorite Quote: "If you look at me, the me in myself may be different from the me you perceive. In order to have a correct perception, we need to have a direct encounter."
— Thich Nhat Hanh (Vietnamese Buddhist monk)



Most Memorable Moment: going to Spain for a semester

Never Again: will I ride the school bus or go to another Blue & Gold day.

My Favorites: My cat Buggsy

Quote Me: "Where's my princess cup?"
"No you're the Alfajore!"



SUCHITA MANDAIR

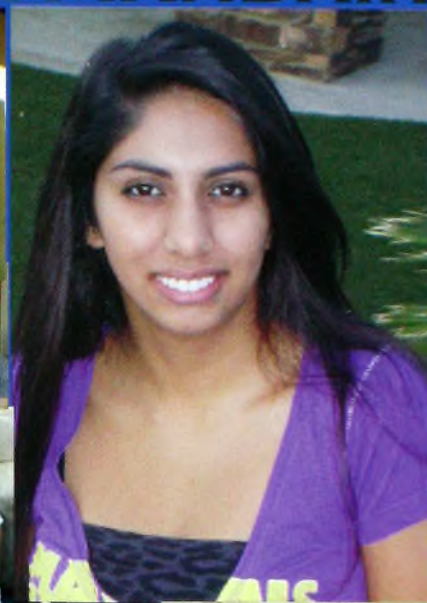
Favorite Quote: "In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: It goes on." — Robert Frost

Most Memorable Moment: our volleyball game against Valley Christian.

Never Again: will I eat noodle.

My Favorites: volleyball. Coco and fluffy. Bread.

Quote Me: "By transitive property...you equal dumb."



STEW MCCLINTIC



Favorite Quote: "Do you know how fast you were going?"

"Uh, 65?"

"63."

"But officer— isn't the speed limit 65?" "Yeah, it is..." — Super Troopers

Most Memorable Moment: Hitting Ms. Olson in the foot with a Javelin

Never Again: I will never again climb the school roof and have everyone think I am a sniper.

My Favorites: My favorite band is Flogging Molly.

Quote Me: "I'm goin' to the lodge!"



VARUN MOKHASHI

Favorite Quote: "The squaw of the hypotenuse is equal to the squaws of the other two sides." — Mr. Swingler

Most Memorable Moment: When I fought a giant bunny rabbit with a giant fly swatter as a gorilla, in the grassy knoll.

Never Again: will I fall off of a moving car.

My Favorites: (Bands) Red Hot Chili Peppers, Muse (Movie) The Dark Knight (Food) Sushi

Quote Me: "I can swallow a full-grown man's head whole."



BENJAMIN MURPHY



Favorite Quote:

"We cannot change the direction of the wind, but we can adjust the sails." ~ Anonymous

Most Memorable Moment: Rockin' Out

Never Again: ...?

My Favorites: Two things that rock... ROCKS AND ROCK! The Outdoors

Quote Me:

"Onward to the very last

With dreams of memories at dawn

Thus borne back into the past

We ask ourselves: Where has time gone?"



AMBER NAUMANN

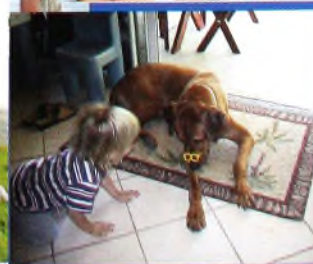
Favorite Quote: "Irregardless, ex-boyfriends are just off limits to friends. I mean that's just like the rules of feminism." — from "Mean Girls"

Most Memorable Moment: When Isabel was lying on the couch and I set off Janey's house alarm with a paddle ... because I "sat on the couch."

Never Again: will I think in terms of right and left while driving.

My Favorites: San Diego, the heat, Cheddar and Sour Cream Lays, toast and Marmite

Quote Me: "Huh?!"



ADAM OEST



Favorite Quote: "It's a trap!"
— Admiral Ackbar

Most Memorable Moment: 12 a.m. yearbook
"Power sessions"

Never Again: will I go on a trip involving 30
hours of back-to-back flights.

My Favorites: Chipotle, photography, travel,
trains, computers

Quote Me: "Please do."



JESSICA ORNSTEIN

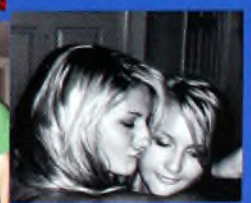
Favorite Quote: "Success is the result of right choices. Choose your waves wisely." — Willis Brothers

Most Memorable Moment: leaving my shoes at LGO

Never Again: be in high school!

My Favorites: best friends, the beach, Frida, traveling, lacrosse, JB 8 Money, soccer, girls' nights

Quote Me: "Do you want some gum?"
"Elliot, you're a 2."



SAKINA PASHA



Favorite Quote:

"I LOVE ABDO!"

Will you marry me?!

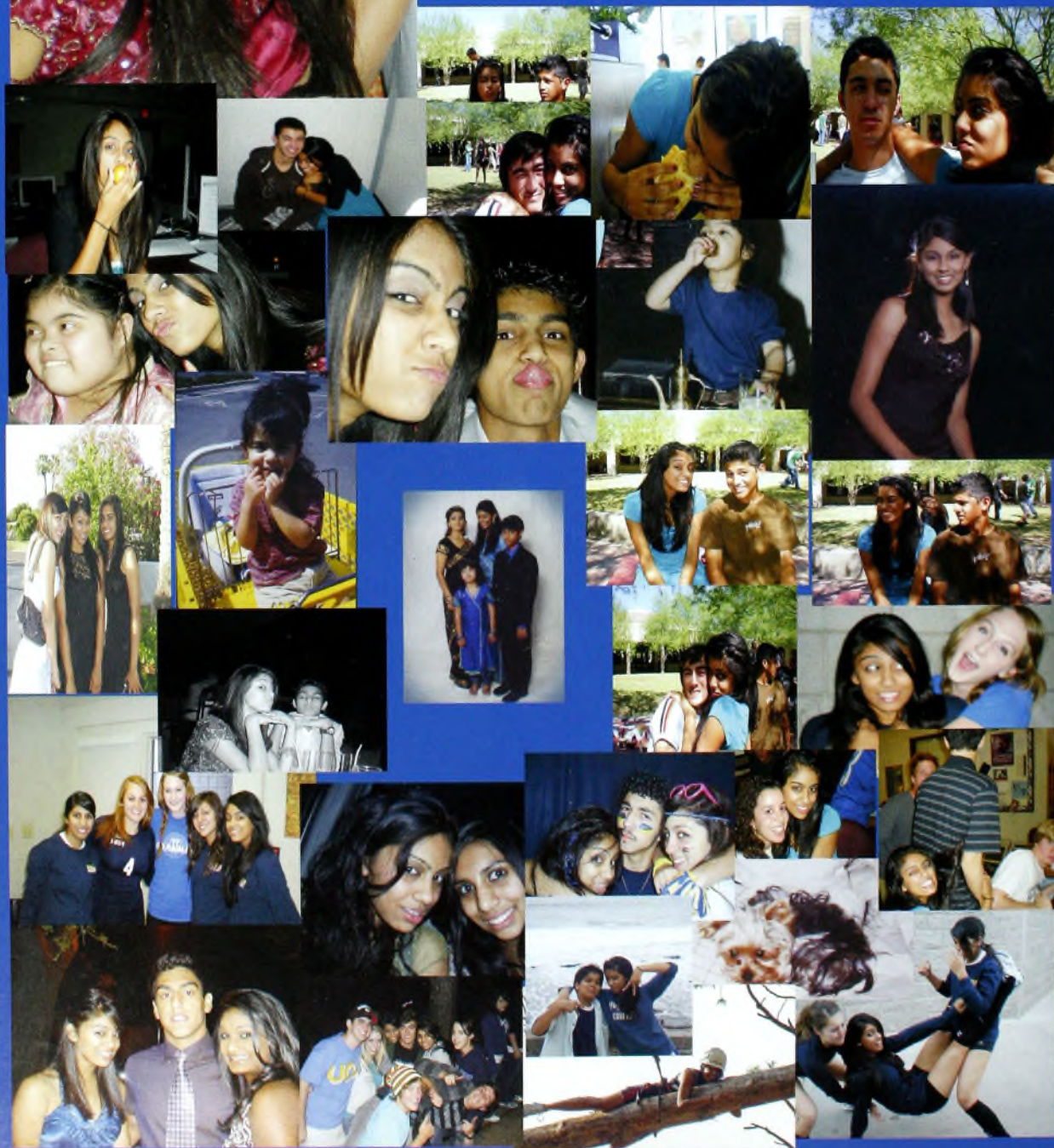
She needs attention like I NEED TACOS! OR I WILL EXPLODE... :D"

Most Memorable Moment: Ripping apart Alfred's car... or that one Saturday night.

Never Again: will I

My Favorites: Kiara!

Quote Me: "I'm a big cup of luvvvvvvvv" :)



SARA PAULL

Favorite Quote: "Dance like nobody's watching!" — Mark Twain

Most Memorable Moment: When Janey's house alarm went off from Amber "sitting" on the couch.

Never Again: Will I drive with Amber to Zinnia's house. You'll end up in Lake Pleasant.

My Favorites: LGO!, dance, my amazing friends!!, my family, laughing, loving, hugging, music and pink!

Quote me: "stoopy!"



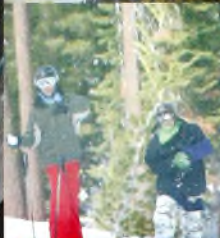
GIANCARLO PICOZZI



Favorite Quote: "I'm not going to tiptoe through life to arrive safely at death." — K2 Ski Forums



Most Memorable Moment: morning of 9/11



Never Again: will I live with regrets.



My Favorites: SKIING!!! (duh), Mount Hood Summer Sketch Camp, 3 B's & S

Quote Me: "This many!!!"



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ALEX RASKIN

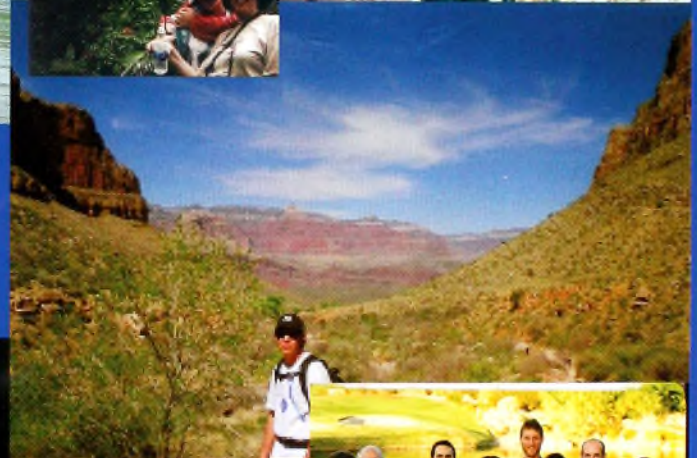
Favorite Quote: "It ain't over till it's over." — Yogi Berra

Most Memorable Moment: My two most memorable moments are my Bar Mitzvah and finishing my hike of the Grand Canyon.

Never Again: never again will I drink the water in Mexico (sickest I ever was).

My Favorites: My favorite things to do are playing tennis and the drums. My favorite food is Thai food. I also like whitewater rafting and traveling.

Quote Me: "If at first you don't succeed, failure may be your style." Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined.



ARIANNA ROSE



Favorite Quote: "Inch by inch, life's a cinch. Yard by yard, it's hard." — My mother

Most Memorable Moment: When Sophie, Quinlan, and I were left behind during a part of the Grand Canyon trip

Never Again: will I stay up all night to write a history paper.

My Favorites: TENNIS!

Quote Me: Let's go on an adventure!



MATTHEW ROSENZWEIG

Favorite Quote: "If you can count your money, you don't have a billion dollars" — J. Paul Getty

Most Memorable Moment: Going to Mr. Swinger's house for a star party

Never Again: Attempt to run an investment company while juggling 4 A.P.s

My Favorites: I would hate to discriminate against things.

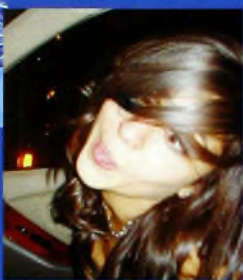
Quote Me: No Comment



AYTEN SALAH



Favorite Quote: I just found out there's no such thing as the real world, just a lie you've got to rise above." — John Mayer

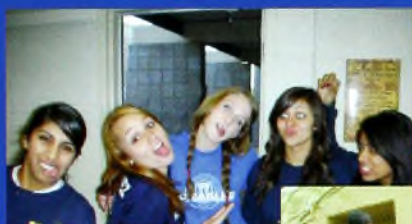


Most Memorable Moment: Sophomore year Quizbowl

Never Again: No more Quizbowls.

My Favorites: Rain and storms, Rihanna, purple, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, "I'm Yours," RA, Chipotle, volleyball, "Like a Boy," "Scar Tissue," John Mayer, balloon, Bam Bam/Pebbles, sarcasm, October, December, and February.

Quote Me: boop!



JACK SCHWIMMER

Favorite Quotes: "Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new." — Albert Einstein
 "It is not in the stars to hold our destiny but in ourselves."
 — William Shakespeare

Most Memorable Moment: performing at the 2007 national governors' convention; going on a Mediterranean cruise with my family

Never Again: will I go to the same school for 11 years.

My Favorites: saxophone, Guster, 24, Mean Girls, baseball

Quote Me: "Hi, everybody!" — Jack
 "Hi, Jack!" — Everybody



Favorite Quote: "Let us live so that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry."
— Mark Twain

Most Memorable Moment: The epic lightsaber fight.

Never Again: shall I lose my keys in the middle of the night somewhere in a Godforsaken dark alley.

My Favorites: (Authors) E. Hemingway, J. Joyce, F.S. Fitzgerald; (band) Nas, The Rolling Stones, The Wu Tang Clan, The Beatles; (movies) Rambo, Anchorman, Monkey Business.

Quote Me: "How am I? Not Bad."



העולם שלכם

A man wearing a white t-shirt, khaki shorts, and a blue baseball cap stands on a rocky outcrop. He is looking out over a vast, hazy desert landscape with rolling hills in the distance. The sky is clear and bright.

ANDREW SERAICHICK

Favorite Quote: "It's a Trap!" — Admiral Ackbar

Most Memorable Moment: When Andrew Charlson dropped a proscenium piece and almost killed Jake Swokowski.

Never Again: will I stagemanage and act at the same time.

My Favorites: baseball, theatre, music, action movies, reading a good book

Quote Me: "We have to get good grades in school so we can go to a good college so we can get a get job so we can retire happy. Why not just skip the work and not do anything?"



ANNA SILVERMAN



Favorite Quote: "Go confidently in the direction of your dreams! Live the life you've imagined." — Henry David Thoreau

Most Memorable Moment: Dr. Carter and Tibi's romantic music conversation...

Never Again: will I eat 10 scoops of ice cream in under three minutes for JLP.

