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NEWSPA offers more learning opportunities

by Barbara A. Benish

NEWSPA Executive Secretary

Put together 350-plus high school students and nearly 50 media professionals presenting 40 sessions and what to you get?

Why, the 2015 NEWSPA conference, held April 22 at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, of course.

This year's conference included some firsts for NEWSPA:

- Every student and adviser who attended the keynote address — presented by Frank LoMonte, executive director of the Student Press Law Association; Matt Smith, adviser to Fond du Lac High School's Cardinal Columns; and Rachel Schneider, former co-editor of the Cardinal Columns — went home with a bag of goodies that included information on prior review and media law. The Gannett Foundation helped sponsor the event.

- Shortened campus tours gave prospective students a chance to see more of the UW Oshkosh campus and learn about other majors.

- NEWSPA played host to its first international speaker, Mirza Mehmedovic, a Fulbright Scholar at UW Oshkosh for 2014-15 and a former Bosnia and Herzegovina journalist.

But a big part of the day was spent celebrating student successes. More than 300 awards were presented to students for work on their newspapers, websites and yearbooks. Look inside to see some of the winning entries and what the judges wrote about those entries.

Outgoing President Sara Marquardt, adviser to Oshkosh North High School's Reflections yearbook, was named the 2015 Skip Zacher Friend of Scholastic Journalism award recipient. Taking her place at the helm for the next three years will be Trent Scott, Oshkosh West High School newspaper adviser for The Index. While other board members agreed to stay on for another term, including Su-

san Carlson of Green Bay East, Lucas Cleary of Plymouth and Shannon Kuehmichel of Berlin, Jeff Carter of Hartford Union High School and Jason Cummings of Oshkosh North were also elected to the board for three-year terms.

Julia Lammers from Appleton North High School received the \$500 NEWSPA/Wisconsin Newspaper Association scholarship. She will be studying journalism at UW-Madison in the fall.

While NEWSPA is still going through surveys to find out which sessions you'd like to see back at the 2016 conference, we do know one thing: The NEWSPA conference will definitely have a new look in 2016. That's because Reeve Memorial Union is undergoing renovation. We're moving the conference to the UW Oshkosh Alumni Welcome and Conference Center, located on the banks of the Fox River, and Gruenhagen Conference Center, located just across the street from the AWCC. We know it will be more confusing to have two locations for speakers, but no one building on campus could accommodate our needs. The Board of Directors will be meeting in October 2015 and coming up with ways to make things run smoothly.

So for now, put April 20, 2016 on your calendar. We'd love to have you join us for the annual high school journalism conference. And if you have any ideas for speakers or how we could make the conference better, email me at benish@uwosh.edu or tell any of our Board members.

Enjoy your summer off, but if you'd like to get a head start planning for your publication, consider coming to our Summer 2015 Adviser Workshop. Featuring sessions on writing and reporting, design and social media, the all-day conference will be held from 9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. in Sage Hall. The day also includes time to network with advisers, as well as a continental breakfast, lunch, parking pass and handouts. For more information, go to www.uwosh.edu/journalism/newspa and download the brochure.

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thank you!

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Mike De Sisti, the 2014 Skip Zacher Award winner and the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel multimedia picture editor, presents the 2015 Friend of Scholastic Journalism Award to Sara Marquardt, an Oshkosh North English teacher who has served on the NEWSPA board of directors for 15 years.

Marquardt wins 2015 Skip Zacher Award

by Haley Walters

Oshkosh North High School English teacher and U.S. Army Reserve veteran Sara Marquardt received the Skip Zacher Friend of Scholastic Journalism Award at the Northeastern Wisconsin Scholastic Press Association spring conference on April 22.

Mike De Sisti, last year's Skip Zacher Award winner and the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel multimedia picture editor, presented the award during the 2015 NEWSPA conference at UW Oshkosh.

Marquardt's dedication to journalism education and her work on the NEWSPA Board of Directors for 15 years, including serving as the association's president for five years, is what made her an outstanding candidate for this year's award.

"For 15 years she has contributed fresh ideas for each conference and offered suggestions to improve the association," De Sisti said. "Furthermore, she has been a regular speaker for more than a decade and helped with the establishment of the online NEWSPA adviser resource center."

Marquardt has been a publications adviser since 2000. She is the current adviser to Oshkosh North's yearbook and former adviser to the school's newspaper,

as well as former adviser to the Berlin High School newspaper. Marquardt was also a drill sergeant, first sergeant, master sergeant and ROTC instructor in the U.S. Army Reserves and served overseas in Bosnia as a civil affairs specialist.

"Working with student journalists is one of the most rewarding aspects of my job as an educator,"

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Sara Marquardt
Skip Zacher Award Winner

Marquardt said. "It's not even work. The relationships I make with students and advisers through NEWSPA has definitely enriched my life in so many ways. I am humbled and honored to receive such a prestigious award and will strive to work even harder to be deserving of it."

Marquardt's term as president ends this spring, and Oshkosh West English teacher and newspaper adviser Trent Scott was elected as the new NEWSPA president.

The NEWSPA conference is held each spring and brings about 400 high school journalists and their advisers to the UW-Oshkosh campus to learn from 40-plus professionals. The Friend of Scholastic Journalism Award was created in 2000 to honor Skip Zacher, NEWSPA executive director from 1983-1999. Each year since, an outstanding member of the NEWSPA family has been honored for their service and dedication to student media education.

2015 Newspaper Winners

WRITING DIVISION

News Story-General - Large School Judge: *Isral DeBruin, Ed Together.* Medium & Small School Judge: *Candy Czernicki, Psych Central.*

- Large** 1st Gabriela Betancourt, Wausau West
2nd Erin Connolly, Homestead
3rd Sydney Higar, Wausau West

- Medium** 1st Sawyer Dettlaff, Cedarburg
2nd Tehya Wachuta, Plymouth
3rd Nate Fitzhenry, Oshkosh North

- Small** 1st Sierra Klawitter, Berlin
2nd Hannah Trochinski, Berlin
3rd Aaron Reilly, Chilton

News Story; Academic/Class Related or Extracurricular - Large School Judge: *Amber Paluch, Green Bay Press-Gazette.* Medium & Small School Judge: *Dan Benish, Miller Electric.*

- Large** 1st Aliza Hitz, Oshkosh West
2nd Lauren Sorensen, West Bend
3rd Anusha Naik & Maggie Mataczyski, Wausau West

- Medium** 1st Isaac Bock, Kiran Lowenstein & Sam Gengo, Oshkosh North
2nd Maggie McConnaha, Plymouth
3rd Jon Klingenberg, Stoughton

- Small** 1st Emily Beltran, Berlin
2nd Lindsey Vang, Berlin
3rd Isabel Hernandez, Sevastopol

News Story; Sports - Large School Judge: *Dan Kohn, Appleton Post Crescent.* Medium & Small School Judge: *Ricardo Arguella, Appleton Post Crescent.*

- Large** 1st Jordyn Kettner, Wausau West
2nd Jordyn Kettner & Jessyka Wiskofske, Wausau West
3rd Anthony Schlass, West Bend

- Medium** 1st Kyra Kronberg, Plymouth
2nd Danielle Roelse, Plymouth
3rd Dieter Ripperger, Cedarburg

- Small** 1st Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
2nd Taylor Greening, Berlin
3rd Ernesto Sanchez, Wautoma

Feature Story; Entertaining - Large School Judge: *Judy Russell, Retired, The Oshkosh Northwestern.* Medium & Small School Judge: *Stefanie Scott, Jamar Health Products.*

