



Trent Scott wins Skip Zacher Award

The adviser to the Oshkosh West High School newspaper, *The Index*, was presented with the Skip Zacher Friend of Scholastic Journalism Award at the 2016 NEWSPA conference.

Trent Scott, who also serves as president of the Northeastern Wisconsin Scholastic Press Association housed within the Department of Journalism at UW-Oshkosh, received the certificate and plaque honoring his contribution to scholastic journalism at the April 20 conference. Sara Marquardt, the 2015 award winner who served as NEWSPA president and is currently the yearbook adviser at Oshkosh North High School, presented this year's award to Scott.

The award, which has been given annually since 2000, is named after Zacher, executive secretary of NEWSPA from 1983-99.

Scott graduated with a bachelor's degree in English and a minor in Spanish from Carroll College and worked as a freelance writer for two years before deciding to go back to school and become a teacher. He earned both his certification in English and his master's degree at UW-Oshkosh. He has taught at Oshkosh West since 1994, except for a one-year stint teaching at The King's Academy in Sunnyvale, California.

Scott said he was surprised and honored to receive the award. "This is a big honor," he said. "I really appreciate it.

Scott said he never expected to stay in teaching so

long. "It's amazing how fast the time goes in this challenging line of work," he said. "I didn't think I'd survive those first three years as an adviser. Now I have been doing it for over 20 years. It has been so rewarding, and I can't imagine not having the chance to work with such talented kids."



Sara Marquardt presents the 2016 Friend of Scholastic Journalism Award to Trent Scott, NEWSPA president and adviser for the Oshkosh West High School newspaper.

Scott became the adviser for *The Index* in 1995, became a NEWSPA board member in 2005, and was president of NEWSPA from 2009 to 2011. He then returned as president in 2015.

Scott said he first attended the NEWSPA conference in 1995, and that he thinks it is an amazing opportunity for students. "NEWSPA is a great way for students to get the training they need, and recognition for their hard work," Scott said.

The NEWSPA conference is held each spring and brings high school journalists and their advisers to the UW-Oshkosh campus to learn from nearly 50 professionals. This year 324 high school students and advisers attended from 20 schools, and more than 315 first-, second- and third-place honors were awarded to high school journalists at the closing ceremonies.

The 2017 conference will be held on April 26, and will feature a new competition that commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Pulitzer Prizes and encourages students to duplicate in their schools and communities the good writing that the Pulitzers stand for. For more information, go to <http://journalism.uwosh.edu/northeastern-wisconsin-scholastic-press-association-newspa/>.



Newspaper Winners



2016 NEWSPA Winners

Writing Division

News Story - General - Large School Judge: Isral DeBruin, Communications Director, EdTogether. Medium and Small School Judge: Candy Czernicki, Managing Editor, Psych Central.

Large	1st	Alexis Jablonski, Celestine Vang and Malorie Ottosen, Wausau West
	2nd	Maggie Kieser, West Bend
	3rd	Abby Vohs, Hartford Union
Medium	1st	Jordan Lomibao, Plymouth
	2nd	Heidi Willden, Cedarburg
	3rd	Natalie Britt and Kyra Kronberg, Plymouth
Small	1st	Bria Osterberg, Berlin
	2nd	Jemma Benton, Sevastopol
	3rd	Rachel Padour, Chilton

News Story - Academic/Class Related or Extracurricular - Large School Judge: Amber Paluch, Green Bay Community Foundation. Medium and Small School Judge: Julie Larson, Press Gazette Media.

Large	1st	Jonathan Korger, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Sabrina Mierswa, Oshkosh North
	3rd	Hannah Bensen, West Bend
Medium	1st	Natalie Britt, Plymouth
	2nd	Bridget Hagen, Cedarburg
	3rd	Tehya Wacuta, Plymouth
Small	1st	Emily Beltran, Berlin
	2nd	Jemma Bentonm Sevastopol
	3rd	Rachel Padour, Chilton

News Story- Sports - Large School Judge: Don Kohn, Appleton Post Crescent. Medium and Small School Judge: Ricardo Arguella, Appleton Post Crescent

Large	1st	Max Antonneau, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Isaac Bock, Oshkosh North
	3rd	Maggie Kieser, West Bend
Medium	1st	Catherine Torner, Cedarburg
	2nd	Alex Gravatt and Kyra Kronberg, Plymouth
	3rd	Erika Ditzman, Green Bay West

Small	1st	Maleny Capetillo, Chilton
	2nd	Brittney Meyer, Berlin
	3rd	Robert Richards, Sevastopol

Feature Story - Entertaining - Large School Judge: Julie Henderson, Professor Emeritus, UW Oshkosh. Medium and Small School Judge: Stephanie Scott, Jamar Health Products.

Large	1st	Valraye Herring, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Emily Guenther, Wausau West
	3rd	Katie Landolt, Oshkosh West
Medium	1st	Alea Kahn, Cedarburg
	2nd	Emily Marshman, Plymouth
	3rd	Evie Thomas, Cedarburg
Small	1st	Hazel Reck, Berlin
	2nd	Allison Marks, Berlin
	3rd	Katie Hartman, Sevastopol

Feature Story - Personality Profile - Large School Judge: Judy Kneiszel, Freelance, The World Hourse, LLC. Medium and Small School Judge: Amelia Compton-Wolff, Press-Gazette Media.

Large	1st	Danielle Del Conte and Diane Le, Wausau West
	2nd	Beth Williams, West Bend
	3rd	Abby Vohs, Hartford Union
Medium	1st	Grace McMillen, Cedarburg
	2nd	Alex Gravatt, Plymouth
	3rd	Grace McMillen, Cedarburg
Small	1st	Hazel Reck and Tyler Ostrowski, Berlin
	2nd	Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
	3rd	Molly Banks and Madeline Estes, Sevastopol

Feature Story - News Based - Large School Judge: Jim Collar, Appleton Post Crescent. Medium and Small School Judge: Jim Kneiszel, Freelance, The Word House, LLC.

Large	1st	Robert Brown, Fond du Lac
	2nd	Anusha Naik and Maggie Mataczynski, Wausau West
	3rd	Allison Trampe, West Bend
Medium	1st	Devin Sikora, Plymouth
	2nd	Emma Brauer, Cedarburg
	3rd	Julia Marshall, Plymouth
Small	1st	Ashley Thompson and Katie Hartman, Sevastopol
	2nd	Emily Sonntag, Chilton
	3rd	Tyler Ostrowski, Berlin

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

Large	1st	Abby Vohs, Hartford Union
	2nd	Taylor Weise, Wausau West
	3rd	Laura Niemeyer and Emily Schmidt, Wausau West
Medium	1st	Skylar Steffes, Cedarburg
	2nd	Sophie Bolich, Plymouth
	3rd	Catherine Torner, Cedarburg
Small	1st	Ashley Thompson, Sevastopol
	2nd	Emily Beltran, Berlin
	3rd	Hazel Reck, Berlin

Editorial- Large School Judge: Mandy Potts, UW Oshkosh. Medium and Small School Judge: David Haynes, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

Large	1st	Lauren Sorensen, West Bend
	2nd	Joshua Dvorak, Wausau West
	3rd	Lauren Sorensen, West Bend
Medium	1st	Erika Dltzman, Gabby Xiong and Noah Laubenstein, Green Bay West
	2nd	Emilie Smith, Green Bay West
	3rd	Danielle Roelse, Plymouth
Small	1st	Isaiah Spetz, Sevastopol
	2nd	Isaiah Spetz, Sevastopol
	3rd	Tyler Osterowski, Berlin

Column - Humorous - Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Patti Zarling, Press Gazette Media.

