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80, Activities 96, Clubs 138, Sports 168, Ads 210
Involve everyone
in everything.”

-Tom Peters
It was the **BEST** of high school,

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Right: Jenny Queen (12) enthusiastically gets into her truck because her **early release schedule** allows her to leave at 2 p.m. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: Nate Kovarik (12), Ben Teply (12) and Sam Kruger (12) contemplate some of the theories found in the most challenging textbooks at Central. These textbooks are just one part of the curriculum that makes Central one of the **best academic schools** in the state. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: Dr. Shawver’s eighth period English class is a good example of one of Central’s best features: the **diverse student body**. (Photo: Tara Hauger)
It was the **WORST** of high school

Above: Amanda Hansen (12) punches the machine as she wonders where all her change went. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: Alli Pagan (12) frantically tries to remember her locker combination during the *short* four-minute passing period. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

It is not necessary to hope in order to undertake, or to succeed in order to persevere.

- William the Silent
Central students earn

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Right: Brooklynn Zendajas (12) hands a customer her merchandise during her shift at Sears. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: Bill Gentle (12) answers the phone as he works as a host at the Yo Yo Grille. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Right: Justin Thompson (12) happily takes a customer’s order while he works at Arby’s in the Crossroads Mall. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)

Middle: Joey Davis (12) helps a child color while she works at the daycare in the Powerhouse Gym. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
money, gain experience

Below: Julie Weston (12) marks off an order during a busy hour at the 1-Hour Photo at SuperTarget. (Photo: Tara Hauger)

Above: Janelle Orange (12) and Adriana Piña (11) diligently work after school as interns for the business department. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
The Central favorites vary each year as the student body changes and new trends are developed.

This year, many students found restaurants such as Village Inn to be the best places to hang out.

Others found entertainment at the movies. “Money Talks” and “Men in Black” were the most popular new releases this year. Central students also enjoyed staying at home and watching “South Park,” a popular animated sitcom new to television this year.

Students could also be found at music stores listening to the Wu-Tang Clan or the Dave Matthews Band.

Regardless of the year, school sponsored activities are always popular events.
Movies
1. Money Talks
2. Men in Black
3. Breakfast Club

"I like to go to football games and watch movies in my spare time."
-Erin Jenkins (12)

Bands
1. Wu-Tang Clan
2. Dave Matthews Band
3. Matchbox 20

Far Left: Jenny Backman (12) grooves to her favorite tunes. (Photo: Tara Hauger)

Left: Noelle Thornburg (11) contemplates which Burger King value meal to order. (Photo: Tara Hauger)

Opposite Page Below Right: Kelli Mattson (10) enjoys a cafe mocha while discussing her hectic week with friends. (Photo: Tara Hauger)
Central students are busy people, so it is no surprise that their weekends are filled with action.

Many students reported that they like to spend their free time at movie theaters and coffee shops, while the nature-lovers at Central enjoy the fresh air at Memorial Park.

Central athletic events and dances were also popular among students.

Of course, most Centralites are devoted to studying as well. They also said that they spend a lot of time at home or hanging out at their friends’ houses.
“I like to keep myself busy on the weekends. There is no time for sleep.”

-Rebecca Harmon (12)

Above Left: Sara Schneider (12) strategically shoots a pool ball into the corner pocket. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Left: Amy Whitmyre (11) and Jane Swirzinski (11) take a break from cheering to smile pretty for the camera. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: Sarah Price (12) and Sara Jacobson (12) boogie down at the Welcome Back Dance. (Photo courtesy of Jenny Queen)
Above: Elonie Lewis (12) and Lauren Coatsworth (12) model their fashionable slippers and plaid PAJAMAS. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Right: Timika Wills (11) BLASTS BACK TO THE PAST with her groovy clothes and dance moves. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Upper Right: Samantha Harris (9) and Brandie Hollingsworth (10) smile sweetly as they show off their TWIN outfits. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Above: Florina Mosenkis (12), Corey Evans (12), Rachel Slosburg (12) and Lawrence Butler (12) energetically model their **PAJAMAS**. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: Ian Thomas (12), Apryl Picard (12) and Matt Miltner (12) **BLAST BACK TO THE PAST** with their big hair and love beads. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Upper Left: Amy Linenberger (10), Heather Anderson (10) and Jenna Jackson (10) grab their stuffed animals and get comfortable for **PAJAMA** day. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
SENIORS
Above: Jason Regan (12) gives Cecil Evans (12) a little trim on game day. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Right: Senior Erin Jenkins demonstrates that once you pop, you can't stop. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Above: Senior Faith Enright, Megan Harris and Sam Fraser try to wake up with some coffee before school. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Above: Nate Kovarik (12) gets to his classes everyday using his hands rather than his feet. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: Sarah Felix (12) stresses out over who to go to homecoming with. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Left: Alex Ramirez (12) pauses for a quick smile in the halls. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Ashford, John
Auch, Amber
Axelrod, Jay
Backhaus, Franziska
Backman, Jennifer

Backora, Amanda
Bainbridge, Eli
Baines, Rebecca
Barrett, Valerie
Barsell, Sarah
Above: Senior Molly Deacon socializes in the OEA lot after school. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Right: Joe Snell (12) now knows not to mess with people on the bus ride home from school. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)
Left: Varsity cheerleaders Jasmine Henderson, Jenny Quandt and Aggie Davis bond with the Eagle during a game. (Photo: Mikala Kearney)

Below Left: Senior foreign exchange students Miriam Uebe and Franziska Backhaus enjoy their first football game. (Photo: Mikala Kearney)

Below: Sarah Schrad (12) proves that we start school too early each morning. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Above: Seniors Sarah Anderson and Tara Hauger model their sparkling headgear on Clash Day. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Right: Agile senior Sam Kruger ponders jumping after making one mistake on a calculus test. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Conry, Chris
Cooper, Demetria
Covington, Trinisha
Croskey, Joe
Crossman, Ally

Dailey, Chad
Danberg, Dan
Davis, Aggie
Davis, Jamila
Davis, Joey

Deacon, Molly
Devlin, Meghan
DiGiacomo, Jaclyn
Dokmonovich, April
Dubas, Nicole

Left: Alexa Christon (12) shows off John Ashford’s (12) chubby cheeks. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Above: Seniors Aaron Hill and Demetria Cooper show a little lovin’ in the halls. (Photo: Nikia Matthews)
Center: “She did it!” Seniors Jenny Sanders and Delaina Terhune blame each other for skipping. (Photo: Mikala Kearney)

Right: “What?” Matt Clouse (12) is surprised to see a camera in his face. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Below: Seniors Brian Vlasak and Emil Moses practice new wrestling moves...in English class? (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)

Dumes, LaMaka
Dunson, Arbrina
Dunson, Jon
Eakins, Nick
Elsasser, Melissa

Emery, Jessica
Ennis, Melissa
Enright, Faith
Evans, Carmen
Evans, Corey
Below Left: Erin Kuskie (12) just loves her peanut M&M’s. (Photo: Stephanie Putnam)

Left: Senior Courtney Hancock puts on his sexiest face. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Below: Senior Meghan Devlin wishes the camera would go away so she can work on her art. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Felix, Sarah
Finley, Jennifer
Fitch, Trevor
Foley, Robert
Forrest, Jessica

Forsman, John
Franzese, John
Fraser, Samantha
Freed, Aaron
Friedrichsen, Jason
Galaska, Jason  
Gasson, Stacey  
Gebbie, Bo  
Goldberg, Becky  
Greer, Bryan

Griffin, Lance  
Grixby, DeAntae  
Guevara, Amleht  
Gutierrez, Tina  
Hakanson, Tim

Above Right: Senior Elonie Lewis just doesn’t understand Mr. Daly’s tests. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Above: Janelle Orange (12) attacks Aggie Davis (12) on the stairs. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Right: Sarah Price (12) shows how cute she can be. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Above: Ellen Eustice (12) snuggles up to Amleht Guevara (12) at lunch. (Photo: Mikala Kearney)
Above: Christa Lowitzer (12) proves that even seniors fall down the dangerous Central stairs. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Left: How can any girl resist the face of senior Josh Priluck? (Photo: Sara Jacobson)
Above: Kate Alseth (12) is having a really good time eating a cookie. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Right: Senior Lawrence Butler avoids the crowded hallway traffic. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Above Left: Senior Adrian Oropeza really can read! (Photo: Mikala Kearney)

Above: Senior Jessica Mouton remembers how much fun her weekend was. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Left: Seniors LaShanti Bishop, Cassandra Latham, and Decia Harper relax at the football game. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)
Below: Seniors Tiffany McDonald and LaTisha Simmons party in the lunch line. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Right: Senior Chris Schroeder is pursuing a career as a stunt man. (Photo: Justin Thompson)
Left: “Oh my gosh, I broke a nail!” exclaims senior Becca Starr. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Below: Senior Jon Spencer acts cool for the camera. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Kovarik, Nathan
Kruger, Sam
Kubicova, Zuzana
Kudrna, Frankie
Kuskie, Erin

Latta, Jason
Leavitt, Denna
Leggett, Relonda
Leptien, Shannon
Leuschen, James

Lewis, Elonie
Lewis, Joshua
Lewis, Ryan
Lindsey, Shamilia
Linenberger, Lisa
Above: Senior Sara Jacobson is excited to be starting a new day. (Photo: Mikala Kearney)

Right: Alexa Christon (12) gets a little stressed out with how much homework she has. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)
Left: Senior Leslie Ujhely realizes that she forgot to wear her hat on Hat Day! (Photo: Mikala Kearney)

Above: Merry pranksters Unique Williams (12) and Tia Robinson (12) goof off in English. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Above: "Do you wanna dance?" Katrina Coates (12) loves the camera. (Photo: Mikala Kearney)

Marshall, Brandon
Martin, Emily
Martinez, Debbie
Martinez, Sarah
Maslo, Todd

Matthews, NiKia
McAlister, Jimmi
McCallan, Corey
McCarthy, Jason
McClinton, Lavonda
Above Right: Lema Bashir dances through the halls on Fridays. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Above: Seniors have fun at a football game. (Photo: Mikala Kearney)

Right: Amanda Hansen (12) and Lauren Coatsworth (12) think that they can learn better while studying up-side down. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Morris, Armond Mosenkis, Florina Moser, Aaron Mouton, Jessica Mullen, Megan

Murry, Rashaun Mushlitz, Melissa Narvaez, Jesus Nguyen, Stacee O’Neill, Katie

Left: This picture foretells senior Bill Houston’s future as a garbage man. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Above: Seniors Shanna Rutten, Apryl Picard and Chris Calhoun chill after school. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)
Right: Senior Rachel Shukert shows her dramatic side. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Below: On your mark, get set...Ashira Jones (12) is always ready for school. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Okolotowicz, Peter
Olesh, Ryan
Orellana, Berenice
Oropeza, Adrian
Ortiz, Cie

Orton, Rachel
Osuna, Anakarina
Otis, Sally
Pagan, Allison
Parker, William
Below Left: Seniors Meghan Devlin, Delaina Terhune, Allison Jessing, Ian Simmons, Rebecca Starr and Sally Otis are high and mighty in the art room. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Left: Ben Teply (12) takes a whack at Dan Danberg (12). (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Below: Senior Melissa Blair poses during passing period. (Photo: Mikala Kearney)