- Large** 1st Sam Seekings, Oshkosh West
2nd Rachel Schneider, Fond du Lac
3rd Anusha Naik & McKenzie Roberts, Wausau

Medium West

- 1st Kristen Nett, Stoughton
2nd Aliyah Keval, Cedarburg

- Small** 3rd Rachel Shultis, Plymouth
1st Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
2nd Sierra Klawitter, Berlin
3rd Danielle Schmitz, Chilton

Feature Story; Personality Profile - Large School Judge: *Jim & Judy Kneiszel, Freelance.* Medium & Small School Judge: *Amelia Compton Wolff, Press-Gazette Media.*

- Large** 1st Alex Kopish, West Bend
2nd Hannah Schacherl, Oshkosh West
3rd Erin Connolly, Homestead

- Medium** 1st Megan Mowery, Stoughton
2nd Grace McMillen, Cedarburg
3rd Emily Proehl, Cedarburg

- Small** 1st Natalie Speers, Berlin
2nd Lindsey Vang, Berlin
3rd Kristin Bartel, Chilton

Feature Story; News Based - Large School Judge: *Jim Collar, Appleton Post Crescent.* Medium & Small School Judge: *Jennifer Woldt, Oshkosh Northwestern.*

- Large** 1st Justin Xie, Oshkosh West
2nd Alex Kopish, West Bend
3rd Kiana Williams & Jorden Glendinning, Fond du Lac

Medium du Lac

- 1st Megan Mowery, Stoughton
2nd Ryan Skotzke, Stoughton

- Small** 3rd Ally Binder, Plymouth
1st Hannah Trochinski, Berlin
2nd Sierra Klawitter, Berlin
3rd Devin Borchardt, Jose Loa & Ernesto Sanchez, Wautoma

2015 Newspaper Winners

Feature Story; Sports - Large, Medium & Small School
Judge: Brandon Berg, Chippewa Falls Herald.

Large 1st Katie Nett, Fond du Lac
2nd Savannah Felch, Wausau West
3rd Abby Vohs, Hartford Union

Medium 1st Maggie Chandler, Plymouth
2nd Megan Mowery, Stoughton
3rd Emily Proehl, Cedarburg

Small 1st Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
2nd Hannah Trochinski, Berlin
3rd *No Entry*

Editorial - Large School Judge: Gary Coll, Professor Emeritus, UW Oshkosh. Medium & Small School Judge: Mandy Potts, UW Oshkosh.

Large 1st Editorial Staff, Fond du Lac
1st Aaron Glazer, Homestead
2nd Aaron Glazer, Homestead
3rd Lauren Sorensen, West Bend

Medium 1st Meredith Melland, Stoughton
2nd Ellie Leafgren, Oshkosh North
3rd Megan Mowery, Stoughton

Small 1st Joey Plaskiewicz, Sevastopol
2nd Tyler Ostrowski, Berlin
3rd Hannah Trochinski, Berlin

Column; Humorous - Large, Medium & Small School
Judge: Jeff Bollier, The Oshkosh Northwestern.

Large 1st Zoe Hayes & Brittnay Lange, Fond du Lac
2nd Ryan Vanden Boomen, Green Bay East
3rd Kaylyn Stanek, Oshkosh West

Medium 1st Ethan Genter & Ryan Skotzke, Stoughton
2nd Ellie Leafgren, Oshkosh North
3rd Jon Klingenberg, Stoughton

Small 1st Aaron Reilly, Chilton
2nd Joe Bruno & Isabel Hernandez, Sevastopol
3rd Hannah Trochinski, Berlin

Column; Serious - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Mary Buckley, Community Newspapers.

Large 1st Gabi Padovano, Fond du Lac
2nd Keoni Bailey, Oshkosh West
3rd Abigail Davies, Appleton North

Medium 1st Jack Greenwood, Stoughton
2nd Nick McGlynn, Stoughton
3rd *No Winner*

Small 1st Melanie Haedt, Berlin
2nd Melanie Haedt, Berlin
3rd *No Entry*

Column; Sports - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Julie Larson, Green Bay Press-Gazette.

Large 1st Jeston Glish, Fond du Lac
2nd Jon Korger, Oshkosh West
3rd Jon Korger, Oshkosh West

Medium 1st Nick McGlynn, Stoughton
2nd Alec Collins, Cedarburg
3rd Bennett Wirth, Cedarburg

Small 1st Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
2nd Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
3rd *No Entry*

Reviews - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Shane Nyman, Appleton Post Crescent.

Large 1st Crystal Redemman, Neenah
2nd Charity LaBuy & Courtney La Buy, Oshkosh West

Medium 3rd Charley Hrobsky, Neenah
1st Dallys Baizley, Plymouth
2nd Corry Greenler, Stoughton

Small 3rd Roxy Weiland, Cedarburg
1st Tyler Ostrowski, Berlin
2nd Natalie Speers, Berlin
3rd *No Entry*

In-Depth Reporting I - Large, Medium & Small School
Judge: Angie Landsverk, Freelance

Large 1st Hannah Schacherl & Kaylyn Stanek, Oshkosh West
2nd Maddie Fricker, Homestead
3rd Laura Engebreston, Fond du Lac

Medium 1st Gunnar Goetz & Ryan Skotzke, Stoughton
2nd Emma Brauer & Zoe Johnson, Cedarburg
3rd Sabrina Mierswa, Oshkosh North
1st Melanie Haedt, Berlin

Small 2nd Joe Bruno, Sevastopol
3rd Sierra Klawitter, Berlin

2015 Newspaper Winners

In-Depth Reporting II - Large, Medium & Small School *Judge: Patti Zarling, Green Bay Press-Gazette.*

Large 1st Miranda Paikowski, West Bend
2nd Hannah Schacherl & Kaylyn Stanek, Oshkosh West

3rd Erik Bakken & Katie Flood, Appleton North

Medium 1st Corry Greenler, Megan Mowery, Meredith Melland & T.J. Fedikovich, Stoughton

2nd Isaac Bock, Oshkosh North

3rd Jack Greenwood & Jon Klingenberg, Stoughton

3rd Catherine Torner, Cedarburg

Small 1st Sierra Klawitter, Lindsey Vang, Hannah Trochinski & Melanie Haedt, Berlin

2nd Natalie Speers, Hannah Trochinski, Sierra

Klawitter, Melanie Haedt & Lindsey Vang, Berlin

3rd No Entry

DESIGN DIVISION

Ads - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Sara Steffes Hansen, UW Oshkosh.