Large	1st	Madeline Terlap, Neenah
	2nd	Andrew Rothe, Oshkosh North
	3rd	Zach Renderman, Fond du Lac
Medium	1st	Emily Bewalda, Cedarburg
	2nd	Emma Bauer, Brenna Fischer, Emily Tomashek and Catherine Torner, Cedarburg
	3rd	A. Rodriguez, Green Bay West
Small	1st	Katie Hartman and Madeline Estes, Sevastopol
	2nd	Benney Rabach, Sevastopol
	3rd	None

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

Large	1st	Claudia Koechell, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Aly Niehans, Oshkosh West
	3rd	Paige Haehlke, Emma Hahn and Malorie Ottosen, Wausau West
Medium	1st	Chloe Weil, Cedarburg
	2nd	Catherine Mett, Cedarburg
	3rd	Matt Baizley, Plymouth
Small	1st	Kristin Bartel, Chilton
	2nd	Emily Beltran and Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
	3rd	Isaiah Spetz, Sevastopol

Column - Sports - Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Alex Wolf, Northwestern Media.

Large	1st	Kylee Cornelius, Hartford Union
	2nd	Paige Helgersen, Neenah
	3rd	Jon Korger, Oshkosh West
Medium	1st	Alex Gravatt, Plymouth
	2nd	Alec Collins, Cedarburg
	3rd	Alex Gravatt, Plymouth
Small	1st	Kristin Bartel, Chilton
	2nd	Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
	3rd	Robert Richards, Sevastopol

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

Large	1st	Zach Renderman, Fond du Lac
	2nd	Nick Morrissey, Neenah
	3rd	Ryan Brown, Colin Kerrigan and Luke Zangl, Oshkosh West
Medium	1st	Barb Rasmussen, Cedarburg
	2nd	Roxy Weiland, Cedarburg
	3rd	Arianna VanDam, Green Bay West
Small	1st	Tyler Ostrowski, Berlin
	2nd	Bria Osterberg, Berlin
	3rd	Blake Sargent, Sevastopol

2016 NEWSPA Winners

Design Division

In-Depth Reporting I- Large, Medium and Small

School Judge: Angie Landsverk, Freelance.

Large	1st	Claudia Koechell and Laura Zornosa, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Alexis Jablonski, Celestine Vang and Malorie Ottosen, Wausau West
	3rd	Alyssa Birkeland, West Bend
Medium	1st	Bridget Hagen, Cedarburg
	2nd	Natalie Britt and Tehya Wachuta, Plymouth
	3rd	Emma Brauer, Cedarburg
Small	1st	Brittney Meyer, Berlin
	2nd	Madeline Estes, Sevastopol
	3rd	Emily Beltran, Berlin

In-Depth Reporting II- Large, Medium and Small

School Judge: Jim Nelson, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

Large	1st	Claudia Koechell and Laura Zornosa, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Lauren Sorensen, West Bend
	3rd	Claudia Koechell and Laura Zornosa, Oshkosh West
Medium	1st	Brenna Fischer, Bridget Hagen, Zoe Johnson, Alea Kahn, Natalie Knoeppel and Bobby O'Neil, Cedarburg
	2nd	Arianna VanDam, Esperanza Fassbender, Erika Ditzman and Ryley Fischer, Green Bay West
	3rd	Emilie Smith, Erika Ditzman, Catie Walter, Jacob Kulis and Arianna VanDam, Green Bay West
Small	1st	Emily Beltran, Brittney Meyer, Allison Marks and Emily Schmidt, Berlin
	2nd	Tommy Safranski, Jemma Benton, Madeline Estes and Isaiah Spetz, Sevastopol
	3rd	Brittney Meyer, Allison Marks, Bria Osterberg and Emily Schmidt, Berlin

Advertisement - Large, Medium and Small School

Judge: Sara Steffes Hansen, UW Oshkosh.

Large	1st	Andrew Jocham, Hartford Union
	2nd	Gabby Tagliapietra, Oshkosh West
	3rd	Emma Fuhrman, Neenah
Medium	1st	Natalie Britt, Plymouth
	2nd	Natalie Britt, Plymouth
	3rd	No entry
Small	1st	Emily Schmidt, Berlin
	2nd	Emily Schmidt, Berlin
	3rd	No Entry

Editorial Cartoons - Large, Medium and Small

School Judge: Phil Hands, Wisconsin State Journal.

Large	1st	Miranda Paikowski, West Bend
	2nd	Alicia Orlando, Neenah
	3rd	Alexis Jimenez, Green Bay Preble High
Medium	1st	Nathan Wegner, Cedarburg
	2nd	Matt Baizley, Plymouth
	3rd	Nathan Wegner, Cedarburg
Small	1st	Robert Richards, Sevastopol
	2nd	Brittney Meyer, Berlin
	3rd	Robert Richards, Sevastopol

Comic Strips - Large, Medium and Small School

Judge: Phil Hands, Wisconsin State Journal.

Large	1st	Alicia Orlando, Neenah
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry
Medium	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry
Small	1st	Nicole Lohkamp, Chilton
	2nd	Nicole Lohkamp, Chilton
	3rd	No Entry

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

Large	1st	Malorie Ottosen, Wausau West
	2nd	Maddie Terlap, Neenah
	3rd	Gabby Tagliapietra, Oshkosh West
Medium	1st	No Winner
	2nd	Emily Marshman, Plymouth
	3rd	Erika Ditzman, Green Bay West
Small	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry

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

Large	1st	Kaomi Yang and Mya Hamann, Wausau West
	2nd	Emma Hahn, Wausau West
	3rd	Madison Supple, Fond du Lac
Medium	1st	Natalie Britt, Tehya Wachuta and Emily Marshman, Plymouth
	2nd	Esperanza Fassbender, Green Bay West
	3rd	Ylana Vang and Emilie Smith, Green Bay West
Small	1st	Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
	2nd	Isaiah Spetz, Sevastopol
	3rd	Emily Beltran, Berlin

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

Large	1st	Valraye Herring, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Maddie Terlap, Neenah
	3rd	No Entry
Medium	1st	No Winner
	2nd	Emily Marshman, Plymouth
	3rd	Lexine Smits and Gabby Cantrall, Green Bay West
Small	1st	Isaiah Spetz, Sevastopol
	2nd	No Winner
	3rd	Emily Schmidt, Berlin

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

Large	1st	Kiara Vanden Langenberg, Neenah
	2nd	Anna Leasa and Morgan Tollard, Fond du Lac
	3rd	Malorie Ottosen, Wausau West
Medium	1st	Natalie Britt, Tehya Wachuta and Emily Marshman, Plymouth
	2nd	Abby Butt and Bobby O'Neil, Cedarburg
	3rd	Natalie Britt, Plymouth
Small	1st	Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
	2nd	Alyssa Thiel, Berlin
	3rd	Isaiah Spetz and Molly Banks, Sevastopol

Photography Division

News Photo - Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Timothy R. Gleason, UW Oshkosh.