Patel, Amit
Pedersen, Andeline
Perilo, Nathan
Petersen, Sean
Piatt, Eddie

Picard, Apryl
Potter, Julie
Poulsen, Kasper
Powell, Chad
Price, Sarah
Above Right: Stacey Gasson (12) and Kayleta Adams (12) smile in Mr. Daly’s class. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: Seniors Molly Deacon, Amber Ingram, Donna Leavitt and Staci Johnson get corny for the camera. (Photo: Stephanie Putnam)

Above: Feliciano Shields (12) charms the camera during passing period. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Right: Alli Pagan (12) enjoys her pudding cup. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Left: Senior Gail Braddock demonstrates the many uses of duct tape. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: Shaun Israel (12) tries to use one of those comfortable desk chairs as a recliner. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)
Right: Kate Alseth (12) and Alexa Christon (12) try to stuff Rachel Slosburg (12) in a trash can, but her head just keeps on popping up. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Below: Senior John Franzese models the latest hat fashion. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)
Right: Seniors Susie Hutless, Rachel Shukert and Bill Gentle aren’t very happy with the results of their progress reports. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Below: Central’s Varsity Cheerleaders bond at a football game. (Photo: Courtesy of Jaclyn DiGiacomo)

Sip, Kelley
Skinner, Augustine
Slosburg, Rachel
Slowik, Matt
Smedra, Brent

Smith, Matthew
Sneckenberg, Ryan
Sommers, Ben
Spencer, Jon
Spoonhour, Kara

Stacy, John
Starr, Rebecca
Station, Keith
Synowiecki, Jaycee
Tatel, Euiyesh
Far Right: School is driving Kelly Connor (12) to the brink of insanity! (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Right: Oh...Isn’t that sweet? Senior DeAntae Grixby takes a little nap in the courtyard. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Above: Seniors Molly Medakovich and Erin Jenkins have fun on pajama day. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Tworek, Alisa
Tworek, Andy
Uebe, Miriam
Ujhely, Leslie
Valentine, Lakesia

Vaughn, Leigh
Vlasak, Brian
Waite, Robert
Ward, Randy
Watzke, Nicole

Left: Alyssa Arthur (12) thinks her Coke tastes kind of funny. (Photo: Mikala Kearney)

Above: Senior Tony Tubrick believes that eating cookies is much more important than studying. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)
Right: Senior Jasmine Henderson is really excited for the Welcome Dance. (Photo: Jenny Queen)

Below: Joe Wojtkiewicz (12) contemplates why there are so many little holes in the ceiling. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Weeda, Brian Welker, Jesse Wengert, Sarah Weston, Julie White, Lucas

Williams, Ebonie Williams, Tiffany Williamson, Tim Wilson, Joe Winberg, Elizabeth
Below Right: “Is that thing loaded?” Senior John Ashford expresses his joy at how easy school is. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Right: Senior Emily Martin thinks she is Zorro as she prepares to quickly disappear from school. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Below: Seniors Kory Bladt, Trevor Fitch, Eddie Piatt and Bill Houston get comfortable and show some skin on pajama day. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Winey, Sara
Wise, Tanesha
Wojtkiewicz, Joe
Woods, Ernest
Yard, Joe

Zajic, Brandi
Zavorka, Jilleen
Zendelas, Brooktynn
Zuger, Zach
Eagle, Mr.
## SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

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Senior class officers were elected at the end of the 1997 school year after endless campaigning.

The results of the sticker-filled election were: President Sarah Price, Vice President Denna Leavitt, Secretary Ally Crossman, Treasurer Dan Danberg, Historian Jaclyn DiGiacomo and Activities Coordinator Jasmine Henderson.

Several changes were introduced this year by sponsors Kat Laughlin and Betty Schuler-Weingarten. Two new positions, historian and activities coordinator, took the place of the sergeant-at-arms position. Another change was that elections were held at the conclusion of the 1997 school year while representatives were elected at the beginning of the 1998 year.
Below: Charlie Carlin (11), Chris Ochsner (10) and Jamison Richart (11) have mistaken the math office for a GQ magazine photo shoot. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Right: Minsu Strickland (11) is awfully surprised for some reason. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)

Opposite Page: Jennifer Varner (11) gets her fill of green veggies. (Photo: Margaret Kukula)
Above: Chris Colegrove (11), Doug Graber (11) and Jon Nebel (11) look pretty groovy for Spirit Week '97. (Photo courtesy of Elysia Brink)

Right: Karin Dudley (11) gets a quick shower from Megan Douglas (11). (Photo: Margaret Kukula)
Above: Rosalind Rhodes (11) shows her fingernails after a stressful day. (Photo: Margaret Kukula)
Below: Megan Gibilisco (11) cheeses it up for the camera. (Photo: Margaret Kukula)
Above: Jamaine Billups (10) and Jacky Smith (11) show a little brotherly love. (Photo: Nikia Matthews)
Above: Nicole Neumann (11), Becky Abersfeller (11), Miriam Uebe (11) and Zuzana Kubicova (11) compete for the silliest look award. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)
Left: Andy Makoid shows how fun eating lunch can be. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Super, Mary Lynn
Swendroski, Wendy

Swirzinski, Jane
Tatum, Courtney

Thomas, Brandon
Thomas, Jeremiah
Thompson, Andrew
Thompson, Cerone
Thompson, John
Thompson, Kellie
Thornburg, Noelle

Totzke, Constance
Tripp, Chris
Triitsch, Derek
Varner, Jennifer
Vaughn, Versie
Von Stieclencron, Philipp
Voss, Sonya

Vu, Tracie
Ward, Mikayla
Waters, Joe
Weedy, Natalia
Weis, Elizabeth
Welbourn, Kelly
Wells, Dan
West, Jennifer
Weston, Denise
White, Tamay
Whitehill, Derek
Whitmyre, Amy
Wiedman, Sarah
Williams, Brandon

Williams, Emily
Willits, Chad
Wilson, Brian
Wilson, Shayla
Windom, Logan
Wolf, Norene
Wolfson, Alex

Womacque, Matthew
Wordlow, Sirwayne
Wyatt, Monique
Ybanez, Dora
Yin, Amy
Yoa, Jacob
Zellner, Mickayla

Wheeler, Jesse

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Below: Rebecca Storm (10) and Andy Hickman (10) take revenge on Cathy Watson (10) as she corrects her paper for the last time. (Photo: Margaret Kukula)
Below: The three musketeers, Aleks Berzins (9), Erik Smith (10) and Kristoff Berzins (11), strike a pose. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Above: Melissa Colton (10) shows that she is “bright-eyed and bushy-tailed” even in zero hour journalism class. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)

Right: James Gallup (10) prepares for a career as a modern rock star. (Photo: Kate O’Neill)
Above: Brandon Williams (11) and Brandie Hollingsworth (10) cheer the Eagles on at a Junior Varsity football game. (Photo: Lauren Pettit)

Left: Erik Smith (10) shows what can happen when you get dressed in the dark. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)
Right: Andrew Lieben (10), Jared Hart (10), Erik Smith (10) and Chris Ochsner (10) star in a real-life episode of South Park.
(Photo: Margaret Kukula)
Left: Erin Foley’s (10) smile can brighten anyone’s day. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Below: Can Zack Jeffery (10) shovel anymore food into his mouth? (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)
Right: Katrina Kerns (10), Julie Russell (10), Rebecca Rennard (10), Stephanie Wulf (10), Mikala Schuman (10), Sandy Czapla (10) and Andrea Mullen (10) show that girls just want to have fun. (Photo: Margaret Kukula)
Above: Cathy Watson (10) and Paul Fisher (10) solve a very complex experiment. (Photo: Stacey Gasson)

Left: Jessica Barsell (10), Tiffany Davis (10), Tierra Harvey (10) and Chi-Chi Nwuju (10) stop in the courtyard for a quick picture (Photo: Stacey Gasson)
There's a bit of tension between Lindsey Lane (10) and Rory Curtis (10).

(Photo: Leslie Ujhely)

Ross, Brandon
Ruiz, Inocencia
Runnels, Sarah
Russell, Julie
Russell, Sarah
Salgado, Jose
Sanders, Mike
Saylors, Louis
Scholting, Cindy
Schroeder, Jessica
Schulte, Kristy
Schumacher, Angela
Schuman, Mikala
Schweikert, Christine
Scurlock, Jeremy
Sena, Levi
Shank, Kari
Shockey, Kiya
Shrader, Matt
Simmons, Amara
Simons, Ben
Sims, John
Singleton, Kharisha
Slape, Debra
Smallwood, Rashawn
Smith, Erik
Smith, Matt
Smith, Nicole
Spoonhour, Katie
Starks, Alicia
Sterling, Josh
Stogdill, Shawn
Storm, Becky
Sweet, Aron
Szeliga, Brooke
Szeliga, Robyn
Tackitt, Danielle
Taylor, Julie
Taylor, Kevin
Tello, Luisa
Theophilopoulos, Sophia
Thomas, Callie
Right: Laura Werkheiser (10), Maggie Day (10) and Amanda Monette (10) look like three peas in a pod during lunch. (Photo: Margaret Kukula)

Thomas, Rayna

Thomas, Trina

Thompson, Andrea

Thompson, Destry
Thompson, Elyse
Thompson, Jason
Trentos, Anastasia
Trenice, Peter
Tritsch, Mary
Trout, Angela

True, Aaron
Trummer, Trisha
Tsed, Marina
Tubrick, Jeffrey
Tut, Gatwech
Uriostegui, Narcizo
Vandebake, Derek

Villegas, Juan
Voycheske, Shana
Wagner, Brandon
Wagner, Victoria
Waian, Monica
Waldmann, Emilie
Walton, Justine

Ward, Amanda
Watson, Cathy
Watson, Sara
Watters, Chris
Werkheiser, Laura
Wesselmann, Vince
Westerholm, JD

Whitmore, Lindsey
Wieczorek, Catherine
Willcoxon, Mike
Williams, Durrell
Williams, Walter
Williamson, Rebecca
Willits, Becky

Winford, Dominique
Wolcott, Catherine
Wulf, Stefanie
Young, Shawntrice
Zeigler, Damien
Zendejas, Meredith
Zielinski, Joe
Abbott, Sunshine
Abersfeller, Sarah
Ackley, Elizabeth
Adams, Katrina
Adams, Lindsey
Aguilera, Cristal
Alcala, Alma
Allard, William
Allee, Jennifer
Anderl, Christine
Andersen, William
Anderson, Angelo
Anderson, Vincent
Andrews, Luke
Arios, Racio
Averett, Demetria
Backman, Nicholas
Backora, Adam
Bahr, Benjamin
Baker, Andrew
Bane, Derrick
Banks, Nolan
Barajas, Raquel
Barajas, Yessica
Barnhard, Alyssa
Barrera, Froylan
Bartek, Sarah
Bartlett, Daniel
Bass, Tamiee
Bates, Valerie
Batt, Sara
Beaver, Jennifer
Beck, Ben
Beedle, Sara
Behrendsen, Chad
Bell, Brent
Bender, Shaquanda
Beninato, Jeron
Bensalah, Eric
Berzins, Aleksander
Bieber, Joshua
Bierman, Kyle