Large 1st Caleb Coopman, Oshkosh West
2nd Elly Niemeyer, Wausau West
3rd Ethan Nieskes, Hartford Union

Medium 1st Ethan Genter, Stoughton
2nd Ethan Genter Stoughton
3rd No Entry

1st Melanie Haedt, Berlin

Small 2nd Lindsey Vang, Berlin
3rd No Entry

Editorial Cartoons - Large, Medium & Small School *Judge: Joe Heller, Freelance.*

Large 1st Courtney LaBuy, Oshkosh West
2nd Alicia Orlando, Neenah
3rd Laura Kressin, Green Bay Preble

Medium 1st Ellie Leafgren, Oshkosh North
2nd Dallys Baizley, Plymouth
3rd No Winner

Small 1st Hannah Trochinski, Berlin
2nd No Winner
3rd No Entry

Comic Strips - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: *Joe Heller, Freelance*

Large 1st Courtney LaBuy, Oshkosh West
2nd Morgan Stuedemann, Appleton North
3rd No Winner

Medium 1st Caitlin Patton, Oshkosh North
2nd No Entry
3rd No Entry

Small 1st Melody Hansen & Alycia Cayemberg, Chilton
2nd No Winner
3rd No Entry

Illustrations - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: *Kevin Rau, Rauhaus Design and UW Oshkosh.*

Large 1st Katelyn Lavrenz, Fond du Lac
2nd Katelyn Lavrenz, Fond du Lac
3rd Laurel Noack, Wausau West

Medium 1st No Winner
2nd Alexis Crockett, Stoughton
3rd Alexis Crockett, Stoughton

Small 1st No Winner
2nd Melanie Haedt, Berlin
3rd Hannah Trochinski, Berlin

Feature or News Page Design - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Beth Blanck, Aurora Health Care

Large 1st Shanelle Tucker, Fond du Lac
2nd Jacob Hoppe, Hartford Union
3rd Kaomi Yang, Oshkosh West

Medium 1st Sally Paese, Plymouth
2nd Sally Paese, Plymouth
3rd Gunnar Goetz, Stoughton
1st Melanie Haedt, Berlin

Small 2nd Isaiah Spetz, Sevastopol
3rd Isaiah Spetz, Sevastopol

Logo Design - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: *Beth Blanck, Aurora Health Care.*

Large 1st Caleb Coopman, Oshkosh West
2nd No Entry
3rd No Entry

Medium No Entries

Small 1st No Winner
No Entries

2015 Newspaper Winners

Infographic - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Barb Benish, UW-Oshkosh

Large 1st Addie Zwick, Neenah
2nd Caleb Coopman, Oshkosh West
3rd Jordyn Kettner, Wausau West
No Entries

Medium 1st Taylor Greening, Berlin

Small 2nd Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
3rd No Entry

Open Photo - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Tim Gleason, UW-Oshkosh.

Large 1st Keegan Lim, Oshkosh West
2nd Laurel Noack, Wausau West
3rd Ksenya Seager, Neenah

Medium 1st T.J. Fedikovich & Maxwell Freeman, Stoughton
2nd Britany Gunderson, Wautoma
3rd T.J. Fedikovich, Gunnar Goetz & Maxwell Free-

Small man, Stoughton
1st Britany Gunderson, Wautoma
2nd Miranda Engel, Wautoma
3rd No Entry

PHOTOGRAPHY DIVISION

News Photo - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Tim Gleason, UW Oshkosh.

Large 1st Mani Lee, Wausau West
2nd Lexus Hagedorn, Wausau West
3rd Alex Kopish, West Bend

Medium 1st Ryan Skotzke, Stoughton
2nd Tehya Wachuta, Plymouth
3rd No Entry

Small No Entries

Sports Photo - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Tim Gleason, UW Oshkosh.

Large 1st Laurel Noack, Wausau West
2nd Laurel Noack, Wausau West
3rd Abby Vohs, Hartford Union

Medium 1st Julia Olsen, Stoughton
2nd No Winner
3rd No Entry

Small No Entries

Essay and Series Photo(s) - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Tim Gleason, UW Oshkosh.

Large 1st Claudia Koechell, Oshkosh West
2nd Claudia Koechell, Oshkosh West
3rd Kaylie Gilliland, Neenah

Medium 1st Maggie Chandler, Plymouth
2nd No Entry

Small 3rd No Entry
1st No Winner
2nd No Entry
3rd No Entry

Feature Photo - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: Tim Gleason, UW Oshkosh.

Large 1st Daniel Ballman, Oshkosh West
2nd Laurel Noack, Oshkosh West
3rd Laurel Noack, Oshkosh West

Medium 1st Terry Owen, Plymouth
2nd No Entry
3rd No Entry

Small 1st Kaylee Dudek, Wautoma
2nd No Entry
3rd No Entry

2015 Newspaper Winners

STUDENT-DEVELOPED WEBSITE DIVISION

Writing - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: *Amanda Betts, Stellar Blue Technologies*

Large 1st Keoni Bailey & Sam Seekings, Oshkosh West
2nd Justin Xie, Oshkosh West
3rd Maddie Terlap, Neenah

Medium No Entries

Small No Entries

Photographs/Graphics - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: *Amanda Betts, Stellar Blue Technologies*

Large 1st Alivia Coon, Neenah
2nd Keegan Lim & Asreen Zangana, Oshkosh West
3rd Keoni Bailey, Oshkosh West

Medium No Entries

Small No Entries

Site Design - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: *Amanda Betts, Stellar Blue Technologies*

Large 1st Satellite Staff, Neenah
2nd Asreen Zangana & Rachel Greene, Oshkosh West
3rd No Entry

Medium No Entries

Small No Entries

PUBLICATION DIVISION

Publication - Large, Medium & Small School Judge: *Deb Rothenberger, Brandon Valley High School, Brandon, SD.*

Large, Published through a j-class

Blue Ribbon Honors

Warrior's Word Staff, Wausau West
The Highlander Staff, Homestead

Red Ribbon Honors

The Cardinal Columns Staff, Fond du Lac
The Hartford Chronicle Staff, Hartford Union

White Ribon Honors

No Entry

Large, Not published through a j-class

Blue Ribbon Honors

Noctiluca Staff, Appleton North

Red Ribbon Honors

Index Staff, Oshkosh West

Hi-Light Staff, Green Bay East

White Ribbon Honors

No Entry

Medium, Published through a j-class

Blue Ribbon Honors

No Winner

Red Ribbon Honors

Hi-Lights Staff, Plymouth

The Norse Star Staff, Stoughton

White Ribon Honors

No Entry

Medium, Not published through a j-class

Blue Ribbon Honors

No Winner

Red Ribbon Honors

Common Sense Staff, Cedarburg

The North Star Staff, Oshkosh North

White Ribon Honors

Skyrocket Staff, Wausau East

Small, Published through a j-class

Blue Ribbon Honors

No Winner

Red Ribbon Honors

The Red 'n' Green Staff, Berlin

White Ribon Honors

Pioneer Chips Staff, Sevastopol

Small, Not published through a j-class

Blue Ribbon Honors

Current Staff, Berlin

Red Ribbon Honors

No Winner

White Ribon Honors

Satellite Staff, Neenah

1st Place News Story: Academic

Emily Beltran
Berlin High School
Small School

Substitute teacher shortage causes inconvenience

by **Emily Beltran**

The school district has partnered with Parallel Services, a substitute teacher placement service that finds substitute teachers for the school district as needed.

"The teachers now call in to the service, or request a substitute online rather than having me find substitutes," Vice Principal Joe Brandl said.

This new service may sound much easier and faster, but an issue has risen. There have been numerous times where the school district has been short on substitute teachers.