My Favorites: Friends, family, travel ... Ben and Jerry's Chunky Monkey ice cream

Quote Me : "WhAAAAAAAt"



MICHAEL SILVERMAN

Favorite Quote: "A good leader takes people where they want to go; a great leader takes people where they ought to be." — Rosalynn Carter

Most Memorable Moment: The first AP US History test. I will never forget it.

My Favorites: Sushi, Tahiti, and The Big Lebowski

Quote Me: "Live like you'll die tomorrow, plan like you'll live forever."



KENDRA SIMON



Favorite Quote: "From what we get, we can make a living; what we give, however, makes a life." — Arthur Ashe

Most Memorable Moment: Becoming Arizona State Singles Champion for 2A

Never Again: will I select a 1,000-page book (The Company) for my ID paper.

My Favorites: Tennis, Tokyo, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Twilight, The Notebook, Terni, Karaoke, Michael Ballack, Skiing, Udon Soba, St. Francis, and Enrique Iglesias

Quote Me: "To get to the top, you have to be over the top!"



SAVION SMITH

Favorite Quote: "Strength comes from a need, not a desire." — Akira Toriyama

Most Memorable Moment: Making my senior page

Never Again: Will I train to go Super Saiya-jin when there is an ID paper to be written. Even a Super Saiyan must succumb to the awesome power of Mr. Martin's ID paper.

My Favorites: Anime, Wii, Harry Potter, vampire movies

Quote Me: "Knowledge is power! Power is Wiki!"



SCHOONER SONNTAG



Favorite Quote: "It's a Trap!"
— Admiral Ackbar

Most Memorable Moment: Just 'Cause...
ALL of it

Never Again Will I: give you up, let you down, run around and desert you, make you cry, say goodbye, tell a lie and hurt you

My Favorites: Music, Elliott Smith, The British

Quote Me: "CENSORED" — Schooner S. and M. Tibi



Favorite Quote: Sing like no one is listening, dance like no one is watching, love like you've never been hurt before, and live each day to the... to earn the fullest appreciation of

Most Memorable Moment: my costume malfunction in Bye Bye Birdie! My dress zipper got stuck during a quick change and I had to go on with an unzipped dress!

A composite image. The left side shows two young women with long dark hair, smiling and posing for a photo. The right side shows a crucifix with a figure of Jesus Christ on the cross, set against a yellow background.

A photograph of three female students sitting at a table, smiling and holding up their completed projects. The student on the left is holding a small object, the middle student is holding a small object, and the student on the right is holding a small object. They are all wearing casual clothing. The background shows a classroom setting with desks and chairs.

A group of five young women are lying in a field of colorful autumn leaves. They are all smiling and looking towards the camera. The leaves are in various shades of red, orange, and yellow. The women are dressed in casual clothing, including sweaters and a tank top. The scene is outdoors, and the overall atmosphere is cheerful and festive.

A photograph of three young women smiling and posing together. The woman on the left has dark hair and is wearing a red top. The woman in the center has long brown hair and is wearing a pink top. The woman on the right has blonde hair and is wearing a light green top. They are all looking towards the camera.

A group of thirteen cheerleaders posing in front of a brick building. They are arranged in two rows, with some standing and some kneeling or sitting in the front. They are wearing a variety of casual clothing, including sweaters, jeans, and skirts. The building behind them has a brick facade and a set of stairs leading up to it.

— Emerson



—Thoreau



NICOLE SWINFORD



MAVERICK

Favorite Quote: "Let me live to love others at all times and never lust. For love benefits others at the expense of oneself and lust benefits oneself at the expense of others."
"Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." — Heb. 11:1

Most Memorable Moment: "It's not a man dad." Oh! Plot twist! — Fall Play, 2007

Never Again: will I wake up for my first AP U.S. History test and find the roof of my car slashed, my stereo stolen, my gas siphoned, and the gas station closed. (I hope!)

My Favorites: Pride and Prejudice, Harry Potter, anything that has to do with U.S. history, Taylor Swift, Donny and Marie Osmond, Michael Crawford, Titanic, The Patriot, Sound of Music, 1776, gymnastics.

Quote Me: "Lots of love and God bless ya'll!"

"I hope you never look back, but you never forget the ones who love you in the place you left. I hope you always forgive and you never regret and you help somebody every chance you get; you find God's grace in every mistake and always give more than you take. But more than anything, My wish for you is that your life becomes all that you want it for, your dreams stay big, your worries stay small, you never need to carry more than you can hold, and while you're out there gettin' where you're gettin' to, I hope you know somebody loves you." — Rascal Flatts



MATTHEW TIBI

Favorite Quote: "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death." — Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows/Corinthians 15:26

Most Memorable Moment: Every time I've been on stage.

Never Again: will I be in a PCDS yearbook. After 13 years of them.

My Favorites: JK Rowling, Sylvia Plath, Edgar Allan Poe, F. Scott Fitzgerald

Quote Me: "Our lives are unfiltered Hemingway." — Schooner S. and M. Tibi



As you wish.
— The Princess Bride



"I don't want to achieve immortality through my work. I want to achieve it through not dying."
— Woody Allen



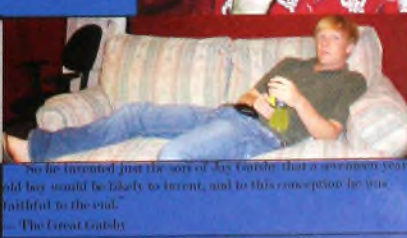
"He knew that when he kissed this girl, and forever wed his unutterable visions to her perishable breath, his mind would never romp again like the mind of God. So he waited, listening for a moment longer to the tuning-fork that had been struck upon a star. Then he kissed her. At his lips' touch she blossomed for him like a flower and the incarnation was complete."
— The Great Gatsby



"I can never read all the books I want. I can never be all the people I want and live all the lives I want. I can never train myself in all the skills I want. And why do I want? I want to live and feel all the shades, tones, and variations of mental and physical experience possible in life. And I am horribly limited."
— Sylvia Plath



"There is no such thing as a moral book or an immoral book. Books are well written or badly written. That is all."
— Oscar Wilde



"So he invented just the sort of Jay Gatsby that a seventeen year old boy would be likely to invent, and to this conception he was faithful to the end."
— The Great Gatsby

TYLER TSE



Favorite Quote: "I'm going to stick my quantum harmonizer in your photonic resonance chamber." — Fallout

Most Memorable Moment: Chinese Day, Cowboy Day, Ninja Day, Military Day, Italian Day, Superhero Day, Emo Day, Hat Day, breaking down trees, fighting Mustaches with Mr. Martin, astronomy

Never Again: Regret what I've done

My Favorites: Mr. Swinger and Mr. Martin

Quote Me: "Should I bring my ants?"



THOMAS TURANSKY

Favorite Quote: "Don't worry about a thing, you know your path is true, just ease your mind, have a banana or two." — Dispatch

Most Memorable Moment: If I only had one, my life would not be worth living.

Never Again: I do what I want ... there is nothing that I regret.

My Favorites: My page shows what I do.

Quote Me: "Really, I did not think I was on a beach, I was actually on a beach!!!"



ALEXANDRA VAN HORSSSEN



Favorite Quote: "The monkey's out of the bottle now!" — Pineapple Express

Most Memorable Moment: Mr. Flail telling me that I would end up living in a box on Van Buren.

Never Again: will I write a 30-page paper on Gone With the Wind.

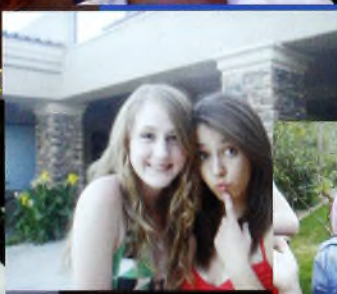
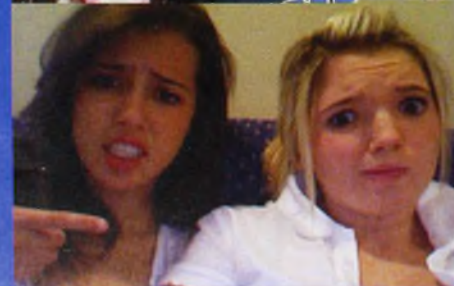
My Favorites:

Book: Life of Pi, To Kill A Mockingbird

Movie: Superbad

Music: Jason Mraz, The Beatles

Quote Me: I have no "appropriate" quotes.



TEODORA VIDOLOVA

Favorite Quote: "Me? I'm dishonest, and a dishonest man you can always trust to be dishonest. Honestly. It's the honest ones you want to watch out for, because you can never predict when they're going to do something incredibly ... stupid." — Jack Sparrow

Most Memorable Moment: Backstage during shows and especially musicals to which we can sing and dance and be silly.

Never Again: will I do anything stupid!

My Favorites: Carefreeness, getting math problems right, Leonardo DiCaprio, the French revolution, LoTR, PoTC, intellectualism, boys in trench coats, & love stories

Quote Me: "What is a heart attack? Isn't it a broken heart?"



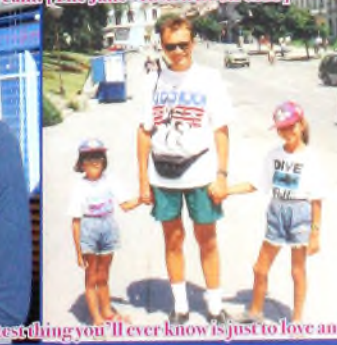
And it's not the first time Lily has seen that grin – wicked and charismatic and a little self-satisfied – but it's the first time it's been directed at her, with full eye-contact, and the effect is staggering. [Sunoko in Your Eyes]



Ever since I can remember, I'd wanted to be clever. Some people are born clever, same way some people are born beautiful. I'm not one of those people. I'm going to have to work at it, put in the effort, and if I mess it up, I'll learn from it. [Starter for 10]



He looks a lot like he's the spoon and I'm the dish of ice cream. [The Jane Austen Book Club]



The greatest thing you'll ever know is just to love and be loved in return. [Moulin Rouge]

CHRIS WADE



Favorite Quote: "They X-rayed my head and found nothing." — Dizzy Dean (explaining how he felt after being hit in the head)

Most Memorable Moment: English class

Never Again: Will I procrastinate

My Favorites: In my free time I battle siths at Fashion Square, hang out in Thomas's backyard, and do recreational work for the Trafficade company

Quote Me: "Javon, are these things true?" (during an Othello discussion in Dr. Carter's English class)



PRATEEK WAKHARKAR

Favorite Quote: "Ain't nothing, but a thang."
— Kirk Lazarus

Most Memorable Moment: Getting ejected from the basketball game

Never Again: will I invite Mark Zhang into my lab group.

My Favorites: Simba

Quote Me: "I do what I want."



REBECCA WAX



Favorite Quote: "Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." — Theodore Seuss Geisel

Most Memorable Moment: freshman retreat

Never Again: will I go to class every day at 7:50 am.

My Favorites: (TV show) Gossip Girl, (book) The Giver, (singer) Akon, (movie) Manhattan

Quote Me: "Running is SO a sport!"



MARK ZHANG

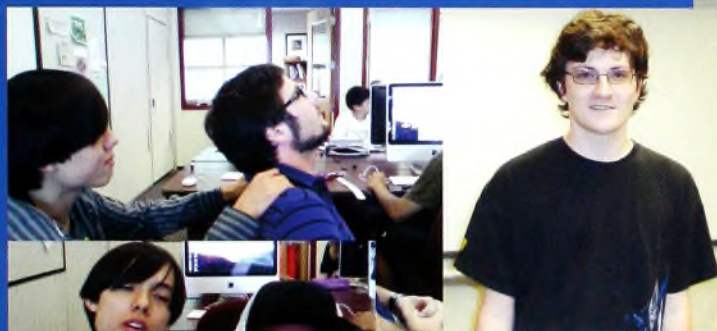
Favorite Quote: "I'm not a fan of facts. You see, the facts can change, but my opinion will never change, no matter what are the facts." — Stephen Colbert

Most Memorable Moment: Joining Prateek and Abdo's lab group in AP biology.

Never Again: Join Prateek and Abdo's lab group in AP biology.

My Favorites: The Bible, The GOP, President Bush, President Nixon, Creationism

Quote Me: "I honestly have no appropriate quotes that can be entered into the yearbook. Seriously."



JANE ZITOMER



Favorite Quote: "Some people walk into our lives and simply walk out again. Others leave footprints on our hearts and we are never the same again." — anonymous

Most Memorable: Our freshman-year picnics in the middle of the quad

Never Again: will I try to jump over a large wall.

My Favorites: Good Will Hunting, purple, Jason Mraz, winter, little paper umbrellas, white chocolate

Quote Me: "Good times, good times."



RICHARD ZITOMER

Favorite Quote:

"Not only do I not know what's going on, I wouldn't know what to do about it if I did."
— George Carlin

Most Memorable Moment: When ninjas snuck into my house

Never Again: will I crash my car.

My Favorites: Coca-Cola, the color orange, three-day weekends

Quote Me: "I love it when you call me Big Poppa"



Seniors 2009

Top left: Stephen Hamway shoots his trademark look, staring into what Mr. Coon affectionately calls "Hamway Heaven."

Top right: At the talent show, Ben Murphy, Schooner Sonntag, Varun Mokhashi, and Chris Wade rock out.

Middle left: Steph Kost takes advantage of her senior status to sign out for off-campus lunch.

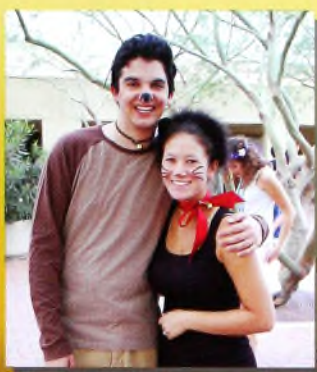
Middle right: Will French, Amrita Kang, and Arianna Rose smile and act silly for the camera.



Bottom left: Zinnia Daas and Amber Naumann mug for the camera with a friendly hug.

Bottom right: Jack Schwimmer, Harry Kent, Isabel Hines, Zach Hitchcock, and Devin Ingersoll chill during a rare free period.





Top left: Colin Kelly performed a crowd-pleasing piano medley at the talent show.

Top right: On Halloween, Jack Schwimmer and Kendra Simon make peace and smile as mouse and cat.

Middle left: Tyler Tse, Richie Zitomer, Chris Wade, Mark Eisenberg, and Alex Beller look cool in one of the library's study rooms.

Middle right: Stew McClintic strolls casually to the parking lot for lunch.



Bottom left: Chris Abdo holds his friends in high regard: Here he lifts Amrita Kang into the air as they smile for the camera.

Bottom right: Matt Rosenzweig can often be found in the computer lab, working diligently on his laptop.

Upper School



Clockwise from top left: Marée Bandrowczak and Anne Inkpen enjoy the Daybreaks celebration in Hormel.

Junior Emily Morazán and freshman Alexa Roeper do their spot-on impressions of Joe the Plumber and Sarah Palin. Look out, Tina Fey! Juniors Kevin Crain, Robert White, Taylor Pitt, and Maude LaBelle hang out in the student center. Sophomore Conor Cathey prepares to lob a toss in a heated dodgeball game.