Large	1st	Sabrina Rateike, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Joshua Dvorak, Wausau West
	3rd	Joshua Dvorak, Wausau West
Medium	1st	Natalie Britt, Plymouth
	2nd	Devin Sikora, Plymouth
	3rd	No Entries
Small	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry

Sports Photo - Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Timothy R. Gleason, UW Oshkosh.

Large	1st	Hannah Ostertag, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Natalie Ollhoff, Wausau West
	3rd	Taylor Radtke, Hartford Union
Medium	1st	Kara Kronberg, Plymouth
	2nd	Kara Kronberg, Plymouth
	3rd	No Entry
Small	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry

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Student-Developed Web Site Division

Feature Photo - Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Timothy R. Gleason, UW Oshkosh.

Large	1st	Hannah Ostertag, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Joshua Dvorak, Wausau West
	3rd	Keegan Lim, Oshkosh West
Medium	1st	Emily Marshman, Plymouth
	2nd	Sophie Bolich, Plymouth
	3rd	No Entry
Small	1st	No entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry

Essay and Series Photo - Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Timothy R. Gleason, UW Oshkosh.

Large	1st	Ksenya Seager, Neenah
	2nd	Hannah Ostertag, Oshkosh West
	3rd	Kaomi Yang, Wausau West
Medium	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry
Small	1st	Britany Gunderson, Wautoma
	2nd	Heather Spetz, Kate Hastings, Burke Minahan, Reetika Jandu and Tom Hintz, Sevastopol
	3rd	Maggie Hartman, Jillian Jorns and Katie Hartman, Sevastopol

Open Photo - Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Timothy R. Gleason, UW Oshkosh.

Large	1st	Ksenya Seager, Neenah
	2nd	Natalie Ollhoff, Wausau West
	3rd	Julia Bartmram, Wausau West
Medium	1st	Emily Marshman, Plymouth
	2nd	Ally Binder, Plymouth
	3rd	No Entry
Small	1st	Britany Gunderson, Wautoma
	2nd	Britany Gunderson, Wautoma
	3rd	No Entry

Writing - Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Amanda Betts, Stellar Blue Technologies.

Large	1st	Aliza Hitz, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Nate Kiraly, Max Antonneau and Luke Zangl, Oshkosh West
	3rd	Charley Hrobsky, Neenah
Medium	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry
Small	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry

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

Large	1st	Asreen Zangana and Keegan Lim, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Laura Zornosa, Oshkosh West
	3rd	No Entry
Medium	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry
Small	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry

Site Design - Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Amanda Betts, Stellar Blue Technologies.

Large	1st	Satellite Staff, Neenah
	2nd	Emma McAllister, Caroline Jan otha and Luke Zangl, Oshkosh West
	3rd	No Entry
Medium	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry
Small	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry

2016 NEWSPA Winners

Publication Divison

Published Through a Journalism Class- Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Deb Rothenberger, Brandon Valley High School, Brandon, SD.

Large

Blue Ribbon Honors

Warrior's Word Staff, Wausau West

Red Ribbon Honors

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

White Ribbon Honors

No Entry

Medium

Blue Ribbon Honors

Hi-Lights Staff, Plymouth

Red Ribbon Honors

No Entry

White Ribbon Honors

No Entry

Small

Blue Ribbon Honors

The Red 'n' Green Staff, Berlin High School

Red Ribbon Honors

Pioneer Ships Staff, Savastopol

White Ribbon Honors

No Entry

Not Published Through a Journalism Class- Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Deb Rothenberger, Brandon Valley High School, Brandon, SD.

Large

Blue Ribbon Honors

No Winner

Red Ribbon Honors

North Star Staff, Oshkosh North

White Ribbon Honors

No Entry

Medium

Blue Ribbon Honors

No Winner

Red Ribbon Honors

Common Sense Staff, Cedarburg

White Ribbon Honors

Purple Parrot Staff, Green Bay West

Small

Blue Ribbon Honors

Red Ribbon Honors

White Ribbon Honors

Website Not Published Through a Journalism Class - Large, Medium and Small School Judge: Miles Maguire, UW Oshkosh.

Large

Blue Ribbon Honors

West Bend Current Staff, West Bend

Red Ribbon Honors

Satellite Staff, Neenah

White Ribbon Honors

No Entry



1st Place

Column - Serious

Chloe Weil
Cedarburg High School
Medium School



Paragraphs in this column are too long. The column is more readable using two to three paragraphs.

The author did a good job expressing her frustration over an excess of comments about college! I hope it all turns out well for her. She may be 100% serious but she made me smile!

1st Place Column - Sports

Kristin Bartel
Chilton High School
Small School

dates the referendum would pro-

Dance Is a Sport



Mr. Ethan Fritz

Column

shooting or work on their conditioning. At a typical high school dance team practice, dancers go over their routine at least 10 times, practice individual measures for perfect accuracy and work on their technique. All of these things will help with conditioning for the dancer. Both teams build strength and quickness while still wanting accuracy in their moves, so what makes one a sport and the other not? They are both, in fact, sports.

To bring this closer to home, let's talk about high school dance teams. Many area schools have dance teams. Some teams compete, and some just enjoy performing for their schools. Even though a team may not be competing, they can still work hard in practice. Still, there are critics who say that if there isn't competition, it shouldn't be considered a sport. But is that really true? Well, is football any less of a sport during the preseason games? Just because competition is taken out of the event doesn't mean that football is suddenly not a sport.

If you're still not convinced, try to turn 720 degrees with one leg out while smiling, and don't fall over! Or try leaping in the air with your legs in a perfect splits, toes pointed and knees straight. Even more, just sit in the splits. If you can do these, then you are an athlete in the sport of dance.

This year's dance team competed in D2 Jazz at the Wisconsin Association of Cheer/Pom Coaches Championships on February 6, at the La Crosse Civic Center. The student athletes on this year's team are: Jennifer Alzate, Tuulia Anttila, Rebecca Aull, Kristin Bartel, Alexis Behnke, Emma Brantmeier, Serenity Brault, Rachel Castillo, Alyssa Frank, Leigha Goesser, Allie Hoerth, Tori Jacobs, Melina Lopez, Madison Mueller, Lexi Parker, Maggie Paterick, Jenna Pleshek, Hanna Rezachek, Maria Suttner, Kaitlyn VanDaalwyk, Kim Vandenhouten and Morgan Wehde. Dance Team is coached by Mrs. Brittany Mayer, Mrs. Ann Bartel and Miss Megan Tyson.