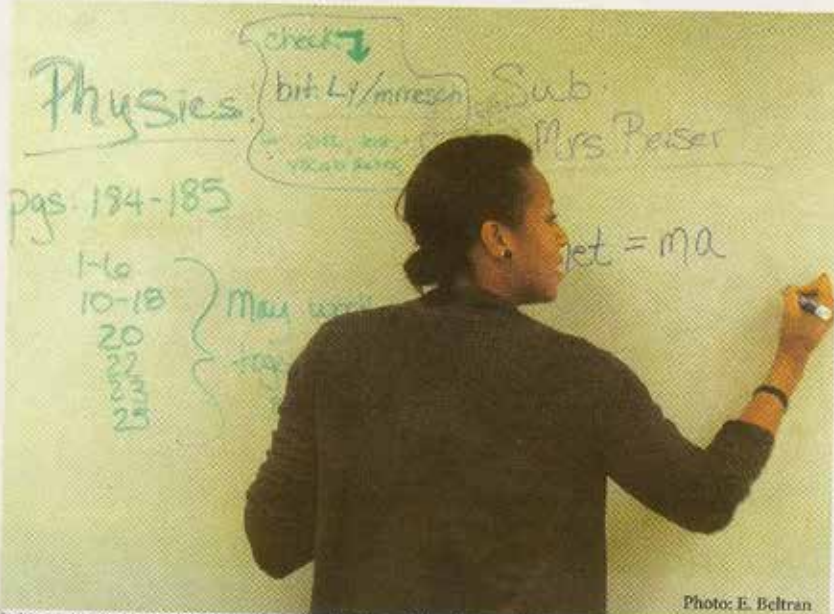
"Parallel Services based the hiring of subs on last year's numbers of subs needed, but this year we have more need than in prior years," Superintendent Dr. Robert Eidahl said. "This resulted in the service not having enough subs for us."

As of now, the new service has not saved nor lost the district any money compared to the previous way.

"It is supposed to save us money by the service paying the subs a different rate than the school district," Brandl said. "They handle things like workman's claims and insurance."

Not having enough subs available for the district greatly affects the staff. Many teachers will be asked to fill in for others during their prep periods and it creates an inconvenience.

"We are hoping that around this



Substitute teacher Eydie Reiser fills in for long term Chemistry and Physics substitute Mark Resch. Resch is subbing for science teacher Tim Cox while he is on leave.

time we receive more midterm graduates from colleges that will get their licenses for the first time and come into the sub pool for the rest of the year," Eidahl said.

Even if the lack of subs is resolved, having a multitude of substitute teachers will still affect the students.

"I feel that the substitute teachers we have had this year are not giving us the best ability to learn unless they are teachers we already know," junior Alicia Brownlow said.

The lack of substitutes may end up helping or hurting the students, depending on how they learn.

"I think the lack of subs has almost helped our students, because when a teacher they already know from the school subs for the class, they may learn better," Brandl said.

With fewer substitutes to choose from, the service ends up pulling the same subs repeatedly.

"I have been subbing way more this year than in previous years," substitute teacher Eydie Reiser said.

Parallel Services is used to serving school districts from more urban areas, which usually have a wider variety of subs to choose from.

"I think it was a culture shock to them because we have such a small area to pull subs from," Eidahl said.

The district hopes that Parallel Services will adapt to the area, otherwise Eidahl said they will return to old ways.

Parallel Services Survey

33 teachers surveyed

Do you think Parallel Services has made it easier to request a sub?
70% said No

How many times have you used Parallel Services to request a sub?
88% said 1-5 times
12% said 0 times

Which way do you like better?
The past way of finding subs or the present with Parallel Services?
100% said past way

About how many times this year have you had to fill in for another teacher during your prep hour?
18% said 0 times
61% said 1-5 times
15% said 6-10 times
6% said 10+ times

Have you had problems with signing up/requesting a sub?
42% said yes
52% said no
6% indifferent

Created by Emily Beltran

Comments

Conceptualization & News Value: This is a very interesting and relevant topic, especially in this era of significant budget cuts to school districts. I'm sure students, faculty and members of the community enjoyed reading this article.

Content/Coverage: Your story covered all of the key news elements and you provided a fair and unbiased analysis of this issue. However, I would have appreciated more information on the financial comparisons between the two systems as well as more quotes from the substitute and regular teachers. The survey information was nicely presented.

Writing/Style: The writer has a very concise, economical style. The lead was descriptive, grammar and punctuation consistently good, and the content was delivered in a logical manner.

1st Place

News Story: General

Sawyer Dettlaff
Cedarburg High School
Medium School

School earns national Blue Ribbon Award

by Sawyer Dettlaff

For the first time in school history, the U.S. Department of Education named Cedarburg High School a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School, recognizing the school for "Exemplary High Performance."

U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan will recognize CHS, along with other schools, at a ceremony in Washington D.C. Nov. 10-11. Principal Jeff Nelson and math department chairperson Mike Cullen will represent the school at the ceremony.

This award recognizes schools that have shown long-term success or have closed the achievement gap significantly. The two main factors considered are performance on state or national assessments and graduation rates over a long period of time. Over the past decade, CHS has excelled in these two categories.

"This award reflects the long-term success of CHS," Nelson said. "This award also puts us in an exclusive group of schools from across the country."

In 2014, only 48 high schools in the country were given the honor. CHS was the only high school recognized in the state.

"This award is even more special because instead of applying, we were nominated by the state," Nelson said.

In a news release from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, state superintendent Tony Evers said the schools awarded "work together to put student learning at the center of daily activity."

Nelson credits the district's elementary and middle schools as well. "The other schools in the district prepare students for high school very well. This is really an award for the whole district, not just us here at the high school," Nelson said.

"This award is something that students and staff alike should be very proud of," he said.

In 2010, Westlawn Elementary School was also recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School.

The National Blue Ribbon School designation will also now be included in the school profile, according to director of counseling Greg Johnson. "Colleges will see that our students are well prepared for the demands of college," Johnson said.

The department chairs voted Cullen to serve as the teacher



Maggie Grapatin photo

Administrators and department chairs represent the Blue Ribbon staff: principal Jeff Nelson, math teacher Mike Cullen, assistant principal Callie Neureuther, assistant principal Jodi Hackl, art teacher Deb Mortl, physical education teacher Trent Berg, science teachers Kathy and David Pollock, English teacher Heather Vande Sande, special education teacher Rick Schlehlein, career and technical education teacher Jon Hannam, Jason Lowery, representing world language teacher Maureen Gibson, social studies teacher Chris Albert and director of counseling Greg Johnson.

representative to attend the ceremony.

Cullen said, "Having lived and worked in Cedarburg for the past seventeen years, I am thrilled to see our school honored with the

Blue Ribbon Award."

An all-school assembly will be held Nov. 14 to celebrate the award. The assembly will start at 8:25 a.m. and will conclude with a flag raising ceremony.

Comments

Well organized and kept me wanting more. It covered all the bases, answered all the important questions and had a good use of varied sources. The lede instantly made me want to read more and it was very well-written and informative over all. Good job!

1st Place Column: Serious

Gabi Padovano
Fond du Lac High School
Large School

The Nigeria Kidnappings

178 Reasons Why You Should Care

Gabi Padovano // Staff Writer

On the evening of April 14, the Islamic-Jihadist terrorist organization Boko Haram raided the Governmental Secondary School in Chibok, Nigeria, kidnapping more than 250 girls aged 16-18 years old. Boko Haram immediately took responsibility, claiming the reasons for this action was the strong beliefs Boko Haram holds against the western-based education the girls were receiving. Unsatisfied with the lack of effort on behalf of the Nigerian government, locals took to social media and made a plea to the world using the hashtag #BringBackOurGirls. The campaign garnered the attention of influential figures such as Michelle Obama and Malala Yousafzai. Shortly after, numerous countries began to get involved, sending assistance to work with the Nigerian government. On May 27, the Nigerian government confirmed that they had located the kidnapped girls and were working on negotiating to get the girls back. In developed nations, it's common for people

to assume that events like this are merely a part of the "primitive culture" in third world countries. It's easy to detach ourselves from a situation in another country that we can't control, but here's why you should care.