Clockwise from left: Senior Jack Schwimmer holds court in the quad as seniors Sakina Pasha and Owen Bean go about their business. Quinlan Hamann and Ben Murphy perform a set of original songs at the talent show.

Junior Mackenzie Persen and senior Colin Kelly give the White Stripes a run for their money with their matching outfits.

Juniors Hannah Keogh, Margo Casselman, and Taylor Pitt give a hearty round of applause.

Upper School

Right: Quinlan Hamann and Tori Hussey visit an old classroom and play with the blocks, an old favorite pastime.



Below Right: Elliot Ginsburg and Robert Adrian enjoy the sleep they've been greatly missing in the upper school.



Above left: Nicole Lopez and Isabel Hines practice their handwriting.

Right: Erin Malone uses one of her favorite childhood art programs to create a virtual masterpiece.



Lifers



Top: The lifers gather together for the last time.

From left: Adam Lowe shows how little his handwriting has improved since the days of his youth. Matt Tibi and Eric Fram (the only member of this year's senior Class to attend PCDs for 15 years) read books about wildlife in their old class seats. Gino Picozzi and Noah Segal play an intense game of Monopoly.

Senior Bests



*Class Clown
Tyler Tse and Hyten Salahi*



*Best Hair
Michael Silverman and Sakina Pasha*



*Couple That Never Was
Alfred Alvarez and Stephanie Kost*



*Most Likely to be a Supermodel
Schooner Sonntag
and Devin Ingersoll*



*Best Smile
Varun Mokhashi and Erin Malone*



*Most Likely to be a College Ad-
missions Counselor
Harry Kent and Kendra Simon*



*Most Likely to be President
Robert Adrian and Kendra Simon*



*Class Couple
Harry Kent and Kendra Simon*



*Best Dressed
Eric Fram and Anne Inkpen*



*Most Likely to be Famous
Colin Kelly and Sara Paull*



*Worst Case of Senioritis
John Greenberg and Ayten Salhi*



*Sweetest Wheels
Thomas Turansky
and Marée Bandrowiczak*



*Best Writer
Ben Murphy and Sophie Carter-Kahn*



*Best Scholar
Matt Rosenzweig and Kendra Simon*



*Biggest Starwars Fanatic
Stephen Hamway and Anne Inkpen*



*Most Athletic
Robert Adrian and Ayten Salahi*



*Most School-Spirited
Robert Adrian and Devin Ingersoll*



*Born in the Wrong Decade
Colin Kelly and Isabel Hines*

Upper School

Right: Danielle Lee has a healthy respect for Dr. Allison's Hammer of Grammar. Here she takes careful notes during her English I class.

Below: Megan Lehrer is so focused that she doesn't even notice that her picture is being taken. What a dedicated student!



Right: Spanish students hablan Español durante su clase.



Right: Sr. Caro lectures his enthusiastic students on the history of the Spanish language and Colombian singer Shakira's skills, much to Kate Gonzales's and Nathan Nearhood's amusement.



FRESHMAN ACADEMICS



Far left: Christine Rohacz and Leah Stofko invoke the muse during Art Exploration.



Left: Clare Fuller, center, just can't contain her smiles during biology. Classmates Lauren Chanen (far left) and Alessandra Dagirmanjian (right) want to know what's so funny!

Below: Jacob Langerman and Rachel Underhill concentrate on the topic for the day during Spanish class, in a room brightly festooned with student artwork celebrating Spanish-speaking countries.



Robbe Simon appears absorbed in his work during Dr. Allison's class, like so many students before him.

Natalie Davenport and Rachael Franks consult each other during Spanish class.

Upper School



Allison Puglisi works enthusiastically on her math homework, a living testament to the idea that time flies when you're having fun.



Ms. Lynch engages in a lively discussion of the novel Things Fall Apart with her English II class.



The three musketeers Sofia Mastikhina, Elizabeth Rodie, and Ashley Sylvester pay close attention to the issues on the floor at the JSA meeting.



From left: Danielle Marquis, Marcela Niemczyk, Conor Cathey, Mr. Wilkins, and Ivaylo Bahtchevanov.

Note: No dollars were hurt in the making of this yearbook. After Mr. Wilkins completed his demonstration of the process of combustion, the flammability of alcohol, and the materials used to make currency, the dollar in question retained all of its spending power and was put to good use.

Sophomore Nithin Pusapati goes back in time while studying his history textbook.



SOPHOMORE ACADEMICS

Immediate left: Latina Vidolova works efficiently to complete her homework before the bell rings.

Far left: Ms. Andrews kicks it old-school while using the overhead projector in class.

Below: Sophomore Christine Stockslager looks to Mr. Wilkins to take advantage of his wealth of chemistry knowledge.



Latina Vidolova



Ms. Andrews



Mr. Wilkins, Christine Stockslager.



Above: Like the U.S Postal Service, neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night can prevent Ivaylo Bahtchevanov from completing his scholarly duties outside in the quad.

Below: Here we see PCDS students engaged in their preferred activity: studying.



Sara Goldsworthy



Alexandra Blanford



Neha Ravi

Upper School



Above: Junior Katharine Onofryton is riveted by Ms. Driscoll's lecture.



Right: Junior Julia Kaspar relies on her trusty calculator in Mr. Greenlee's precalculus class.



Above: The ever-studious Zach McVay works rigorously on some tricky math problems in the library conference room.

Below: Mr. Greenlee stands at the ready to help Ariel Gordon with her math.



JUNIOR ACADEMICS



Above: Junior Hannah Keogh takes a serious approach to her studies, while fellow junior Xavier Loza graces the PCDS library with a grin as he works away.

Below: Junior Haley Carrol can't help but express her happiness after dominating a killer precalculus problem.



Above: Patrick Taylor peers inquisitively at his computer screen as he pursues the Internet's plethora of academic resources.

Below: Margo Casselman, a junior, engages in a lively discussion in Ms. Driscoll's English class.

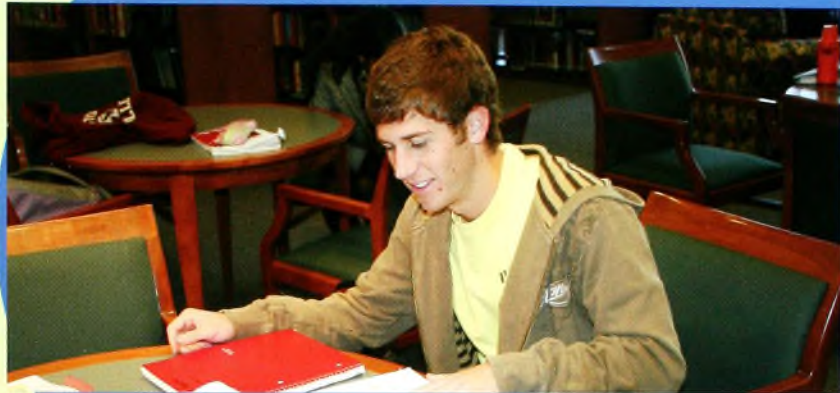


Upper School



Clockwise from top left: Students in Mrs. Decker's class study the art of composition. Matt Tibi pays rapt attention to Mr. Coon. Nicole Lopez wisely uses her free time to study in the library. What are Stephen Hamway, Will French and Isabel Hines discussing in English class: Fitzgerald's "The Crackup," perhaps? Thomas Turansky concentrates on the reading, with the world map behind him ... and the whole world ahead of him.

SENIOR ACADEMICS



Clockwise from top left: Michael Silverman works hard on his senior speech. Robert Adrian prepares to hit the books in Brewster Library. Mark Eisenberg sits in Mr. Martin's class, surrounded by an impressive library. Harry Kent works hard on his biology homework, with Schooner Sonntag at his side. Sara Paull has found a comfy chair in which to finish her homework ... and to rest her dancer's toes.

Upper School



Elephant Polo squad member Prateek Wakharkar, senior, jumps off classmate Tyler Tse's back in an impressive manner.



Students gather around the grill for hot dogs and refreshments in anticipation of the big game.

Though the Arizona Cardinals made it all the way to the Superbowl, the game to watch at PCDS was the hotly contested annual showdown between juniors and seniors: In a word, Powderpuff.



Colin Kelly



Janey Zitomer



Sarah Bauer

"It was a good way to bond with our classmates, and we totally showed the seniors."

-Margaret McCain, junior



Brett Hennessy

Right: Varun Mokhashi flips out ... literally! ... during the Elephant Polo squad's halftime performance.

Below: The junior girls, decked out in their tie-dye jerseys, huddle briefly before executing an awesome play.



POWDERPUFF



Above: The senior Powderpuff players huddle for a team picture before the showdown.
Right: Members of the Elephant Polo dance squad show off their cool moves during halftime.



Kendra Simon

"Powderpuff was awesome because the seniors won!"

-Sophie Carter-Kahn, senior



Karen Johnson



Devin Ingersoll



John Greeberg



Jessica Ornstein

Right: Junior Salona Patel attempts to block senior Alex Favier as Taylor Pitt runs the ball downfield.
Below Left: Senior Jessica Ornstein holds the ball close as she tries to score a touchdown.
Below Right: Junior Salona Patel watches down the field, ready to defend her turf.

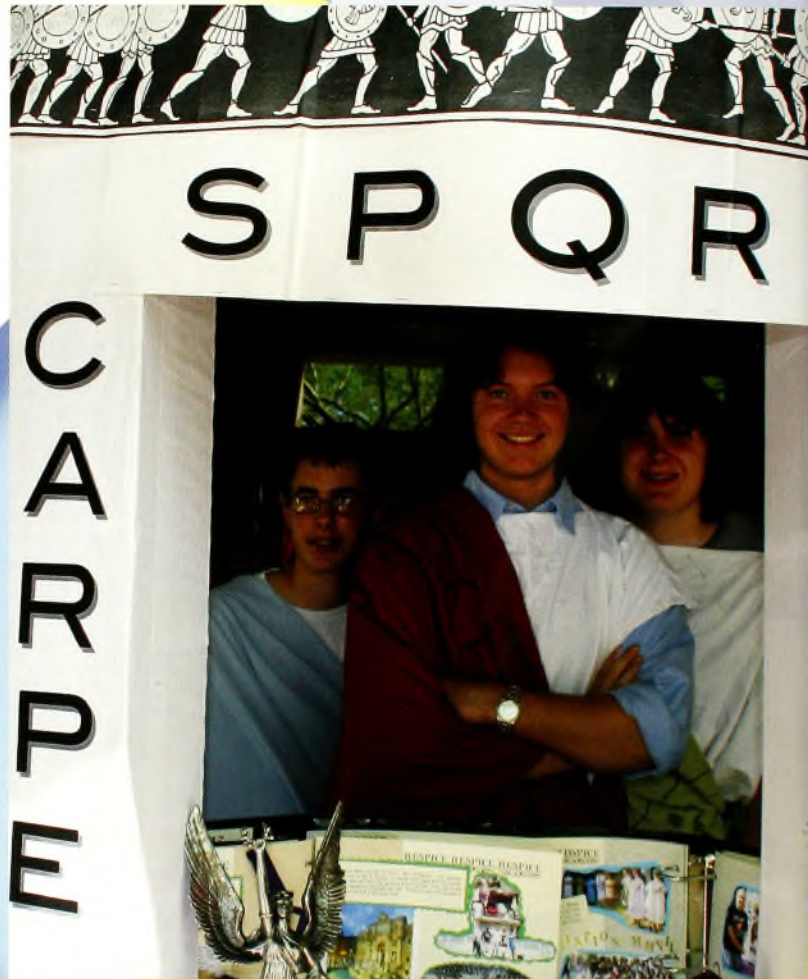


Salona Patel

Upper School



Clockwise from top: Junior Diana Hsu Schron and Senior Jane Zitomer show off their lacrosse sticks and smiles at the clubs fair. Sophomores Joseph Bacal, Conor Cathey, and Matt Benson display their Latin pride with their togas and poster. Yearbook staffers Adam Lowe and Will French, seniors, along with Mrs. Decker, try to attract new staff members by tooting their own horns. Senior Anne Inkpen works to recruit cheerleaders at the clubs fair.



CLUBS



Left: Senior Nicole Swinford presents the new Daybreaks magazine and the club poster. Below: Seniors Sakina Pasha and Prateek Wakharkar invite students to join Coexist, a new interfaith club on campus, as Ms. Andrews looks on proudly.



Upper School



Clockwise from left: Senior Michael Silverman wants people to join the Green Team make sure PCDS does its part to keep our planet healthy and happy. Junior Benazir Khan makes a bedazzling impression on potential club members as she advertises the Student Diversity Leadership Conference. The PCDS news crew (Seniors Amber Naumann, Richie Zitomer, Tyler Tse, and Mark Eisenberg) hopes to have some help in keeping everyone up to date on school events. Senior Teddie Vidolova smiles in front of the Art Club's poster, hoping for aspiring artists to join the Art Club.

CLUBS



Left: Lights! Camera! Action! It's the Senior Video staff. Juniors Jake Villadolid and Themis Panotopoulos are ready for YOUR close-up! Below: Ms. Smith and sophomore Nithin Pusapati show off Club Med in their official white lab coats.



Upper School



Counterclockwise from left: Senior Ben Murphy and junior Erica Dohring show off pictures of their latest outdoor excursions at the Clubs Fair. Senior Jessica Gordon advocates the cause of Global Awareness. Mme. Mills and senior Chris Abdo enjoy crepes outside the computer lab ... c'est magnifique!



CLUBS



Counterclockwise from left: Juniors Morgan Shepard, Sophia Boyer, and Christina Arregoces show the authentic smiles that come from being part of the Random Acts of Kindness Club. El Club de Español displays its true Spanish pride with sombreros and a chile piñata. The Action Sports Video Club has an awesome setup right in the middle of the quad.



Upper School Athletics

Swim & Dive

Men's Basketball

Men's Lacrosse

Men's Tennis

Men's Golf

Baseball

Men's Soccer

Debate



Pursuing Victory with Honor

PCDS proudly participates in the Pursuing Victory with Honor program and embraces it as the foundation of the PCDS sports program. Student-athletes are encouraged to pursue sportsmanlike conduct and good character, qualities that pay off on the field and in their lives after they leave PCDS. Athletes, faculty, coaches, administrators and fans are equally responsible for representing PCDS in a positive light at all sporting events.



Cross-Country

Women's Basketball

Women's Lacrosse

Women's Tennis

Women's Golf

Softball

Women's Soccer

Volleyball

Cheer



The Pursuing Victory with Honor program is based on six principles:

Trustworthiness
Respect
Responsibility
Fairness
Caring
Citizenship

SWIM AND DIVE



Senior and captain Amber Naumann floats like a butterfly and stings like a bee while racing across the pool!



Junior Joshua McGrath expertly tucks his shoulders to his chest as he dives.



Senior Amber Naumann dives headfirst in the icy water in efforts to secure a lead for PCDS Swim.



It's a bird! It's a plane! It's senior Natalie Swinford diving into the depths of the PCDS pool!



Sophomore Sara Goldsworthy freestyles down the lane with the stealth and precision of an eagle. How fitting!