Billings, Daniel

Right: Hugo Novelo (9) tries to get lunch money from Justin Bartsch (10). (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)
Left: Ramel Harris (9) and Erin Henshaw (9) beg Mr. Deabler for the answers to their English final. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Chatley, Brad
Chester, Matthew
Christell, Ky
Christensen, Anders
Ciaccio, Matthew
Clark, Aaron
Cleveland, Sarah
Coatsworth, Leigh
Colbert, Uri
Coleman, J. Thomas
Collins, Jeff
Conley, Quensha
Connor, Jeremiah
Connor, Paula
Contreras, Josh
Cook, Ashley
Cooper, Akilah
Copenhagen, Christie
Corbin, Quinn
Cotton, Rachel
Cowgill, Jacquelyn
Craddock, Maurice
Curran, Nate
Curran, Tara
Czornyj, Sylvia
Daffer, Mikala
Danford, Andrew
Danner, Ashley
Davey, Tim
David, Alison
David, Rebecca
Davis, Shiyla
Davis, Travis
Deal, Jonathan
Dean, Thaddeus
Degante, Delfino
Delgadoillo, Ben
Denny, Shayna
Devivo, Heather
Devney, Claire
Diggs, Ashley
Dixon, Evelinda

Dixon, Luther

Above: “Go ahead, make my day,” Winn O’Donnell (9) seems to say to the camera. (Photo: Sara Jacobson)
Above: Jeff Chalkley (9) has a mid-morning snack. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)

Left: Adam Moore (9) has such a beautiful smile. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)
Right: Kat Adams (9) looks like she might have eaten some outdated yogurt. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)

Below: Victoria Johnson (9) looks so innocent, one wonders what she has done. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)
Right: Trisha Merica (9) and Heather Young (9) take a little break on the infamous Central staircase. (Photo: Stacey Gasson)

Below: Alison David (9), Jennifer Stober (9), Julia Miller (9), Sandy Lamm (9) and Nicole Heafey (9) just couldn't be happier to be at school. (Photo: Stacey Gasson)
Above: Kat Tomasello (9), Ashlee Pearson (9), Liz Pierce (9) and Sara Beedle (9) get a bit wild during lunch. (Photo: Stacey Gasson)
Above: Central freshmen always travel in packs. (Photo: Emily Berman)
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Nelson, Jennifer
Nelson, Sheree
Nero, Danny
Newton, Sharee
Nielsen, Garen
Nolasco, Fabian
Novelo, Hugo
Novelo, Violeta
Nussallah, Joe
Nyambok, Sara
Olbertz, Abby
Oliva, Bonnie
Olsen, Nicole
Olvera, Maria
O’Malley, Courtney
Osbon, Daniel
Oshoff, Sarah
Osuna, Karla
Padilla, Tristan
Palmer, Amanda
Palmer, Amanda
Pargo, Laticia
Parker, Freddie
Parker, Senobia
Parks, Shawndel
Parosa, Crystal
Patlan, Mike
Patten, Katie
Payne, Rachel
Pearson, Ashlee
Pearson, Scott
Pence, Darrell
Perez, Guillermo
Perry, Arianna
Perry, Chad
Peterson, Sarah
Pierce, Janisha
Pierce, Liz
Pierce, Myron
Piskac, David
Plummer, Erika
Ponc, Chad
Potts, Willie
Prest, Emily
Price, Amber
Pribuck, Noah
Proctor, Justin
Prohaska, Stephanie
Pryor, Katie
Queen, Adam
Quinlan, Alyssa
Rachwalk, David
Raftery, Anna
Raftery, Mitchell
Rahaman, Gina
Rambo, Summer
Reed, Janette
Reed, Joshua
Regnier, Aurora
Reifenstahl, Joe
Renner, Bryan
Renner, Rachel
Revas, Anthony
Revas, Brian
Reynoso, Janet
Richardson, Charmyn
Richey, James
Rider, Joe
Riedler, Kris
Riek, Nhial
Rinaker, Meredith
Ritchison, Theresa
Ritch, Jessica
Riva, Scott
Roberts, Carisa
Roberts, Craig
Rock, Sara
Rodriguez, Corina
Rodriguez, Ivan
Rogers, Danielle
Rosas, Delta
Rosas, Juan
Ross, Dannon
Ross, Paul
Rountree, Jermaine
Rubio, Maria
Ruiz, David
Ryks, Josh
Sanchez, Osbaldo
Sanchez, Yanelly
Sandoval, Cornelio
Sanson, Ian
Sarwary, Tameem
Schu, Jodi
Schulte, Tim
Schulze, Eric
Scott, Jerome
Scott, Kahlia
Scott, Ramsey
Scott, Willie
Seefus, Chris
Seffron, Nikki
Sharp, Shayla
Shelly, Crystal
Shields, Jaquita
Shreffler, Jennifer
Simmons, Arland
Simpson, Melvin
Sird, Carmen
Slape, Melissa
Slauter, Adam
Slowik, Jason
Slowik, Sarah
Smith, Chimera
Smith, Michaella
Smith, Niema
Smith, Rachel
Smith, Victoria
Spilker, Emily
Stacy, Ben
Stahl, Tyler
Stanfield, Perry
Stark, Rondellia
Stennis, Tierra
Stober, Jennifer
Storm, Jennifer
Strilka, Joseph
Swan, Adrian
Taylor, Dru
Taylor, Keyon

FRESHMEN 2001
Bottom Right: Ms. Bass makes sure Jason Friedrichsen (12) knows Central doesn’t have an open lunch campus. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Bottom Left: Mr. Pennington finds time to write after a busy day of overseeing the athletic department and disciplining students. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Below: Uh-oh! Mr. Lahmann stops Jennie Foster (11) and Vanessa Kruse (11) and reminds them that their locker needs to be cleaned out by the end of the year. (Photo: Siri Heese)
Above: Russell Lane questions why Mr. Harrington is in the hall without a pass. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)

Top Left: Charles Williams catches himself as he almost trips over his own two feet. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Top Right: Joe Venditte and Louis Sanders team up to show their friendship for the camera. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)

Above: Mike McWhorter, Russell Lane, Brenda Pope, Charles Williams, and Joe Venditte. (Photo: Siri Heese)
SECRETARIES

By Siri Heese


Far Right: Jacque Swirzinski calls a parent to ask where their child is. (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

Below: Sharlene Rosenthal and KaAnn Reigle share a relaxing moment during their busy day in the office. (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

PARA PROFESSIONALS

Left: Central’s Cafeteria Workers - Back Row: Jodi Smith, Barb Lawrence, Liz Kubat, Dave Wallace, Sheila Mozee, Thelma Haywood, Josie Ham mond and Fran (the substitute). Front Row: Corrine Meyer, Donna Blake, Jan Monaco and Anna Thomas. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)


Left: Central’s Day Custodial Staff - Back Row: Dave Marlan, Lorenzia Woods, Michael Campbell and Louis Sanders. Front Row: Alfonzo Gunter, Jr., Annie Duncan and Jaime Linnertz. (Photo: Siri Heese)
Above: Mr. Waterman holds another meeting with his Mathematics Anonymous group. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Right: Mr. Larson wishes he were home right now. (Photo: Kate O’Neill)

Right: Detective Daly has a hunch! (Photo: Sara Jacobson)
Above: Mr. Custard tells Mr. Waterman, “Here’s looking at you kid!” (Photo: Mr. Deabler)

Right: Dr. Shawver is having one of those days. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Left: Mrs. Krejci shows off her patriotic spirit. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)
Right: Mrs. Storm takes a minute to lecture Student Council members on the proper usage of toilet paper. (Photo: Siri Heese)
Below: Mr. Lodge and Ms. Laughlin found out they're two of a kind. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)
Below Bottom: Mr. Kelly reflects back to his kindergarten days. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)

Dusatko, Jo
Eck, Johnna
Farr, Jodie
Felici, David
Fellman, Beverly

Fenn, Murray
Fitch, Lloyd
Foster, Jimmie
Franta, Glen
Franzen, Sharon

Galus, James
Gaylor, Harry
Georgeson, John
Georgeson, Pegi
Golden, Michelle
Left: Mr. Shipman pretends he’s Atlas. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Below: Mr. Fenn introduces himself to the floor. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)

Goodrich-Hatch, Karen
Hansen, Greg
Harrington, Jim
Herbert, Tim
Hipp, Carol

Houston, Sheila
Hug, Lisa
Jens, Heidi
Johnson, Faye
Johnson, Julie

Jung, Heidi
Jurin, Carey
Karpf, Amanda
Kelly, Trent
King, Pam
Above: A penny for your thoughts? Mr. Stansberry and Charlie Brown decide who gets the penny. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)

Right: Peek-a-boo! Ms. Olson peeks her head out of her office door. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Above: Mr. Gaylor cannot wait until lunch as he snacks on a huge bag of popcorn. (Photo: Siri Heese)
Mayberry, Kristel
McCormick, Anne
McMenamin, Joe
Melcher, Wendy
Merrigan-Potthoff, Nita

Milliken, Linda
Mingo, Kathy
Molyneaux, Lynda
Moriarty, Molly
Morris, David

Newberg, Cindy
Noll, Donna
Olson, Wendy
Parker, Tammy
Pedersen, Michael

Left: Excuse me! Ms. Jens is wondering why she is being bothered. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)

Left: Make me laugh Mrs. Wallington! Make me laugh! Mrs. Wallington and Ms. King chat the day away. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Far Left: Ms. Molyneaux pauses to take a quick nap before returning to work. (Photo: Siri Heese)
Right: Mr. Martin and Ms. Johnson show where they go to seek shelter from hard-to-deal-with students. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Bottom: Don’t do it Mrs. Whitten, we all have bad days! (Photo: Sara Jacobson)

Perina, Joe Plath, Ellen Priebe, Kelli Proksel, Renee Pserros, George Quinn, Margaret Reichmuth, Brad Ripa, Cheryl Roberts, Michelle Robinson, Carla Roeder, Al Ryan, Rita Saunders, Terrie Schuler-Weingarten, Betty Shafer, Matt Shawver, Jurgen Shipman, Tim Shonkwiler, Steve
Far Left: Mr. Harrington practices for the World Series as he sings the National Anthem to Ms. Golden. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Left: Mr. Dewaele and Ms. Haffke tell jokes between classes. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Below: Mr. Herbert gets caught in the act while Ms. Laughlin and Ms. Melcher act innocent. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)

Standifer, Stan
Stansberry, Doug
Storm, Judy
Thyden, Drew
Wade, Tammy
Wallington, Pat

Waterman, John
Watson, Brian
Wheeler, Peggy
Whitney, Mary
Whitten, Jean
Widhelm, Leonard

Wiles, Vicki
Wilger, Pete
Wilson, Scott
Wolff, Robert
Yost, Richard
Eagle, Mr.
Faculty...
By: Cara Steffensmeier

Above: Mr. Waterman tells Molly Hoberman (10) that he has no idea what the answer is. (Photo: Marci Holmes)

Right: Ms. King screams as she realizes that her picture is being taken. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Above: Mr. Shonkwiler finds time to help a troubled Aaron Moser (12). (Photo: Siri Heese)
Right: Dr. Shawver shows off his pearly whites after his morning coffee. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)
at their best

Left: Mrs. Wiles attempts juggling muffins, while trying to decide whether she should enter a talent show. (Photo: Siri Heese)

Left: Mrs. Crawford and Siri Heese (12) contemplate the problems young adults face daily. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)

Left: No matter how busy Mrs. Cipperley is, she still manages to find time to chat on the phone. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)

Above: Mr. Daly gives a look that could kill. (Photo: Stephanie Putnam)
Homecoming was an important event for the nightlife of Central students. Students displayed their school pride beginning with spirit week.

