BLINK
AND
YOU’LL
MISS
IT
Driving east or west along Highway 96: about ten miles west of the Kansas border and about three-hundred and seventy miles east of the Utah border, the wayward traveler will encounter a small school nestled in between two small towns. That if one was not paying attention, one could actually “blink” and miss it.
Go and Live It

Natalya Weber and Mikayla Schmidt
Caynen Hansen
Victoria Christophersen
Summer: Have Fun and Go Home

Above Left: Rooney, J.J., and Sabra Fehr ride the boats at the Chisago County Fair. Right: Alex Fehr sits on Jordan Cordin’s lap, striking a pose.

All left: Alex Schmidt and Avery Kollinga. Colorado seems to be the only area who notice the camera as their picture is being taken waiting patiently in line to get some delicious concession school fries during a home game for Plainview baseball in June. Right: One of the 12 tornadoes seen on a summer afternoon in June. (Photo by Donna Bridgeland)

Left: Morgan and Joshua Blodgett take a loving photo in their car. Below Left: Tyler Harris scopes the area looking for the next place to go on his trail ride. Below Right: Tyler Harris pumps his Yamaha 450cc dirt bike at the course his family has built in Sheridan Lake.

Below: Aria Fehr will have to "shout" the dirt stain on the pants of her son Rooney out with a little extra elbow grease as the family enjoys a nice summer picnic.

Left: Garrett Crossner holds his niece McKenna with his dog Laredo. Above Left: Ma. Greenfield and her father stand in front of Mount Rushmore. Above Right: Morgan Blodgett poses with her friend Kara while still in Iowa.
Above: The Plainview Majors classification (back row left to right): Coach Jay Stan, Jared Wanderling, Levi Sanders, Stephen Wilson, Seth Splitter, Zach Votruba, Coach C.D. Oram (kneeling) Grant Specht, Riley Scott, Nick Oram, and Lydia Splitter. At left: Coach Stan gives some last minute instructions before his team goes to bat. At right: Lydia, Stephen, Seth, and Levi look down at Zach who enthusiastically has obviously noticed something on the ground the others have missed.

Above: The Plainview T-Ball squad. Back row left to right: Joshua Votruba, Coach Condi Frey, Emma Frey, Joey Specht, Victoria Christopherson, Coach Sharon Wilson, and Ky Horkness. Kneeling: 1-1 Mary Kathryn Votruba, Kyle Horkness, Britt Scott, Ty Wilson, and Rachel Kopasz. Above: The Plainview team relaxes in the dugout as they prepare to take the field on defense. At left: Emma Frey takes off for first after making contact with the ball.

At left: Coach Sharon Wilson gives Mary Kathryn some pointers on keeping the ball in her glove.

At left: Kaylee Wilson smiles through the chain link fence as she waits for her turn at bat. Below: Roscoy Fehr sets his sights on the pitcher as he gets ready for the next pitch coming his way.

6: Morgan and Krystle get caught being lazy on the benches. 7: Lucas tries to play ping pong side ways.

4: Thomas, Cayman and Ryan look surprised as they were caught by the camera. 8: Jordan leans on the pool table as she looks at the camera while Tyler watches a game of Ping Pong.

1: Morgan tries to do a flip off of the bench. 2: Tyler laughs at the pictures he just took. 3: Garrett relaxes under the pool table.

At right: Krystle Chuma, Morgan Bliodgett, and Alyssa Splitter seem to have trouble staying on the padded bench in the lounge.

Above: Ryan Koeller plays ping pong on the table that Mr. Bollinger kindly donated to the school. Above middle right: Josh Bliodgett shows everyone in the student lounge how it's done as he demonstrates the proper method of breaking to begin a game of pool. At right: Seth Splitter shows his excitement as he makes a spectacular shot in ping pong.
Above Right: The kids line up to go inside. Above: Gabby and Leann sporting their playground wear. Right: Kaylee smiles with her playground buddies: Savannah and Jacob. Top Right: Lexy Scott pops out of the tires! POP!

Above: Gabby smiles as big as she can. Above Left: The Foley twins smile for the camera. Left: Alexis Scott contemplates on what to do.

Left: Bobby Morris tries to hug the photographer right as the photo is taken.

Above: Justin Dirks makes a Kodak moment. Above Right: Alex Schmidt imagines he is flying as he jumps off the playground set. Left Top: Ty Wilson tries to outrun the sight of the camera. Left Middle: Kyle Scott looks a little shocked. Left Bottom: Bobby Morris and Ryan Ludwig say "hi" from the slide.

Monkey bars are my favorite.—Bobby Morris

I like the merry-go-round.—Emma Frey

Swings!!—Kaylee Wilson
Plainview Students' Cars.

Hittin' the Gas. Drivin' Fast...

The Best Cars (A.K.A Seniors)

Paige Specht stands next to her Chevy Cobalt.

Garrett displays his motorized car—a 1967 Shelby GT 500 Ford Mustang. If only it was life size and real!

The Best Of The Rest... Relatively speaking, that is...

Sarah Uyehara leans against her 1995 Ford Contour.

Mikayla Schmidt proudly displays her beautiful gray pickup.

Natalie Weber and Mikayla Schmidt sit in the bed of Nat's Dodge Ram pickup. She is the third Weber to drive this vehicle to school.

Tyler Harris and his Dodge Neon beneath a rainbow.

Mary Ann Douglas looks over her '95 Chevy Barretta down at the Sheridan Lake pond.

Agnes Powers '68 Buick Skylark shines as it awaits him.

Garrett Grunowke stands through the sunroof of his family Geo Tracker, '91 model.
The Wheels on the Bus...

Some students had to ride the bus—to get to school or to be transported during a field trip.

Above and to the right: Students inside and outside the bus on their way to and getting ready to go home from Denver.
Beauty and the Beast

Nat and Mikayla do their best impersonation of Beauty and the Beast. Can you guess who is the beauty and who is the beast?

Gesundheit!

Ryan tries to blow a sneeze right as the cameraman snaps a photo. BLESSED YOU!!!

The Effects of Sleep Deprivation at Plainview

Garrett Crounover poses for the camera with his imitation of an alien off of the movie, "Men in Black."

Uh, did I get all of my lunch?

Alex Schmidt checks to see if any food is left from snack time.

Say Cheese

Jordan Trujillo puts on a really big smile for the cameraman. CHEESE!!

Jurassic Park

Velociraptors in the school?! Run! Oh wait that's just Mikayla Schmidt doing her dinosaur impression.

Is that a bug?

Luke looks with disdain at the bottom of his cup. We are not sure of what he is looking at, but it looks could kill, well let's just say that whatever is in the cup is no longer alive!

Look Out!!

Alyssa may look like a nice person but just wait, her inner monster could come out at any moment.
I want to drink your bug juice?
Paige Specht tries to imitate Dracula as she holds her blanket across her face like a cape.

Put 'em Up!!! Put 'em Up!!!
Wesley Fehr puts his fists up to the camera man to try and intimidate him. Really, all he is doing is holding his browns. So breathe easy, fellow pre-schoolers—Wesley isn't after your lunch money.

Attention!!
Lucas Crain salutes the camera in full science class uniform in remembrance of the frog who is about to give his all so that Lucas will better understand the inner workings of a frog. Chokes me up just typing this.

WAIT, WAAAAAAT??
VJ Christophersen is surprised by the cameraman who has suddenly appeared to take a picture. Either that or someone just pressed the button on his electrified chair. HELLO!!!

Arrghh!! Say “Hello” to me little friend!!
We actually don’t know what that is in Mikayla Schmidt’s left eye, but her mannerisms suggest “pirate.” Oh, and by the way, the skeleton said he would not take Mil to the prom, but said there was a possibility “Ammmbror Day” was free.

“You talkin’ to me?”
Kyle “Bubba” Scott looks back from his desk to see who was trying to get his attention.

“Well, at least my hair is ready for Sumo Wrestling.”
Caymen Hansen’s attempt at a new “do” looks like he’s just a mere 500 pounds from stepping into the ring, or the top of his head will double as a “teki torch.”

1: Zach Clynicke gives the camera a pretty cheesy grin as he seems to be covering something up.
2: Thomas Specht loves the big pencil. Actually, this is one of the more normal pictures we have taken of Thomas this year.
3: Morgan looks surprised as she is caught playing with an origami that Thomas made her...She is also sporting a very stylish spoon to splint her broken finger.
A "Thank You" potluck organized by the local 4-H in order to show their appreciation for those in the community that have helped them over the years through sponsorship and support. **Far right:** Kyle Scott, Rooney Fehr, and Ty Wilson show off their snacks they put together after school in Cloverbuds. **Lower right:** Victoria Christophersen, Alexis Scott, and Avery Bollinger smile with their delicious after-school creations with Miss Greenfield in Cloverbuds. **Lower right corner:** 4-H-ers celebrate at the Kiowa County Fair as 4-H celebrated its centennial—one hundred years of making a positive impact on kids and their communities.

Lower left and around (clockwise): Natalya Weber, Kendra Ludwig, Stephen and Kaylee Wilson, Alexis Scott, Rooney Fehr, Kyle Scott, Ty Wilson and Cloverbud sponsor Miss Greenfield are all smiles on 4-H Presentation Day at school. They all wore their 4-H t-shirts and spoke to the students about what they have done while in 4-H the past year and all the positives the organization brings to each person involved.
Plainview Student Council held a variety of events from a fun night at the KA Hall to movie night at the school complete with pizza and refreshments. They had lots of fun and had a wonderful time just goofing off. In addition, they put on a few dances, grilled at the community BBQ, and made sure that every classes' fundraiser was approved. At the KA Hall they danced, bowled, played basketball and volleyball, and sat around and just relaxed. Garold Deines was kind enough to make sure the bowling alleys were working properly.
Two kind sisters, Martha and Abby Brewster, are living with their nephew, Teddy, who thinks that he is Theodore Roosevelt. And with their other nephew, Mortimer, working thirty minutes away, what could they do but live a peaceful life? And then one day, the old ladies decided to rent rooms in their old Brooklyn home. What could go wrong? The very first person to inquire about a room was an old man looking for a place to stay because he had no home and no family... he was sooo lonely. He sat down to talk about the room to rent but he had a heart attack. The aunts were so happy for him because he looked so peaceful. They wanted to help other gentlemen to that same peace. So from that day on, if any lonely old men came looking for a room to rent at the Brewster sisters' house, they would be offered a glass of elderberry wine. But little did they know this was no ordinary wine......