1. **Girls in sub-Saharan Africa often aren't viewed as worthy of or needing to receive an education. The girls who were kidnapped were courageous enough to fight cultural stigmas.** When they were kidnapped, the girls, who were in their last years of secondary education, were preparing to take their last finals.
2. More than 9,000 kidnappings take place annually in sub-Saharan Africa, with more than two-thirds taking place in Nigeria. This is not an uncommon or isolated incident.
3. **Educating girls has been proven to lower rates of HIV/AIDS, reduce teen pregnancy, improve maternal health, reduce infant mortality, and even improve the local/national economy.** 50% of girls in Africa who are enrolled in school drop out by 4th grade for various reasons such as inability

to pay school fees, no way to get to school, illness, responsibility to take care of family, because they're married off, etc. Only 30% of girls who finish primary school have the opportunity to go to secondary school, and only 1/3 actually finish secondary school. It's important to remember that even though they may finish primary school, the resources they're granted are very limited, resulting in a much slower learning process. What does that mean? 64% drop out before they're fully literate.

4. **The girls are being sold into marriage and used as sex slaves.** For the low price of \$12, extremists are purchasing the girls for the purpose of marriage. This is really just another way to say that they're being sold into sexual slavery.
5. **Boko Haram is gaining momentum.** US security expert Daniel Benjamins has gone as far as to say Boko Haram is the world's deadliest group. Since the Abuja kidnappings, Boko Haram has not ceased to kidnap more girls. On May 7, the group open fired in a market, with an estimated 310 people killed. In fact, more than 2,000 have been killed by the group in the year 2014 alone.

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| | | 90. Zara Ishaku | 120. Hauwa Joseph | | |

Comments

This is an excellent column, a clever and compelling way to convey the enormity of the kidnapping. Very good work!

1st Place

Photography: Feature

Kaylee Dudek
Wautoma High School
Small School

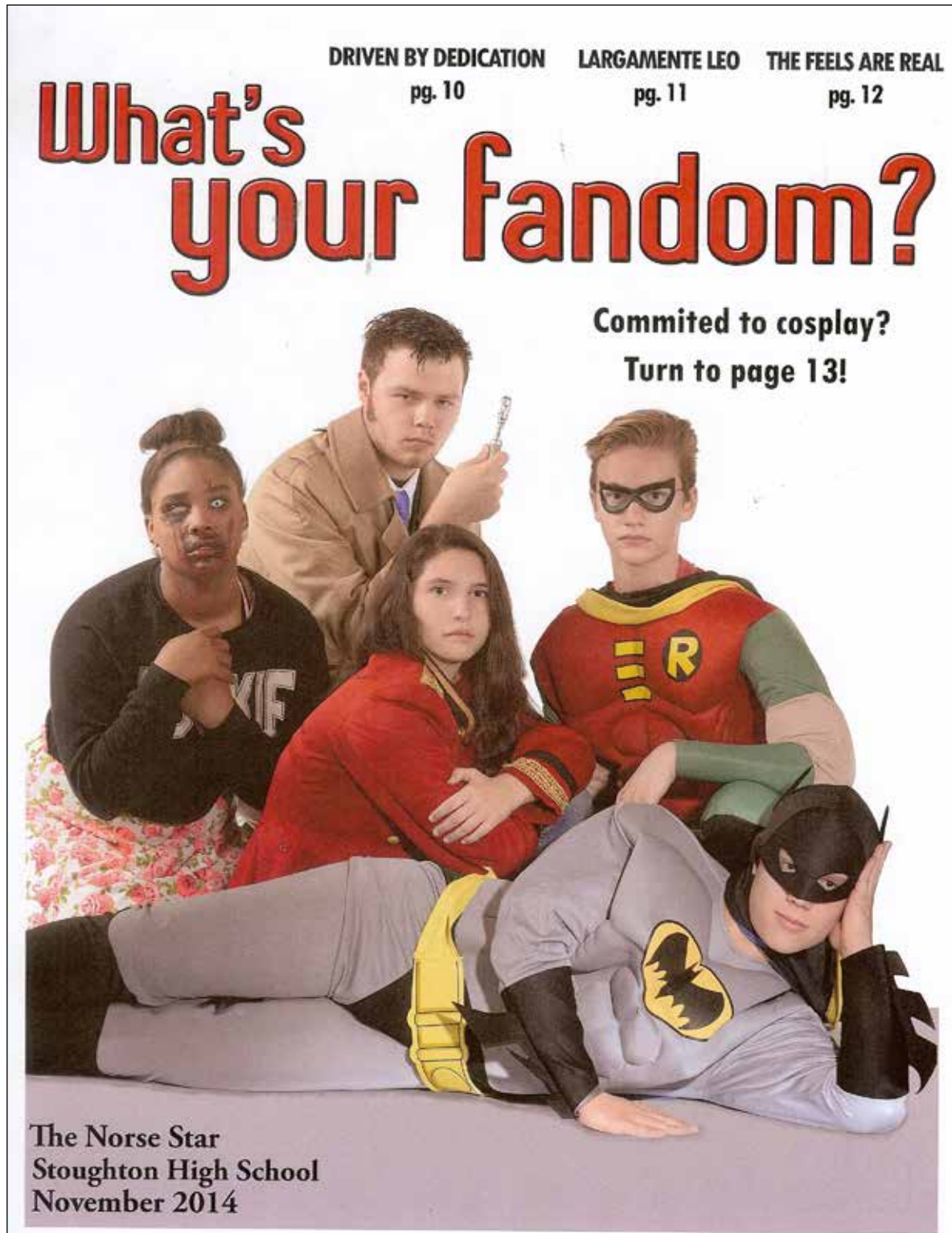


Comments

This is a very different photo compared to most entries. There are no problems with quality or contrast and there is a nice range of tones. Overall the photo is good. However, the upper back right area is wasted. Otherwise, the space is used well.

1st Place Photography: Open

T.J. Fedikovich & Max Freeman
Stoughton High School
Medium School



Comments

An unusual and unexpected photo without going over the top. It is an overall strong photo but I wouldn't mind seeing the female student in red move slightly to our right to fill in the white gap.

1st Place

Photography: Sports

Laurel Noack
Wausau West High School
Large School



Comments

It feels like the skier is coming at me, so that enhances the interest and engagement. Overall, a good photo. I'd like to see the face just a little by making the photo a little lighter. It's nice to see other sports. This has good timing, appropriate sharpness. It is slightly tight on the left side/ tip of pole.

1st Place Advertisement

Melanie Haedt
Berlin High School
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Comments

A creative way to draw in reader beyond the picture and font. I like your concept overall and placement of the image and restaurant name. The different fonts and spacing make it appear more cluttered than need be. Try reducing the point size to help the main message pop out. Overall it looks clean and you're off to a great start.

1st Place Feature page

Sally Paese
Plymouth High School
Medium School

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Learn how Nathan Francis earned the "Rookie of the Issue" title on page 14.



Check out the update on PHS fall sports on page 16.



What happened at the 2014 electric 200? Find out on page 12.



Meet this year's foreign exchange students on the centerspread.

Students "go greek" for homecoming

By Maggie Chandler

This homecoming, the whole school channeled their inner Greek for a week. From the boys' volleyball tournament, powderpuff, and tug-of-war to the pep rally, parade, football game, and dance, students showed school spirit at homecoming events as well as through the many dress up days.

The festivities kicked off Sunday afternoon with boys' volleyball. Out of the teams that participated, the senior team consisting of Dom Bucchini, Zac Cain, Zach Gambrell, Tyler Willeford, Drew Schweiger, Zack Ohman, and Cole Meyer won the whole tournament.