Above: Senior Ben Murphy is swimming for glory.



The PCDS Swim & Dive team smiles for a team snapshot.

Below: Junior Lauren Kauffman glides through the water with the greatest of ease.



CROSS-COUNTRY



Junior Hannah Keogh feels a moment of jubilant triumph as she races toward success.



Freshman Elliot Goldberg bears an expression of determination, the epitome of Eagle pride!



Junior David Linder proudly represents PCDS.



Junior Sarah Bauer pushes forward in the final moments of her race. Go, Sarah, go!

Cross-Country had an excellent season! With new coach Brian Martin, the Eagles smoked the competition and ran some great meets. For the first time in at least five years, the boys' team had a first-place finish in a competitive meet. Also, over the course of the season, every single member of the team achieved a personal record. And, to top it all off, juniors Michael Perry, Sarah Bauer, and Hannah Keogh outran the regional competition to qualify for states, where Perry took home 32nd (out of hundreds of people in our division! That kid is fast!). Overall, the PCDS Cross-Country team had an exciting season and would like to thank everyone who offered support.



Captains Richie Zitomer and Becca Wax, seniors, bask in the Arizona sun between Cross Country races.



Above: Junior Sergio Tavizon breaks into a steady pace during his race.



Above: Juniors Chris Jackson and Michael Perry head into the home stretch.



Left: Junior Xavier Loza focuses intensely as he races toward the finish line.

WOMEN'S GOLF



Freshman Rachel Underhill holds her own as 50 percent of the Women's Golf Team while expertly swinging her club.



Rachel's counterpart, senior Isabel Hines, follows through with a fabulous demonstration of her golfing skills. Fore!



Rachel Underhill focuses intensely.



Senior Isabel Hines reminds us that PCDS Eagles always shoot one under (for all you non-golfers: That's good!)



The PCDS Varsity Girls Golf team had a great (and interesting!) season. We started off the season with our first practice on the baseball field and it continued to be full of surprises throughout the remainder of the two months. Though there were only two members of the team this year, Rachel Underhill and Captain Isabel Hines, so we did not qualify as a team in matches, we still were able to play as individuals. Our coach, Pam Wright, has been a fantastic source of enthusiasm throughout the season and both teammates greatly appreciated her presence. Isabel was not able to attend Regionals because of a prior commitment but Rachel performed wonderfully both at Regionals and States, placing 15th at States. Overall, it was great few months, full of hysterical times.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL



Sophomore Hailey Rose goes in for a killer spike during an eventful varsity match!



Seniors Ayten Salahi and Nicole Lopez look intensely toward their teammates while waiting for the upcoming serve.

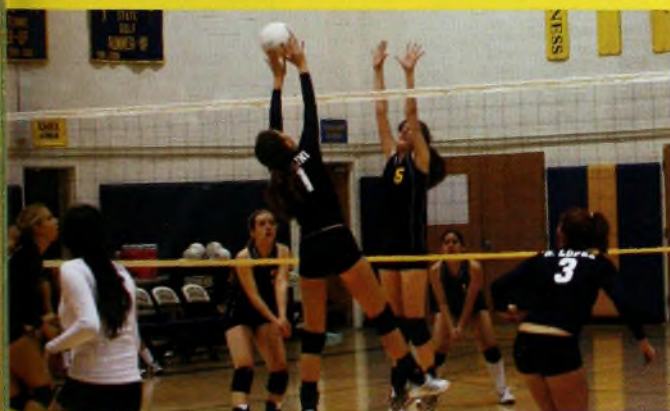


Freshman Alessandra Dagirmanjian leaves her opponents shaking in their sneakers as she gets ready to serve up some serious skills.



Senior Suchita Mandair expertly bumps the volleyball toward teammate and fellow senior Nicole Lopez.

Them	Us	
3	2	Phoenix Christian
0	3	Tempe Prep
0	2	Agua Fria
1	2	Horizon Honors
2	1	SCA
0	2	Page
2	0	Queen Creek
0	3	North Pointe Prep
0	3	SCA
0	3	North Pointe Prep
1	3	Bourgade Catholic
3	1	Horizon Honors
1	3	Camp Verde
3	1	Nothwest
3	2	Horizon Honors
0	3	Arizona Lutheran
0	3	SCA
3	1	Valley Christian
1	3	Campe Verde
1	3	Bourgade Catholic
3	0	Northwest
0	3	Yuma Catholic
3	2	Valley Christian



Sophomore Kirea Mazzolini catches air as she valiantly defends the Eagle side of the net.

The Eagles' Net: The Girl's Varsity Volleyball Team had a great season. Although the final records didn't show it, this season was probably one of the most successful seasons in PCDS history. The season started at summer camp at NAU. PCDS ended up being runner-up to possibly the best team in the state, Cactus. Although the Eagles team suffered numerous injuries, we managed to pull through and fight our hardest. Some of the most memorable moments of the season were completely crushing Scottsdale Christian Academy, a team goal for many years, as well as making it to five games and barely losing to Valley Christian, the team that, in the end, won the division. The PCDS Women's Volleyball team fought so hard in that game and left everything out on the court. The entire school community is proud of the way the Eagles played: with athleticism, heart, dedication, and sportsmanship.



MEN'S SOCCER



Senior Schooner Sonntag makes an impressive move as he receives a pass from a fellow Eagle.



Senior Robert Adrian animatedly prepares to kick the ball, ready to score another goal on behalf the PCDS soccer team.



As an opponent bears down on him, freshman James Barranco makes an awe-inspiring kick towards the goal.



Senior Zach Hitchcock bounds majestically across the soccer field, open for a pass.

Us	Them	
1	0	Surrey Garden Christian
4	1	Green Fields
1	0	Benson
0	2	Desert Christian
0	2	St. Gregory
0	1	Camp Verde
7	0	Valley Lutheran
1	3	St. Gregory
1	1	Precision
1	6	Chino Valley
3	2	Green Fields
2	0	Valley Lutheran
6	7	Precision
2	1	Camp Verde
1	0	Holbrook
2	0	Camp Verde



Freshman Kyle Jackson bolts into the midst of the battle as the game heats up.



Junior Kevin Crain's hair bounces jovially as he focuses on making a pass to a teammate.



Sophomore Greg Adrian, goalie for the PCDS Men's soccer team, heaves the ball back into the swing of the game.



WOMEN'S SOCCER



Junior Maude LaBelle looks on as her teammates execute a play across the green.



Junior Taylor Pitt just won't quit ... despite the challenges presented to her on the soccer field!



Senior Sakina Pasha pays close attention to the action of the game, waiting to seize the opportune moment for glory.



Junior Ariel Gordon pauses to take a breather during a fast-paced soccer match.

Freshman Lauren Chanan maintains a brisk pace while running the length of the soccer field. You go, Lauren!



Us	Them
0	3
0	3
0	7
0	5
0	2
0	2
0	3
2	1
0	3
0	8
0	5
0	3

	Tempe Prep
	Scottsdale Christian
	Sedona Red Rock
	Estrella Foothills
	Tempe Prep
	Fountain Hills
	Veritas
	Maricopa
	Sedona Red Rock
	Fountain Hills
	Scottsdale Christian
	Veritas



Left: Freshman Samantha Kaplan returns to mid-field after a goal has been scored.

Right: The girls beam for a team photo with Coach McKean.

Junior Grace Martineau heads back to the home side of the field to valiantly defend Eagle turf.



MEN'S BASKETBALL



Senior Prateek Wakharkar keeps his head in the game as PCDS cheerleaders do what they do best: cheer him on!



Fans watch in amazement as senior Robert Adrian dribbles down the court.



The JV team goes in for a huddle to plan and anticipate the next play.



Sophomore Ryan Pitt solemnly prepares to receive the ball from the referee.

Them	Us
43	59 Tonopah Valley
62	64 Phoenix Christian
58	49 Valley Lutheran
53	55 Bourgade Catholic
68	43 Scottsdale Christian
63	54 Valley Christian
50	51 Camp Verde
40	45 Canyon State
59	31 Northwest Christian
44	59 Horizon Honors
66	49 Scottsdale Christian
52	42 St. Gregory
69	72 Valley Christian
64	63 Camp Verde
40	55 Canyon State
47	37 Desert Christian



This year we had three times as many coaches, twice as many players, five times as many points allowed, one-and-a-half times as many teams in our program, twice as many wins, and a hundred times more respect. Our stinking good coaches instilled in us the phrase "excellence is the standard; perfection is the goal." We rose to their challenge.

We went 19 and 9. We beat Valley Christian for the first time since 1994. We got second place in our Desert Classic Tournament, the first time we have done that in recent memory. We went into the metro-region tournament with the highest seed we have had since 1994. We set a new school record for the least points allowed in a game and in a season, and also for most points scored in a game and in a season. We achieved excellence. You can expect next year's team to shatter even more perceptions and achieve an even higher level of excellence. Think about this year's team as just setting the bar. Go Eagles!



Top Left: No, Elliot Ginsberg, a senior, is not surrendering himself to the enemy but is rather shooting a free throw during an important game.

Right: Andrew Chang is recognized by his teammates for his contribution to the team with an amusing senior gift.



The PCDS basketball team takes a moment before the game to say the Pledge of Allegiance.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



Christine Stockslager runs to the ball after a missed shot.



Rachel Epstein chases after a runaway ball on the court.



Morgan Shepard and Allison Puglisi walk back to their side of the court.



Hannah Keogh waits for the referee's signal to throw the ball to her teammates.

Girls basketball had a great season this year. With returning head coach Mr. White, we played many tough teams but also had many solid games. The team was able to overcome challenges and play to the best of its ability. Despite the difficulties of having few in numbers, the PCDS girls basketball team had a good season and, most importantly, a fun season. We saw vast improvement in our skills as well as growth as individuals. Thank you to all the fans, especially the parents, and to everyone who came to cheer us on.



Them	Us	
78	39	Phoenix Christian
45	29	Valley Lutheran
31	66	Bourgade Catholic



Arianna Rose receives her senior gifts from teammate Hannah Keogh at their last home game.

Rachel Epstein brings the ball under control before dribbling it down court.



MEN'S LACROSSE



Schooner Sonntag forcefully lobs the ball down field.



Douglas De la O quickly changes directions in the hopes of gaining a point for the Eagles.



Varun Mokhashi runs towards the opposing team.



Kevin Crain heaves the ball to a teammate.



While many thought that this year would just be a growing year, we have proved ourselves time and time again. Our sophomores, Zahid Pasha, Jeremy Abdo, Nabeer Khan, and Tom Wall were essential for our win against Oro Valley.

This year's juniors make up the majority of our team. Many of them are experienced players who were essential members of our team this season. Some of the spectacular juniors include Michael Perry, Jake Villadolid, Alex Gonzales, David Linder, Josh McGrath, Doug De la O, and Kevin Crain.

The team's seniors, Varun Mokhashi, Stew McClintic and Schooner Sonntag, were wonderful leaders, both on and off the field.

The PCDS Varsity lacrosse team had a great season this year.



**Above Left: Stew McClintic saves a goal.
Right: Zahid Pasha picks up the ball during a practice.**



Nabeer Khan leans back to catch a toss.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE



Jessica Ornstein strikes a brisk pace as she galavants down the field while aptly avoiding an adversary.



Ashley Sylvester jogs across the field in an effort to set the offense up for success.



Amber Naumann lunges forward to secure a loose ball in hopes for another Eagles goal.



Sarah Bauer strikes through the heart of the defense while driving down the field to set up the next offensive position.

The 2008-2009 girls' lacrosse was an incredibly talented and hardworking team, with many returning players and dedicated rookies. Eagles Lacross girls are truly a family and have a lot of fun with each other. Go Eagles!



Left: Zoe Simon throws the ball to a teammate.

Them	Us	
4	6	Desert Vista
7	9	Dobson
9	10	Notre Dame
10	11	Desert Vista



Right: Jessica Segal sprints downfield to score an Eagles goal.



MEN'S TENNIS



Tyler Drew prepares to serve to his opponent.



Spenser Gwozdzik lunges to save the point.



David Selvala comes close to return the ball while Jehan Bista watches in the background.



Patrick Taylor shows his skill on the court.



**Left: Robbe Simon starts to serve to his opponent.
Right: Alexander Diones hits it high.**



Left: Tennis players cause a racket. Front Row: Jehan Bista, Rohit Kothur, David Selvala, Cole Goodyear, Daniel Niv, and Themis Panotopoulos. Back row: J.B. Stockslager, Patrick Taylor, Spenser Gwozdzik, Tyler Drew, and Nithin Pusapati. Right: There's nothing underhanded about Rohit Kothur's powerful backhand swing!



WOMEN'S TENNIS



Marcia Niemczyk reaches for the ball.



Kendra Simon pulls back to get the most power from her return.



Christine Stockslager runs to return the ball.



Kelsey Rose swiftly runs to the other side of the court.



Left: Arianna Rose trains her eye on the ball as she concentrates on her swing.

Right: Nicole Bassoff stretches to reach the ball before it hits the ground.



Left: Zinnia Daas is a force to be reckoned with on the court!

Right: The girls show team spirit in their blue uniforms.



MEN'S GOLF



Reid Price putts: Are we looking at the next golf phenom?



Zach Hitchcock struts gallantly across the golf course.



John Greenberg strides nonchalantly across the green.



Gino Picozzi swings with the force of a Jedi master. May the force be with you!



The gentlemen's golf team got off to a sweet, super-bomb start. Our coach, Bob Hendrickson, earned his 300th career win in our first match, and we are looking to get him 400th by the end of the season. Our star player, Nick Gibbs, who currently ranks 14th in the world, is poised to have an excellent season. Our captains, Zach "totally tubular" Hitchcock and John "money clip" Greenberg, are ready to lead their team to uncharted levels of success, with promising freshman Reid Price and caveman Gino Picozzi rounding out the top five. Go golf!



Once again, John Greenberg prepares to swing his way to victory.



Reid Price, John Greenberg, and Gino Picozzi consult one another on the green.

DEBATE



Alex Gonzales goes through a massive amount of papers in the debate tubs.



Mark Zhang does all his best debate work on the couch.



Freshman Eric Showers and Sophomore Kathie Zhang show off the trophy from their last competition.



Mr. Guthrie explains something deep and profound to Kevin Heath, one of the brave the freshman debaters.

Phoenix Country Day School debaters had another successful year under the leadership of seniors Matthew H. Rosenzweig and Mark Q. Zhang and the sublimely brilliant coaching of Matthew J. Guthrie. The squad competed at a plethora of tournaments throughout the Southwest, not only against other 1-3A schools in Arizona but also against large, nationally ranked schools from throughout the country. The first semester began with a successful effort at Red Mountain, where the team of Alex Gonzales and Kathie Zhang took second place and finished with the senior-freshman duo of Mark Zhang and Eric Showers winning the championship at the 1-3A Winter Trophy. At the ASU Southwest Championship in January, Matt and Mark and Basil Latif and Alex Gonzales placed 5th and 9th respectively in varsity division; freshmen Eric Showers and Kevin Heath placed 3rd in the junior varsity division. Going into the end of March, the squad was preparing to win its 5th consecutive 1-3A State Championship, the 4th consecutive one for the graduating team of Matt and Mark. PCDS debate will conclude its season with the National Forensic League Arizona Qualifier (a tournament PCDS hopes to win for a third consecutive year) to qualify for the national tournament. Seniors Matt and Mark expect great things from all their freshmen protégés, including Daniel Niv and Jehan Bista.