This is the plot of "Arsenic and Old Lace," a play written by Joseph Kesselring and first performed in 1941. Plainview had the good fortune of having some exceptional actors to fill the large cast of thirteen called for in this three-act play. A play Mr. Pope did his senior year in high school nearly thirty years ago, this production represented a large undertaking for such a small school. But with the help of teachers Ms. Fees (assistant director) and Ms. Greenfield (background and lighting), Mr. Pope, community member Benny Frey, and the superb directing and acting of Hawk alumnus Phil Splitter, Plainview's version of "Arsenic and Old Lace" was a great way to kill... an evening.

Above: In the play's final scene, Aunt Martha (Alyssa Splitter) happily gives Mr. Witherspoon (Vance Christophersen) some of her "special" elderberry wine, as Aunt Abby (Roje Specht) appears somewhat satisfied as they commit their thirteenth and final "charity."

Left: Officer Brophy (Jonah Bollinger) calls into police headquarters as their man, Jonathan Brewster, has been apprehended.

Above: Teddy Brewster (Phil Splitter), a man who thinks he's Teddy Roosevelt, looks to charge up the stairs; once again believing them to be San Juan Hill.


Left: Jonathan Brewster (Garrett Crowncover) gleefully tells his brother Mortimer (Mr. Pope) just how much he is going to enjoy his curtain-choke-bound brother's tortuous demise. Below: Lieutenant Rooney (Benny Frey) tells his officers to get Jonathan to the kitchen to bring him to.

The Cast:
Arsenic and Old Lace

Abby Brewster: Paige Specht
Martha Brewster: Alyssa Splitter
Mortimer Brewster: Tom Pope
Teddy Brewster: Phil Splitter
Jonathan Brewster: Garrett Crowncover
Dr. Albert Einstein: Mikayla Schmidt
Erkine Harper: Natalya Weber
Officer O'Hara: Cenyen Hansen
Lieutenant Rooney: Benny Frey
Dr. Harper/Mr. Witherspoon: Vance Christophersen
Officer Brophy: Jonch Bollinger
Officer Klein: Seth Splitter
Mr. Gibbs: Vj Christophersen

Were You There?
How many gentlemen were killed by the old ladies?

For Answer:
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At left: Dr. Herman Einstein (Mikayla Schmidt) takes a long-deserved drink from his flask as he prepares to take their victim, Mr. Sperolax, down to the "Panama Canal."

Above: Aunt Abby and Aunt Martha confront their long-lost nephew Jonathan, who has come back home to Brooklyn in order to use his aunties' old home as a hideout. At right: Officer Klein (Seth Splitter) displays what can happen when a police officer has too much time on his hands—he shoots himself in the foot!
A very silly crew of Cayman, Hannah, Alyssa, Splitter, and Image. Special to their Hallowe'en tricks.

Nadinna Ulster's knock off what happens to anyone who messes with a House.

Above: Janae eats her chocolate at the concession stand.

Left: Ella Splitter drinks her pop as she cheers on her sibling, Seth, at the basketball game.

Nadina Ulster is eating popcorn in her homemade creepy "Tusher" costume for Hallowe'en.

Alyssa Spliter was a sexy cheerleader for her high school hula hoop. Her car was decorated with the old "College of Idaho" banner. Her hair was wind and a lot of dirt being air from the field.

After a pep rally the students made a tunnel to send off the junior high to their regional tournament. Apparently, Luke does not like all of the noise that is being made.

Dress-Up Day:
Monday: Pajama Day
Tuesday: Caricature Day
Wednesday: Recycle/Duct Tape Day
Thursday: Blue and White Day
Plainview's school spirit is like a firecracker—it's a little thing, but when a spark hits it, it explodes into a frenzy of spirit.

Alyssa Spiller

Spirit Activities
At Plainview School

1. Pep Rally

Students pump up the spirit at these all-school rallies. The cheerleaders lead the crowd into cheers for their team. Go Hawks!!!

2. Dress Up Days

Students dress themselves as someone else for a special occasion. Here Garrett Crownover sports duct tape and camouflage.

3. Cheering

At games the students and families cheer on their friends, family, or teammates. The hawk comes out and the cheering begins!!

The Hawk is the symbol of Plainview. At every home game the hawk was out with the cheerleaders cheering on the team. Go Hawks Go!!

Left: Zane Schroeder does his Popeye impersonation! Right: Jacque Frey is held by Kristin Arms while they watch a volleyball game at East.

The football boys get pumped up for the games!

Day Winners.....
Study and Pass It

Caynen Hansen  Garrett Crownover  Ryan Scott
English and Spanish classes hit the books and have fun.

Ms. Fees gets the unenviable task of teaching what many people look at as two foreign languages at Plainview: Spanish and English. She has students making piñatas and Mexican food at Christmas, skeletons for the Day of the Dead, and for English the kids get the best treats of all: Term papers and portfolio. Who said life was all about having fun anyway?

Above left: Morgan Bledges, Alyssa Splinter, and Josh Bledges show off their Christmas tree piñata in front of the office before it gets smashed to pieces at the Spanish class Christmas party.

At left: Amber Prach is about to get some much-needed advice on an assignment from her teacher while William Holmes takes a peek at what’s going on.

Above: Ms. Fees stands in front of her favorite bulletin board which asks the age-old question: "Is Grammar Important?"

Below: Caymen, Alyssa and Ms. Fees make strawberry banana smoothies in Spanish class.

At left: Rodney Trujillo helps students get ready for an intense bout of English.

Above left: Mikayla Schmidt happily works at the computer in Ms. Fees' College Comp II class.

Above: Ms. Fees helps Caymen Hansen and Luke Specht in their sugar skeletons in Spanish class.

Above: Alyssa and Josh get their picture taken at the Christmas Party put on by the Spanish class students and parents.

Below: One of the sugar skeletons made by Spanish I students for their "Day of the Dead" commemoration.

Above: Yaron Christopher, says his usual stack of books concentrates on the topic at hand: English.

At right: Lonaa Crain and Tyler Harris seem far in the background behind the typical mountains of folders and notebooks that are a staple of Ms. Fees' English room.

Above right: Alyssa Splinter gets ready to pull a world of hurt on a poor unsuspecting Christmas tree whose only crime is that it's a piñata. And that's what people do to piñatas. Happy Holidays!
From taking students to see the King Tut exhibit at the Denver Art Museum to making sarcophaguses, the history classes did everything from conducting a mock trial from the pre-Revolutionary War Era to putting on a "Culture Day" presentation in geography. They also visited the University of Northern Colorado campus in order to research for their term paper. All in all, it was an eventful year.

At right: Mikayla Schmidt, Natasha Weber, and Paige Specht get ready to watch a movie in Mr. Pape's class. These three represented the best when it came to overall performance in any of the history classes this year.

Below: Aleigha Burk begins the process of constructing their Egyptian sarcophagus.

At left: (cont'd) A few of the examples of the finished product. The class did a great job on their projects.

Below: Jonah and Taylor Rollinger, Thomas Specht, Aleigha Burk, and Seth Splitters work on painting their Egyptian sarcophagus in the cafeteria.

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Above: Paige Specht and Natasha Weber pose for the camera in their barrister (that's a fancy word for lawyer) garb from the Colonial Era. Paige and Eva were the defense attorneys, while Garrett Crowover, JoAnna Beightel, and Collin Holmes represented the prosecution.

At right: The display of all the junior high students' sarcophagus projects.

Below: The junior high on the steps of the capitol building in Denver—one mile above sea level.

At left: Here comes the judge-Mr. Pape, with wig on head, gets ready to hear opening arguments in the Boston Massacre Trial.

Below: Seth Splitters (bottom photo) and Zach Doyle (smaller photo) meticulously paint their sarcophagus for world history class.

Above: The junior high students react to Zach Doyle "yabbing" on the activity bus on their way back from Denver in November. A little too much junk food signaled that there might be trouble ahead. The class went to visit both the Fox Studios and the rest of the Denver Art Museum—a fun time had by all.

Middle left: cyan Hansen displays his map of Brazil and Italy during "Culture Day" in which students researched and visited a foreign country. With a friend from another part of the world.

At left: Mr. Pape, Morgan, and Mikayla eat some food from the various countries "visited" by students on Culture Day.
The Business of Business: Go and Earn It

Plainview's Business Class Learns the Value of a Dollar

At right: Even though we don't see her face, her protruding stomach gives her away. A pregnant Mrs. Stum instructs the freshmen and sophomores on their lesson in business for the day.

Below: The myriad of cables and wires that lurk underneath a computer desk in the business room. Somewhere in that picture is a pair of human legs covered in denim.

Above: Alyssa Splitter "happily" gets to work on one of Mrs. Stum's many posters that adorn her classroom.

At right: Mrs. Stum lets Ryan Scott know just when the assignment is due.

Below: Garrett Crownover wins State at the annual convention in Vail, Colorado. Garrett will be going to nationals in Orlando, Florida at the end of June. Good luck, Garrett!

Above: Garrett Crownover, Jordan Trujillo, and Mrs. Jennifer Stum give the school a presentation on the importance of the Future Business Leaders of America.

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Humorous puns that adorn the business room—and they are not the work of Vance Christophersen.
VoAg and Ag Science: It’s What’s For Dinner

Plainview students venture into the business and science of agriculture.