BY KRISTIN BARTEL

With the Chilton Dance Team recently performing at the state competition, I thought it would be nice to once again discuss why dance is a sport.

Let's start with some statistics. According to a New York Times article, there are over 25,000 professional dancers. These aren't your normal "I like to dance" people on Facebook. These dancers are men and women who spend countless hours in rehearsal, practicing for their next performance or for their next audition. In a two hour rehearsal, a ballet dancer can burn almost 600 calories, and that is just a moderate rehearsal. A professional ballet dancer might spend four to six hours a day in rehearsal. Combining those numbers, that means a dancer can burn 1200 to 1600 calories just from a moderate rehearsal day.

If you are still not convinced, here is another reason why dance is a sport. In a typical basketball team's practice, players spend their time with running, strengthening or quickness drills to improve their skills on the floor. They might also go over plays, practice

The article was written right after the state tournament so it was very timely. May not have huge engagement because it's about dance but I love the idea because it will spark interest and argument – whether or not it's a sport. I liked the idea of the column.

Could have used more statistic/sources

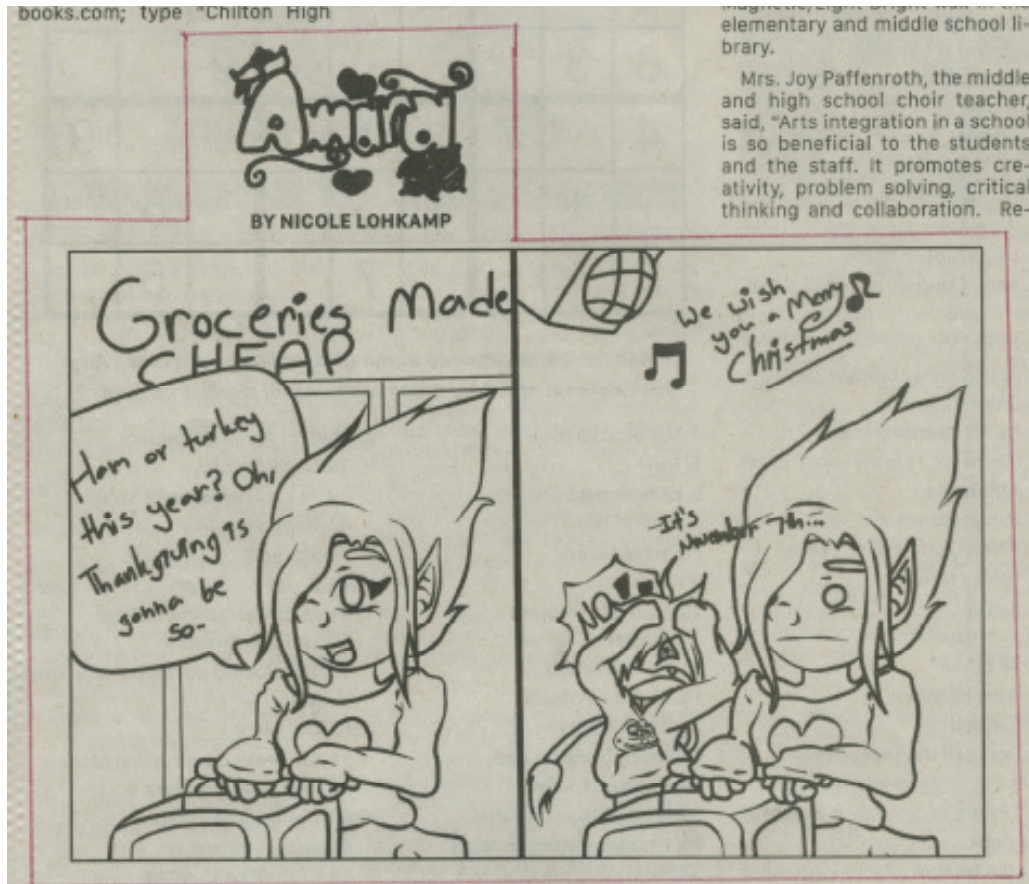
You said "If you're still not convinced" twice – find other transition phrases.

I liked the story idea – I think getting quotes from dances or opposite parties on their thoughts would help the article. Maybe talk more about competing and tournaments – because winning trophies and awards it best argument for it being a sport.

1st Place

Design - Comic Strips

Nicole Lohkamp
Chilton High School
Small School



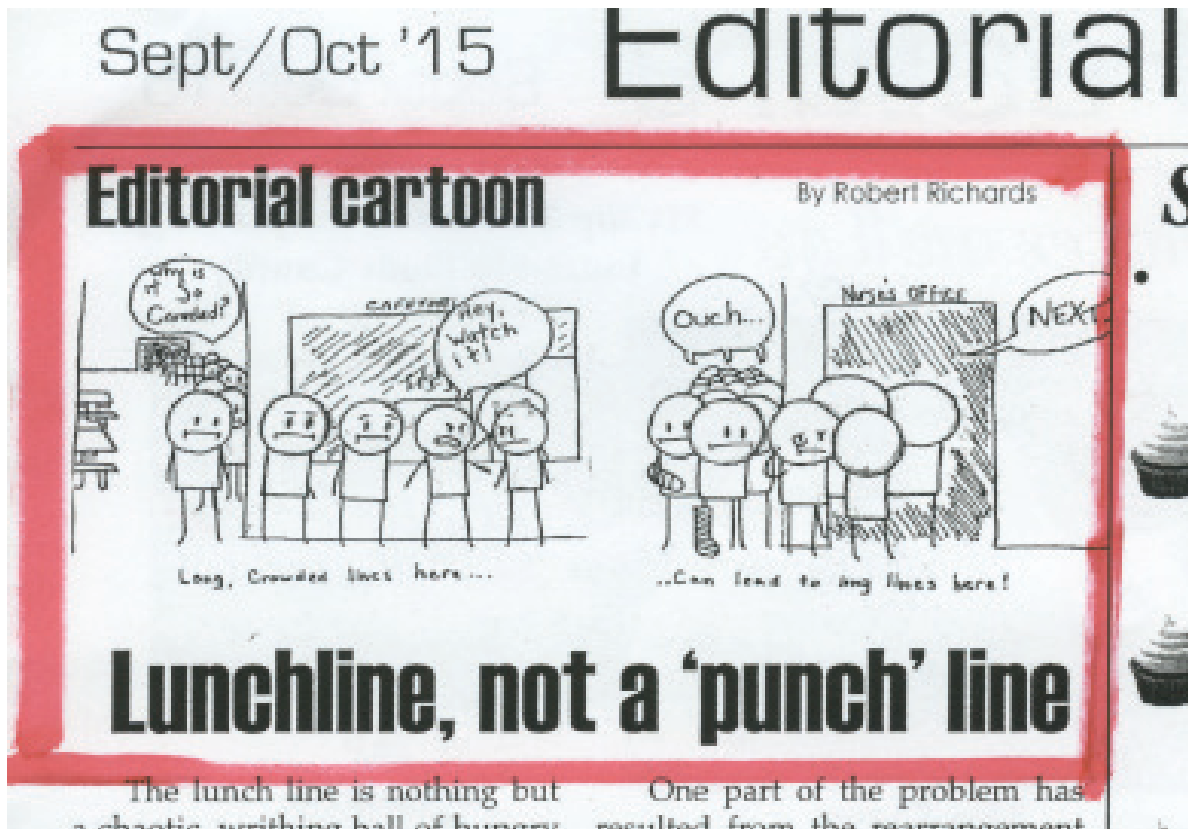
This is a nice drawing and a funny joke, but does anyone eat ham for thanksgiving? The art is good, but the lettering should be clearer and easier to read. Be sure to leave plenty of space between your text and the edge of word balloons.