Spirit week began on Oct. 13 with Pajama Day. Each day students dressed according to the theme for that day.

On Oct. 17, Central was victorious at the homecoming football game against Columbus with a final score of 19-0. At halftime, the king and queen candidates were introduced to the crowd as they drove by in convertibles.

The queen candidates this year were Rebecca Baines, Jasmine Henderson, Amber Ingram, Kim Lykke, LaVonda McClinton and Jenny Queen. The king candidates were Lawrence Butler, Trevor Fitch, DeAntae Grixby, Eddie Piatt, Jason Regan and Sunn Spurlock.

The homecoming dance was held at the Ak-sar-ben Clubhouse on Oct. 18. The theme this year was “Winter Wonderland.”

At the dance, Rebecca Baines and DeAntae Grixby were crowned the 1997-98 homecoming queen and king.
Left: Kara Spoonhour (12) and Nicole Hruban (12) cheerfully show their pearly whites for the camera. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Below: Homecoming queen and king candidates Kim Lykke (12) and Trevor Fitch (12) take their walk of fame down the red carpet at the Ak-sar-ben Clubhouse. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: Aaron Hill (12) shows the moves that won him an appearance on Soul Train. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Right: Felecia Ellis (11) shows the camera what her date gave to her on the third day of Christmas. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Opposite Page Top: Homecoming Queen and King Becca Baines (12) and DeAntae Grixby (12) show the excitement of winning their crowns. (Photo courtesy of the Baines family)
Student Council

Membership offers many privileges

By Jane Swirzinski

Student Council spent many long hours working on projects that involved Central students, faculty and downtown Omaha.

The agenda for the 1997-98 school year consisted of food drives, hat days, fund-raisers, prom and many other activities.

This year's young officers kept the Student Council tradition of excellence. The council is sure to be strong in years to come because they have experienced leadership positions as underclassmen.

"Once again, Student Council had another great year," Judy Storm, sponsor, said.

Student Council was the only organization that worked with the Red Cross to arrange donation times for students to give blood.

During seventh hour the group of 27 student leaders met to discuss, plan and carry out projects for Central students. The addition of freshman representatives second semester added more help to the group.

"Student Council was a place where you could actually get something done for your school," Chloe Karpf (10) said.

Right: Sarah Price (12), Jane Swirzinski (11) and Sarah Felix (12) smile pretty for the camera at Wayne State College, Nebraska Association of Student Council, summer camp. (Photo: Lauren Pettit)

Right: 1997-98 Student Council Officers-Parliamentarian Felicia Ellis (11), Sgt. at Arms Vanetta Bailey (12), Historian Mandy Frank (10), Secretary Jessica Boro (10), Vice President Lauren Pettit (11), President Jane Swirzinski(11) and Treasurer Andrew Thompson (11). (Photo: Gail Braddock)
Left: Lauren Pettit (11) enjoys her smelly markers at NASC summer camp. (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

Below: Sarah Price (12), Sarah Felix (12), Ryan Lewis (12) and Siri Heese (12) take a break from planning activities during seventh hour. (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

Top row: 1997-98 Student Council - Back Row: Sophia Theophilopoulos (10), Mandy Frank (10), Jeff McWhorter (10), Sarah Price (12), Ryan Lewis (12), Janelle Orange (12), Matt Darling (11), Lauren Pettit (11), Jane Swirzinski (11), Jessica Boro (10), Melina Pina (11), Ben Rinaker (11) and Neal Duffy (11). Front Row: Andrew Thompson (11), Kayleta Adams (12), Sonja Shelstad (11), Chloe Karpf (10), Nicole Driscoll (11), Meghan Duffy (11), Jono Croskey (10), Sarah Felix (12), Felicia Ellis (11) and Siri Heese (12). Sitting: Vanetta Bailey (12) and Brandie Hollingsworth (10). Not Pictured: Dusty Friedman (10), DeAnae Grixby (12), Jasmine Henderson (12), Tia Robinson (12), Katie Spoonhou (10) and Judy Storm (advisor). (Photo: Gail Braddock)
Academics, leadership and fun! NHS members had the chance to participate in activities such as helping Habitat for Humanity with a haunted house, Honey Sunday and volunteering at the Francis House in December. NHS also sponsored a carwash with donations that went to the Make-a-Wish Foundation.

"I feel the senior class really responded this year," Siri Heese (12), NHS president, said.

The students were part of one of the most respected organizations at Central High School. NHS members must have an accumulative 3.5 GPA, demonstrate leadership and perform one service project each semester.

About seventy-three students were involved in NHS this year. The sponsors were Mrs. Faye Johnson and Mr. John Waterman.

Left: Sandra Cummins (12) releases stress during an early morning NHS meeting. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
The Debate Team proved the points of all its arguments at competitions and during classtime.

The three classes of debaters met each day and worked hard to carry on the high standard of Central debate. The ninth, tenth and after school classes consisted of many students, in all levels of each debate group.

Under the instruction of Mrs. Kris Bertch, the groups of debaters argued their way to awards at invitational meets all over the Omaha metro area. This year’s topic was renewable energy.

“Debate was exciting! It challenged students to reach beyond their horizons,” Sam Kruger (12) said.
Above: **1997-98 Beginning Debate**—First Row: Emily Morris (9), Yen Nguyen (11) and Ambrosha Kellogg (10). Second Row: Courtney Kammerer (9), Kamia Gomez (10) and Priscilla Ramirez (10). Third Row: Mary Jo Hall (9), Nicole Heafey (9), Julia Miller (9) Dominique Winford (10) and Rayna Thomas (10). Fourth Row: Jennifer Stober (9), Jody Baines (11), Julie Potter (12), Christie Copenhaver (9) and Andy Larson (10). Fifth Row: Andy Hickman (10), Travis Hepburn (10), Destry Thompson (10), Dan Varkony (12) and Chris Rischer (9). (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Lower Left: Emily Martin (12) practices for her upcoming speech tournament. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Left: **1997-98 Speech Class**—First Row: Jessica McDonald (10), Kelly Welbourn (11), Mia Jones (9), Adam Nichols (10). Second Row: Stefanie Monge (9), Leigh Coatsworth (9), Laura Ingersol (10), Jonathan Noland (10) and Ms. Kris Bertch, advisor. Third Row: Claire Devney (10), Chalee George (9) and Rashawn Murry (12). (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)
The 1997-98 O-Book can be described in one word: DEADLINES!!!

Countless hours were required to meet deadlines and make this year’s yearbook great.

Many staff members used not only eighth hour, but much of their own time taking pictures, writing copy and designing page layouts.

The O-Book staff consisted of juniors and seniors interested in yearbook production. This year’s Editor-in-Chief and Executive Editor were seniors Sarah Anderson and Tara Hauger.

“There wasn’t a weak link in the staff and everyone got along really well,” Sarah Anderson (12) said.

The prerequisites for achieving a position on yearbook included a semester long journalism class and a written application.

O-Book was under the direction of Mr. Matt Deabler, consequently the only male involved in the production.

“This year’s staff was very successful in both meeting deadlines and working together,” Mr. Deabler said.

Right: Tara Hauger (12) tries to fly away from the stress of her editor position. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Opposite Page Top: 1997-98 O-Book Staff-Back Row: Leslie Ujhely (12), Kate O’Neill (12), Tara Hauger (12), Marci Holmes (11), Stephanie Putnam (12), Margaret Kukula (11), Kelsey Stump (11), Jenny Lueth (11), Mikala Kearney (11), Jill McFee (11), Stacey Gasson (12), Brooke Kelly (12), Cara Steffensmeier (11) and Lauren Pettit (11). Front Row: Mr. Matt Deabler (advisor), Siri Heese (12), Sarah Anderson (12), Kim Schulte (12), Mikayla Ward (11) and Jane Swirzinski (11). Not pictured: NiKia Matthews (12) and Sara Jacobson (12). (Photo: Kate Alseth)
Above: Kim Schulte (12) cannot decide how to express herself, so this is what happened. (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

Above Right: Sarah Anderson (12) and Sara Jacobson (12) stop to show the other editors that O-Book should offer a loving environment in times of stress. (Photo: Mr. Deabler)

Above: Is Jane Swirzinski (11) dying or modeling for a Pantene commercial? (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
The Register works to meet deadlines

By Jane Swirzinski

Issue after issue, deadline after deadline, The Register staff worked night and day to produce nine monthly newspapers.

“We had a lot of fun and were optimistic about our competitions,” Rebecca Starr (12) said.

A typical scene that contributed to the success of the 1997-98 Register staff was take-out food on the counter, spread sheets ready for layout and staff members waiting to go home to a full load of homework.

The staff of 23 students produced newspapers that reported on everything from controversial issues, like student drug use, to the latest sport’s victories and movie reviews.

“The staff this year was a good one,” Mr. Matt Deabler said. “They met every deadline with ease.”
Above: Josh Priluck (12) wards off the Register editor in hopes to get a computer with a working mouse. (Photo: Mr. Deabler)

Upper Right: Mary Lynn Super (11) tries to type her story while Rebecca Starr (12) dictates the latest movie review she just wrote. (Photo: Cara Steffensmeier)
"In studio art we have the opportunity to express ourselves freely," Kirsten Hepburn (11) said.

This year’s studio art classes, guided by Mr. Larry Andrews, fourth hour, and Mrs. Margaret Quinn, eighth hour, completed many works of art that were displayed throughout Central. The students needed at least two years of art classes, as well as an art journal to be considered for admittance to this class.

These pieces of art were kept in an art portfolio and became an inventory of the improvements and talent of each student in the class. Some of the talented artists submitted their works to the Bellevue University Metro Seniors Art Exhibition, Scholastic Art Awards, Youth Art Month and Totem.

Each student was instructed by his own motivation. This helped the students to create a work that everyone, including themselves, enjoyed.
Concerto Competition tunes up

By NiKia Matthews

Five Central High music students competed to win a spot in the Concerto Competition.

"The students carried a real big honor to be selected for this competition," Miss Molly Moriarty, Instrumental Director, said.

The audition for the competition was held on Jan. 15. Students individually played a piece they admired in front of a panel of judges. The students also rehearsed for the Spring Concert.

"I’ve been playing the violin since I was three and I didn’t think it was that hard,” Noah Moe (9) said.

Above: 1997-98 Concerto Competition Participants-First Row: Amy Linenberger (10) and Christine McCollum (12). Second Row: Noah Moe (9) and Maggie Day (10). (All photos: NiKia Matthews)

Upper Right: Johann Johnson (11) takes time to catch his thoughts and practice his fingerings.