Above: The class designed a pen in hopes of getting it built on school property. Their ideas were presented to the school board at the end of the year. At right: Mr. Stum helps the students with their design ideas.

Above center: Garrett and Paige learn how to band a lamb’s tail. Above: Mrs. Fickenscher leads her horse and Natalya during a mini field trip out to the Fickenscher’s house for the agricultural science class.

Above: Mr. Stum assists Tyler Harris and Garrett Crownover with their assignment.

At left: Garrett takes a ride on one of the Fickenscher’s horses during an ag science field trip.

The agricultural science and vocational agriculture classes were taught by Mrs. Fickenscher and Mrs. Stum with students Paige Specht, Garrett Crownover, Natalya Weber, JoAnna Bightel, Lucas Crain, Tyler Harris, Logan McVicker, and Ryan Scott. They learned a great deal and hope to build on this program in the coming years.

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Above left: Natalya Weber gets bundled up before her class’ trip to the Fickenscher homestead to see some of their livestock.

Below: Paige Specht leads a horse around Bruce and Brenda Fickenscher’s property.

Vocational Agriculture’s Maiden Voyage at Plainview

Paige Specht concentrates as she takes a test on the different breeds of cattle.

Lucas Crain draws the outline of a cow for one of the presentation boards the class put together.

Logan McVicker is channeling his inner-rancher as he takes one of Mrs. Stum’s ag tests.

Lucas Crain encourages Ryan Scott, telling him that someday he will be taller than his hand.
1. Ryan shows the cameraman what an eyeball from a frog looks like.
2. Is this your knight in shining armor? No! It's just Garrett showing off his riding skills.
3. Watch out for the evil scientist, James. Just a word of advice: Never let him be your plastic surgeon.
5. James Smith waves at the cameraman while wearing his protective gear.
6. Caynon Hanson's hair shows the result of an experiment gone bad with a wind tunnel and an egg beater.
7. Luke shuffles tissue paper up his nose so he can not smell the intoxicating fumes of the dissecting process.
8. Natalya Weber shows her love of horses while on a science field trip to Max Fiedler's home farm.
9. Natalya Weber dunks the tail of this lamb while Paige Specht assists her.
10. What is Caynon doing? He might be watering a plant but most likely he is dissecting a frog!
11. Jake Specht digs into his frog dissection assignment with rose plugs in place due to the smell of the formaldehyde.
12. "Real Scientist" Yvon Pichetopherson is donning his goggles, plastic apron, and purple plastic gloves and is ready to cut into some unspeckling, dead, and very well preserved frog.
1. Garrett Power moves the finishing touches on his science fair board.
2. Mhairic Schreiff works vigorously on one of her goodie boxes.
3. Thanks to the High School regional science fair qualifiers.
4. The elementary regional qualifiers pose for their picture.
5. Garrett Power moves stands next to his state qualifying science project: Wind: Will it Power Your Car?
6. Lydia Spitter (5th Grade) smiles in front of her science fair project: "Sight Effecting Tastes," which placed first in the elementary division.
7. The junior high regional science fair qualifiers all looking quite happy and satisfied to be headed to Laramie for competition.
8. Carson Hansen (Freshman) poses with his science fair project: "Freaky Flames," which placed first overall at regionals.
9. Alyssa Spitter asks Mrs. Fiskascher to make sure her science fair brochure is in order while trying to stay awake at the same time.
10. Vance Christopherson listens intently as Mrs. Fiskascher tells what needs to be done to his science fair board.
11. Tyler Hawes doing last minute work on his science fair project entitled "Duct Generation."
13. Horseing around the CSI Ram are state qualifiers Kendra Ludwig, Garrett Powermove, and Carson Hansen.
A school history book and the student perspective of the events of the year. The Plainview Yearbook and the Hawk Herald: It's hard to miss 'em.

At far left: Alyssa Splitter and Paige Specht eat their lunch and discuss their theme ideas during the workshop. Middle left: The "stars" of yearbook—or at least their hands. At left: Mr. Pape hides behind the page ladder in order to avoid the camera.

Below: Caymen Hansen composes an article for the Hawk Herald. This year's staff included Caymen, JoAnna Beightel, and Jordan Trujillo.

At right: Alyssa Splitter looks a picture she has just taken for the yearbook, one of approximately 10,000 photographs the staff takes in any given year.

Below: Editor Paige Specht and fellow staff members Garrett Crownover, Alyssa Splitter, Morgan Bridge, and JoAnna Beightel get ideas and instruction at the Jostens workshop where a theme is picked out as a cover designed.

Above: Yearbook staffers Tyler Harris and Morgan Bridge come up with some unbelievable ideas for the yearbook. Above right: Caymen Hansen and Jordan Trujillo staple and sort an edition of the Hawk Herald, getting ready to hand it out for students and faculty to read.

At right: JoAnna Beightel and Garrett Crownover work on putting together the ladder for the yearbook. This is part of the planning stage of the book where brainstormed ideas get "mapped" out and placed in their intended spot in the annual.
Everyone's favorite subject is math, right? Regardless of how you might view the subject, its importance is incalculable. With that said, it's your move, Mr. Hamilton.
Top: Mrs. Fickenscher reads questions at Plainview's Knowledge Bowl.
Middle: Susan Specht serves delicious food during lunch at the knowledge bowl.
Bottom: Paige and Garrett at the Matchwits competition.

Top Left: Caynen Hansen shows the photographer his game face.
Top Right: Alyssa Splitter gets her microphone adjusted before the Matchwits competition.
Middle: Hand gestures are vital in knowledge bowl.
Above: Caynen shows his excitement before going into competition.
Left: JoAnna is about to knock the sense into Caynen so that he will answer a lot of questions in the round following lunch.

High School Knowledge Bowl
Above: Thomas Specht and VJ Christophersen pose with their plaque after getting third place at the Vilas meet.
Left: The team concentrates on the question that is being asked.
Below Left: VJ leans in to hear the question.
Below: The three seem to be in a daze as they ponder just what the answer may be to a very difficult question.

Knowledge Bowl Sponsor
Ruth Fees

Top: Seth Splitter listens closely to the question.
Middle: VJ, can you give the camera a less cheesy smile?
Bottom: Thomas gives the photographer his patented "dumbfounded" look.
Smile and Rock It

Natalya Weber
Jordan Trujillo
Amber Kopasz and Savannah Stum
Mikayla wears her one-of-a-kind almost everyday to school.

Lucas gets bored during some free time in class.

Jordan really gets into her book during one of Mr. Pape's speeches.

JoAnna pretends to laugh at one of Mr. Pape's jokes.

JoAnna smiles at the camera while getting ready to take notes in history class.

Jordan and Mikayla have fun during science.

Lucas says "hi" to the camera while walking down the hall.

This is what happens when you make Nat mad. She puffs up as a defensive maneuver and then attacks when you least expect it.

JoAnna Beightel

Lucas Crain

Mikayla Schmidt

Jordan Trujillo

Natalya Weber

Mrs. Fickenscher Sponsor

The Class of 2012

The Jittery Juniors
The Freshmen
Two Chicks and A Dude

We are the Freshmen!
Alyssa Splitter, Morgan Blodgett, and Caynen Hansen.
We aren't your average group but we always have fun & bring the party!
Ah, Freshmen Initiation. What more needs to be said? This year Paige Specht and Garrett Crownover had the privilege of welcoming Caynen Hansen, Morgan Blodgett, and Alyssa Splitter into high school. Although their initiation was short, there was plenty of time for each and every freshman to become very dirty. So, whether it was getting egg on their face, or chocolate syrup and powdered sugar all over, or racing face-down the gym floor on a scooter, everyone had fun welcoming the Freshmen into high school.
The 8th Graders

Right: "Hi" from VJ.
Right center: Taylor Bollinger staring in disbelief at his homework.
Far right: Taylor and Justin in Ms. Fees' classroom.
Below: Thomas the super-hero with a pencil!!
Below center: Taylor in the student lounge.
Bottom: Justin on stage during the American history mock trial where he played a witness.

Far left: Thomas being his normal self.
Lower left center: Mariah and Morgan laugh it up at the in-school dance.
Lower left bottom: Thomas poses for a picture in his recycle wear.
At left: Jordan doing the "Thriller."
Below: Mariah Priddy dressed up as a superhero during spirit week.
Far Below: Jordan Corbin studies for a spelling test.

Taylor Dollinger  VJ Christophersen  Jordan Corbin  Mariah Priddy  Justin Rodriguez  Thomas Specht  Mrs. Jennifer Sum Sponsor

On Their Way To High School!!
The Indescribable 7th Graders

Jonah Bollinger

Ashley Clyneke

Seth Splitter


Far left: Aleigha Burk gives a smile to the camera. Far left (box): Jonah Bollinger seems to still be asleep in the morning. Left center (circle): Seth Splitter shows he's a little tense. At left (box): Seth plays pingpong in the student lounge. At left (circle): Zach Doyle playing pool.
Right: Kendra Ludwig waves "hello" to the camera in the "sky"--or should we say outside the gym door.
Below Right: Ethan Foley and Josh Blodgett get "locked up" on Halloween.
Below: Ethan Foley gives the "short" cameraman a "hi!"

Above: Ryan Koeller seems surprised as a picture is taken of him in front of his science fair exhibit.
Above Right: Stephen Wilson smiles at the camera as he struts down the hallway towards the student lounge.
Right: Riley Scott walks to the other side of the school for her math class in Mr. Hamilton's room.
Left: Lydia Splitter looks at her t-shirt that she decorated for mini-cheer camp to see if it needs some more stuff on it.
Lower Left: Justin Dirks seems to be a little pumped up, wouldn’t you say?
Below: Zane “Popeye” Schroeder declares his love for spinach.

Above: Eva Froese plays a game while Lydia Splitter looks on.
Above left: Nicholas Crum sports his stylish cast as he slides across the floor while playing the “air-guitar” at the in-school dance.
At left: Grant Specht looks behind him at the Rockies game to see who is taking his picture.