This is a funny gag that is well drawn. It could be improved if the text was straight and the lettering was clearer. The drawing is very strong. Spend some more time making sure your jokes are easy to read

1st Place

Editorial Cartoon

Robert Richards
Sevastopol High School
Small School



I love this simple drawing style. The joke is very funny.
Clear and simple, great job!

This cartoon is a great example to everyone that you don't have to draw like DaVinci to be a great cartoonist. The figures are simple, but very expressive. The composition is full but not cluttered. My only real critique is that the lettering could be larger and easier to read, with more space between the text and the word balloons.

1st Place

Feature Photo

Hannah Ostertag
Oshkosh West High School
Large School



Great idea and good angle choice.

Good idea for the caption, but the player doesn't seem to be in the game or "in the zone."

Watch out for too much contrast around the light, which gives the rings look (but that is sometimes hard to change.)

Pretty good lighting, just be cautious of where the light is hitting if it causes over exposed looks like with the hair.

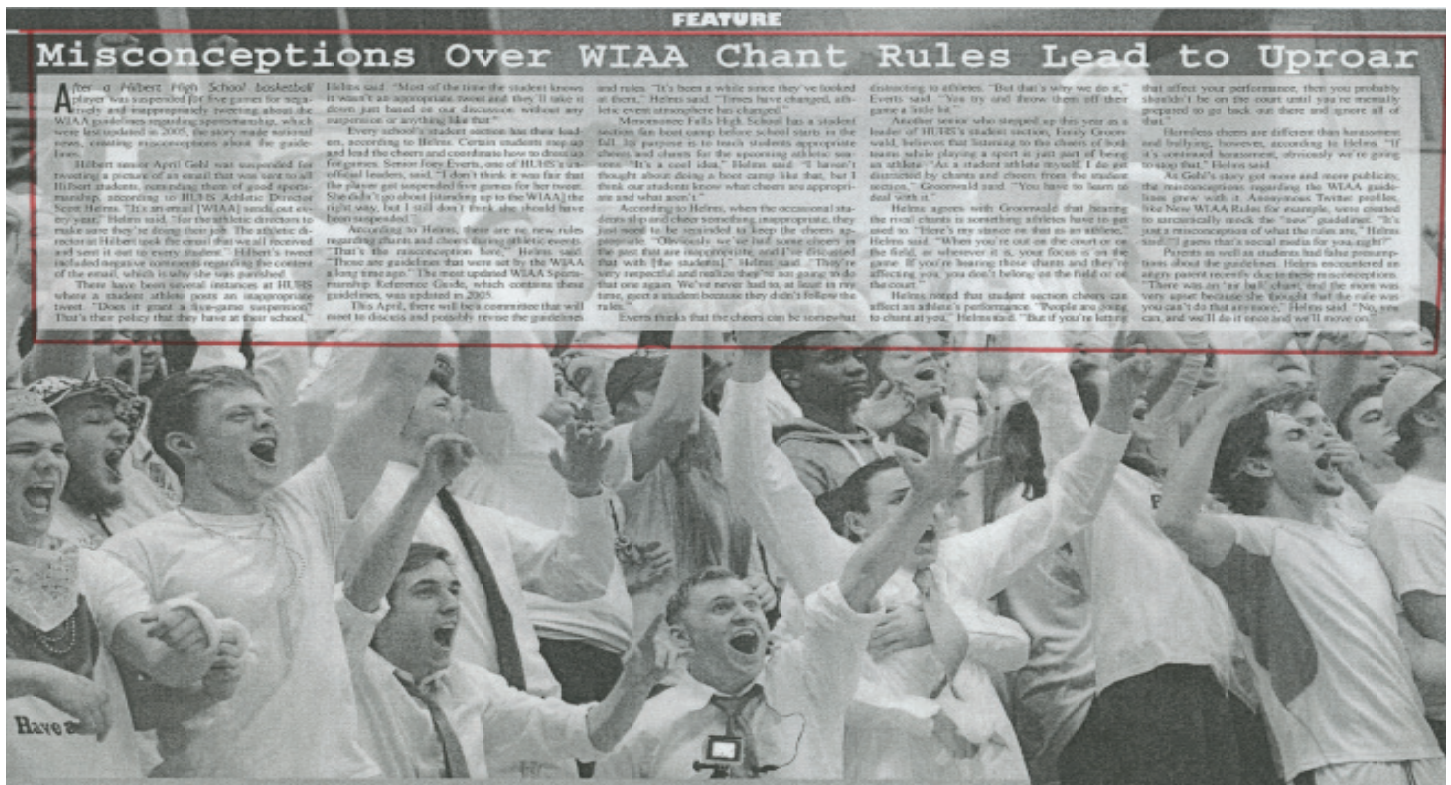
Simple yet powerful photo.

Great photo, just double check sharpness, contrast and focal points.

1st Place

Feature Story - Sports

Abby Vohs
Hartford Union
Large School



Great idea that is well thought out.

Good info, one more source could've helped though.

Great lead that gets right into the matter.

Great idea for a story that was well thought out, not just base-level stuff said by others.



Yearbook



Winners



2016 NEWSPA Winners

General Divison

Spring Yearbook Judge: Vincent Filak, UW Oshkosh

Fall Yearbook Judge: Barb Benish, UW Oshkosh

Divider

Large

1st Anusha Naik and Laurel Noack, Wausau West

2nd Anusha Naik and Laurel Noack, Wausau West

3rd Kaitlyn Eck, Oshkosh North
No Entry

Medium

Small

1st Demi Ploor, Randi Karls, Vanessa Bean and Ariana Hayes, Sevastopol

2nd Britany Gunderson and Desiree DiBerardino, Wautoma

3rd Lily Birmingham and Ariana Hayes, Sevastopol

Academic, Class or Related Story

Large

1st Gabriela Betancourt, Wausau West

2nd Natalie Ollhoff and Thomas Lahren, Wausau West

3rd Laura Benish, Oshkosh North

Medium

1st No Entry

2nd No Entry

3rd No Entry

Small

1st Lily Birmingham and Lexi Joly, Sevastopol

2nd Katie Hartman and Juliana Behme, Sevastopol

3rd No winner

Sports Story

Large

1st Brady Mackay and McKenzie, Wausau West

2nd Chelsea Spencer and Jessyka Wiskofske, Wausau West

3rd Deagan Maki, Oshkosh North

Medium

1st No Entry

2nd No Entry

3rd No Entry

Small

1st Juliana Behme, Sevastopol

2nd Lily Birmingham, Sevastopol

3rd Ernesto Sanchez, Wautoma

Extracurricular Story

Large

1st Alexandria Seager, Wausau West

2nd Anusha Naik, Wausau West

3rd Olivia Seeley and Deagan Maki, Oshkosh North

Medium

1st No Winner

2nd Jordan Manders and Emilie Enke, Ashwaubenon

3rd Olivia Nelson, Ali Carlson, Karsyn VanLannen and Molly Steinbrecher, Ashwaubenon