"Though it was a close game, the true champs came out on top," remarked senior Tyler Willeford.

In powderpuff, the freshmen took on the seniors, losing in overtime. Then the sophomores and juniors faced off with the juniors winning. In the championship round, the juniors had a major upset over the seniors in an 8-0 win.

"It was cool to beat the seniors fairly at something! We were all super excited!" said junior Moriah Butters.

However, since the seniors usually win powderpuff, many believe that the refilling wasn't the best.

"The tradition is for seniors to have seniority over the underclassmen, but the refilling wasn't."

After Supplies there was one more athletic



The senior powderpuff team poses after a hard loss against the juniors on Oct. 5. Photo submitted by Gina Chandler.

Added senior powderpuff coach Patrick Lerkul. "In the spirit of homecoming it's supposed to be rigged in favor of the seniors so that they win. Due to the lack of 'specialty refilling' we were unable to overcome the junior offense."

gathered in the gym to compete and cheer on fellow classmates.

On Friday the winning homecoming faced off with Mrs. Strong's senior homeroom beating Ms. Hammitzsch's freshmen, followed by Mrs. Koebel's junior homeroom coming out



This year's homecoming court gets announced on stage at the end of the homecoming assembly on Oct. 10. Photo by Hi-Lights staff.

Course Options program offers free college credits


By Sally Paese

For years, high school students have been able to take classes at PHS for college credit. In all previous years, students had to pay for these classes as they would at the university itself. However, a new state program called Course Options was constructed for the purpose of providing these classes for high school students at no cost.

The Course Options program was built as a part of Wisconsin's 2013-15 biennial budget. The state wanted to ensure that higher education is affordable and more easily obtainable for Wisconsin students.

Basically, the program allows a student to enroll in any two classes this year from any educational institution in Wisconsin at no cost to them.

Students who enroll in these classes reduce the cost of a college degree and



complete that degree sooner. It is possible to enter freshman year with an entire semester of credits already completed.

"I'm enrolled in college classes, and getting them for free is really beneficial to me," said senior Amy Holco. "I can get a lot of my gen. ed. classes done before I get to college."

The new system sounds great, but it will also be a financial burden on many school districts. This year, however, UW Oshkosh, Lakeland College, Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE), and Lakeshore Technical College have offered to pay for their classes that are available at PHS.

COURSE OPTIONS, page 5

Comments

Very good front page layout. Great job!

2015 Yearbook Winners

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3rd Jaiden Pierotti, Wautoma

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2nd Emma Schad & Emilie Burkhardt, Sheboygan

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2nd Brianna Born & Jordan Theobold, Sheboygan Falls

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2nd Noah VanWyk, Sheboygan Falls

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1st Place Copy Package

Austin Krohn & Will Hartman
Sevastopol High School
Small School

Rebuilding the Program

Teams Embark on Fresh Starts

After graduating several experienced players, both the football and volleyball teams searched for young athleticism to create success.

With the loss of 11 seniors, five of them awarded with all-conference honors, the Sevastopol football team searched for replacements.

Jordan Zeink said, "Losing a lot of our already small team due to injuries was really hard, but the brotherhood between us was strong, which resulted in better team chemistry."

Due to the small numbers, the football team transitioned from 11 to an 8-man format.

Not only did the teams involved decrease in size, but the field was cut a total of 30 yards in length and width combined, making it 60 yards by 40 yards.

"The game was faster paced. The shorter field made break away runs easier. Since the field was skinnier, it was more difficult to be a passing based team," Quin Schram said.

Losing six seniors from 2012, two of them awarded with all-conference honors, the volleyball team was also in need of young leadership and talent.

"We lost a lot of great talent, and the girls we depended on to help and give us advice weren't there anymore," Amanda Henschel said.

The girls picked up several victories this season. Seniors experienced their first regional victory in their high school career against Oakfield.

"We came together as a team and rallied to beat them. It was our first regional win in a couple years," Clare McInerney said.

Varsity Football: Front Row: Anthony Nietzke, Blake Bowles. Row 2: Nick Taylor, Quin Schram, Trevin Joly, Blake LaViolette, Jordan Zeink, Bryson Paschke, Jack Krause, Johnny Gomez, Kaden DeChantre, Brock Rowe. Coach Michael Luskonen, Coach Daniel Judo, Dylan Johnson, Adam Hagashi, Ethan Pfendner, Cody Hietse, Jason Felt, Drew Tack, Coach Dale Schramm, Coach Justin Skiba, Coach Jason Stenzel.

Varsity Volleyball: Front Row: Madi Eilat, Monica Schram, Autumn Schramm. Row 2: Clare McInerney, Demi Floor, Jessica Wagner, Ashley Kinner, Carissa, Megan Harris, Samantha Spohn. Back Row: Coach Dale Schramm, Amanda Henschel, Coach Mary Williamson, Carl Telo, Coach Chad Restall, Aubree Nelson.

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On The Brink

Peering through the net at the Agona serve, Monica Schramm, Jessica Wagner, and Carl Telo anticipate their opportunity to get the ball back to serve receive.

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By Austin Krohn and Will Hartman

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Football and Volleyball

What was your favorite game to play in this season?

Megan Kuster '17

"I think our best game against Oakfield because we won and that made it memorable."

Jack Krause '17

"I think our game against Oakfield because we won. Our team had great passing that game."

All Conference Honors:

Second Team:
Carl Telo- All around
Demi Floor- All around
Jason Felt- Offensive Lineman

Honorable Mention:
Monica Schramm- Libero
Dylan Johnson- Defensive Lineman
Drew Tack- Quarterback

Calorie Counter

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"On average per volleyball game"

Player	Tackles	Percentage
Jason Felt	52	12%
Dylan Johnson	59	13%
Johnny Gomez	48	10%
Drew Tack	40	10%
Bryson Paschke	55	12%
Carl Telo	43	10%
Quin Schram	68	15%
Benny LaViolette	43	10%

Tackles this season

Sports 43

Comments

Nice head, deck and story packaging. Good use of a solid headline that told a clear story and a deck head that added some value. A bit more depth in each would be great, but these work well. Solid overall story as well.