Taking the Fifth:
Tackling Junior High

Class of 2018
Fourth Graders ROCK!!

Savannah Bolinger
Rowdy Burk
Zackery Clyncke
Benjamin Voitruba
Jacob Foley

Anna Froese
Ryan Ludwig
Samuel Marquez
Bobby Morris
Leann Morris

Breeanna Scott
Kaylee Wilson
Mr. Chris Stum

1. Leann Morris and Savannah Bolinger at the Halloween party.
2. Breeanna Scott relaxes in class.
3. Jacob Foley, Kaylee Wilson, and Savannah Bolinger strike a pose at recess.
4. Ryan Ludwig drinks his root beer in the cafeteria.
5. Leann Morris and Gabbi Foley at recess.
6. The fourth graders gather together for a picture on the playground.
7. The fourth graders wave at the camera when they probably should be working.
8. Bobby Morris is the pirate at Halloween.
1. Athena Crum shows her school spirit during a game of Ships and Sailors.
2. Savannah Stum seems to take a wild ride at recess.
3. Bryson Burk goes around in the gym during recess.
5. Who rocks the house?! The 3rd graders do, as they show who rocks the house during a pep rally.
6. Kayden Moser smiles big for the camera!
7. Hold on for just a bit longer, Athena!
Plainview Second-Graders have a Great Year!

Above: Rooney, Jordan, Elisabeth, and Amber get pumped about stopping cancer during Relay for Life. For Left Top: Amber Kopasz is all dressed up to be fairly sassy for Halloween. At left: Avery Bollinger and Jordan Dirks seem happy to get the day started. Jordan seems to be a little more thrilled than everyone else. Below: Amber Kopasz helps a fellow student in class. Bottom right: Elisabeth Froese takes a break on the playground to get her picture taken. Lower center: Rooney Fehr demonstrates the proper technique on the monkey bars. Bottom left: You had better "bee" careful around Jordan Dirks at the Halloween party, or else she might sting you in her bee costume.
1. Casy Stum gets ready to begin counting the Easter eggs he gathered during the annual Easter egg hunt on the school playground. 2. Alexis, Casy, Victoria, and Ty smile big for the camera as they display their "Stop Cancer" poster that they made for the "Relay for Life" event at the end of the school year. 3. Alexis Scott acts a little goofy for the camera as she helps do some baking in the kitchen. 4. Alexis shows off the box she made. 5. Victoria does a little balancing act. 6. Victoria on the playground.
Al Burk Jr.  Zoie Grant  Caleb Foley

Emma Frey  Mrs. Carter

Above: Caleb Foley tries to hide beneath a cone.
Left: Isaac Foley takes a few of his younger classmates by the hand and runs across the gym.
Right: Watch out—a bull is charging! Not really, it's just Emma giving her all as she runs toward the cameraman.

Top Right: Al Burk enjoys a hot dog on his last day of school.
Right: Emma Frey jumps after participating in the Mini Relay for Life.
Below: Huh? Emma Frey catches the camera pointing at her a little too late.

Left: Her majesty Queen Zole enjoys the Halloween Party with her classmates.
Below: Caleb Foley takes his first senior pictures.
Right: Janae Frey and Kara Wilson run hand in hand.
Below: Joey Specht enjoys a game of dodge ball.

Left: Rachel Kopasz listens as Mrs. Kraft gives instructions.
Bottom Left: Charity Burk begs the cameraman not to take a picture.
Right: "Walk this way." Wesley Fehr leads the way.
Bottom Right: Smile! Mary Catherine Votruba smiles big for the camera.

Left: Josh Votruba tries to scare the cameraman a.k.a Garrett Crownover.
Middle Left: The Class of 2024: Mary Catherine Votruba, Rachel Kopasz, Joey Specht, Josh Votruba, Charity Burk, Elijah Harkness, Wesley Fehr, Kara Wilson, Janae Frey.
Bottom Left: Someone alert the paparazzi! "Celeb" Elijah Harkness is about to eat his hot dog.
Below: Kara Wilson, Elijah Harkness, and Mary Catherine Votruba enjoy a class activity while eying the cameraman with curiosity.

Below: Joey Specht
Middle: Janae Frey
Top: Rachel Kopasz
Right: Elijah Harkness
Bottom: Charity Burk
Left: Wesley Fehr
Pre-Kinder
Class of When?
The Staff of Plainview

Jeff Bollinger
Superintendent

Cheri Hopkins
5th and 6th Grade
Assistant Administrator

Jan Carney
Kindergarten and 1st Grade

Nancy Caviness
Special Education

Ruth Foss
English/Spanish/Newspaper

Brenda Holmstedt
Science/Coach

Susan Greenfield
2nd and 3rd Grades/Driver

Linda Hamilton
Title 1 Reading/Kindergarten

Marvin Hamilton
Math

The Kraft
Pre-School

Thomas Page
Social Studies/Reading/Speech/Yearbook

Chris Strain
4th Grade

Jennifer Strain
Business/FBLA

Jay Wilson
Coach/PE/Computers/Shop

CB Gran
Bus Driver

Garold Dehn
Maintenance

Zelma Dehn
Bookkeeper/Bus Driver

Nicole Dunn
Secretary

Carol Pray
Secretary

Karen Holmved
Custodian

Brenna Stevens
Head Cook

Debbie Stevens
Librarian/Special Ed. Aux.

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Top left: Kevin Heberer and Gerald Deane work at making the new teachers lounge a place worthy of the teachers. Above: Mr. Bolinger walks the halls during a passing period. At left: Mr. Page and Morgan Blissett give a "thumbs-up" to the camera as they attend. At far left: Mrs. Kraft demonstrates how to properly salute the flag during the Pledge of Allegiance. At left: While checking the morning’s announcements on the school website, Mr. Hamilton smiles to the camera. Below left corner: Mrs. Pickenscher smiles during class. Below left: Mr. Page reads Dr. Seuss to the elementary kids on the author’s birthday. Below right: Mrs. Pickenscher and Mr. Hamilton share a laugh in the hallway. At bottom: Mrs. Carney walking with Athena during recess.

At top: "I hope the food turns out," seems to be the sentiment to anyone who will consume whatever Spanish good Ms. Preece is supposed to be making. Second from top: Mike G” working on one of his many art projects.

Middle: Mrs. Otey looks a little exasperated and maybe even a little tired as the camera captures her late in the day.

Second from bottom: Mr. Wilson showing his school spirit as a pep rally.

Bottom: Mrs. Hopkins emotes as she clears the stairs at the KA Hall.
Practice and Win It

Ashley Clyncke

Alyssa Splitter

Mikayla Schmidt
This year the Plainview Lady Hawks joined hands with the Eads Lady Eagles to become a force to be reckoned with. Although the Lady Hawks were apprehensive, the Eads Eagles welcomed them warmly from the very start.

Above: The "birds" or should we say "Hawks" that flocked to Eads for this year's volleyball season happily pose in their Plainview uniforms on picture day.

Top Left: Mikayla Schmidt and Alyssa Splitter are ready to dig a spike.
Top Right: Kailyn Lane gets a great dig.
Bottom Left: Kailey Lane and Paige Specht wait for the opposing team to serve.
Bottom Right: Dorian Ray and Mikayla Schmidt snap into action as the ball is served.
Wins and Losses

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Left: "A-C-E! Ace Ace Ace!" The team congratulates Emilee Wirich on a well placed serve.

Below: Emilee Wirich spikes the ball.

Right: Mikayla Schmidt and Dena Hallman get ready to receive a serve.

Left: After a great dig by Natalya Weber, Kailey Lane sets the ball for a kill.

Middle: "Access denied!" Marisa Dixon and Kailey Lane block a spike.

Left: Natalya Weber sets the ball for Emilee Wirich.

Above: Has anybody seen a duck? Sheri Weber, Alyssa Splittter, Dorian Ray, and Mikayla Schmidt demonstrate how much fun warming up can be.

Eads Lady Eagles
"I had a lot of fun playing with the Eads girls in basketball. I enjoyed the season and wish that we could have gone to state. I hope that the girls next year will enjoy playing with them as much as I did." - Paige Specht

"Basketball in Eads is not as I had originally expected. It was a lot of fun and took a lot of hard work. I hope that anyone who enjoys sports will have the opportunity to play as I have in my high school years." - Garrett Crownover

"A team that sweats together sticks (stinks) together." - Natalya Weber

"Sports are good and good for you!" - Caynen Hansen

Top left: Weston Crow-Tucker jumps for a put back. Top right: Nat Weber box's out as Kenzy Kaleck goes for the ball. Bottom left: Oscar starts falling while saving the ball. Bottom Right: Kallyn Lane gets set to shoot a jump shot.

Above: Caynen Hansen holds off defenders as he waits for an open pass. Right: Paige Specht looks back for a pass to her fellow Eagle.
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**Far Left:** Garrett Crownover comes down after rebounding against Granada. **Left:** Kyle Crow goes up for a lay-up.

**Left:** Dena Hallman goes up for a lay-up. **Above:** Emily Weirich jumps against the much shorter Granada player.

**Together on three.**

1...2...3

**TOGETHER!**
State Champion!

1A Shot Put:

Paige Specht

At right: Caynen Hansen gives a "thumbs up" to the camera in Springfield as he finished up a day of track and field events. Above right: Luke Specht jumps and Tyler Harris runs in Springfield, Colorado.
At left: Tyler Harris takes a flying leap during the high jump at the Longhorn Invitational Track Meet in Springfield.

At right: Luke Specht shows that sprinter's stride as he lumbers down the straight-away in the 100m dash. Below: Coach Pape watches the events unfold at the 1A State Track Meet in Limon, Colorado.

Lower right: Alyssa Splitter stretches out to get every possible inch in the triple jump at the Springfield track meet.

At left: The cameraman knew what was good for him as he took this photo from behind the screen because there's no telling where a Caynen Hansen-thrown discuss will actually end up. Caynen earned the nickname of "GPS" for his unparalleled accuracy from the discuss ring.