Small

1st Anna Giblin, Sevastopol

2nd Demi Ploor, Sevastopol

3rd Levi Guethlein, Wautoma

World, National, State or Local Story

Large

1st Diane Le, Wausau West

2nd No Winner

3rd No Winner

Medium

No entry

Small

No Entry

Copy Package

Large

1st Chelsea Spencer and Laurel Noack, Wausau West

2nd Kat Kuenzl, Oshkosh West

3rd Anusha Naik, Wausau West

Medium

No Entry

Small

1st Hannah Blija and Cora Schoofs, Wautoma

2nd Will Hartman and Jose Hernandez, Sevastopol

3rd Juliana Behme, Sevastopol

Double Page Spread; Academic Life

Large

1st Sydney Turner, Wausau West

2nd Gabriela Betancourt, Wausau West

3rd Sabrina Hansen, Oshkosh West
No Entry

Medium

Small

1st Demi Ploor, Sevastopol

2nd Randi Karls, Sevastopol

3rd No Entry

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Double Page Spread, Sports

Large	1st	Sarah Woller and Laurel Noack, Wausau West
	2nd	Nicole Markofski, Oshkosh North
	3rd	Sabrina Hansen, Oshkosh West
Medium	1st	No Winner
	2nd	No Winner
	3rd	Laney LeMere and Olivia Nelson, Ashwaubenon
Small	1st	Kaylie Marks, Wautoma
	2nd	Ernesto Sanchez, Daniel Sockness and Kaisee Conger, Wautoma
	3rd	No Winner

Double Page Spread; Clubs or Organizations

Large	1st	Gabriela Betancourt, Wausau West
	2nd	Morgan Stinemates, Oshkosh West
	3rd	Olivia Seeley and Deagan Maki, Oshkosh North
Medium		No Entry
Small	1st	Alex Lund, Wautoma
	2nd	Shayne Raatz, Jaiden Pierotti and Cora Schoofs, Wautoma
	3rd	No Entry

Double Page Spread: Student Life

Large	1st	Emma Hahn and Paige Haehlke, Wausau West
	2nd	Laura Niemeye, Wausau West
	3rd	Selena Thao, Oshkosh West
Medium		No Winner
Small	1st	Katie Hartman, Sevastopol
	2nd	Desiree DiBerardino and Britany Gunderson, Wautoma
	3rd	No Winner

Opening and Closing

Large	1st	C.J. Boycks, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Laurel Noack and Elly Niemeyer, Wausau West
	3rd	Kaitlyn Eck, Oshkosh North
Medium	1st	Jordan Manders and Nicole Gottfredsen, Ashwaubenon
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry
Small	1st	Levi Guethlein and Devin Borchardt, Wautoma
	2nd	Maggie Behme, Lily Birmingham and Juliana Behme, Sevastopol
	3rd	No Entry

Design Divison

Computer Designn/Hand-Rendered Illustration

Large	1st	Laurel Noack, Wausau West
	2nd	Laurel Noack, Wausau West
	3rd	No entry
Medium		No Entry
Small		No Entry

Photo Illustration

Large	1st	Laurel Noack, Wausau West
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry
Medium		No Entry
Small		No Entry

Cover Design

Large	1st	Laurel Nosck and Elly Niemeyer, Wausau West
	2nd	Notebook Staff, Oshkosh West
	3rd	Kaitlyn Eck and Morganne Markofski, Oshkosh North
Medium		No Entry
Small	1st	Britany Gunderson, Wautoma
	2nd	Maggie Behme, Sevastopol
	3rd	No Entry

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Large	1st	Malorie Ottosen, Wausau West
	2nd	Morganne Markofski, Oshkosh West
	3rd	No Entry
Medium		No Entry
Small	1st	Lily Birmingham and Will Hartman, Sevastopol
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry

Advertisement

Large	1st	Laura Niemeyer and Kaomi Yang, Wausau West
	2nd	Malorie Ottosen, Wausau West
	3rd	Taylor Captain, Oshkosh North
Medium		No Entry
Small	1st	Ernesto Sanchez, Wautoma
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry

Page Design/Layout

Large	1st	Laurel Noack and Beth Walber, Wausau West
	2nd	Maggie Mataczynski, Wausau West
	3rd	No Entry
Medium		No Entry
Small	1st	Cora Schoofs, Wautoma
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	No Entry

Photography Divison

Sports Photo

Large	1st	K.C. Banayag, Oshkosh West
	2nd	Deagan Maki, Oshkosh North
	3rd	Laurel Noack, Wausau West
Medium		No Entry
Small		No Entry

Candid Photo

Large	1st	Laurel Noack, Wausau West
	2nd	Noah Hansen, Oshkosh West
	3rd	Noah Hansen, Oshkosh West
Medium		No Entry
Small		No Entry

Open Photo

Large	1st	Deagan Maki, Oshkosh North
	2nd	Morganne Markofski, Oshkosh West
	3rd	Laurel Noack, Wausau West
Medium		No Entry
Small		No Entry

Group Photo

Large	1st	Malorie Ottosen, Wausau West
	2nd	Tiffani Powers, Oshkosh West
	3rd	Kaylee Frank, Oshkosh North
Medium		No Entry
Small		No Entry

Publication Divison

Large	1st	Aurora Staff, Wausau West
	2nd	Reflections Staff, Oshkosh
	3rd	Notebook Staff, Oshkosh
North		
West	1st	No Entry
	2nd	No Entry
	3rd	The Paw Staff, Ashwaubenon
Medium	1st	No Entry
	2nd	Pioneer Staff, Sevastopol
	3rd	No Entry
Small		

1st Place Design - Page/Layout

Emma Hahn and
Paige Haehlke
Wausau West
Large School



MUSICIANS SHOW DEDICATION

Student accompanists committed hours of practice to enhance vocalists' performances.

Everyone is familiar with what happens in the spotlight during the Pop Concert, but sometimes the work that student musicians do behind the scenes gets overlooked. The audition process for the vocalists began with the first of three rounds of auditions, and afterward, student instrumentalists began accompanying them.

"It all depends; this year, I started out for second round with 30-plus songs, and now for third round, it's cut down to about 22," senior Brennan O'Connell said. "By the end of the show, it's probably going to be somewhere between 15 and 20."

Depending on the difficulty of the specific piece, accompanists may have practiced with or without the singer multiple times before the audition or show. Extra attention went into some acts to enhance the musical accompaniment.

"It depends on if it's a hard piano part, because if it's that, I'll just practice, but if it's hard for the singer, then I'll practice specifically with them," junior Ava Sczygalski said.