**Above right: Mr. Guthrie shows a tactic to senior Matt Rosenzweig.
Left: Jehan Bista practices his speed-reading.
Right: The team takes time during practice for a picture.**



Matt Prusak expresses himself as he debates.



BASEBALL



Senior Harry Kent watches the action intently from behind first base.



Sophomore Greg Adrian makes a mad dash toward second base.



Senior Captain Robert Adrian dashes off hightails it towards first base.



Captain Brett Hennessy, a senior, leads off, preparing to make a stealthy move to third base.

Junior Chris Garagiola winds up, ready to strike out the opposing batter.



We will not be satisfied until we have put two banners up in the gym. We will be Region Champions and State Champions. Coach Huber and the team has always believed we could achieve this goal. With the fresh eyes of our new Assistant Coach, Coach Troy Farnsworth, seeing and agreeing with our goals, we knew that we could achieve these goals.

At press time, the baseball season had barely started, but our potential to succeed was evident. With our seniors and juniors (the first seven names) tantalized by missing out on more success the year before, we will definitely succeed even more than we did last year.

That old freshman duo, Brett Hennessy and Robert Adrian, is now a seniors sensation, and they plan to control the plate from the mound and from the batter's box. Chris Wade, Andrew Seraichick, Noah Segal, Alex Heltn, Chris Garagiola, Greg Adrian, James Barranco, Nic Meyer, and Josh Huckleberry have all come together to achieve our goals as well. Thank you for those who supported us this year. Go Eagles!

Senior Chris Wade does a victory jig as he returns to first base.



Freshman James Barranco tags home after making spectacular run



SOFTBALL



Kendall Goodyear runs home while the catcher waits for the team to return the ball.



Bianca Cervantes sprints to second base.



Ariel Gordon makes it home just in time.



Taylor Pitt arrives safely at second base.

Christine Rohacz throws a killer pitch to the opposing team.



Them	Us	
0	16	Westwind Prep
0	15	Valley Christian



Left: Tianna Sheih hits the ball far out.

Right: The team shows their tough spirit in a memorable moment.

Kate Gonzales starts running to the next base.



CHEER



Margo Casselman, Erica Dohring, and Jaclyn Roberts wait for their chance to cheer on their team.



Julia Kaspar, Erica Dohring, and Salona Patel lift Margo Casselman.



The four show off their cheer skills at a basketball game.



The cheer squad intently watches the basketball game.



This season we got off to a bit of a rough start with only two returning members. We practically had to start from scratch, but with the help of our awesome coach we soon pulled it together. In no time, we had our newest members throwing stunts! We were lucky enough to be chosen to cheer at the P.F. Chang's marathon and to win money for our squad. We also put together two fun halftime shows, one for Christmas and another for senior night. You can't escape the Eagle's Nest!

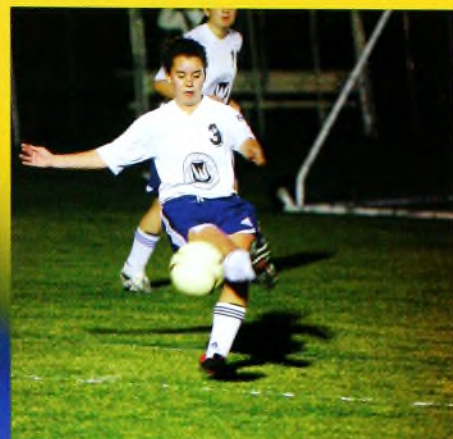


Julia Kaspar and Margo Casselman watch the fast-paced basketball game intently, ready to erupt into cheers.



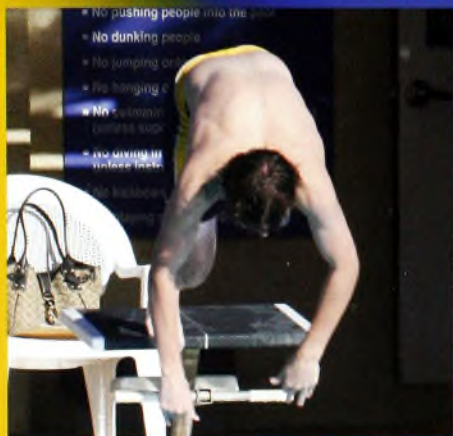
Margo Casselman shakes her pom-poms eagerly as she cheers on the basketball team.

Additional Action Shots



Clockwise from Left: Diana Schron fights her way through the other team's defense and prepares to shoot and score for the womens lacrosse team. Maude LaBelle passes the ball to a nearby teammate during an intense game under the lights. Tyler Drew aims for the basket during a technical free-throw. Nithin Pusapati volleys the tennis ball back to the other side with amazing speed.

Additional Action Shots



Counterclockwise from top left: The boys varsity soccer team anxiously awaits their turn on the field. Pascal Rütten runs after the ball in a heated lacrosse game. Chris Wade gets a good start off the block during a swim meet. Leah Stofko jumps high to return the ball.

Additional Action Shots



Clockwise from top right: Christine Stockslager deftly avoids an opponent during an intense game. Rachel Underhill reaches low to hit the ball during a softball game. Richie Zitomer jogs on campus during a cross-country practice.

Senior Ads

Andrew Chang



Erin Malone

Zach Hitchcock



Isabel Hines

Will French

Adam Lowe





John Greenberg

Jessica Ornstein



Kendra Simon

Pascal Rütten

Stephen Hamway

Noah Segal



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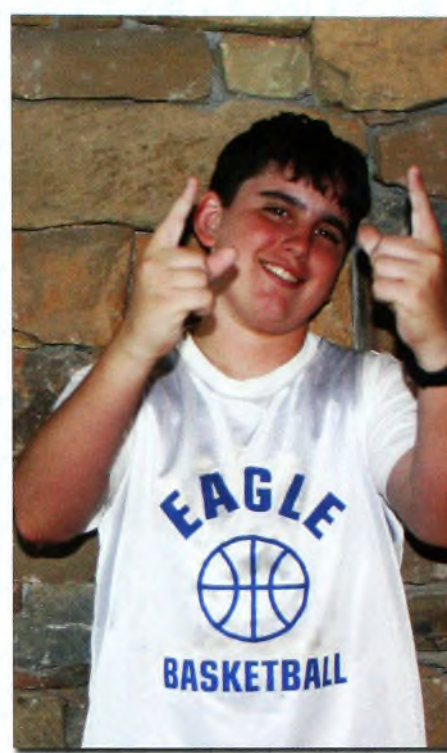
Parents Association



Congratulations! Andrew Chang!
 Wherever we are living, no matter how great the distance between us, we are one team. We always love you, we always care for you, we always support you and we always trust you.
 You are sweet, you are kind, you are gentle, you are handsome, you are a hard worker, you are funny and you make the people around you happy.
 You are the best son and brother in the world.
 Have a wonderful, exciting time at college.
 May God bless you always.
 Love Mom, Dad and Adrian



From DAY ONE, John, you have always been a Big Fan...



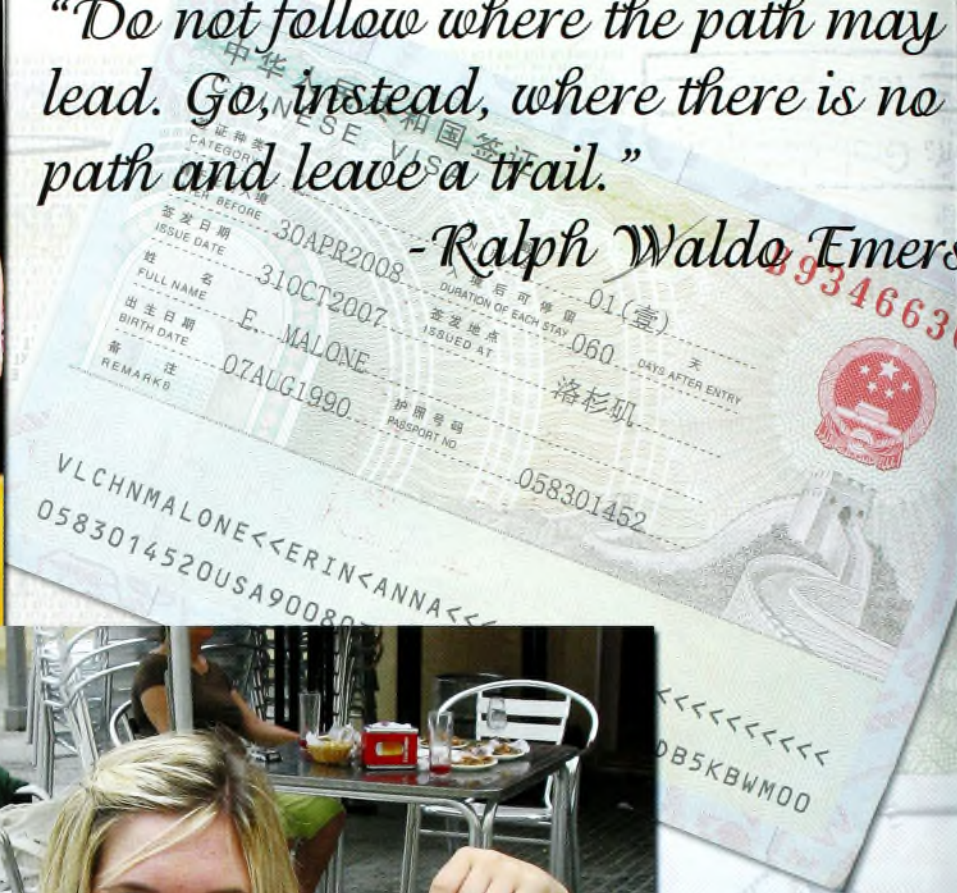
...and from DAY ONE, John, we have always been your Biggest Fans!!!

Love, Mom, Dad, Danica, Chelsea & G-Ma



"Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead, where there is no path and leave a trail."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson



*Keep your adventurous spirit!
Remember you can be anything you
want to be. We are so proud of you
Love, Mom, Dad, Shannon, and
Buggsy*

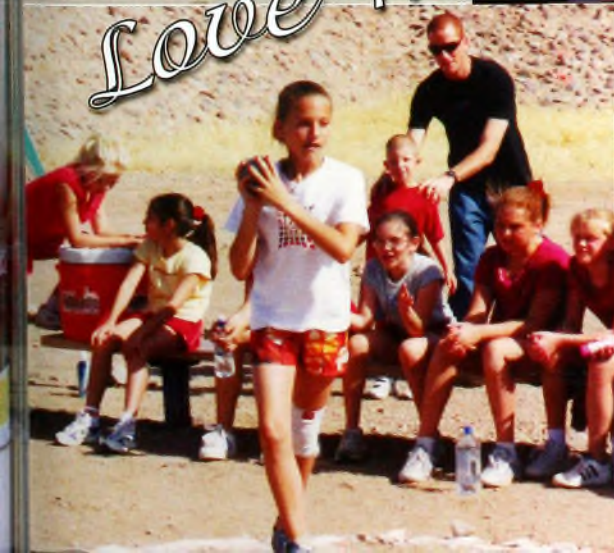
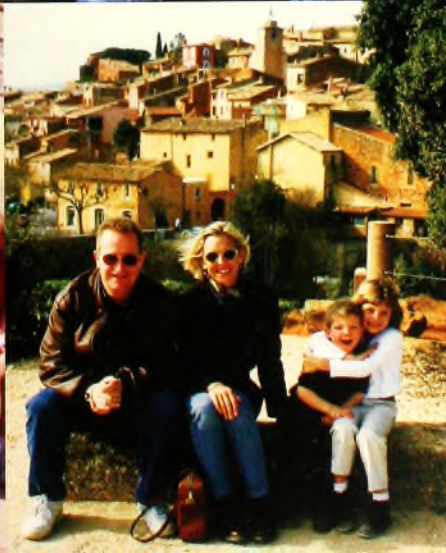




"Nothing great was ever
achieved without enthusiasm."
-Ralph Waldo Emerson



*Congratulations Jess!
Love Mom, Dad, and Jake*





Zach,

We are very proud of you, and we
always will be...
Do the right thing

Congratulations,
Love, Mom and Dad





*Kendra, on the day you were born we knew we were
blessed with an incredible treasure, and each day of your
life has proved the truth in that belief.
Congratulations... We are proud beyond words..... With
all our love Mom Dad and Robbe*

ISABEL

LOOK WHAT IS BEST,
THAT BEST I WISH IN THEE;
THIS WISH I HAVE;
THEN TEN TIMES HAPPY ME!
W.S.

OUR LOVE IS ALWAYS WITH YOU
FIONA, MOM AND DAD





Will



Make your own tracks!
Your Papa (El Supremo) and Grandma
Linda

Congratulations to our wonderful grandson Will who always brings love, laughter, and pride to our lives. We are so proud of you for what you have done thus far, but we know you have so much more to contribute to humanity with your life skills. Love,

As high school is behind us, now we have the future calling our names. I knew you could do it! Love you always,
Kailey



We are so proud of you!! Your achievements are a reflection of your pure heart, your dedicated quest for knowledge and the strength of your spirit. May you always find the courage to embrace the unknown and to never let go of your dreams. We love you,
Aunt Carlée, Uncle Joel, Jen, JP and the rest of the gang...

"What lies behind us and what lies before us, are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."

Pascal

We are very proud of all of your accomplishments in high school. When you leave for college, remember the message from your play "The Wiz" - "believe in yourself and the future will be yours!" We love you,

Grandma and Grandpa



We are blessed to have a grandson who is thoughtful, hardworking and bright! We love you!

Granny and Gramps

Congratulations cuz! I hope you're ready for all the debauchery (I mean, studying) that college entails! Don't do anything I wouldn't do (-; Keep up the good work! Love,

Rachel

The world is a better place because you are in it. Trust God, forgive others, serve joyfully. We love you to pieces. xoxo

U. John and A. Trish



"Peace is a lie, there is only passion. Through passion, I gain strength. Through strength, I gain power. Through power, I have victory. Through victory, my chains are broken."