Above: Paige Specht gets ready to let the discuss fly at the Springfield Invitational Track Meet. Paige missed going to state in this event by one inch.

Below: Morgan Blodgett gets off the blocks in Limon as she begins her 100m dash.

At left: Mikayla Schmidt prepares to throw the shot at the League Track Meet at McLave.

At left: Paige Specht gets off what would be her state-winning throw of 33 feet, 6 inches at the shot put ring at Jefferco Stadium in Lakewood, Colorado. Paige's mark is a 1A State record. Congratulations, Paige!
1: Krystle Chuma
2: Collin Holmes
3: The 2010 Cross Country Team:
(left to right): Krystle, Mr. Pape, and Collin.

Run, Run, Run as fast as you can...

Top Picture: At the Tribune meet, Collin Holmes waits at the starting line, ready to run.
Center Picture: Krystle Chuma warms up before her race in Colorado Springs.
Above: Collin Holmes runs out of some tall grass in La Junta.

Top Right: Krystle Chuma gives her all during the stretch run at Tribune.
Above: Krystle Chuma awaits instructions before her race at Old Bent's Fort in La Junta.

X-Country

Left: Collin Holmes and Krystle Chuma relax after the race at historic Old Bent's Fort.
Right: Collin Holmes does his best to kick it into high gear at the conclusion to districts in Colorado Springs.
Above: Ready. Set. GO!!!!!!! Krystle Chuma starts the race at districts with enthusiasm and focus.
Mini Cheer Camp

Hold Your Position
Morgan and JoAnna show Kaylee Wilson the right way to hold your arms during a cheer.

Just Dance
Alyssa and Morgan teach the mini cheerleaders the dance routine that Alyssa made up.

Quiz Time
JoAnna, Alyssa, and Morgan ask the girls questions about the things they've just learned.

Cheerleading

Cheer, Cheer, Cheer

From Top to Bottom: JoAnna Beightel, Morgan Blodgett, Alyssa Splitter, and team photo that includes Ms. Fees, Morgan, JoAnna, Alyssa, and Mr. Hawk.

Far left: All the cheerleaders play Ships and Sailors with the students.
Far bottom left: Morgan Smiles for the camera, while JoAnna hides behind her. Left: JoAnna and Morgan take a picture with the Hawk at the end of a basketball game. Bottom left: Alyssa, Morgan, and JoAnna perform "Be Aggressive" during a basketball game.

1: Alyssa looks astonished as the camera man took a photo of her while she was apparently trying to stop a sneeze.
2: All three cheerleaders at stance during a free throw.
3: Morgan and JoAnna pump up the crowd during a time out of a basketball game.
4: The team picture with Ms. Fees, Morgan, JoAnna, and Alyssa.
5: Mr. Hawk kicks back by leaning back on Morgan.
Left: Looking downfield for the open player to throw the pass to... Taylor Dallinger


Upper Right: Zane Schroeder patrols the sideline, paying close attention to the action on the field so as to be ready when Coach Wilson calls on him to play defense.

Left: Taylor Dallinger leaps for the ball against a Cheyenne Wells defender attempting to break up the pass.

Below: Joshua Blodgett shows some raw emotion on his face during a game.

Above, Jr Taylor Dallinger going for the score, after catching the football in the air? Go Taylor! Middle Right: Oh! How cute, Ian! Splatter has crawled under the yard marker!

Above: Coach Wilson tries to work out a cramp for one of his players as the rest of them look on. Above right: One of the Hawks get tackled by a Cheyenne Wells player as Ryan Roeller and Jonah Dallinger look on. Above middle: Zane Schroeder and Josh Blodgett walk the sideline, waiting for their chance to see some action. At right, The Plainview Hawks listen to some 'lockeroom' talk as coach gives them some halftime inspiration.
William Holmes and Thomas Specht jog to the side line after calling heads or tails to decide who kicks off at the start of the game.

"Awesome."

-Justin Rodriguez.

Below: Coach Wilson tells our Hawks what play to run, hoping his team puts forth their best effort.

One Team, One Heart, One Mission.

At right, Nicholas Crum nurses a sore arm after getting hit by an Eads player on a break away run. At left, William Holmes blocks for an already-tackled Seth Splatter. Left center, Ryan Koehler, VJ Christopher, and Ethan Foley listen during a timeout.

Above: Thomas Specht and Justin Rodriguez get some water during half time. They played hard and earned a refreshment! At right, Seth Splatter tackles a player from Eads low while teammate Nick Gumm finishes him up right. At left, Coach Wilson instructs his team on proper tackling techniques.
"My first year at Plainview has been rough, but the team was good and helped me through it."
Jordan Corbin

"The girls greatly improved from the first day of practice to the last."
Coach Brenda Fickenscher

"I like it because everyday when my mom asked me what my favorite thing of the day was or what I was looking forward to, I would say it was volleyball practice! I love my coach and team!"
Lydia Splitter

Below we see Jordan and Alleigha going to the side line to get some well earned water and a pep talk from coach.

Cameron and Kendra are getting in position for the ball.

Riley bumps the ball over for a point! Good job!

Oh the moment of nervousness is caught on camera as Kendra sets the ball over the net!

Here goes Ann for the serve, Will she make it?

1. Mrs. Fickenscher is teaching the class.
2. Lydia & Cameron are in position for the ball.
3. Kendra is down and ready.
4. The team is ready to play.
5. Cameron is at practice.
6. Ann is headed to the side line.
7. Riley is ready to go.
YOU GO GIRL!
"I enjoyed the season almost as much as Volleyball! I learned loads and had a great time." - Jordan Corbin

1. Mariah Priddy is dribbling away from Brittanie Newman from Cads. Go Mariah!
2. Mariah and Aleigha taking a fall.
3. Jordan, Ashley, and Kendra are waiting on the side line.
4. The Lady Hawks take a great team picture!
5. Ashley is calling for her team mate to help.
6. Kendra is playing tough defense against the Cads girls.
7. Mariah is going for the ball. You go girl!
8. Lydia attempts to take the ball away.

Team means Together Everyone Achieves More

Ashley Clyncke drives to the basket.

Jordan Corbin looks to the sideline for help.

Mariah Priddy gets some shots in before the game.
"It was a good year. I had fun with Mr. Wilson. We did better than last year."
-VJ Christophersen

"I had a fun year and was happy to have a team and get to try new things. It shows it's what you put into it that counts."
-Thomas Specht

"It was totally "wikid" and I'm doing it next year."
-Justin Rodriguez

"Basketball was fun even though I missed a ton of games. We did well this year."
-Taylor Bollinger

1. Ryan shoots a free throw at Kit Carson.
2. Taylor concentrates on dribbling the ball.
3. Ethan goes up for a shot against Cheyenne Wells.
4. Nicholas dribbles around a defender looking for an open man.
7. Taylor Bollinger uses his height to his advantage and scores for his team.
12. The photographer snaps a picture as Thomas catches the ball.
13. Nicholas throws the ball to a team mate in order to begin the offense.

8. Josh Blodgett and Ethan Foley watch as the ball leaves their hands and goes right for the photographer.
9. The Kit Carson players unsuccessfully attempt to block a shot by Justin Rodriguez.

10. Jonah Bollinger goes up for a shot against the Eads defense and he SCORES!!
11. Mr. Wilson gives a "little talk" to his son Stephen during a game.
1. Mariah Friddy gives it her all during the 100m dash.
2. Go Lydia! The High Jump is not as easy as it looks.
3. Will Ashley make it over? We hope so.
4. Ryan is doing his best to keep pace. You go, Ryan!
5. Mariah does her best to throw the shot put. You go, girl!
6. Things are starting to spin as Zach prepares to throw the disk.
7. Lydia does her best but unfortunately is not able to clear the bar. It'll be ok! There is always next time!
8. Stephen Wilson runs around the last corner as he finishes the 800m run.
9. Ryan Koeller pushes hard towards the finish line.
10. Ashley Chyncke makes it over the bar—the only question is whether the bar stayed on.
11. Mariah gets off to a good start on her race.
12. Ryan throws the discus at Cheyenne West.
13. Ashley prepares to clear opening height.
1. Emma Frey uses perfect form while starting her routine.
2. "Give me a hug!" Is what Ella seems to be saying, but she is actually starting her floor routine.
3. Janae seems nervous as she walks the "line" or more accurately the beam.
4. During her routine, Alyssa goes into a back-handspring. Go Alyssa!
5. Janae shows the reward for hardwork.
6. "If Alyssa can do it, so can I." Ella aspires to do the same tricks as Alyssa.
7. Emma stands to receive her well-earned award.
8. Alyssa comes gracefully out of a back-bend.
9. During her routine, Alyssa begins an amazing trick with perfect form.
10. Alyssa makes a "picture perfect" dismount from an apparatus.
11. "Ta Da!" Alyssa concludes her dismount with a smile and an acknowledgement that she has done well.
On Your Mark, Get Set, Go!!

Elementary Track and Field Day

Track Results

**Kindergarten-First Grade**

1st-Ty Wilson- long jump (8'8")
1st-Ty Wilson- softball throw(65')
1st-Cauy Stum 75m dash (14.79)
2nd-Ty Wilson-100yd dash(19.25)
1st-Ty Wilson-200 (42.57)

**Second and Third Grade**

3rd-Sydney Bollinger- long jump(8'2 1/2")
3rd-Alex Schmidt-high jump(3")
3rd-Jordan Dirks-75m dash(14:25)
2nd-Jordan Dirks-75m dash(9.09)
1st-Rooney Fehr-50m dash(9.15)
2nd-Sydney Bollinger-100(18:43)
3rd-Athena Crum-100 (18:46)
1st-Alex Schmidt-100 (18:35)
1st-4x100 relay(1:16:44)

**Fourth and Fifth Grade**

3rd-Savannah Bollinger- high jump(3'6")
1st-Lydia Splitter-800 (4:00:17)
3rd-Grant Specht-800 (3:32:36)
3rd-Ryan Ludwig-200 (43:48)

Above: Amber Kopasz competes in the long jump.
Left: Cauy Stum and Ty Wilson smile for the camera before one of their events.
Below: Victoria Christophersen runs as hard as she can during the shuttle relay.
At left: Avery Bollinger races down the floor to attempt a layup, as her teammates and the defense follow her.
At right: Casey Stum is introduced to the crowd before the game.
Far right: Coach Garrett Crowder gives instruction before tipoff.
Below: Leann Morris tries to get a shot off over Benjamin Splitter as Sidney Bollinger and Elisabeth Froese look on.