1st Place Divider

Jordan Manders
Ashwaubenon High School
Medium School

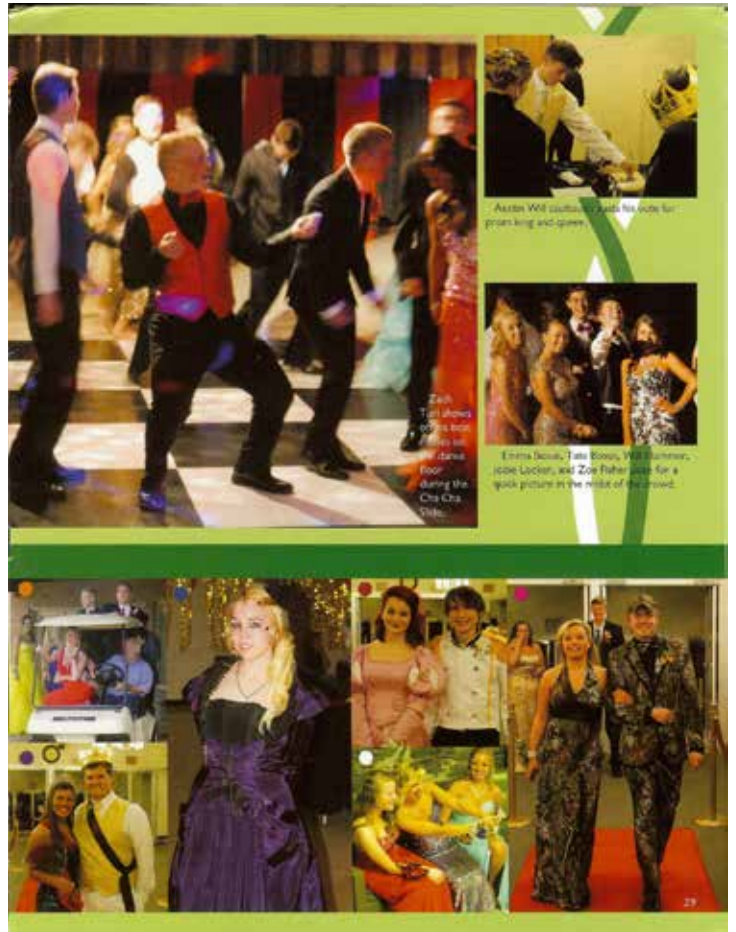


Comments

Nice use of dominant art and a good job of including text in here. You need to include some caption information with your photos. You also want to make sure that the photos play well at the size you run them. The big art worked well, but the smaller shots were a bit weaker and failed to display well as art. You also have a lot of busyness in the background of the spread, which can be really distracting overall.

Double Page Spread: Student Life

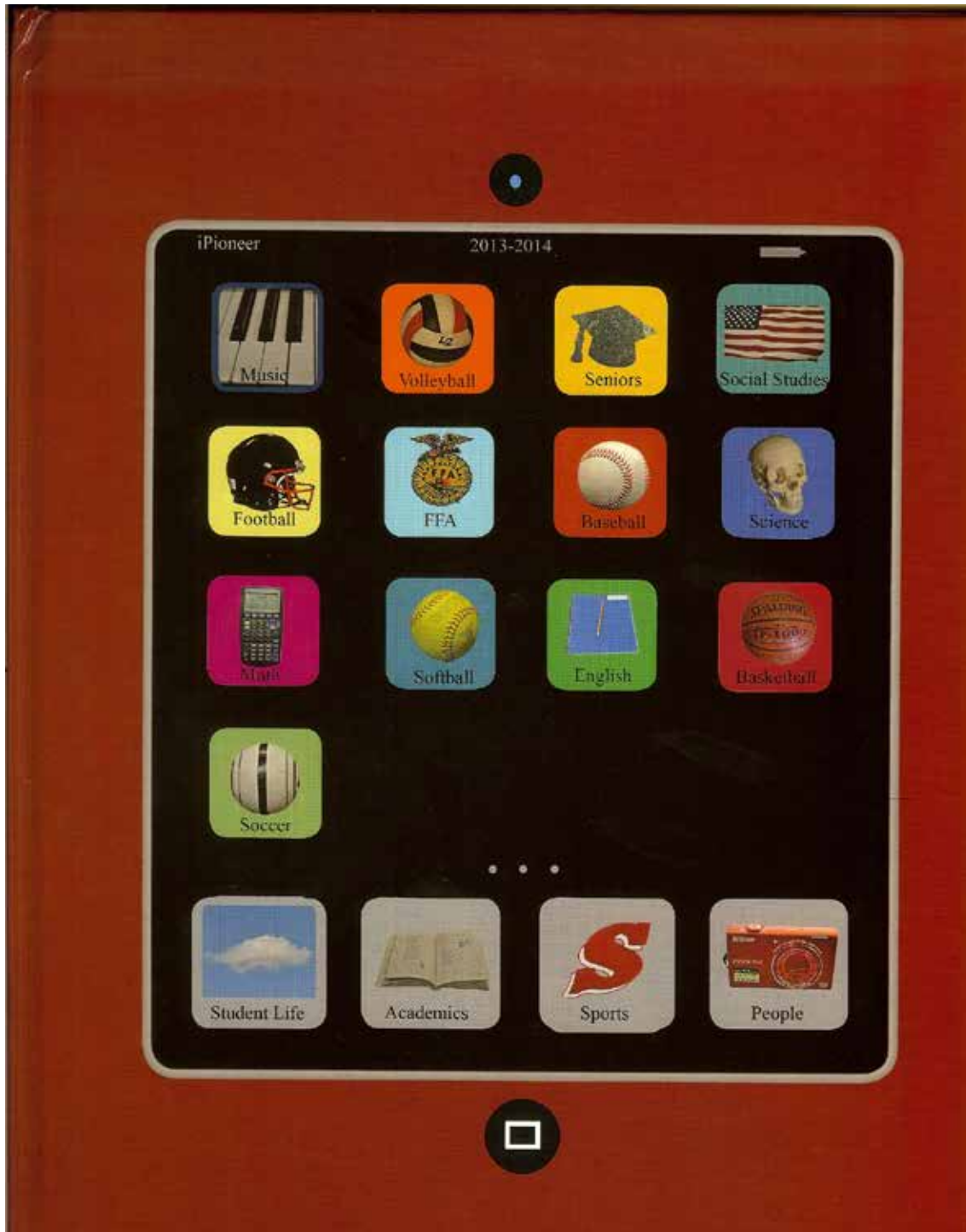
Oshkosh North High School
Large School



The upper corner of the left side of the spread is great. The photo of the dancers is good (shadow notwithstanding) and the text is solid overall. It has a nice concluding quote as well. The rest of the art is either posed, blurry or a bit too tiny. The little colored dot approach is really hard to follow and makes kind of a mess out of the bottom of the page.

1st Place Cover Design

Monica Salmeri & Austin Krohn
Sevestopol High School
Small School



Comments

Nice use of the theme, although the color of the book should have matched up with whatever color an iPad is these days. Good use of the apps to get the points across. Solid job.