Right: “What did I do?” Noah Moe (9) and Johann Johnson (11) are catching some last-minute practice.
Everyday, in the depths of the basement, the orchestra practiced music which produced the melodies heard downstairs.

Central's orchestra was composed of both wind and string instruments, which gave it an advantage over other OPS orchestras that are strictly made up of string instruments.

The 55 member group participated in the All-State, District Music and Adjudication Contests.

Ms. Molly Moriarit’y conducted the orchestra to many honors for Central’s music department.

“It was a great class to take if you’re serious about your music and are willing to put in the extra effort,” Lema Bashir (12) said. “We were better than anyone else.”
with sounds of music

Left: Audrey Kosmicki (10) shows her ability to concentrate on her music and play an enchanting melody. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Below: James Carrig (11) contemplates the meaning of “play your instrument and receive a credit.” (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

Left: Matt Smith (10), Zack Clark (11), and Ty Griess (9) audition for the cast of the next Three Amigos movie. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Opposite Page Upper Right: Laura Jensen (9) practices for another winning performance. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
"The majority of the 130 members involved in band were hard-working students who performed well in competitions," Pete Wilger, Band Director, said.

Band members attended various activities this year including the Eugene Eppley Army Band Camp held near Plattsmouth. At the camp, the band learned marching fundamentals and improved its musical technique.

Members also attended home football and basketball games and the River City Round-Up Parade held in September.

"Band was really awesome. I got to meet a lot of really cool people," Taylor Campbell (11) said.

Above: Sarah Wengert (12) concentrates while mastering a drum rhythm. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Right: Erica Kess (9) helps drummer Ben Pierce (11) by lending him a cymbal. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Opposite Page Right: Mitch Raftery (9) and fellow saxophone players play their hearts out. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Upper Right: 1997-98 Drumline—Back Row: Travis Pohlman (10), Ben Pierce (11), Erik Smith (10), Blake Leavitt (9), Sarah Wengert (12), Hanna Vacek (9), Dan Jacobs (10), Tammy Varkony (9) and Jessica Ritsch (9). Front Row: Ben Beck (9), Sara Schneider (12) and Erica Kess (9). (Photo courtesy of Marsicek Photography)
Above: **1997-98 Band**—First Row: Alli Pagan (12), Tara Hauger (12) and Lisa Linenberger (12). Second Row: Sara Schneider (12), Ben Beck (9), Sarah Wengert (12), Blake Leavitt (9), Erik Smith (10), Ben Pierce (11), Travis Pohlman (10), Hanna Vacek (9), Dan Jacobs (10), Tammy Varkony (9), Jessica Ritsch (9) and Erica Kess (9). Third Row: Connie Totzke (11), Michaela Mininni (10), Sarah Schrad (12), Emily Anderson (12), Julie Weston (12), Sarah Anderson (12), Jenny Backman (12), Evelyn Reinhalter (10), Fawn Herrdon (11), Jennafer Jackson (10), Amy Linenberger (10) and Heather Anderson (10). Fourth Row: Nicole Watzke (12), Kerry Komar (10), Melissa Scurlock (12), Megan Campbell (9), Chris Scofield (12), Tim Malik (12), Heather Elkachouti (9), Kelli Matson (10), Liz Gaytan (10), Makayla Hernandez (11), Joanna Mayhew (9), Taylor Campbell (11), Raechel Achelpohl (10), Amanda Hansen (12) and Brookeyn Zendelas (12). Fifth Row: Tara Bacom (11), Nick Costanzo (10), Debra Slape (10), Arianna Perry (9), Tyler Stahl (9), James Carrig (12), Mitchell Raftery (9), Kristi Derrick (10), Cecy Losee (10), Jeremiah Schultz (11), Jimos Reese (11), Aleks Berzins (9), Matt Miller (10) and Eric Schulze (9). Sixth Row: Tim Hakanson (12), Colin Boatright (9), Kristoff Berzins (11), Chris Hoeger (9), Kelly Connor (12), Jenny Queen (12), Jason Thompson (10), Zack Clark (11), Noah Moe (9), Erin Jenkins (12), Eddie Piatt (12), Ben Teply (12), Leigh Coatsworth (9), Andy Lacroix (9), Scott Pearson (9), Jeff Hakanson (10), Chris Fischer (9) and Kristy Schulte (10). Seventh Row: Jeff Collins (9), Jason Stearns (11), Ian Sansom (9), Josh Bieber (9), Willie Karpf (11), James Gallup (10), Ben Iwen (10), Nick Eakins (12), Lauren Coatsworth (12), Aaron Rich (10), Noelle Thornburg (11), Erin Cannon (9), Claire Devney (9) and Jennifer Hesser (10). Eighth Row: Meghan Devlin (12), Heather Nehrig (10), Simon Prescott (10), Brandon Barth (11), Junell Dumes (10), Jeremy Stutzka (11), Mark Hakanson (10), Andy Johnson (12), Meagan Cody (11), Andy Gustafson (9) and Levi Sena (10). Ninth Row: Matt Leu (9), Matt Cavanagh (9), Rebecca Chandler (9), Charles Crooms (11), Mikayla Chambers (10), Samira Nazem (10), Rebecca Manczuk (10), Charles O’Day (11), Chris Lawrence (12), Drew Billings (9), Charles Meyer (12), Nate Kovarik (12), Aaron True (10), JT Coleman (9), Cathy Collins (10) and Jessica Miller (9). (Photo courtesy of Marsick Photography)
"It was a really awesome experience. All of the groups did extremely well," Elonie Lewis (12) said regarding the All-State Music Concert.

A total of 24 students from Central were picked to attend the concert and music clinic held on Nov. 22 at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. The students attended multiple rehearsals before performing at the final concert.

The students practiced the audition music last summer and then tried out on Oct. 11. Some of the music memorized included "Guye-Betelehemu" and "Divine Comedy Suite."

Five students from Central represented the band. One student represented the jazz band, two from orchestra and sixteen from the vocal music department.


Upper Right: 1997-98 All-State Vocalists—First Row: Janelle Orange (12), Emily Williams (11), Andrew Nelson (11) and Jenny Kniewel (12). Second Row: Noelle Thornburg (11), Amy Revenaugh (12) and Ashleigh Billings (12). Third Row: Elonie Lewis (12), Georg Getty (11) and Shaun Kiel (11). Fourth Row: Sarah Felix (12), Lucas Stecker (11) and Bryan Greer (12). Fifth Row: Corey McCallan (12) and Alex Wolfson (11). Not pictured: Allison Gatzke (11). (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Right: 1997-98 All-State Instrumentalists—Johann Johnson (11) and Lema Bashir (12). (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Jazz band spices up Central

By NiKia Matthews

Jazz band spiced up the hallways with musical tunes throughout the year.

The class was made up of 22 energetic students that entertained many individuals with songs from various backgrounds. These backgrounds included songs from Latin, Jazz, Salsa and Swing.

“T think that the students had a real interest in Jazz,” Mr. Pete Wilger, instructor, said. “They spent a lot of time on their instruments.”

The jazz band was involved in activities both inside and outside of the school. The activities included performing for the community, Central’s Road Show and a competition held at UNO. The band also performed at city functions and concerts.

“Tjustcan’timagine my lifewithoutjazz band,” Johann Johnson (11) said.

Above Left: 1997-98 Jazz Band- Front Row: Tyler Stahl (9), Lisa Linenberger (12), Chris Hoefer (9), Erik Smith (10), Nicole Watzke (12) and James Carrig (12). Second Row: Dave Rennard (11), Jenny Queen (12), Eddie Piatt (12) and Kelly Connor (12). Third Row: Charles Meyer (12), Alli Pagan (12), Lauren Coatsworth (12), Nick Eakins (12) and Johann Johnson (11). Fourth Row: Andy Gobel (9), Jason Thompson (10), Aleks Berzins (9) and Jeremiah Schultz (11). Fifth Row: James Gallup (10) and Jason Hoefl (11). (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Left: Aleks Berzins (9) and Nicole Watzke (12) jazz it up in the instrumental room. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Above: Tyler Stahl (9), James Carrig (12) and Erik Smith (10) see no evil, hear no evil, and speak no evil. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)
"I felt the group worked well together and learned the routines quickly," Jenny Backman (12) said.

The Color Guard’s season started off with a great bonding experience at band camp in August, which improved the guard’s fundamental skills. Zero hour rehearsals and Monday night practices also gave the Color Guard the opportunity to perform with the band at home games.

The Color Guard performed at football games, two parades, one competition and one exhibition. They received a superior rating at OMI (Omaha Marching Invitational) held on Oct. 18.

An early winter storm in October prevented a performance at the State Marching Contest. The group also participated in the River City Roundup Parade on Sept. 27 and the St. Cecilia’s Anniversary Parade on Oct. 5.
Left: 1997-98 Color Guard—Bottom Row: Jenna Jackson (10), Emily Anderson (12), Julie Weston (12) and Heather Anderson (10). Middle Row: Sarah Anderson (12), Evelyn Reinthaler (10) and Jenny Backman (12). Top Row: Amy Linenberger (10). Not pictured: Fawn Herndon (11), Michaela Mininni (10), Sarah Schrad (12) and Connie Totzke (11). (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

Below: Color Guard members show their school spirit as they blast back into the past. (Photo: Margaret Kukula)

Left: Amy Linenberger (10) walks proudly in one of the parades the Color Guard performed in. (Photo courtesy of Amy Linenberger)
Road Show, All-City and two school concerts kept this year’s A Cappella busy with performances.

One of the new events this year took place in January with the Omaha Symphony. A Cappella sang “Poulenc Gloria” along with Bellevue West and Papillion.

“We all worked hard this year, but still managed to have a lot of fun,” Sarah Price (12) said.

A Cappella consisted of junior and senior girls along with sophomore, junior and senior guys. Members auditioned last spring and met for rehearsal everyday during eighth hour. The group’s sponsor was Mrs. Lyn Bouma.

Above: Jody Baines (11) and Sarah Carse (12) warm up before a grueling practice. (Photo: Stephanie Putnam)

Upper Right: Lisa Linenberger (12) is so enthused to sing! (Photo: Stephanie Putnam)

Right: Chi Chi Nwuju (11) and Alex Ramirez (12) prepare for an upcoming concert during a rehearsal. (Photo: Stephanie Putnam)
Above: Noelle Thornburg (11) sings her heart out during an eighth period rehearsal. (Photo: Stephanie Putnam)

Upper Right: A Cappella members prepare to amaze their audiences. (Photo: Stephanie Putnam)

Top: 1997-98 A Cappella Choir—First Row: Marsha Nelson (11), Tegan Fry (11), Demetria Cooper (12), Alex Ramirez (12), Alison Hager (11), Jackie Hart (12), Lisa Linnenberger (12), Terra Gillespie (11), Jenny Link (12), Melissa Hamilton (11), Liz Montag (11), Jenny Hensler (11), Sarah Carse (12), Tynia Brewer (11) and Mary Anderson (11). Second Row: Mrs. Lyn Bouma, sponsor, Katie Foley (11), Sandra Cummins (12), Matt Shrader (10), Ally Crossman (12), Andrew Leiben (10), Franziska Backhaus (11), Rick Riederer (10), Amy Revenaugh (12), Aaron Perilo (10), Emily Williams (11), Felecia Ellis (11), Jonathan Noland (10), Richetta Lowman (11) and Marisa Ramsey (12). Third Row: John Forsman (12), Janelle Orange (12), Lucas White (12), Georg Getty (11), Ashleigh Billings (12), Bryan Greer (12), Erin Jenkins (12), Dustin Frank (11), Melody Dworak (11), Nate Perilo (12), Rachel Shukert (12), Joe Wojtkiewicz (12) and Amber Rager (11). Fourth Row: Kerri Inserillo (11), Sarah Felix (12), Matt Smith (10), Jody Baines (11), Allison Gatzke (11), Shaun Kiel (11), Andrew Nelson (11), Emilie Parrott (11), Corey McCallan (12), Sara Childers (12), Alex Wolfson (11), Jenny Kniewel (12), Charlie Carlin (11), Noelle Thornburg (11) and Sarah Schrad (12). (Photo courtesy of Marsicek Photography)
Junior choir strives for successful year

By Stephanie Putnam and Jane Swirzinski

"Junior Choir serves as a bridge to A Cappella," Mrs. Lyn Bouma, head vocal music director, said. Junior Choir consisted of freshman and sophomores interested in vocal music. Members learned how to sight read along with various other singing techniques.