Far left: going clockwise: Rocky Fehr "dribbles" the ball; Ryan Ludwig attempts to dribble around Kaylee Wilcox; Leann Morris gets a shot off over the defense; Savannah Stum cuts as Olivia Specht looks to pass to a teammate as she is surrounded by Avery Bollinger, Dana Frey, Casey Stum, and Elisabeth Froese; Kyle Scott is quite tired as he walks off the court at the end of the game; Rocky Fehr "dribbles" down the floor against Ty Wilson as Japheth Frey trails; Bobby Morris and Kaylee Wilcox play some tough defense on "Handy" as Paul Davis looks on. Below: Coach Paige Specht encourages her group of second and third graders during a timeout.

Above: Lydia Splitter gets a shot off over the infamous "Handy." Above right: Avery Bollinger attempts a shot for the second grade team.
Relax
It's
Over

Joey Specht
Sidney Bollinger and Kaylee Wilson
Alyssa Splitter
At Left (Top to Bottom): Natayla Weber and Bob Weber share their father-daughter dance. Caymen Hansen and Carrie Schroeder share their mother-son dance. Mr. Pape is either busting a move on the dance floor or his favorite team just scored a touchdown. Tyler Harris, on the other hand, is either attempting to do an Irish Jig or defying the laws of gravity.

At right: So tell me what was the point of shoes if every girl at prom removed their shoes within ten minutes? Bottom right: Morgan Blodgett and Quinton Weber attempt to scare the cameraman into leaving.

Above (from left to right): Emilie Weirich, Tyler Harris, Garrett Crownover, Anastasia Klein, Morgan Blodgett, and Quinton Weber all pose for a picture at the beginning of prom. Above left: Alyssa Splitter and Jordan Trujillo show the world how much fun they are having.

Whooooo do you suppose this is? If your guess was Ms. Fees, you are correct.

In true Prom tradition, the Junior Class always crowns a senior guy king and a senior girl queen at the beginning of the dance; well not at Plainview. This year the Junior Class crowned Paige Specht Prom King and Garrett Crownover Prom Queen.
Masquerade

At right from top to bottom: Kailyn Lane is able to get Vance Christophersen to do the impossible: dance in public. Garrett Crownover and Amanda Berggren dance the night away. Mr. and Mrs. Pickenscher show the students what it means to dance. Hannah Splitter teaches Kristin Arms how to dance Kanzas style.

Left: JoAnna Beightel lets the music guide her while Amanda Berggren urges her on.
Right: Luke Specht throws caution to the wind and shows everyone just what he can do on the dance floor.

Above: Jordan Trujillo, Mikayla Schmidt, Natalya Weber, and JoAnna Beightel sit back and enjoy watching the final result of their hard work.
Right: Natalya Weber, Mikayla Schmidt, and Paige Specht attempt to do a secret handshake.
The Out-of-Towners: Field Trips

On May 18 and 19, the junior high and high school went to Denver. They went to the Aquarium, a Rockies game, the Museum of Nature and Science, and the Denver Zoo. Other field trips included the King Tut exhibit at the Denver Art Museum that was attended by the seventh and eighth graders and later on by the juniors and seniors. The high school American history class went to the University of Northern Colorado campus to research for term paper as well as get a tour of the facility. At Thanksgiving, the 9th-12th grade were given the opportunity to see the Broadway musical, Shrek. The elementary kids went on a couple of field trips that included attending the play Three Billy Goats Gruff in Tribune and a later trip to the Pueblo Zoo in City Park. All in all, a great time was had by all who participated.

Too Cool

Thomas, "The Ladies' Man", sits with Ashley and Aleigha, while Seth sits behind them.

Some Book Learne'

Paige, JoAnna, Natalie, Garrett, and Milkayla outside Miehener Library at the UNC campus in Greeley to do some research and get a tour of the university.

Don't Get Sick

Here the Junior High students pretend to get sick out of the school bus windows...Mr. Papc must have been driving...or more than likely someone else got sick prompting an unscheduled stop in order to clean up the mess before moving on.

Go Rockies!

The junior high and high school take a picture at Coors Field.

A Mile High

The seventh and eighth-graders stand exactly one mile above sea level.
At the Game

Far left: Alyssa texts someone during the Cockies game while Caymen looks like he's going to fall asleep. Left: Stephen gets up and dances to try and get on the big screen. Bottom left: Looks like Mr. Wilson fell asleep on the way home...maybe he should have gone to bed on time. At left: Everyone fell asleep on the way home from Denver after a long and exciting trip.

Sleep Time

Mrs. Fickensher seems to be napping at the game when it's really just her hat that's hiding her eyes.

Bright Sun

Nat and Paige look ready to duke it out but are really only having a nice little chat.

Danger! Wet Area

Caymen, Nick, and Jonah do not heed the warnings and keep getting closer to the water.

Say "Cheese!"

The fourth-graders pose for a picture with a bronze rabbit at the zoo.

The Bus

Grant puts his bag away while Tyler guards the back door.

Coor's Field

Mikayla and Nat catch some Z's before the baseball game.

Wow!

Natalie and Mikayla peer into a reptile exhibit at the Denver Zoo and some fish at the Aquarium.

Mermaids

The students stop to watch the beautiful fish and mermaids swim around the aquarium through this glass tunnel. A pretty cool experience.

At the Theatre

Riley Scott, Zach Poyle, and Ethan Foley read their programs before the first act of Shrek: The Musical.

Three Billy Goats Gruff.

The Elementary kids get their picture taken outside the high school in Tribune, Kansas.
Above: Mr. Specht receives a handshake from Mr. Bollinger upon being awarded the Plainview Citizenship Award.

Below: Alyssa Spliter and Caymen Hansen hold their math certificates as Mr. Hamilton says some kind words regarding their achievement.

Above: Mr. Pace awards Mikayla Schmidt the "Best of the Rest" Award for having the second best grade in the high school classes he teaches.

At right: Nat Weber smiles after receiving her award from Mrs. Fickenscher.

At right: Paige Specht tells the audience what her enrichment project was, as she was one of a half dozen high schoolers involved in the program led by Ms. Fees and Mrs. Fickenscher.

Above: Caymen Hansen receives his award for being on the honor roll the entire year.

Above: Garrett Crownew displays a lot of cheese with this grin as he just received his award for FBLA.

Above right: Nat Weber receives the Superintendent's Award from Mr. Bollinger.

At right: Paige Specht tells the audience what her enrichment project was, as she was one of a half dozen high schoolers involved in the program led by Ms. Fees and Mrs. Fickenscher.
Elementary and Junior High get recognition for a job well done.

At right: Al Burk, Jr., appears to be mighty proud of the certificate he just received from Mrs. Hopkins.

Below: Amber Kopasz, Japheth Frey, Benji Davis, Grant Specht, Zane Schroeder, and Kelley Scott receive their awards for participating in the All Stars program established by Dr. Williams in Cheyenne Wells.

Above: Athena Crum holds her award in her hand as she returns to her seat.

Above: Thomas Specht proudly displays his All Stars medal—a program where students compete in a variety of artistic and written categories.

At left: Mr. Pope gives Seth Splinter the World History Award for a job well done in his class over the course of a year.
At right: Mariah Priddy receives her Certificate of Continuation from school board member, Jay Specht.

Below: VJ Christopherson gets a handshake and a certificate from board member, Jay Specht, as Mr. Bollinger looks on.

At left: A smiling Thomas Specht gets a handshake from Dad as he receives his Certificate of Continuation on stage in the Plainview gym.

Below: Taylor Bollinger seems to be looking out the window as Justin Rodriguez spots the cameraman as they get ready to take that leap into high school.

Above: Justine Rodriguez holds his Certificate of Continuation while he shakes Jay Specht's hand.

Above right: Thomas Specht gives the "thumbs up" sign as he, fellow eighth-grader VJ Christopherson, and seventh-grader Seth Spitzer wait in the library before graduation begins.

At right: Seventh-grade usher Ashley Clyncke and eighth-grade graduate Mariah Priddy relax and talk on the couch in the library before the ceremony starts.

Above: Superintendent Jeff Bollinger proudly looks on as his son, Taylor Bollinger receives his continuation certificate towards the conclusion of the commencement exercises of 2011.

Taylor Bollinger  VJ Christopherson  Mariah Priddy  Justin Rodriguez  Thomas Specht
The Class of 2011

Congratulations on a job well done.

Below left: Paige Specht walks up the aisle to Pomp and Circumstance. Below center: Mr. Hamilton introduces the commencement speaker, Mark Splitter. Bottom center: Garrett, Paige, and others Natalie Weber and Jordan Trujillo listen to some words of advice from Mr. Splitter. Below: Garrett Crownover gets a congratulatory handshake from Superintendent Jeff Bollinger.

Important Moments in the Graduation Ceremony of 2011

At far left: Garrett Crownover talks about the top ten things a graduate needs to remember. At left: Paige Specht receives her diploma from her father, Jay Specht, a longtime member of the school board. Below: Garrett Crownover gets a hug from his girlfriend, Cafe Carvajal after acknowledging her with a flower during the graduation ceremony.

The Great Potential of Popcorn and High School Graduates.