Ted

To my son - who has the 'courrrrage' to be whatever he wants to be in this world. I love you,

Dad

Remember the llamas . . . Love you to pieces and pieces, ydm

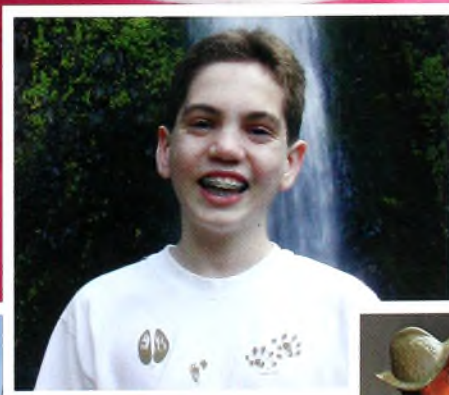
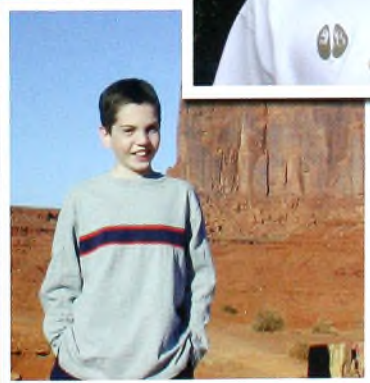


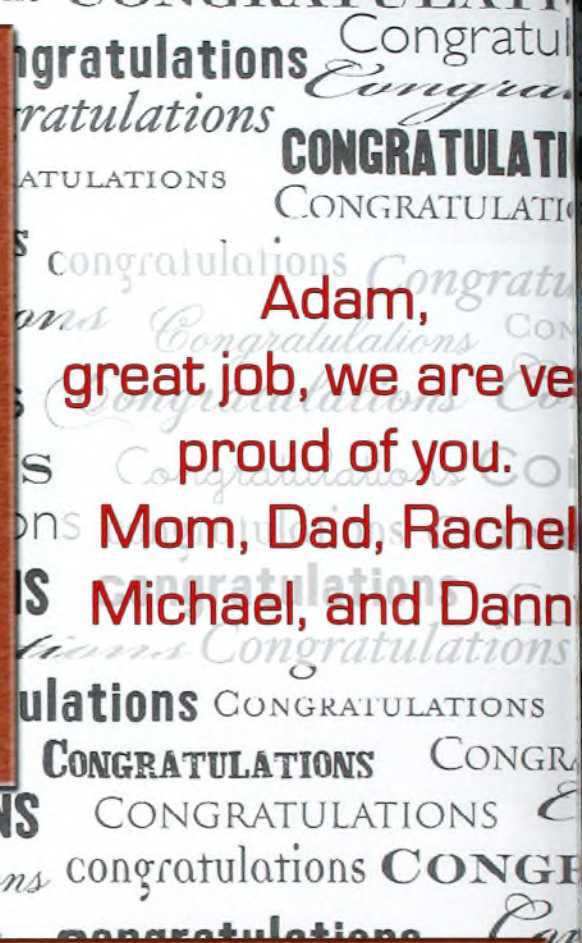


**Pascal-It was so great getting to know you!
You are truly an amazing person with a
unique personality. Though you have only
been here for a short time, you have made a
huge impact on us all. We will miss you! Auf
Wiedersehen
Love,
Your PCDS Friends and Family**

Dear Stephen, We couldn't be prouder of everything you have accomplished
and who you've grown up to be. Never be afraid to dream (remember the
Cardinals) and never send a donut to do a fruit's job.

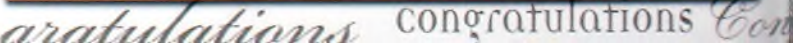
All of our love,
Mom and Dad





A collage of the word "CONGRATULATIONS" in various fonts and sizes, with a framed photograph of a man and a woman in the foreground. The background is a dense arrangement of the word in different styles, including serif, sans-serif, and script fonts, some in black and some in white. The foreground features a framed photograph of a man and a woman. The man is on the right, wearing glasses and a suit, and the woman is on the left, wearing glasses and a dark top. They are both smiling and looking towards the camera. The background of the photo shows a building with columns and arches.

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GOOD LUCK AND BEST WISHES TO THE

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Noah

May you grow up to be righteous,
May you grow up to be true,
May you always know the truth
And see the lights surrounding you.
May you always be courageous,
Stand upright and be strong,
May you stay forever young,

Bob Dylan

Congratulations!
We are so proud of you.
Love, Mom and Dad



Chris Abdo has replaced Andy Samberg as Saturday Night Live's digital short extraordinaire. The latest Abdo web sensation is titled "Say It Ain't So (My Love is a Life-Taker)." He is known as the beloved troublemaker of Beverly Hills.

Robert Adrian was elected president of the United States after becoming the first athlete to play in both the NBA (the National Basketball Association) and the NBA (the National Badminton Alliance). His first lady is Bristol Palin (her first marriage didn't work out), and his primary contender for the presidency was Sasha Obama. His major policy initiatives include universal swipe cards and a community-service retreat for his cabinet.

Alfred Alvarez is the marketing director of the Phoenix Suns. You can see him at every Suns game sitting right next to head coach, Steve Nash. He was the first person to have surgery to change the color of his blood. That's right, he actually bleeds purple and orange.

Marée Bandrocwzak is a high-ranking photographer for Vogue Magazine. As a result of this proximity to fashion stars, she always sports the latest looks. On the side, she writes statistics textbooks.

Owen Bean changed his name to Dylan Bean immediately after graduating from high school because, as he says, "Dylan is a way cooler name than Owen." He relocated and built an underwater commune to continue his scientific pursuits after his talents were underappreciated by the sea-level intellectual community. He currently lives with his wife Lima and his children Jelly, Pinto, and Garbanzo.

Alex Beller moved to Italy, where his name roughly translates into Old Antonio Salieri. He delights the locals with his sick magic tricks and mad rhymes. He is internationally known as Alpha B.

Sophie Carter-Kahn is the world's leading English teacher, which has made her mother very proud. She speaks 50 languages, writes speeches for the Democratic Party, and loves all 14 of her adopted children. She also adopted Schooner Sonntag, who feels paler than ever before.

Andrew Chang is the headmaster of the International School in North Korea, the first school he has been a part of (besides PCDS, of course) where he is not confused for a foreign-exchange student.

Senior Timewarps

Zinnia Daas became a world-renowned scientist who finds cures to medical mysteries. Her last discovery was the edible growth spurt, a chocolate-coated pill which allows the patient to grow exactly three inches. Daas ate her pill and grew to be 5'3", much to the delight of the scientific community and short people everywhere.

Mark Eisenberg recently retired from his career as a gold-medal-winning fencer. He has kept busy, having been recently appointed by President Adrian as special envoy to the Middle East. Within days of his appointment, Mark single-handedly ended over 2000 years of war between Arabs and Israelis. Who's the cynic now?

Alex Favier became a fashion, fitness, and cosmetics mogul in Europe with her hip trends and general stylish-osity.

Eric Fram retired from modeling for Ralph Lauren after a very successful career based on his own image, and he is now the United States Senate Majority Leader as well as every other senator.

Will French saved the world, discovered his inner peace, and learned to chill, in that order. He made millions by solving global issues through entertainment and meaningful therapy-zation.

Elliot Ginsburg is President Adrian's Surgeon General of the United States, due in great part to his experience adjusting his own nose back into its proper position. Prior to his appointment, he worked as a plastic surgeon. His perfect face is seen on every billboard in Manhattan, with his famous catchphrase, "Toodles!"

Jessica Gordon's senior speech came true. She is living in an African country after having graduated from medical school, and she works with poor children while simultaneously trying to find a cure for AIDS.

John Greenberg replaced Dan Rooney as owner of the Steelers and recently challenged Mark Cuban of the Dallas Mavericks to a World of Warcraft game for the title of Most Obnoxious Sports Franchise Owner.

Quinlan Hamann became a Japanese dental supply company president. His company is the largest of its kind on the Asian continent. During his off time, he is an up-and-coming musician. Trust us, he's huge in Japan.

Stephen Hamway led a coup against the Arizona Cardinals' owners and assumed control of the team. His good humor and amazing goatee inspired the team to win its first-ever Super Bowl.

Brett Hennessy took over his mother's business of writing children's books, but they're not selling well. This could be due to the fact that he let Mark Zhang title them. His newest picture book, *Every Time You Smile, Someone Kills A Kitty*, is doing even worse than the others.

Isabel Hines has started an organization in Central America called Skating for the Soul, which provides poor and abused children therapy through ice-skating. She makes Zach handle the skates because she is still inexplicably afraid of feet.

Zach Hitchcock had to ask Isabel for a job after Eric took his senate seat. Once he gets sick of ice skates, he plans to help Gino in his ambition to become a Colorado ski-resort mogul.

Victoria Hussey became one of the most successful creative writers of all time. It has been said that she is even better than Poe for her in-depth understanding of the human psyche. She lives on a farm with Johnny Depp and a lot of animals. Sorry, Elizabeth.

Devin Ingersoll took one of Zinnia's pills and is now the tallest woman alive. Robert's dream finally came true, as Devin is now a model for Ford Modeling Agency. She is also an Australian businesswoman, much to the delight of her old English class.

Anne Inkpen took the fashion world by storm with her Je-Ne-Sais-Quoi Collection, which was nearly inconceivable to consumers. They simply didn't know how to react. Currently, she resides in Paris, where she makes custom clothing for all her unbelievably successful former classmates.

Karen Johnson moved back to Wis-CAN-sin after finishing her college education. She finally realized her true life's calling and became the official historian of the Green Bay Packers. She is on track to attend more than 1,200 games in her lifetime, which is the equivalent of over 75 years of Packers football.

Amrita Kang took her fascination with cookies to a whole new level when she purchased Natalie's record-setting cookie and paid the orphans who owned it a sum of \$2 million. This was but a small amount to Amrita, who works as a triple threat: singer, actress, and cancer-curer.

Colin Kelly was recently knighted by the new King of England, King Dean (formerly Dean Wilkins), for his advances in the field of techno and professional voice acting ... and for a rousing rendition of "Don't Stop Believin'."

Harrison Kent was still trying to figure out what to do with his life when he heard about the horrible tragedy that occurred at Kendra's wedding. He is currently in negotiations with numerous publishing companies for a novel called *If I Did It*.

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Steph Kost has taken up the family business and is an undercover KGB agent. She is based in her father's shooting range in her Paradise Valley basement. She thinks her job is super fun (!) because she often takes pictures of people when they are not looking.

Nicole Lopez formed the American Volleyball Association of America, which uses only AVAA-approved volleyballs and features creatively titled teams from all around the country. Her games can currently be viewed on ESPN 8, The Ocho. She is the leading killer on the aptly-named G(inger)-Unit, which includes both Lopez sisters, Richie, Eric the Red, and all the Weasleys.

Adam Lowe became the foremost advertiser in Los Angeles with his ingenious Company Yearbook concept. He's loaded. He has many leather-bound books, and his apartment smells of rich mahogany.

Erin Malone moved back to Spain following her college education. She is a teacher there and, on the side, has written more than a dozen books concerning European culture and life. She has earned the moniker of "The New Ernest Hemingway, Minus the Depression."

Suchita Mandair works at Seaworld by day as the master dolphin trainer. For fun, she partakes in historical reenactments of the Jamestown colony. She plays the role of Pocahontas, and it's all good because, as she pointed out in her senior speech, some people are a little fuzzy on the difference between Indians and Indians.

Stewart McClintic has replaced Richard Simmons as the nation's leading voice on how to stay fit. He is also the founder of JSAG, or Javelin Safety Awareness Group, which seeks to promote awareness of the inherent danger in using real javelins around middle-school math teachers.

Varun Mokhashi splits his time between Olympic sprinting and drumming. He is the highest-grossing Rock Band drummer ever. He has also started a career as an actual drummer with a band called The Scorpions.

Ben Murphy runs every music business in the industry and recently published *The Science of Shred*. He has surpassed Eric Clapton in being worshipped by 18 million cults.

Amber Naumann married Prince William and moved into the royal palace at 23. She now spends her time vacationing in the Mediterranean and studying the marine life.

Adam Oest became a master of the series of tubes and was appointed Chairman of the Internet by Robert Adrian. As a result of this illustrious position, he runs and manages all Web sites and is the host of all servers. He's got the 1337 hax.

Jessica Ornstein became disillusioned with the Republican Party and joined the Green Party instead. Haha, only joking: She runs

the Republican Party and often sports custom attire by the famous fashion designer Anne Inkpen.

Sakina Pasha visited Suchita at Jamestown, and just as Suchita predicted, Sakina was mistaken for Pocahontas by everybody there. She is now a cat lady. Meow. However, she is the only cat in the world that never lands on its feet. She's quite clumsy, you see.

Sara Paull is the premier ballet dancer in the world. She owns her own Parisian troupe and has recently opened a club called Mulan Rouge. She was exiled to Paris as punishment for stalking Jason Mraz, who is still all about the wordplay.

Gino Picozzi doubled as a Geico Caveman with his catchphrase, "GINO ANGRY!" for five years to cover his ski-bum lifestyle. He has opened a lumber mill to get his revenge on trees.

Alex Raskin won the New York State Lottery at the age of 24 and became a multimillionaire. He then retired and is now a rafting guide in the Amazon. He continues to enjoy his job there, despite having lost both arms to a piranha.

Arianna Rose married some tennis guy from Antelope High School. The two became the world's top mixed doubles tennis team in the world, and they opened up their own tennis clinic in New York. She still has the same Rose-y personality.

Matt Rosenzweig has grown tired of the stock market, claiming it's too easy. He now is the CEO of St. Peter Industries, which tabs, collects, and invests in human souls. That's right, he literally owns you.

Ayten Salahi bought a stretch of highway, and the stretch is now called the Ayten I-10. She is a high-school math teacher, and she yells at students for eating breakfast during class. Karma bites!

Jack Schwimmer used his talents as a saxophonist and cunning scheduler to become the Dean of the USC School of Music. He continues to play saxophone on his radio program, "Hi Everybody, Hi Jack."

Noah Segal became an Israeli secret-service agent. We can't tell you what he is doing; however, we hear he has a penchant for styling hair and is considering moving back to New York City.

Andrew Seraichick opened a bakery where his signature dish is

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Puppy Chow. He reconnected with his birth dad, Bill Clinton, and is now an executive with the Clinton Global Initiative.

Anna Silverman was a contestant on a reality show where she finally fulfilled her dream of swimming in a pool of Jell-O. She owns a branch of Peter Piper Pizza, so all her friends get an unlimited supply of that awesome cinnamon stuff. She still volunteers at the same hospital every Saturday night.

Michael Silverman took time off after college to discover himself deep in the recesses of East Asia. There are legends of an afro-clad ninja who magically appears to reprimand anyone who litters. Additionally, he found the cure for cancer in his hair, which has his children very confused about which decade they're living in.

Kendra Simon became so obsessed with Edward Cullen that she traveled the world in search of him. Amazingly, she found him in this place called Transylvania, and the two are engaged. She spends her time jet-setting around the world as a top international diplomat.

Savion Smith went on to become not only an extremely accomplished swimmer, but also the premier expert on all things anime. He lives in Japan, where he owns the biggest store in Tokyo, Ani-Me! which has the largest collection of anime in history ever.

Schooner Sonntag traveled the West Coast as a singer/songwriter, but tired of the streets and his many stalkers. He was adopted by Sophia Carter-Kahn and lives happily with her and his fourteen siblings in their own private estate: Canada.

Natalie Swinford won a Tony for her portrayal of Glinda in "Wicked," since she is actually not wicked in real life. In fact, she has recently baked the largest cookie in history and donated it to a local orphanage.