The choir’s main event was the Winter Vocal Concert which was held on Dec 16. They also sang at the Spring Vocal Concert in May and at the All City Music Festival.

Singers were recommended to Mrs. Bouma by their junior high music teachers and met everyday during second hour.

Above: Junior Choir members prepare their favorite song for an upcoming concert. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Upper Right: Ally Freeman (9) sings out to let her voice be heard. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Above: 1997-98 Junior Choir—Top Row: Melissa Mancuso (9), Tammy Varkony (9), Anna Jacob (9), Amber Galli (9), Mina Legon (10), Jason Cowgill (9), Mike Mackey (10), Zac Chapin (11), Bryan Fink (9), Josh Hankenson (9), Dan Wells (9), Niema Smith (9), Oscaretta Campbell (10), Andrea Gatzke (9), Michelle Morrison (9) and Sara Williams (9). Third Row: Sandra Czapla (10), Shona Carmichael (11), Laura Jimenez (9), Rachel Renner (9), Gina Watters (9), Drew Billings (9), Adam Matthews (9), Shane Graham (9), Chris Jensen (9), Bryan Renner (9), Sophie Harris (9), Kirsten McCreary (10), Angie Whitbeck (9), Melissa Rock (10), Trisha Trummer (10) and Meredith Kalina (9). Second Row: Fran McDermott (10), Lauri Hedlund (10), Kerry Olson (10), Monique Martinez (10), Mia Jones (9), Marcus Jimerson (9), Demario Guyton (9), Tanell Williams (9), Paul Ross (9), Chris Metry (9), Dariel Carpenter (11), Sandy Lamm (9), Tennesha Jones (9), Vanessa Hedge (9), Jodi Schu (9), Megan Mackey (9), Lailoni Lewis (9), and Amber Chunn (10). First Row: Alejandra Jimenez (9), Mary Jo Hall (9), Katrina Cabrales (9), Shauna Johnson (9), Felix Morales (9), Sara Batt (9), Jennifer VonDollen (9), Ashley Fry (9), Ally Freeman (9), Mia Jones (9), Jessica Gofa (9), Tanya Gross (10), Ashlee Pearson (9), Matt Chester (9), Kiya Shockey (10), Daneisha Hall (9), Kalinda Mendenhall (9), Alyssa Barnhard (9) and Candace Gould (9). (Photo courtesy of Marsicke Photography)
Bel Canto impresses audiences

By Stephanie Putnam

Bel Canto had a total of twenty-four members who auditioned for the choir position last spring. Bel Canto is made up of sophomore, junior and senior girls with exceptional singing abilities.

The group sang at the Spring and Winter Vocal Music performances, the Salvation Army and various law offices. Along with these, the group competed in the District Music Competition.

“They all did really well,” Mrs. Lyn Bouma, music director, said.

Bel Canto’s main event this year was the Madrigal Dinner which was held in December and served as a fundraiser for the vocal music department.

Left: 1997-98 Bel Canto—Back Row: Heather Morehouse (10), Heather Nehrig (10), Marisa Ramsey (12), Lori Eizerman (10), Catie Wieczorek (10), Amber Rager (11), Natalia Johnson (10), Tai Burleson (10), Jennie Hart (10), Chi Chi Nwuij (10), Amy Revenaugh (12), Emily Williams(11), Sandi Czapla (10), Kerri Inseirillo(11), Katrina Kerns (10), Julie Russell (10) and Kelli Muldoon (10). Front Row: Jaquelyn Morgan (10), Sarah Carse (12), Cassi Rolfs (10) and Crystal Rolfs(10). Not pictured: Ashleigh Billings (12), Sandra Cummins (12) and Alexa Christon (12). (Photo courtesy of Marsicek Photography)

Upper Left: Kerri Inseirillo (11) looks around and hopes no one heard the crack in her voice. (Photo: Stacey Gasson)

Above: Alexa Christon (12) relaxes as Lori Eizerman (10) gives her a massage. (Photo: Stacey Gasson)
The amazing performances presented by CHS Singers, an elite group of juniors and seniors, put songs in the hearts of all of the students at Central.

With their annual Road Show performance, District Music Contest and participation in annual concerts, the CHS Singers were busy entertaining audiences. Their delightful songs and desire to perform gave them the reputation they deserved.

In order to be a member of CHS Singers, a student must audition and meet the pre-requisite of membership in the A Cappella choir. They must also continue to be a part of the A Cappella choir with their admittance to CHS Singers.

This group was the highest ranking course available in Central’s vocal music department, according to the course catalog.

Right: Terra Gillespie (11) takes a break from all the stress of singing to show everyone what she does in CHS Singers. (Photo by: Kate O’Neill.)

Above: 1997-98 CHS Singers—Alex Wolfson (11), Chris Nwuju (11), Lucas Stecker (11), Noelle Thornburg (11), Shaun Kiel (11), Sarah Felix (12), Corey McCallan (12), Bryan Greer (12), Charlie Carlin (11), Jenny Kniewel (12), Andrew Nelson (11), Sarah Schrad (12), Janelle Orange (12), Terra Gillespie (11), Felecia Ellis (11) and Emilie Parrott (11). Not Pictured: Sara Childers (12), Rachel Shukert (12) and Lucas White (12). (Photo by: Tom Marsicek)
Pit orchestra enhances musical

By Jane Swirzinski

Practice, skill and dedication are just a few qualities that the members of the pit orchestra possess.

The 28 students in the pit orchestra were a combination of instrumental students from Central. The group was given a chance to perform for the student body at the student matinee of “Fiddler on the Roof.” The group also played for the evening performances of the musical held on Dec. 12-13.

“Pit orchestra was a very talented group, and the members really complimented each other’s strengths and weaknesses,” Emily Anderson (12) said.

Many of the students enjoyed being a part of the musical without putting on a costume for the entire school and other guests. Rehearsals were two to three times a week for a month in the band room. Two weeks before the actual performances the orchestra practiced with the cast every day after school.

“The pit orchestra was an important asset to the musical. Without the pit orchestra it would be very difficult to put on a quality production, plus it is a fun experience,” Ms. Molly Moriarty, conductor, said.

Far Left: Brandon Barth (11) practices fervently. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Left: Debra Slape (10) waits for her cue to play. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Top: 1997-98 Pit Orchestra–Front: First Row: Ashley Danner (9), Jenny Nelson (9), Christine McCollum (12), Erika Hess (9) and Jessica Rich (9). Second Row: Nicole Watzke (12), Audrey Kosmicki (10), Paul Fisher (10) and Laura Chaney (9). Third Row: Lisa Linnenberger (12), Emily Anderson (12), Lema Bashir (12), Amy Linnenberger (10), Catharine Watson (10) and Noah Moe (9). Row: Zack Clark (11), Johann Johnson (11), Jason Thompson (10), Debra Slape (10) and Melissa Slape(9). Fifth Row: James Carrig (12), Brandon Barth (11) and Kristoff Berzins (11). (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
The “Fiddler on the Roof” performances filled Central High’s stage with classical Jewish tunes.

A matinee performance for the students was held on Dec. 11, followed by two evening performances on Dec. 12 and 13.

The show included a variety of actors and actresses. The guidance of Mrs. Pegi Georgeson and many background production assistants helped to make the performances a success, cast members said.

“Just working with everybody and taking time to put the play together really inspired me,” Bryan Greer (12) said.

The play was based on a Jewish community that faced hardship and tragedy at the turn of the century. The main character Tevye, played by David Rennard (11), faced the struggles and joys of his religion, family and community.

“The props and the music were fabulous, I thought the background crew and play members did a great job,” Fareeda Muhammad (11), stage crew member, said.

Above: David Rennard (11) plays the amazing lead role of Tevye, the father of five daughters. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Left: Hava, played by Alison Hager (11), dreams of the relationship that awaits her, while Tzeitel, played by Katrina Kerns (10), cleans the floor. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
a tune in Central’s heart

Left: Just hanging out with the boys, Lucas Stecker (11), Corey McCallan (12), Lucas White (12) Alex Wolfson (11) and Dave Rennard (11) drink to life. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Lower Left: Emilie Parrott (11) holds her heart as she remembers her loving marriage, before her death. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: In Tevye’s dream, Terra Gillespie (11) haunts Dave Rennard (11) and tells him that the tailor is a good husband for his eldest daughter. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
ROTC aims high

By NiKia Matthews

ROTC accomplished what many students only dream of doing.

With inspirational courses, activities and a classroom of future leaders, ROTC taught students the basics of military life. First-aid, map reading, military history and marksmanship were some of the activities that the courses taught.

“The ROTC program helped with my decisions for the future,” Roselyn Hudson (12) said.

The program included the BFI, an inspection and competition including all Omaha Public Schools, and the Military Ball, a dance to acknowledge the staff.

The instructors, Major Richard Yost and Sergeant Carey Jurin, helped cadets to organize a goal for tomorrow and to plan a future for themselves. They also provided recruiters and college information for the students.

“Although the instructors were tough, in their hearts they really cared,” Tiffany McDonald (12) said.

Right: 1997-98 ROTC Battalion Commander–Tia Robinson (12). (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

Below: 1997-98 ROTC Primary Staff–NiKia Matthews (12), Tiffany McDonald (12), Jonathan Nebel (11), Shannon Housh (11), Rachel Ortmeier (11) and Zachary Chapin (11). (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)
Left: 1997-98 ROTC Secondary Staff—Sir Wayne Wardlow (11), Elisha Mueller (11), Andrew Buckley (11), Jeremy Slowik (11) and Nick Walton (11). (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

Below: “Why me?!” James McAlister (10) gets a taste of map reading. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Bottom Left: Michael Ziemies (9) and NiKia Matthews (12) take a break from the Courtesy Patrol to share a joke. (Photo courtesy of NiKia Matthews)

Above: 1997-98 ROTC Color Guard—Front Row: Jeffrey Leslie (9), Kahlea Scott (9), Jeremy Slowik (11), Aurora Regnier (9), Zachery Chapin (11), Louis Saylors (10), Jonathan Nebel (11), Andrew Buckley (11), Timothy Robertson (10), Andrew Mitchell (10), Kimberly Woods (9), Shannon Housh (11), Angela Ingram (9), Ningning Li (9), Alicia Starks (10), Elizabeth Coder (10), Garen Nielsen (9) and Rhiannon Hicks (9).
Rifle Team triggers victorious season

In the blink of an eye, Rifle Team has made Central High’s range explosive.