Commencement speaker Mark Splitter holds up a bag of unpopped popcorn, using it as an example of the untapped potential of a human being. Mr. Splitter states that if you have the right equipment, patience, and encouragement, a person-like popcorn-can transform themselves into that well-rounded, desired finished product.

G.K., I’ve got this piece of paper and you can’t have it back.

Garrett Crownover clutches onto his diploma as he receives a handshake from Plainview School Board member Jay Specht.

Paige Specht, her lime green Crocs and all, gets a little emotional during her Valedictorian Address, telling the audience that learning from failure is the way we grow.
Top: "I got it! Don't let it eat me." Is what Garrett seems to be saying while Paige just looks at him wondering what is going on in his mind.
Above middle: Alligators are dangerous animals unless they have tape over their mouths as Paige Specht so kindly demonstrates.
Above: "Do you have a fish behind that ear?" Just kidding. Garrett didn't have to force the dolphin to kiss him.

Left: Putt-putt golf is not as easy as it looks. Garrett Crownover has just finished this hole after six strokes.
Above: Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton are ready to watch manatees from a safe, dry distance.

Above: "Go away and leave me alone." Paige Specht seems perfectly happy to spend her day "lazing" around in a hammock.

At top (large picture) Paige Specht, Garrett Crownover, and Susan Specht smile as they embark on their manatee expedition.
Above: Paige Specht is caught admiring the animals of the zoo.

Above right: I always knew Garrett was a fish out of water; he really enjoyed swimming with the manatees.
Above middle: Paige Specht has always wanted to learn how to surf, and standing on a crocodile is a good incentive—even a fake one.
Above right: Eating at the Rainforest Cafe can be unpredictable. Garrett almost got hit by a bird.

This year for Senior Sneak the seniors traveled to Florida where they spent time at Disney World and Medieval Times in Orlando. They went to a manatee sanctuary in Crystal River, and then headed to Miami where they enjoyed the Miami Zoo, the Aquarium, and a fan boat tour through part of the Everglades.

Above: Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton enjoy the splendor of Medieval Times.
Right: Paige and Susan Specht smile to show they are enjoying dinner and a show.
Fun in the Sun

Tops Garrett Crownover wishes he could hold this plane in his hands, but instead that plane took him to Florida.
Above Middle: Trips are exhausting. Paige Specht just couldn’t handle traveling awake for one more minute.
Above: For the record, the dolphin kissed Paige Specht first.

Above: Garrett Crownover is able to meet a new person every day without fail. He met this young lady at Medieval Times.

Above Middle: Garrett and Paige both agree that the highlight of the trip was interacting with the dolphins. Here they are giving Noel (that’s the dolphin) a hug.
Above: What happens when it is hot and you feel tired? You fall asleep as Mrs. Hamilton demonstrates on the manatee sighting trip, while Mr. Hamilton smiles knowing what we are taking a picture of.

The Many Deaths of Garrett Crownover (From left to right): Hippo, crocodile, hippo, and shark.

Top: Paige Specht has always loved eating but that hamburger is just ridiculous. How did she get her mouth around it?
Above Middle: Garrett Crownover looks as if he is ready to head off on a safari, which strangely enough, he is at Disney’s Animal Kingdom Park.
Above: Paige Specht enjoyed interacting with the dolphins more than anything and needed no encouragement to give Noel a kiss.
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In addition to saying good-bye to our old desks and parts of our library, we chronicled a lot of changes at Plainview during the 2010-11 school year. We said good-bye to a long-time teacher, coach, and staff member at the end of the year, and a cook at the beginning. We wish Mrs. Carney, Coach Wilson, and Garold Deines the best in the years to come and thank them for their service. We also want to thank Mrs. Wanderlingh, Mrs. Cavenee and Mr. Stum for all they did for our school the last two years. We hope you enjoyed this yearbook, and remember, don’t blink—because you just might miss us.
Anti-bullying Efforts
The federal government takes steps to prevent bullying in schools and communities. To make information accessible, a steering committee develops BullyingInfo.org.

Soldiers Home From Iraq
This soldier, from the U.S. Army 4th Infantry, returns home to Colorado as a result of President Obama's directive to reduce our troops in Iraq.

Rep. Gabrielle Giffords
After a nearly fatal gunshot wound, Representative Gabrielle Giffords continues her difficult recovery.

Medal of Honor
Staff Sergeant Salvatore Giunta, a 25-year-old Army staff sergeant who served in Afghanistan, is the first living recipient of the Medal of Honor since 1976.

Alaska Senator Re-elected
Alaska Senator Lisa Murkowski is re-elected as a write-in candidate.

The Oil Spill
A BP oil rig explosion triggers the biggest oil spill in U.S. history, releasing more than one hundred million gallons into the Gulf of Mexico.

Not long after North Korean leader Kim Jong Il fires at the South Korean island of Yeonpyeong, he names his youngest son as his successor.

President Obama signs H.R. 3590, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The 2,400-page law is aimed at improving health care coverage and lowering costs.

President Obama signs the Executive Order on the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics to support education issues in the Hispanic community.

WikiLeaks/Diplomats
The U.S. government is compromised when Julian Assange's WikiLeaks website publishes sensitive diplomatic cables discussing Pakistan, North Korea, Iran and China.
In the U.S., bedbug infestations, once almost eradicated, are now a growing nuisance in hotels, stores, office buildings, and homes in all 50 states.

Republicans regain control of the House of Representatives in the midterm elections. Representative John Boehner of Ohio becomes the 61st Speaker of the House.

Despite attempted Thanksgiving holiday protests, airports across the U.S. implement full body scanners to screen airline passengers for possible weapons and explosives.

Bedbugs

The world celebrates as 33 miners from Chile’s San Jose Copper-Gold mine are safely rescued after spending two months trapped 700 meters underground.

A new law aimed at fast food marketing in San Francisco requires that kids’ meals meet nutritional standards before they can be sold with toys.

Emerging from bankruptcy, General Motors is profitable again. The company raises $20.1 billion in the largest global initial public offering (IPO) in U.S. history.

After protests in favor of democracy peaked in the streets of Cairo, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak steps down.

Britain’s Prince William and Kate Middleton announce their engagement in November 2010. They plan to marry in 2011.
**Lead in Reusable Bags**

A U.S. senator asks the government to investigate when reusable grocery bags sold by a Florida supermarket chain contain harmful high levels of lead.

*John M. Heller/Getty Images*

**TOMS Shoes**

TOMS Shoes, which donates one pair to a child in need for every pair sold, becomes a philanthropic fashion phenomenon.

**A New Element**

A new element, discovered in 1996, finally receives its official name: Copernicium. It is named in honor of Copernicus, the Renaissance mathematician and astronomer.

*Mark Wilson/Getty Images*

**New Life Form**

NASA-funded astrobiology researchers discover a new life form, a bacterium that can use the toxic chemical arsenic as fuel for growing and rebuilding itself.

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Comet

NASA’s EPOXI Mission shows amazing images of comet Hartley 2, 23 million miles away from Earth, in November 2010.

The NBA and WNBA promote Vaccines for Teens, an awareness campaign designed to educate teens and parents about the importance of vaccinations.

Actress and singer Selena Gomez, age 16, serves as the spokesperson for UNICEF’s trick-or-treat campaign. She is the organization’s youngest goodwill ambassador.

No more searching your car for quarters! Cities from coast to coast are installing solar-powered, WIFI-enabled parking meters that can accept credit cards.

Wind Power

Wind turbines become more prevalent. The emergence of “wind farms” signals the beginning of what could be a wind energy boom.

Earth’s Axis Shifts

An 8.8 magnitude earthquake in Chile shifts our planet’s axis by about three inches and shortens the Earth day by 1.26 milliseconds of a second.

Disappointing Job Growth

Despite optimistic economic news, including better-than-expected holiday shopping numbers, job growth is still slow, according to the Department of Labor.

FracKing

The Environmental Protection Agency investigates how to manage and regulate fracking, a process used to release the natural gas trapped under dense rock.

Extinct Salmon Found Alive

The black kokanee, a species of freshwater salmon thought to be extinct for 70 years, is found living in a lake near Japan’s Mount Fuji.
Spain Claims the World Cup
Spain defeats The Netherlands to win 2010 FIFA World Cup Championship trophy. Midfielder Andrés Iniesta's goal makes the final score 1 to 0.

Surfer Andy Irons Dies
The surfing community mourns the death of Andy Irons, age 32. The champion surfer had contracted dengue fever, a virus spread by tropical mosquitoes.

Manny Pacquiao
Manny Pacquiao fights Antonio Margarito to earn the WBC World Super Welterweight title. Pacquiao is also a Congressman in the Philippines.

Lakers Win NBA Finals
Former Laker great Magic Johnson and Kobe Bryant celebrate the Los Angeles Lakers’ NBA Finals Game 7 win against the Boston Celtics.

Zenyatta
In the Breeders’ Cup Classic at Churchill Downs, thoroughbred champion racehorse Zenyatta ends her 19-race winning streak, losing by a head to Blame.

NFL Stresses Safety
The NFL announces that players can be suspended without pay for dangerous hits to an opponent’s head. The move is aimed at preventing tackling injuries.

The San Francisco Giants capture the Commissioner’s Trophy by defeating the Texas Rangers 3 to 1 in Game 5 of the World Series.

Cy Young Award
Phillies pitcher Roy Halladay wins the National League Cy Young Award by a unanimous vote, becoming the fifth pitcher to receive the honor in both leagues.

Quarterback Aaron Rodgers leads the Green Bay Packers to a 31-25 Super Bowl victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Tony Hawk welcomes Olympic gold medalist snowboarder Shaun White to his second annual Stand Up for Skateparks benefit in Las Vegas, Nevada.
Jonathan Byrd’s Hole-in-One
Golfer Jonathan Byrd wins his fourth PGA Tour victory with a hole-in-one on the fourth playoff hole in the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open.

LeBron James announces via live ESPN special that he is leaving the Cleveland Cavaliers to join the Miami Heat. Fans and commentators condemn the move.