1st Place Page Layout

Jordan Manders
Ashwaubenon High School
Medium School



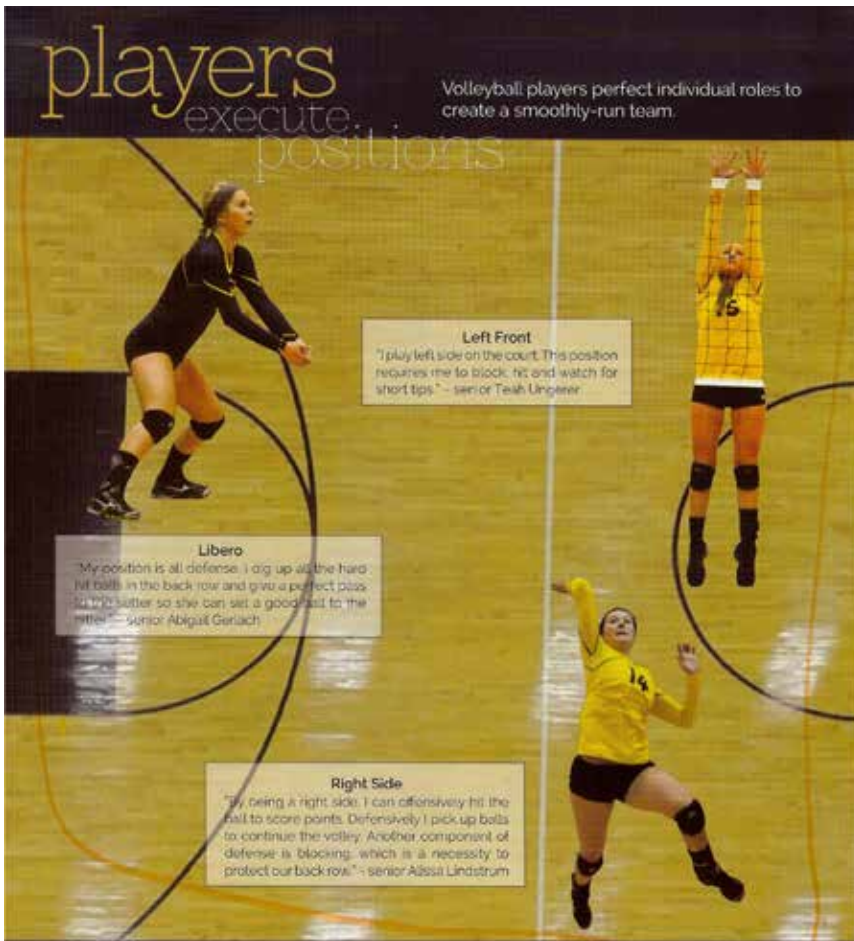
Comments

Some nice information on the spread. Good overall work with this. I would recommend a little less background chatter/distracton. This is more of a spread than a page, but it's a nice overall approach to this topic.

1st Place Photo Illustration

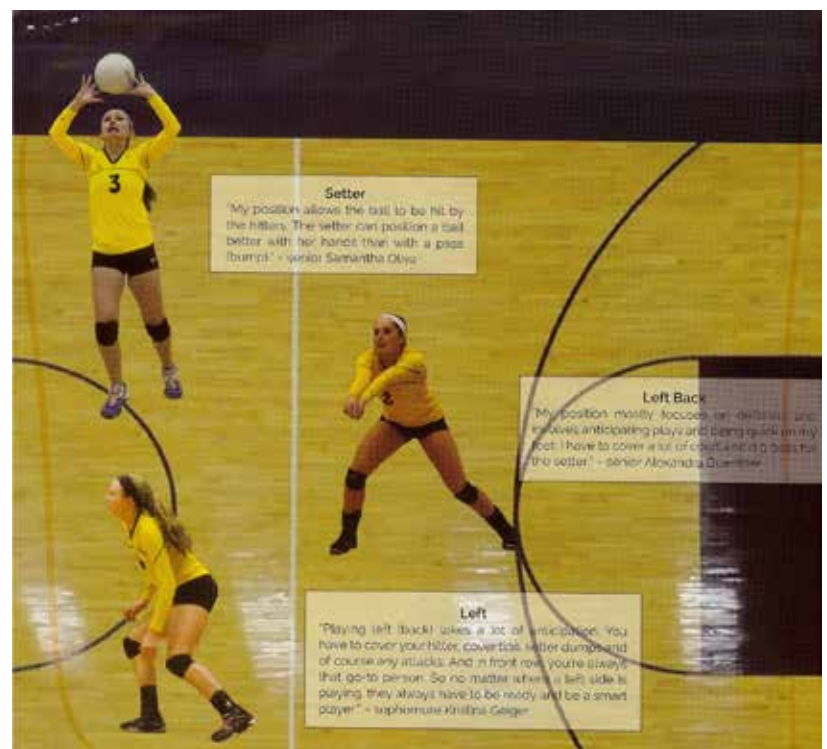
Anna Brown

Wausau West High School
Large School



Comments

This was a FANTASTIC infographic that worked well to help me understand who does what and how the team works as a unit. It does a great job of conveying value and meaning.



1st Place Candid Photo

Jordan Theobald
Sheboygan Falls High School
Small School



Comments

I love that you captured this moment with the ejected cartridge right in mid-air. I wish I could see his face a bit better and I wish you would have cropped the weird white thing out from the bottom of the image. Some nice elements that some better fine-tuning would have worked a bit better.

1st Place Sports Photo

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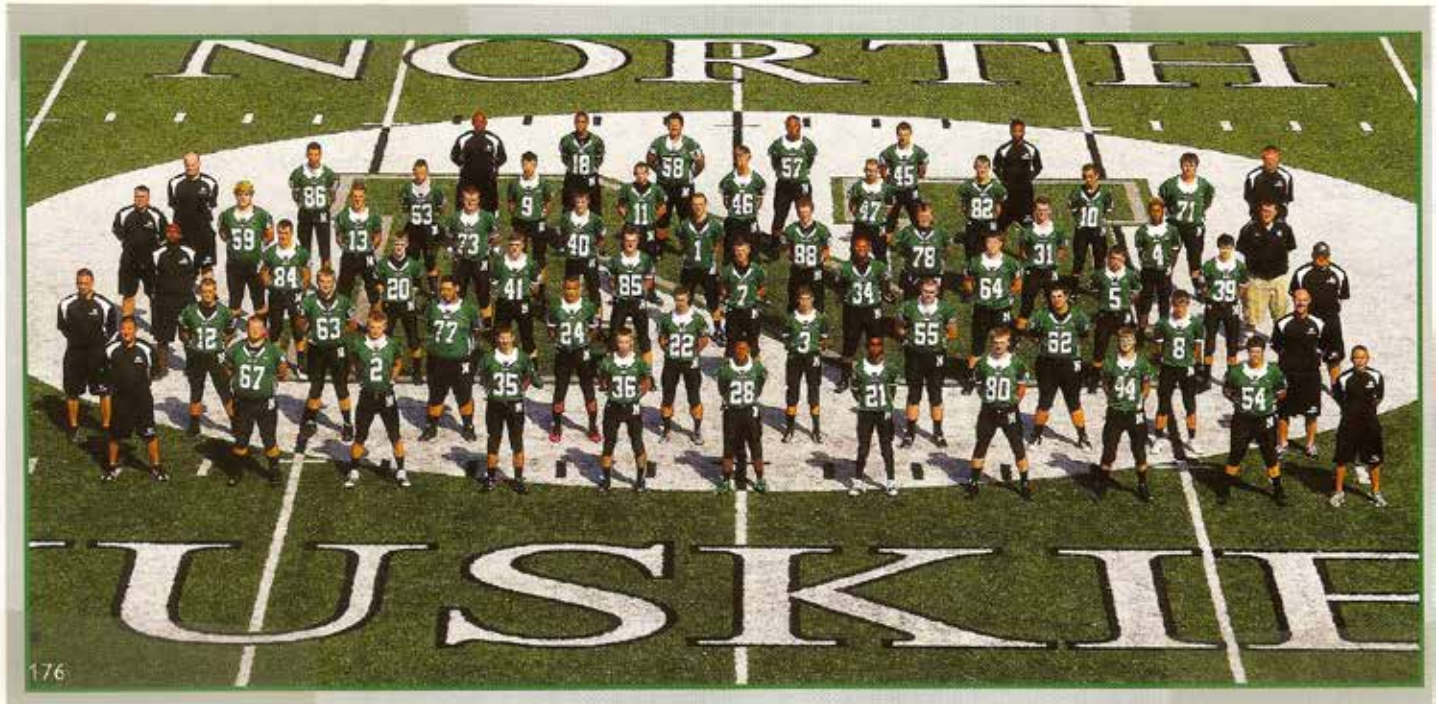


Comments

Nicely framed shot that shows action, feeling and emotion. Good job of keeping the photo from blurring and nice job of showing a very solid moment of the game.

1st Place Group Photo

Taylor Skroski
Oshkosh North High School
Large School



Comments

A neat idea for a group shot, but it doesn't really play well at this size, primarily because the faces all get lost. I do think it is one of the more creative shots I've seen in terms of placement and angle, however.

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