Nicole Swinford works with Nicholas Cage as a historical treasure hunter. She replaced whoever that other girl was with him in the movies. She won the job based on her quick wit, charming smile, and especially the ability to crawl into very small places. Recently, she teamed up with Lara Croft to raid the tomb of Paris Hilton.

Matt Tibi is the new Oprah. He currently oversees *T Magazine* and the TV show "Tibi is the Dative of You." Additionally, he owns an island and campaigned actively for President Adrian against Ms. Obama. He's currently in one of his bad phases: He weighs 350 pounds.

Tyler Tse hosts his own TV show, "You Got Pwned by Darth Vader." His most famous sketch is "Darth Goes to the Mall," in which he and many high-school cronies attack innocent mall-goers with lightsabers.

Thomas Turansky was an admiral in the Navy. He was appointed by President Adrian as ambassador to the United Nations, effectively telling the UN to take a hike. Thomas's life goal was thus complete, as he had always wanted to tell the UN to stick it. He is currently writing a memoir with a chapter about Mr. Mirzaie, though Mr. Mirzaie still has not read it.

Alex Van Horssen expanded her father's car collection through her capitalistic ways. She lives in Malibu, where she drives the latest Aston Martin and will appear as the villain in the upcoming Bond movie, "The Spied who Loved Me Named Goldfinger Who Died Another Day."

Teddie Vidolova won the Nobel Prize for physics. She's running for president of Bulgaria, but the opposition party has run a series of attack ads questioning her American childhood. In her spare time, she sells her grandmother's world-famous Bulgarian sweaters.

Chris Wade scalps tickets for what is the equivalent of a full-time job. He has become world famous as a beacon of hope for believing, unflaggingly, every year since he graduated from high school that the Cubs would win the World Series.

Prateek Wakharkar married Paris Hilton and inherited her estate when she died. He used his newfound wealth to become the head of Ben Murphy's most recent rap label. Now, everyone in the country knows how to pronounce his last name.

Becca Wax has, like Mark Eisenberg, won an Olympic gold medal, but four times for track and field. When asked about Becca's running prowess, her coach proudly proclaimed, "She has run for president, run from the altar, run over the cat, run for her life, run out of time .. the girl is a running machine!"

Mark Zhang has relocated to China where he is the country's top debater and wealthiest bachelor. Somehow he's having an even harder time finding women there than he was here. Women are scarce in China, you see.

Janey Zitomer stars in the upcoming re-remake of "Fun With Dick and Jane," acting beside Richard Gere. Her brother auditioned for the part but lost. She is the head of the Philadelphia DMV where she yells at teenage drivers. Videos of her weird dancing techniques have over three million YouTube hits.

Richie Zitomer tasted a cheeseburger in paradise and instantly fell in love with meat. He owns and operates a chain of slaughterhouses in the Midwest. His house in Philadelphia has the most advanced security system in the country in order to keep out ninjas and former classmates.



Colin Kelly, Nicole Swinford, and Matt Tibi portray a devastating turn of events.



Nicole Swinford as Constanze, Mozart's devoted wife.



Britain Scott and Natalie Swinford as the Venticelli, a kind of Greek chorus.

Amadeus

The fall play was *Amadeus*, a brooding and pensive rumination on the nature of genius and mediocrity, written by Peter Shaffer. Depicting Mozart's archrival, Antonio Salieri, as both a young man and an old man, were Matt Tibi and Alex Beller, respectively. The intense production required a lot of work and time; the audience responded with resounding applause.



Colin Kelly as Mozart, the irreverent boy genius.



Matt Tibi strikes a dramatic pose as Salieri, the would-be court composer.



The cast and crew gather on stage for a group shot.



The people of Vienna are dazzled by Mozart's newest composition.



Ease on down with The Yellow Brick Road: Britain Scott, Erica Dohring, and Sophie LaBelle.



The "friends": Kevin Crain (the Scarecrow), Will French (the Lion), Margo Casselman (Dorothy), and Matt Tibi (the Tin Man)



Morgan Brown as Addaperle, the eccentric Good Witch of the North and Glinda's sister. Ugga booga suga booga!



Munchkins: Sophia Swinford, Mackenzie Cantor, Nikhita Sachdeva, Jacie Wright and Summer Travis.

The Wiz

The spring musical was *The Wiz* (music and lyrics by Charlie Smalls, book by William F. Brown). A rousing reimagining of that classic children's tale, *The Wizard of Oz*, the story of *The Wiz* is punctuated with such hits as "Ease on Down the Road" and "Brand New Day," as well as tender musical moments such as "The Feeling We Once Had" and "Be a Lion." PCDS students brought their vibrant personalities to the production, offering up a colorful, thrilling show that was full of heart. It was clear to cast, crew and audience alike: There's no place like PCDS.



The Tin Man (Matt Tibi) learns an important lesson (believe in yourself!) from Glinda, the Good Witch of the South (Natalie Swinford).



The poor lion finds himself in a field of personified, pulchritudinous poppies. Who, me? I'm just here with the Lion's Club!



Quinlan Hamann cut an imposing silhouette as The Wiz. So ... you wanted to meet the Wizard?



If there's one thing you should know about Evillene, the only extant wicked witch in the kingdom (Emily Morazán), it's that you'd better not bring her NO BAD NEWS!

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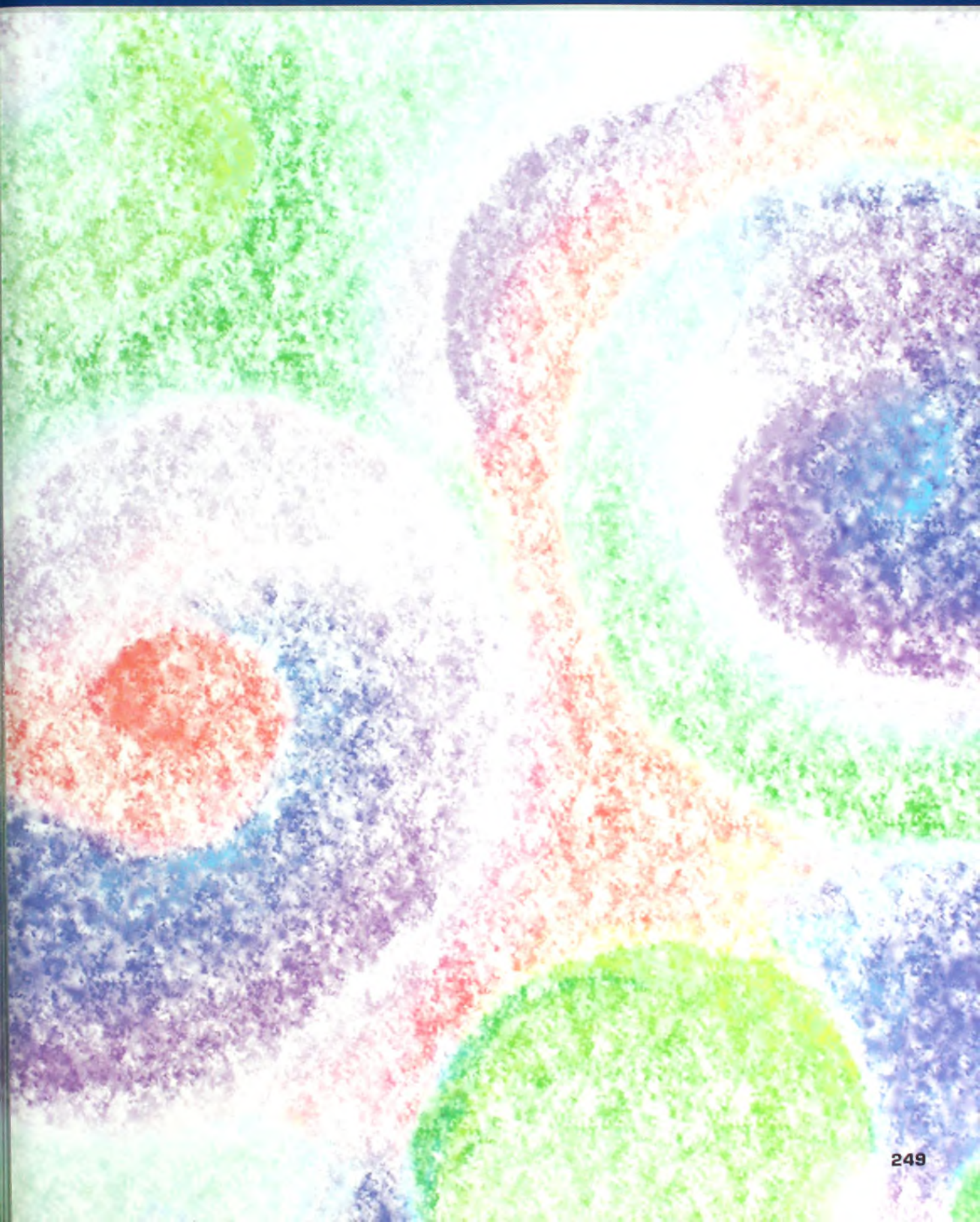
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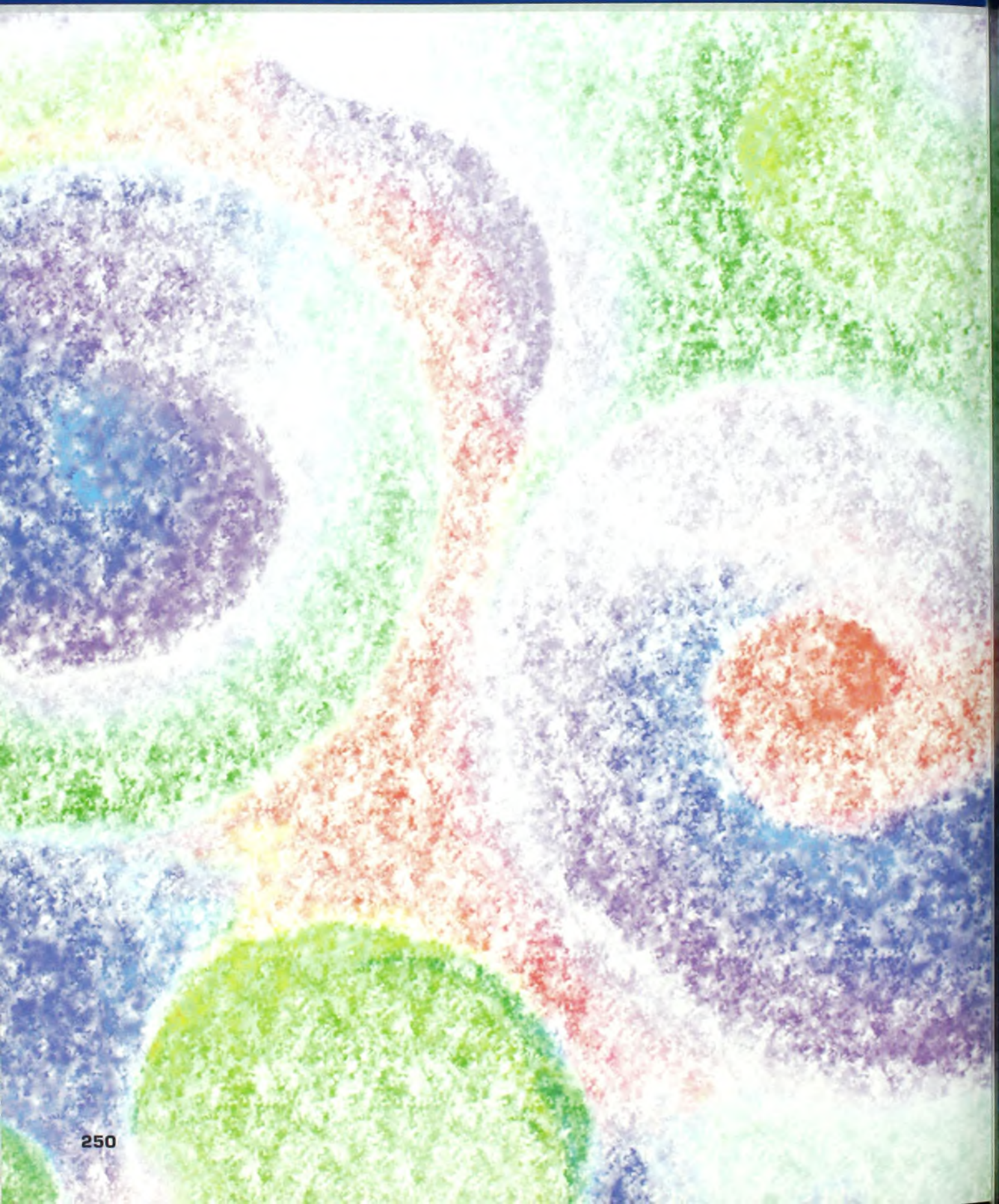
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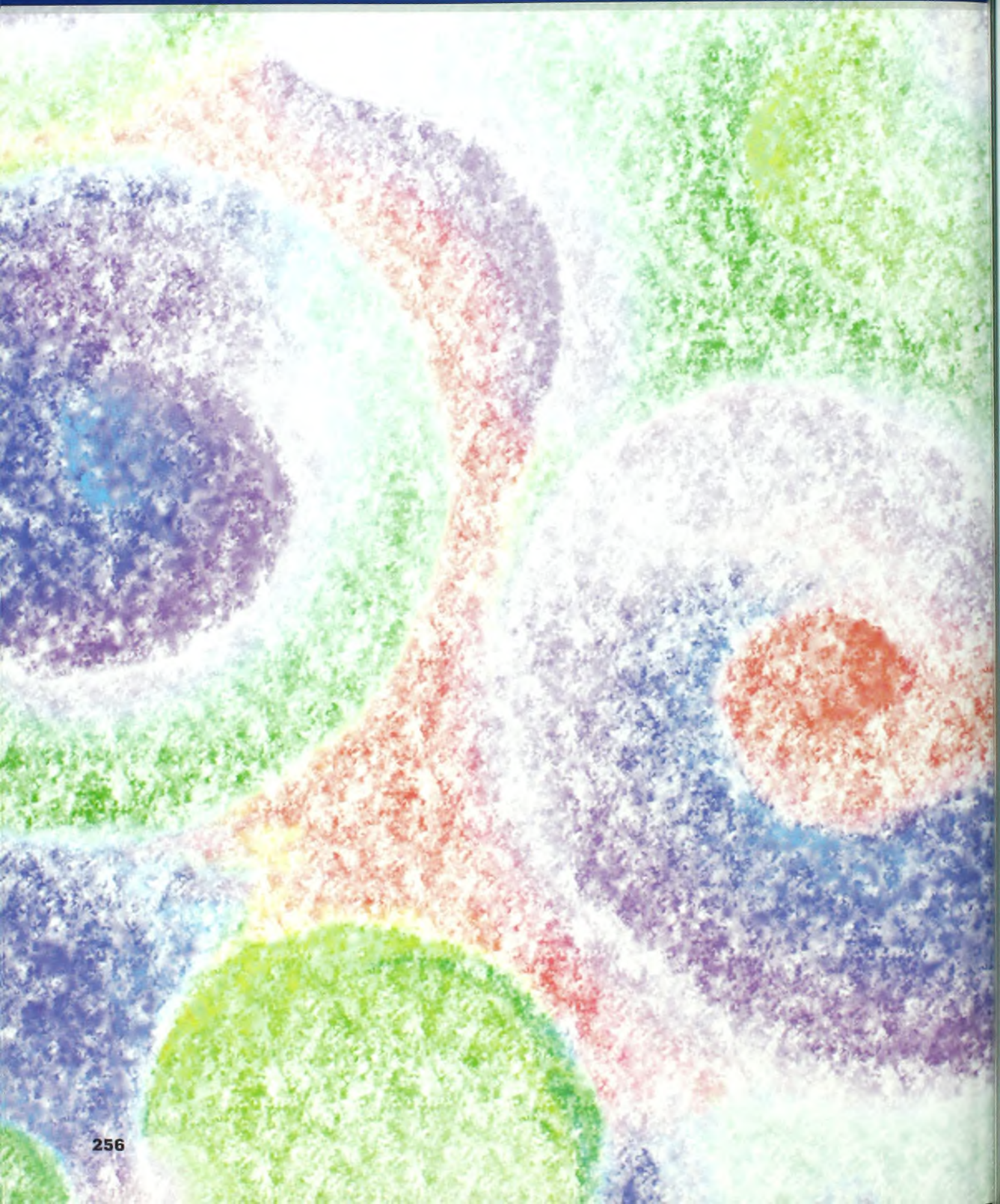


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Arizona Senator John McCain wins the Republican nomination for president and names Alaska Governor Sarah Palin as his running mate. Palin is the Republican Party's first female nominee for vice president.