After the first round of auditions was finished, accompanists met and divided the pieces among themselves, depending on which pieces they wanted. The accompanists who were seniors had first choice for the parts they wanted, so the lower grades picked pieces after them.

"Part of choosing acts is skill-wise; if there are other people that can do the song, I'll leave it off for other accompanists, and for other songs, people will personally ask me to play for them," O'Connell said.

While some accompanists, like Sczygalski, chose to play the slower ballads, others preferred playing more upbeat melodies, like sophomores Olivia Mrotek and Lucas Fischer.

"For a show like Pop Concert, we definitely found ourselves leaning towards faster, more upbeat rock songs that may be familiar to an audience but aren't overused," Mrotek said.

Choosing to be an accompanist for the Pop Concert was a commitment that required several hours of practice weekly. The accompanists were required to memorize their parts, and some of the accompanists had to play for 10 or more pieces.

"I haven't noticed many difficulties with helping out so much, except the songs start to get mixed up in your head, and you have to remember what you are playing for each song," Fischer said.

Fischer accompanied over 10 pieces as a percussionist, as he was one of the main drummers for the Pop Concert.

"It's all 100 percent worth it at the end," Fischer said. "The beginning of the process is quite a bit of work, but once you get to the performances, it's a ton of fun and my favorite thing to do all year."

—emma hahn and paige haehlke



SWAYING TO THE BEAT Moving to the music, senior Allison Benenaykne participates in the second round of auditions as she sings "Maps." The song was originally a cover song by the group Post Malone. Benenaykne auditioned with three songs in total. I chose the song because it was pleasing to a newer audience. It is a popular song, and it also would appeal to an older audience because of the 70s vibe. Benenaykne said without a doubt.



SOULFUL SINGING As he smiles subtly at the audience members, senior Jordan Miles sings the version of "Sunday Morning." Miles was an accompanist for multiple acts. He also auditioned to be a solo artist for the 2016 show. I chose it this year because not only is it by Maroon 5, which is one of my favorite bands, but it's one of their older songs, and it's a pop classic. Miles said, "It's really funky and it's upbeat and it's a really fun song that I think everyone can like. It's not too generation based and it's got good instrumentals. I think everyone who has heard it really likes it." —senior mrotek



THE FANTASTIC FOUR Representing all four grades, senior Jordan Miles, junior Daniel Roth, sophomore Abraham Kurm and freshman Matthew Chapman perform during the second round of auditions. The brass instrumentalists played as accompanists for a multitude of Pop Concert acts. Even if you're just one instrument in 15 instruments, it's all part of this one big thing that's a song. Miles said, "So it doesn't matter what you're doing down if you just have one job, the entire song, there'd be a hole if you weren't there." —senior schmidt

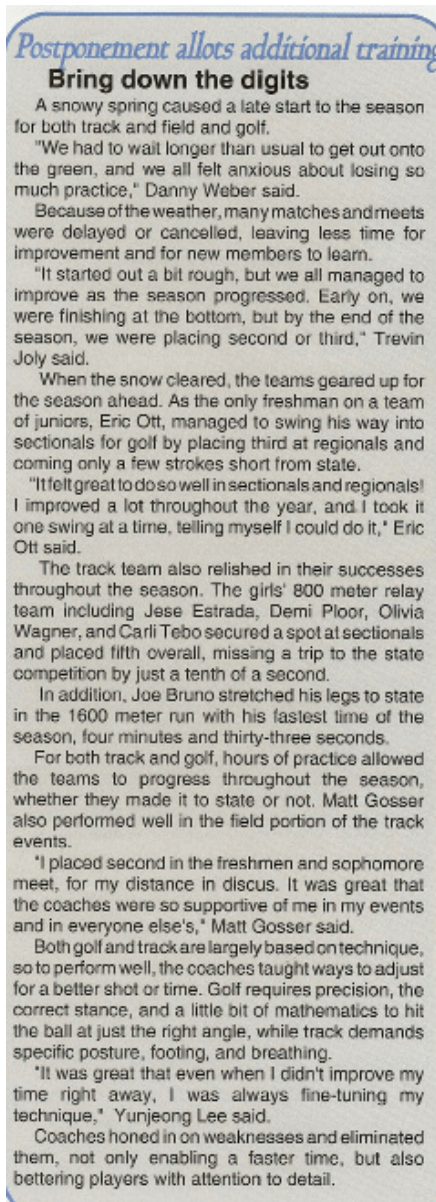
POP CONCERT 175

Emma Hahn and Paige Haehlke, Aurora, Wausau West, Musicians Show Dedication
COMMENTS: Overall, this is a great spread. Good use of a dominant image as well as a head, deck and copy. Nice use of extended lines near the other photos. The main image is a bit blurry, but other than that, this works well.

1st Place

General - Sports Story

Juliana Behme
Sevastopol
Small School



Juliana Behme, Pioneer, Sevastopol HS, Postponement allots additional training
COMMENTS: "allots" isn't the right word in the headline. The copy is nice and has a good focal point. Good use of common themes throughout the piece that helped tie together things that usually wouldn't be in the same story (track and golf). You have a solid lead but the closing was a bit weak as it kind of came out of left field. Still, a solid story overall.