The team had many exciting sessions during the year. With only nine participants and 55 minutes of practice, their dedication paid off.

“It’s 95 percent concentration and 5 percent shooting,” Sgt. Carey Jurin said.

They were involved in activities and competitions that made their year constructive and powerful. The competitions included the Creighton Shoulder-to-Shoulder Match, which was held in the spring, the City Pistol League, during the fall and the Biathlon Omaha Public School.

“We got to shoot and run in the Biathlon, that was kind of fun,” Jonathan Nebel (11) said.

Above: Sgt. Jurin takes time out of his busy schedule to assist Elizabeth Coder (10) before a practice. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Right: “Uh man, this is going to be the death of me!” Robert Dainowski (10) says as he sadly looks at his target sheet. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Upper Right: 1997-98 Rifle Team – First Row: Jeremy Slowik (11), Jonathan Nebel (11) and Jared Hart (10). Second Row: Elizabeth Coder (10), Angela McFarlin (11) and Robert Dainowski (10). (Photo: NiKia Matthews)
Keeping in Step with the Drill Team

By NiKia Matthews

The rhythmic sound of a drill commander shouting out orders started off another year for the Drill Team.

"It took the practice of perfection that made this team perfect," Commander Ernest Woods (12) said.

The Drill Team competed in three major events during the school year. The OPS competition at Bellevue East was the most important event of the year. With a high stepping squad and a spirited group, Drill Team made their participation in the ROTC program a beneficial experience.

The practices were held in the morning during zero hour, once a week. During these practices, the Varsity squad showed their abilities to the freshmen, who learned by their example.

"Being able to execute the movement in order was what made this team great," Maj. Richard Yost, ROTC instructor, said.

Above: 1997-98 Varsity Drill Team—First Row: Naomi Henderson (10), Craig Carmichael (10), Robert Dainowski (10), Timothy Robertson (10), Julius Aquino (10), Louis Saylors (10), Zachary Chapin (11), Levi Sena (10), Andrew Buckley (11), Nicole Perry (10), Jonathan Nebel (11), Rachel Ortmeyer (11), Jeremy Slowik (11), Shannon Housh (11), Charles Hollingsworth (10) and Elizabeth Coder (10). (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Left: Rhiannon Hicks (9) teaches Hanhan Li (9) how to hold a rifle while staying in step. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Upper Left: 1997-98 Freshman Drill Team—First Row: Kimberly Woods (9), Alicia Starks (10), Hanhan Li (9) and Rhiannon Hick (9). Back Row: Sara Nyambok (9) and Garen Nielsen (9). (Photo: NiKia Matthews)
"Dimension was a magazine created from the minds of students and published by a crazy bunch like us," Sarah Wengert (12) said.

Dimension was a creative magazine published by the Creative Writing class. The Chief Editor of the project was Mrs. Peggy Wheeler, English 7-8 and Creative Writing teacher.

Five upperclass staff members took time to select and discover artwork and writings from students at Central. Students had an opportunity to hand in and see short-stories, photographs, art work, essays and other literary works.

"Dimension gave us a chance to work together and put out a product that everyone was happy with," Kelly Connor (12) said.

Right: Sarah Wengert (12) takes time to explain to a new concept to Shaun Kiel (11). (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Right: 1997-98 Creative Writing Committee—
First Row: Patty Abbott (10), Katie Murphy (11) and Valerie Barrett (12).
Second Row: Becky Potter (10), Shayna Denny (9), Mikayla Chambers (10), Melissa Colton (10), Megan Kensler (12), Elizabeth Eakins (10), Kate Alseth (12) and Erin Padilla (11).
Third Row: Tim Benson (10), Minsu Strickland (11), Willie Karpf (11), Shaun Kiel (11) and Elena O'Connell (11). (Photo: NiKia Matthews)
**whole new world**

Left: Minsu Strickland (11) gets a dose of *Dimension* fever. (Photo: Nikiia Matthews)

Below: Mrs. Politi, first semester substitute for Mrs. Peggy Wheeler, takes time out to laugh with students Valerie Barrett (12) and Elena O'Connell (11). (Photo: Nikiia Matthews)

Bottom: The upper class Dimension committee, Molly Deacon (12), Aaron Privitera (12), Sarah Wengert (12), Courtney Collins (12) and Kelly Connor (12) show how sophisticated upperclassmen can be. (Photo: Nikiia Matthews)
Everyday, a group of students studied and prepared to win awards for Central's Academic Decathlon teams in subjects such as art, math and science, Dana Hendee (11), a member of the team, said.

The Decathlon members were put into competition groups based on their personal G.P.A. Their grade and G.P.A. made no difference in acceptance because anyone could be on the team. All students received an honors credit for the class and were split into levels ranging from the Honor team to the Varsity team.

In addition to the zero hour study time and home study time, students also held weekend practices and study groups. This led to many high placement scores on the decathlon tests.

The three largest competitions were Regionals, State and Nationals. James Leuschen (12) received third place in Music, second place in Social Studies and first in Language and Literature at the Nebraska Wesleyan scrimmage. Mary Lynn Super (11) received second place in Art; Dave Rennard (11) received third in Math and Sam Kruger (12) received second place in Art and first in Math at the Creighton Prep scrimmage.

“IT's like studying for Jeopardy,” Corey Evans (12) said.
gains knowledge, awards

Left: 1997-98 Academic Decathlon Team—Top Row: James Leuschen (12), Ben Teply (12), Adam Moeller (11), Dan Danberg (12), Sam Kruger (12), Karin Dudley (11) and Josh Priluck (12). Second Row: Sonja Shelstad (11), Dana Hendee (11), Mary Lynn Super (11), Dave Rennard (11) and Phuoc Dam (10). Bottom Row: Corey Evans (12), Yen Nguyen (11), Liz Montag (11) and Keyvan Aarabi (10). (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

Bottom Left: Academic Decathlon students take time to help each other prepare for their tests. (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)

Below: Dave Rennard (11) shows Sonja Shelstad (11) that learning can be fun. (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)
Central celebrated its 84th annual Road Show this year. This talent show was the most highly attended production of the year and had a greater diversity of acts than ever before.

"It was a well-rounded variety of acts," Mrs. Pegi Georgeson, director, said. "It's not just for the student body, it's for a wide variety of audiences."

Out of the 48 acts that auditioned, 24 were accepted. The acts ranged from a dazzling piano performance to a hilarious first date skit and even a few ethnic dances.

"There was a big variety of cultures in our acts this year," Michelle Cabrales (12), assistant stage manager, said.

The Road Show's theme was Heart and Soul, named after A Cappella's musical selection and for the themes in the majority of the acts. It was performed on Feb. 20 and 21 at 7 p.m, with a student matinee performance on Feb. 20.

"People were really enthusiastic," Dave Rennard (11) said. "The acts were really high quality."

Top Right: Jorge Morales (11) shows his moves during a Road Show practice. (Photo: Debra Slape)

Right: Ashlee Pearson (9) and Jacqueline Militti (9) show that "Central High will make ya...jump, jump!" (Photo: NiKia Matthews)
its heart and soul

Upper Left: Those foolish games didn’t keep Staci Johnson (12) from showing her talent. (Photo: NiKia Matthews)

Left: Bel Canto gives their heart and soul to the Road Show production. (Photo: Debra Slape)

Above: Matt Smith shows off his smarts by impersonating “Franz” from Saturday Night Live. (Photo: Debra Slape)
Activity after activity, week after week, French Club kept itself busy throughout the 1997-98 year, attending plays and learning more about French culture.

French Club participated in many events this year. The annual Film and Fondue party, where members sampled fondue and watched French films, was a big highlight for the students.

They also travelled to Lincoln to watch the French film *Les Misérables*.

“French Club was very busy this year, as they have always been, participating in activities and conferences almost every week,” Beverly Fellman, French Club sponsor, said.
“French National Honor Society was truly an honor to all its members this year,” Mrs. Beverly Fellman, French teacher, said.

FNHS started out the year with an AIDS walk for charity and a dinner at the French Café. They also teamed up with the French Club for cosmic bowling and other activities because members believed it was more fun to do activities as a group.

“I liked giving students the chance to learn more about French culture, and it was an honor to them when they were inducted into FNHS,” Mrs. Daryl Bayer, FNHS sponsor, said.

Another activity was a French Riviera Day party, during which FNHS members participated in a beach party complete with swimsuits and French food, and a French discotheque.

“This year the French National Honor Society was very active and a great cultural experience. We had a blast and participated in a lot of neat projects,” Rachel Slosburg (12) said.

Top Left: 1997-98 FNHS - Nicole Best (12), Rachel Slosburg (12), Elonie Lewis (12), Sarah Felix (12) and Alex Ramirez (12). Front Row: Molly Medakovich (12) and Sonja Shelstad (11)

Left: Three is a Party! Sonja Shelstad (11), Liz Montag (11) and Molly Medakovich (12) seem to be the only members showing up for this FNHS meeting.

Left: French Pride- Nicole Best (12), Alex Ramirez (12), Sonja Shelstad (11), Molly Medakovich (12), Rachel Slosburg (12) and Mrs. Daryl Bayer (sponsor) show their French loyalty. (All photos: Marci Holmes)
German Club builds gingerbread houses

By Kim Schulte

German Club sponsored many activities, ranging from its annual miniature golf tournament to selling advent calendars.

German Club met each month to plan its monthly activity. One of the most interesting aspects of German Club was its participation with German Clubs from other OPS schools.

“German Club was a very interactive club that involved everyone in different activities,” Megan Mullen (12) said.

German Club was known for the spectacular gingerbread houses that its members made in December.

“German Club was great, especially the food, because the Germans make the best food. My favorite activity was when we made gingerbread houses. There were always lots of goodies,” Emily Martin (12) said.

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-Emily Martin (12)
GNHS celebrates culture

By Kim Schulte and Kelsey Stump

German National Honor Society kept itself busy this year with many different cultural activities.

They started off the year with their annual induction. It allowed new students to extend their involvement in GNHS.

Throughout the year, they participated in many cultured events. They did their annual caroling at the Lutheran Home, which brought joy to many residents. They also participated in United Nations Day at Joslyn Castle where they got to meet new and interesting people, as well as show off their German knowledge. Beside these events, GNHS did progressive dinners, scavenger hunts and many community services.

"GNHS was a good opportunity for students to learn about German culture," Josh Priluck (12) said.

Above: GNHS Officers-
Emily Martin (12), Megan Mullen (12), Dan Danberg (12), Todd Jacobson (12), Dana Hendee (11) and Josh Priluck (12). (Photo: Kim Schulte)

Upper Left: Sarah Schrad (12) shows newly inducted members Norene Wolff (11) and Jane Swirzinski (11) how its done. (Photo courtesy of Josh Priluck)
The Spanish Club accomplished one of its goals this year, to participate in many activities.