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Politics in pop culture

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Democratic Senator Joe Biden of Delaware becomes the 47th vice president of the United States. A member of the Senate since 1973, Biden brings long-time Washington experience to the Obama administration.



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Get out the vote!



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I Voted

Obama's grassroots organization and innovative Web campaign is credited with inspiring young and first-time voters to participate heavily in the election.

First-time voters



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The values, fashion and personal vitality of the Obama family resonate with Americans. Public interest in the first family rivals that of the interest in the Kennedy family in the 1960s.

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Barack Obama makes history as the first African-American to win the presidency of the United States. The former Illinois senator promises an era of change that captures the imagination of voters nationwide.

Electoral Votes

Obama	365
McCaIn	173



New York Times

Obama Wins



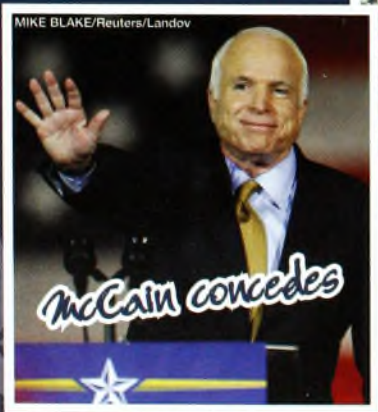
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McCain/Palin run a strong campaign, winning 22 states. But they are defeated 53 vs. 46 percent in the general election and by a substantial margin in the Electoral College.



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McCain concedes



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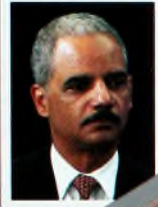
Celebrations around the world



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Obama's Cabinet nominations

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In January 2009, president-elect Obama attends the ultimate power lunch in the White House, meeting and getting advice from President Bush as well as former Presidents George H. W. Bush, Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter.

Getting prepared for office

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The inaugural parade

Souvenirs

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During the inauguration ceremony, Malia Obama captures the moment from a unique point of view.

Inauguration 1-20-09



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Barack Obama is sworn in as the 44th president of the United States before millions in Washington, D.C. Obama's inaugural address calls for a "new era of responsibility" in the face of economic decline and a pledge to choose "hope over fear."

"We have chosen hope over fear..."



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Stocks plummet as years of excess in the U.S. housing market and lax supervision of financial institutions contribute to the greatest economic crisis since the Great Depression.

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Unemployment rate hits 16-year high in January 2009

Economic Crisis

With buying power declining in the consumer marketplace, companies nationwide are forced to lay off workers. The national unemployment rate hits 7.2 percent in December and is rising steadily. The hardest hit states are Michigan, Rhode Island, California and South Carolina.

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Housing Foreclosures



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Detroit's struggling "Big Three" automakers, General Motors, Ford and Chrysler, request and are eventually offered a bailout package of just over \$17 billion in December.

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Many retailers are forced to file for bankruptcy or go out of business after being unable to rebound from the harsh economy and a very disappointing fourth quarter of 2008.

Teens work part-time

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Gas prices up and down

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The world's "hot spots" center around the Middle East. Israel mounts a major offensive against Hamas in Gaza, the United States continues to oppose the Taliban in Afghanistan and insurgents in Iraq, and in August, Russia attacks its southern neighbor, Georgia, in a dispute over western influence in the area.

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Support our Troops

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In January 2009, after both engines fail due to ingesting birds, US Airways Flight 1549 ditches in New York's Hudson River. All 155 passengers and crew members are saved, thanks to the skill and courage of pilot Chesley B. "Sully" Sullenberger.

"Miracle on the Hudson"



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Changing our World

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Tight money and high gas prices push auto manufacturers to investigate super fuel-efficient and electric cars. The Chevrolet Volt is an early contender and the tiny "Smart" car is already on American roads.



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Public bicycle sharing systems, already popular in Europe, roll into American cities like Washington, D.C., to help fight traffic congestion and reduce pollution.



CLEAN ENERGY

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◀ In September, Google and General Electric partner to develop clean technologies. Modernizing the national electric grid to enable wider deployment of wind, solar and geothermal energy will be an early priority.



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Youth Volunteering Youth Volunteering Youth Volunteering



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◀ Brad Pitt launches the "Make It Right" project to build 150 green-sensitive new homes in the New Orleans Lower 9th Ward, which was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. Pitt contributes \$5 million to the project.



◀ The green cleaning movement gains momentum nationally as environmentally safe non-toxic cleaning products are used in many homes, as well as state and city institutions.



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National Day of Service

◀ President-elect Obama asks all Americans to volunteer their time on the 2009 Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, January 19, and to continue throughout the year. More than 12,000 service projects take place across the country.

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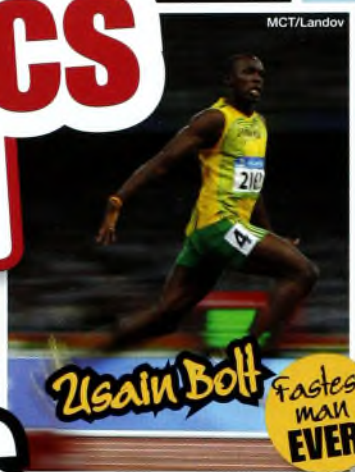


American swimmer Michael Phelps makes Olympic history with eight gold medals. Phelps sets three world records in his five individual wins.

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Summer Olympics

The Beijing 2008 Summer Olympics showcase some of the most amazing performances in Olympic history.

Sports

The Olympic Opening Ceremony

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World Series



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Red Wings win 2008 Stanley Cup

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The Philadelphia Phillies win their second World Series with a five game victory over the Tampa Bay Rays. The fifth game takes three days to complete after a rain delay.



▶ The Chinese gymnasts take the team title, but Americans Shawn Johnson (floor exercise) and Nastia Liukin (all-around) take individual gold medals for the U.S.

Gymnastics



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Venus and Serena Williams

Heisman Trophy winner Sam Bradford

Brack Lesnar



BCS National Championship MVP Tim Tebow

Pádraig Harrington



Super Bowl XLIII

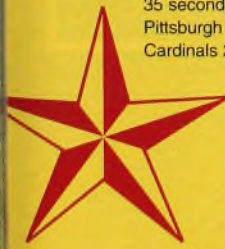
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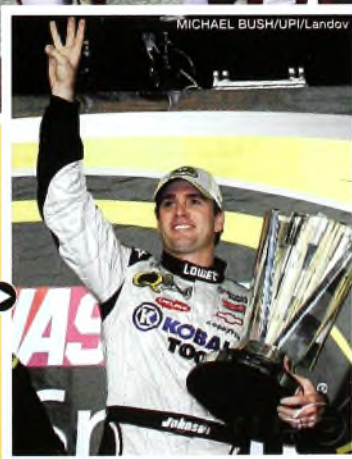
Boston Celtics 2008 NBA Champs

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▶ MVP Santonio Holmes makes a tip-toe catch in the corner of the end zone with 35 seconds remaining to lead the Pittsburgh Steelers past the Arizona Cardinals 27-23 in Super Bowl XLIII.



Jimmie Johnson captures the NASCAR Sprint Cup championship for the third straight year in his famous #48 Lowe's Chevrolet Impala SS.



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① Stephenie Meyer's runaway best-seller, *Twilight*, becomes a hit movie starring Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart as Edward and Bella.



Tina Fey



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Nick and Norah's
Infinite Playlist

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Entertainment



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Reality TV



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Grey's Anatomy

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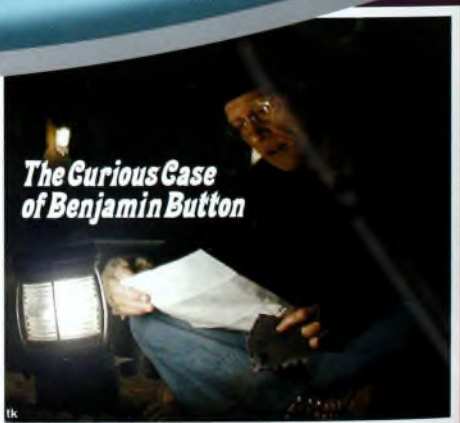
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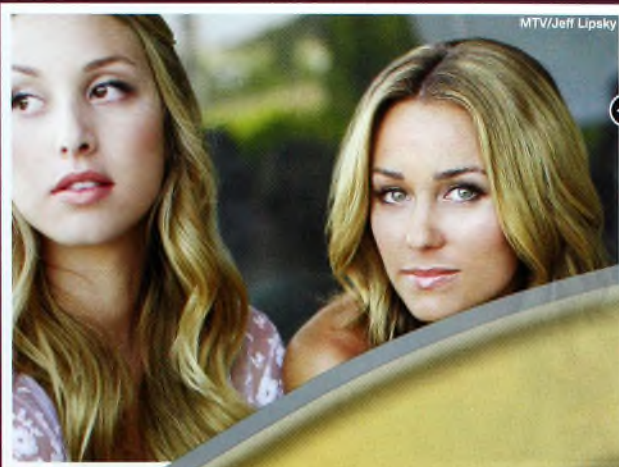
Slumdog Millionaire



The Curious Case of Benjamin Button

Slumdog Millionaire, a surprise entry from India about teen life in Mumbai, and Brad Pitt's *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*, about a man who ages backwards, monopolize Academy Award nominations with a combined total of 23.





MTV/Jeff Lipsky

MTV spins off the reality show *The Hills*, following Laguna Beach star Lauren Conrad and her friends to Los Angeles.



Paul Blart: Mall Cop



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Australian Heath Ledger, in his last film role as the Joker in the Batman epic *The Dark Knight*, wins a posthumous Golden Globe for Best Supporting Actor in a Drama.

Bedtime Stories



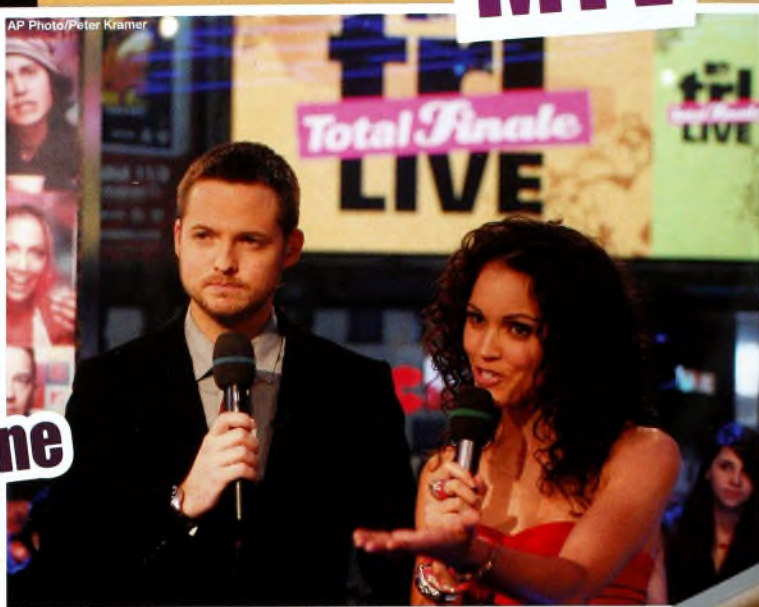
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Lil' Wayne

▶ Rapper Lil' Wayne takes home four Grammys, including Rap Album of the Year for *Tha Carter III* and Best Rap Song.

MTV



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▶ Due to low ratings, MTV's flagship show *Total Request Live* shuts down in November after a 10-year run.

Music



Jordin Sparks

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Bon Iver

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Leona Lewis

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Fall Out Boy

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▶ Britney Spears rebounds from years of personal challenges with her fifth No.1 album, *Circus*. She becomes the only act in Nielsen SoundScan history to have four albums that debut with 500,000 or more copies sold.



Ne-Yo

▶ R&B singer/songwriter Ne-Yo brings out his third album, *Year of the Gentleman*, which debuts on the *Billboard* 200 at No. 2. The album garners six Grammy nominations.



Beyoncé

AP Photo/Peter Kramer



The video for Will.i.am's song "Yes We Can" garners more than 1.3 million hits on YouTube and becomes an anthem for young voters during the presidential campaign.

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Classic Rock



Alicia Keys

Jonas Brothers

Pink

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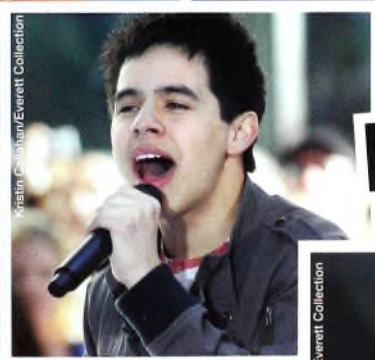


Fox's *American Idol* adds a fourth judge to the popular show. Grammy-nominated songwriter Kara DioGuardi joins regular panelists Randy Jackson, Paula Abdul and Simon Cowell.

Taylor Swift



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David vs. David



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Rocker David Cook, with 58 percent of the fan votes, beats balladeer David Archuleta in the 2008 finals of Fox's *American Idol*.

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Texting becomes the new writing. Teens everywhere learn to double-thumb miniature keyboards and invent a new language of abbreviations and signs.



Social Networking

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Digital TV

The nation converts to all-digital TV in 2009. The Department of Commerce offers government coupons to make the conversion more affordable.

Lifestyle

Slippers to wear every day



Argyle & Plaid



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Designer Purses & Shoes



Big Sunglasses

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Top style trends this year include baggy pants, oversized sunglasses, designer purses, black nail polish and plaids.

Black Nail Polish



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