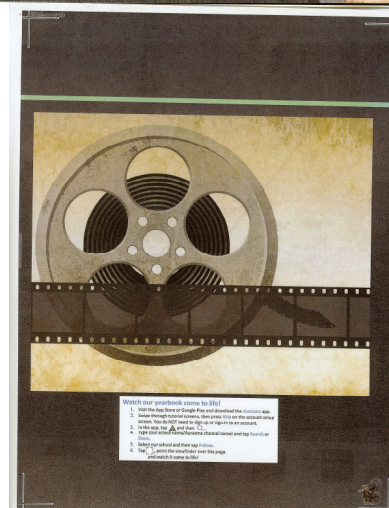
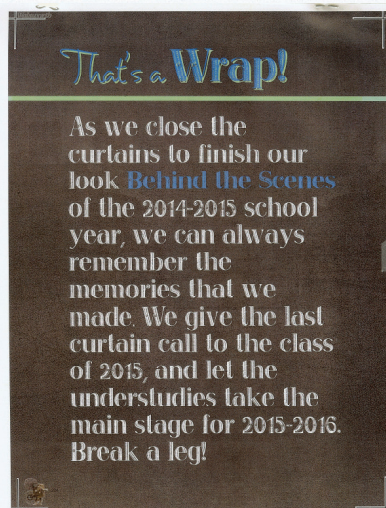
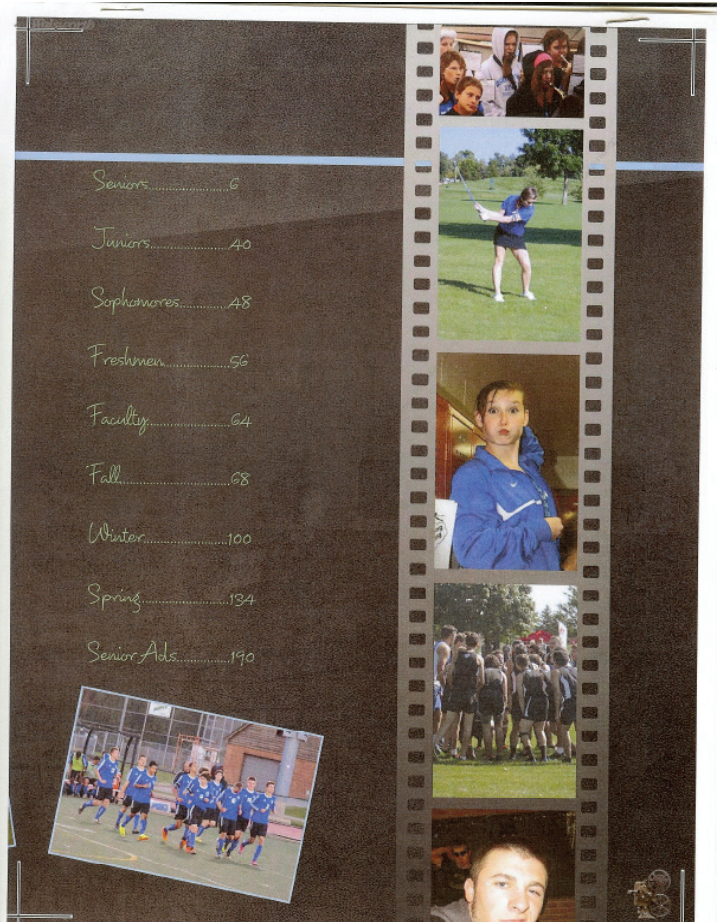
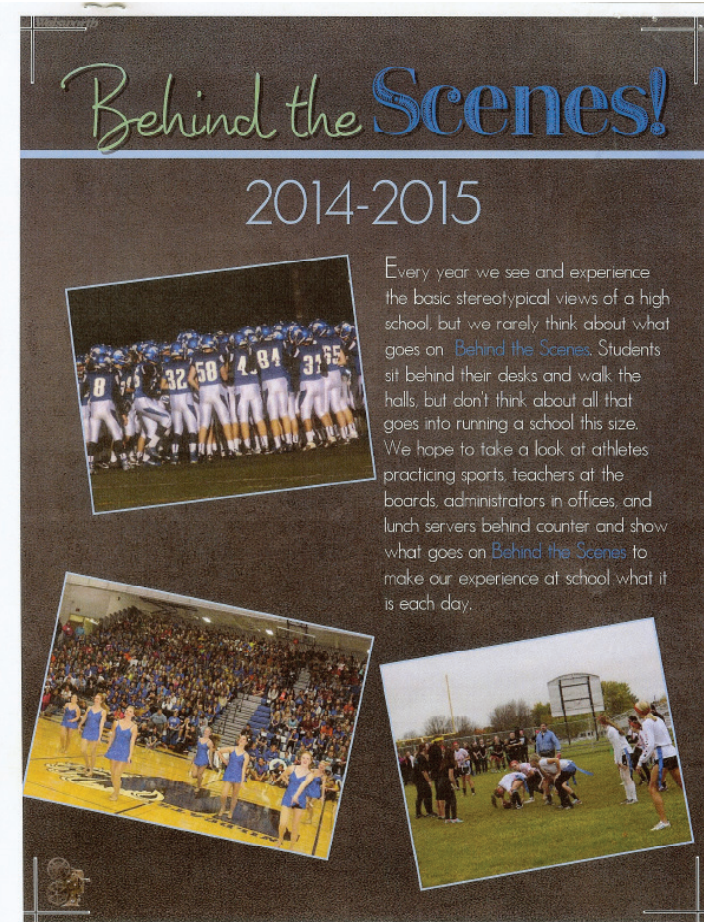
1st Place

CJ Boycks
Oshkosh West
Large School

General - Opening/Closing

CJ Boycks, Karoses, Oshkosh West

COMMENTS: Nice use of the theme both in the front and back as well as throughout the book. Good use of images and chatter to bring the theme home in both places.



1st Place

Double Page Spread Student Life

Katie Hartman
Sevastopol
Small School

How did you make your summer vibrant?

Fury Friends

In mid June, Yunjeong Lee starts off her summer by pampering Plum Loco Farm's fifty-year old miniature donkey and providing a handful of corn, carrots and other greens.



Geoffrey Taylor '17

"During the summer, I spent most of my free time binge watching Netflix shows and viewing Youtube videos. Even though my summer wasn't that productive, it was nice to catch up on my shows and movies."



Mallory Staats '18

"In the summer months, I spent most of my time with friends and family. I also went to Indiana to visit some of my other family members, and it was great to be able to catch up with all of them."



Nathan Hutton '16

"I spent my summer days hanging out with friends from my hometown in Green Bay. It was a great way to spend the summer before I moved to Sturgeon Bay."



Cast Away

In search of salmon, Levi Olson pauses to admire the openwater of Lake Michigan while charter fishing with his boss.



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Summer/ Weekends
By Katie Hartman

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Three Months to Two Days

Students cherish time off from the routine of school's daily grind

Following a long, cold winter, the summer of 2014 was much needed. Whether it was sleeping in until noon or staying up until two in the morning, teens managed to stay busy during the short three months of summer.

Margaret Stonemen said, "I went on a mission trip with my church to New York. We went swimming in the ocean, explored the city, and most importantly, served others in need."

Throughout the summer, multiple people traveled around the country. Mackayla Haberli, Lily Birmingham, and Megan Reeves ventured to Chicago to see a One Direction concert at Soldier Field.

Mackayla Haberli said, "I got to meet the parents of Liam Payne, and I was in a crowd of people that loved the band as much as I do. I have never been happier."

As the school year begins, the closest remaining substitute to the freedom encountered in summer was on the weekend. Weekends are made to sit back, relax, and enjoy the limited 48 hours of autonomy Saturday and Sunday have to offer.

Each student dictated the course of their weekend. Whether they watched their favorite films in bed or participated in horse shows all over the state, they were able to find some way to spend their precious time.

"I like to play video games on the weekend because they help me escape from reality. My favorite video game is *Minecraft*," Cameron Vanderhoof said.

Other fulfilling activities like sports were common as well. Spending many of her weekends competing at volleyball tournaments, Megan Kasten said, "I love the energy of the team, we all play really well together and are like a family."



Chasing Cans

Trying to break her previous record at the county fair, Olivia Wagner and her horse, Murphy, challenge other riders of all ages in the barrel race.



Take the Plunge

Leaping off the dock near the Oregon Street bridge, Ariana Hayes and Ava Olson opt for a quick adrenaline rush to cool down in Lake Michigan.

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STUDENT LIFE

Katie Hartman, Pioneer, Sevastopol HS, Summer
COMMENTS: Nice look back at the relaxation time students have. Good collection of images that aren't posed for the camera. The mug and quote approach is nice, but it dominates the spread a bit too much when compared to the rest of the visual elements. Still, a nice overall spread.



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