Roger Federer catches up to Pete Sampras’ record of 64 singles tournament wins by winning the Stockholm Open in Sweden’s Royal Tennis Hall.

Jimmie Johnson drives his #48 Lowe’s Chevrolet to his fifth straight NASCAR Sprint Cup championship at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

Gymnast Alicia Sacramone takes a hiatus from her college career to take a gold medal for vault at the Artistic Gymnastics World Championships in Rotterdam.
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My Chemical Romance
"Na Na Na," by My Chemical Romance, is a popular punk anthem. It's included in the Rocktober track pack for Guitar Hero: Warriors of Rock.

Francesca Battistelli
Genre-spanning Christian artist Francesca Battistelli releases a new album, Hundred More Years. The first single is "This Is the Stuff."

Jackie Evancho
Jackie Evancho, the 10-year-old soprano who came to fame on America's Got Talent, releases a bestselling holiday CD/DVD titled O Holy Night.

Taylor Swift
Taylor Swift's Speak Now is the first release by a female artist since Britney Spears to sell more than 1 million copies in its first week.

Miranda Lambert receives a record-breaking nine CMA nominations. She wins three trophies, including Album of the Year for Revolution and Female Vocalist of the Year.

Brad Paisley takes home the Country Music – Favorite Male Artist award from the American Music Awards and the CMA Entertainer of the Year Award.

Katy Perry
Katy Perry's headline-grabbing wedding to Russell Brand and her controversial Sesame Street appearance overshadow the release of her new album, Teenage Dream.

Bobby Ray Simmons, also known as B.o.B., sees his second single, "Airplanes," soar to the top of the charts in the U.S. and the U.K.

Travie McCoy
Travie McCoy, of Gym Class Heroes, releases his first solo album. The lead single, "Billionaire," goes double platinum and tops the U.S. and U.K. charts.
Lady Gaga took home two Grammy awards for Female Pop Vocal Performance and Pop Vocal Album.

A surprise comeback gave Train the Grammy for Pop Performance by a Duo or Group for “Hey Soul Sister.”

Usher performs at the American Music Awards show and takes home the awards for Male Soul/R&B artist and Favorite Soul/R&B album.

Sugarland wins the CMA Vocal Duo of the Year Award and releases “Stuck Like Glue,” the first single from their album, The Incredible Machine.

Justin Bieber is named Artist of the Year at the American Music Awards. At age 16, he is the youngest recipient of this top honor.

Eminem didn’t crack a smile when he expressed his gratitude for winning the Grammy for Rap Solo Performance.

Ke$ha wins the Best New Act award at the MTV Europe Music Awards and ends the year with three songs on Billboard’s Hot 100.

Everybody likes “I Like It,” the first release from Euphoria, Enrique Iglesias’s bilingual album. The song tops the charts in the U.S., Canada and Australia.

Carrie Underwood wows the American Music Awards. Her third studio album, Play On, garners the Country Music – Favorite Album award.

The Black Eyed Peas release a new album, The Beginning, and book an appearance at the halftime show of Super Bowl XLV.
Google TV

Google CEO Eric Schmidt gives a talk about how Google TV will unite web surfing with channel surfing.

Boom Box

This is definitely not your father's boom box. The latest MP3 technology combined with 1980s styling make this machine a must for modern parties.

Call of Duty: Black Ops

Black Ops, the seventh installment in the Call of Duty game series, sells a record-breaking 7 million copies in the first 24 hours of its release.

Bean Bag Chairs

A new generation adopts the retro bean bag chair. This updated classic is ideal for watching television, playing games, reading and keeping up with social media.

The Lost Hero

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Suzanne Collins publishes Mockingjay, the third and final book in her popular science fiction series, The Hunger Games trilogy.

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The Social Network

In The Social Network, Jesse Eisenberg stars as Facebook creator Mark Zuckerberg, the brilliant and abrasive Harvard misfit who revolutionized social media.

Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps

Shia LeBeouf stars as a young trader who tangles with Gordon Gekko, a disgraced financier played by Michael Douglas, in Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps.

Secretariat

Secretariat, an acclaimed feature film, depicts the true story of a legendary racehorse, the 1973 winner of the Triple Crown of thoroughbred racing.

True Grit

True Grit, a mythic Western adventure story, earns 10 Academy Award nominations including Best Picture.

The Tourist

Angelina Jolie is a woman of mystery and Johnny Depp is an ordinary tourist. Or is he? The plot thickens in The Tourist.

Leonardo DiCaprio

Leonardo DiCaprio is the world’s top-grossing movie star. His 2010 releases earn a combined $1.1 billion at the box office.

Loyal fans line up for midnight screenings of Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows – Part 1. The movie makes $330 million during its first weekend.

Date Night

A case of mistaken identity spirals out of control when a suburban couple steals someone else’s restaurant reservation in the action comedy Date Night.

What happens to toys once their owners go to college? In Toy Story 3, Woody and Buzz Lightyear find new friends and face new challenges.

How Do You Know

Reese Witherspoon tries to decide between Paul Rudd and Owen Wilson in How Do You Know, a romantic comedy about a love triangle.

Amanda Seyfried stars as the title character in Red Riding Hood, a romantic horror tale about a medieval village terrorized by a werewolf.
Iron Man 2
Robert Downey, Jr. returns as the inventor-superhero Tony Stark in Iron Man 2, a long-awaited sequel featuring storylines adapted from Marvel Comics.

Life As We Know It
An orphaned baby goddaughter inspires Katherine Heigl and Josh Duhamel to set their differences aside in Life As We Know It, a romantic comedy.

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The Crazies
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Plaid Shirt
The boy-style plaid flannel shirt is a popular look for both guys and girls. Just add a pair of perfectly worn jeans.

Top Siders
From popped collars to Top Siders, prep style endures. True Prep shows a new generation how it's done and what it means.

Sequins
Shiny, sparkly sequins become a major fashion trend when Zoe Kravitz and runway models are spotted wearing them on hats, dresses and tops.

Hats
Self-expression is always in fashion and the right hat makes it easy to add panache (and hide a bad hair day). All you need is a cute fedora or a jaunty newsboy cap.

Military Jacket
There's nothing olive drab about this trend. Military jackets are snappy, sleek and chic — a far cry from the oversized Army surplus look of yesteryear.

Pillow Pets
Now it's a stuffed animal. And now it's a pillow. Puffy, popular PillowPets™ may be the snuggliest, softest trend of the year.

Energy Drinks
Energy drinks are the beverage of choice among sleep-deprived students, despite concerns that they contain unhealthy levels of sugar and caffeine.

Mineral Makeup
Beauty mavens agree: mineral makeup rocks. These sheer, lightweight, powdery formulas are the smart alternative to g00ey, pore-clogging foundations.

Get the look with a classic polo, distressed skinny jeans and leather belt with your favorite treads.

Flip Flops
Parents and foot doctors hate them but the flip-flop fad is a year-round phenomenon for guys and girls alike (except during snowstorms).

Dentists report that more and more teens are asking about teeth bleaching procedures, especially for photo-op occasions like proms or sweet sixteen parties.
Hippie style is hip once more. Tie-dyed effects on shirts and dresses appear on runways, beaches and boardwalks.

The rugged, battle-tested G-Shock watch is the preferred timepiece of snowboarders, skateboarders, surfers and other extreme sports fans.

Everybody needs an afternoon snack but nobody has time for milk and cookies. The newest granola bars deliver easy energy between lunch and practice.

Vera Bradley Bags
Colorful, quilted Vera Bradley bags are the epitome of sorority sister style. Devotees mix and match Vera messenger bags, clutches, totes and wallets.

Girls Outfit
Go for an edgy, urban look in these American Rag Twill Skinny Cargos – perfectly paired with a belted Cowl neck sweater!

Big Scarves
Long, flowing scarves become a year-round trend. This must-have accessory is the easiest way to add color and interest to casual outfits.

Monkey Slippers
It's a toy. It's a slipper. It's a fun fashion trend. Sock monkey slippers are popular in college dorms and at slumber parties.

Silly Bandz
The bandz are banned! Some schools decide that Silly Bandz – the popular silicone rubber bracelets – are too distracting for the classroom.

Long Necklaces
Long, statement necklaces are trend-right. Gossip girls look luxe with Tiffany-style trinkets. Layered, chunky, vintage baubles create an alt-rock, art school vibe.

Over the Knee Boots
Boots go to great lengths. Over-the-knee styles are seen everywhere from runways to red carpets. Trendsetters wear them with short skirts or slim leggings.

The mountaineer look comes to the metropolis, as high-performance outdoor apparel makes a comfortable, cold-weather fashion statement.

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Top 10 Web Searches:
The BP oil spill was the top topic of 2010, according to Yahoo! Here are the year's top 10 search terms:
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2. World Cup
3. Miley Cyrus
4. Kim Kardashian
5. Lady Gaga
6. iPhone
7. Megan Fox
8. Justin Bieber
9. American Idol
10. Britney Spears

4G WiMAX Technology:
High-speed broadband devices are on the verge of multi-channel high-definition TV broadcasting thanks to emerging WiMAX 4G technology that improves image and data capabilities.

Mark Zuckerberg is Person of the Year:
Old media acknowledges the power of new media when TIME names Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg as its Person of the Year for 2010.

Smartphones become faster, cheaper and more addictive than ever for everyone who loves to text, surf and maybe even talk once in a while.

Flat Screens:
Consumers are snapping up great deals on flat screen TVs as prices continue to drop and supply begins to outpace demand.

Redbox:
Redbox kiosks serve as conveniently located vending machines for DVDs and video games. Just pick a flick and swipe your credit card.

You can buy anything from puppies to Pontiacs on Facebook's Marketplace app, which rivals Craigslist as the classified section of the social media generation.

Disgruntled passengers fight over space in the overhead bins as most airlines institute baggage fees ranging from $15 to $25 per bag per flight.

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