The club created new ties with ESL. They invited the ESL students to plan fun and interesting activities.

Spanish Club made a special effort when they gave a helping hand in the food drive. The club found that when everyone participated in the activity, it was very successful.

The Spanish Club did a lot of eating out and helping various organizations around Omaha.

“In the past, clubs haven’t been as active, but my mission was to be active and listen,” Kayleta Adams (12) said.
Left: 1997-98 Spanish Club Officers—
First Row: Becky Potter (10), Kayleta Adams (12), Jesse Wheeler (11), Johann Johnson (11) and Carmen Evans (12).
(Photo: Kim Schulte)

Left: Tom Fuchs (11) and Ben Rinaker (11) know that Spanish Club always has good after-school snacks.
(Phot: Kim Schulte)

Above: 1997-98 Spanish Club—First Row: Kristina Myszkowski (9), Sarah Huskey (11), Brian Joseph (11) and Yen Nguyen (11). Second Row: Claire Devney (9), John Stacy (12), Shaun Israel (12), Kayleta Adams (12), Becky Potter (10), Samira Nazem (10) and Felecia Ellis (11). Third Row: Maurice Gray (10), Mikala Kearney (11), Mary Lynn Super (11), Erin Jenkins (12), Kelly Welbourn (11), Ivory Welbourn (9) and Erin Marasco (11). Fourth Row: Greg Davey (11), Jesse Wheeler (11), Jono Croskey (10), Tom Fuchs (11), Johann Johnson (11), Ben Rinaker (11) and Sarah Price (12). Fifth Row: Becky Storm (10), Rashaun Murry (12) and John Owens (11).
(Phot: Kim Schulte)
JCL carries on valuable traditions

By Jill McFee and Kelsey Stump

Junior Classical League, otherwise known as JCL, is the oldest Latin club in the United States. Its traditions date back to 1905 when the club was founded.

JCL participated in many memorable events this year. This included a barbeque at Alyssa Arthur’s house, dinner at the Greek Islands restaurant, haunted houses, cosmic bowling and much more.

“I lied and said I had a heart murmur so I wouldn’t have to see the snakes at the haunted house,” Ms. Rita Ryan, the club’s sponsor, said.

This year JCL had somewhere between 50 and 60 members. This included two state officers, Christa Lowitzer (12) and David Rennard (11). They both held the experience in high regards.

“We had a lot of fun in JCL this year,” Beth Weis said.
Upper Left: Beth Weis (11), Nicole Neumann (11) and Alyssa Arthur (12) parade down the hall in their Greek style togas. (Photo courtesy of Toni Adair)

Upper Right: Katherine Schroeder (11) smiles as she is inducted as a JCL officer. (Photo courtesy of Toni Adair)

Left: Nicole Neumann (11) and Emily Martin (12) impersonate Greek statues. (Photo courtesy of Toni Adair)

Above: 1997-98 JCL Officers—Jenny Sanders (12), Toni Adair (11) and Christa Lowitzer (12). (Photo: Jill McFee)
Drama Club supplies humor, talent

By Kelsey Stump

In Drama Club and Thespians, everyone was a character. Their meetings always proved to be entertaining and humorous. Drama Club was perfect for those students who like to laugh and improve their acting skills.

The club sponsored lock-ins, candy sales and raptor games in order to raise funds and strengthen communication within the group. Many members participated in these activities and enjoyed the experience.

"One of the many joys of Drama Club was witnessing our illustrous leaders in action," Dustin Frank (11) said.

Drama Club elected officers to conduct their meetings and provide leadership. Their was a president, a vice-president, sergeant at arms, secretary and treasurer.

"Throught being sergeant at arms, I get the privilege of yelling at the freshmen and other miscreants in order to keep Drama Club alive," Andrew Nelson (11) said.
Above: 1997-98 Thespian Officers—Emilie Parrott (11), Marisa Ramsey (12), Sally Otis (12) and Jackie Hart (12). (Photo: Kelsey Stump)

Top right: “Giddy-up, Lucas!” Andrew Nelson (11) rides Lucas Stecker (11) around the auditorium, while Eli Bambridge (12) tries to read. (Photo: Kelsey Stump)

Opposite Page Top Right: Lucas Stecker (11), Matt Smith (10), Shaun Keel (11) and David Rennard (11) have to escort Sonja Shelstad (11) out of the dramatorium after an ugly episode at one of the meetings. (Photo: Kelsey Stump)

Above: 1997-98 Thespians-First Row: Corey McCallan (12), Andrew Nelson (11), Sally Otis (12), Emilie Parrott (11), Jackie Hart (12) and Marisa Ramsey (12). Second Row: Quinn Corbin (9), Jenny Williams (11), Elorie Lewis (12), Rachael Achelpohl (10), Alison Hager (11), Liz Ekins (10) and Amy Revenaugh (12). Third Row: Jonathan Noland (10), Eli Bainbridge (12), Mitch Raftery (9), Ashleigh Billings (12), Vince Wesselmann (10), Ben Beck (9), Joe Wojtikiewicz (12), Dustin Frank (11), Lucas Stecker (11) and Bryan Greer (12). Fourth Row: Erik Smith (10). (Photo: Kelsey Stump)
MESA paves the road to the future

By Marci Holmes

MESA members excel in many areas each year, and this year was no different.

Math, Engineering and Science Achievement Club started out the year by choosing students on a selective basis. Members were chosen based on their success in school, especially the math and science departments.

"MESA was a great organization to join. I got to meet different students in every grade," Felecia Ellis (11) said.

The group focused on increasing opportunities for minority students in math, science and engineering fields, but any college-bound student could join. Students involved in MESA participated in ACT preparation classes, campus visits and college application night.

"Being a sponsor gave us an opportunity to work with students that we probably would not have encountered. We encouraged the students to continue in the areas of math and science and hopefully excel in them," Patricia Wallington and Pamela D. King, club sponsors, said.

Above: 1997-98 MESA Club–First Row: Brandie Hollingsworth (10), Felecia Ellis (11), Nikia Matthews (12), Janelle Orange (12), Ashira Jones (12) and Laura Jimenez (9). Second Row: Terri Sharpe (11), Tai Burleson (10), Tasha Coffin (10), SirWayne Wardlow (11), Tiffany Williams (12), Tia Nelson (10), Arianna Perry (9), Louis Carter (9) and James Butler (10). (All photos: Kim Schulte)

Upper Right: We love MESA! Janelle Orange (12) and Ashira Jones (12) show some positive attitude.

Right: Pam King and Patricia Wallington, sponsors, are en vogue in their MESA sweatshirts.
Math Club Goes to War

By Marci Holmes

This year in Math Club, many new members experienced the thrill of their life. They went to war.

Yes, war. Math Club, for years, has participated in a war every Friday, during which members competed against other members to see who was superior. The questions ranged from difficult high level math questions to sports trivia.

In Math Club, everyone held a position. All seniors were eligible for president, and made a speech. Most of the speeches were quite interesting, but one highlight of this year’s election was when Sam Kruger (12) dismantled the podium accidentally, and threw it on the ground. Other members were eligible for any position, such as bouncer or goddess of cheating.

“Math Club was like a family, in a Mafia sort of way,” President Sam Kruger (12) said.

Math Club also competed in various math bowls and competitions. Most of the students went to the first tournament, but only a selected few went to the other competitions.

“Math Club was a curious composite of curious people in the never-ending pursuit of pure truth and beauty,” Mr. John Waterman, advisor of the Math Club, said.
History Club pursues knowledge

By Kelsey Stump

The 1997-98 History Club was filled with knowledge this year. Its game of choice was Trivial Pursuit, which they played at their first meeting.

"It was a lot of fun when I played against Mrs. Denniston-Reed and I won," Leslie Ujhely (12) said.

Mrs. Vicki Denniston-Reed was the club's sponsor. She is a former Lewis and Clark Junior High School Social Studies teacher who now teaches history at Central.

There were no officers in History Club. Instead, an emperor or empress was selected at each meeting to lead the club at the next session. The emperor or empress was appointed to plan the subject matter and relate activities for the next club meeting.

History Club proved to be very knowledgeable and helpful to students who were struggling in social studies classes. It was also a wonderful learning experience for experts in the field.


Top right: "Papa needs a new pair of shoes!" Chris Anderson (11) and Ben Rinaker (11) need all the help they can get for the game of Trivial Pursuit. (All photos: Kelsey Stump)

Above: Jamison Richart (11) and Greg Davey (11) make up their own historical facts.
In its second year, the Chess Club challenged members to think creatively and outsmart their opponents. They held a meeting every Wednesday after school to improve their chess skills.

Chess Club members were part of the Chess League in Omaha. In February, they participated in a state chess championship.

This year there were many new players who strived to place higher at their competitions. After a great first year, the members hoped to reach higher goals and learn new strategies.

"I was a beginner, but I learned new moves at each meeting because the more experienced people helped me," Monica Waiau (10) said.
FBLA leads the field

By Marci Holmes

FBLA was not just meant for business leaders, but meant for anyone who wanted to be involved in a business-type competition.

Bo Gebbie (12), president, led FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) in many activities during the course of the year.

They participated in such events as Honey Sunday, Toys for Tots, haunted houses and other community events.

"FBLA was a fun and challenging group that competed all over the country, all while meeting new people," Bo said.

They also competed in various tournaments and activities. FBLA members used their business and marketing skills to match their wit with other members from different schools.

They attended conferences and prepared for their competitions under the leadership of the FBLA officers.

"We had fun while using our business knowledge in business situations," Chris Colegrove (11) said.

Upper Right: Bo Gebbie (12), president, tries to take charge during a hectic FBLA meeting. (All photos: Marci Holmes)

Right: Doug Graber (11) and Chris Colegrove (11) use their skills to the maximum while organizing a meeting.
Below: Heather Anderson (10) and Elizabeth Coder (10) show the friendships that FBLA builds.

Left: Elizabeth Coder (10) and Tara Bacome (11) work on their latest project.

Middle Left: 1997-98 FBLA Club Officers—Back Row: Jay Rose (11), Bo Gebbie (12), Chris Colegrove (11) and Amber Miller (11). Front Row: Elizabeth Coder (10) and Doug Graber (11).

Bottom: 1997-98 FBLA—Front Row: Evelyn Reinthaler (10), Lindsey Whitmore (10) and Tara Bacome (11). Middle Row: Becky Storm (10), Heather Anderson (10), Elizabeth Coder (10), Doug Graber (11) and Amber Miller (10). Last Row: Justine Walton (10), Joseph Ferhman (9), Bo Gebbie (12), Chris Colegrove (11), Josiah Nelson (11), Jay Rose (11) and Doug McQuinn (11). (All photos: Marc Holmes)
From ringing bells to wrapping gifts, Central High DECA members participated in an assortment of activities this year.

“There were a lot of activities to choose from,” Jody Baines (11) said. DECA, an association of marketing students, participated in competitions, designed surveys and baked cookies. Students met people from all over Nebraska and the United States at their various competitions.

“I liked being involved in DECA because it got me into the competition and I got to meet new people,” Emilie Parrott (11) said.

Members got the chance to be hosts and hostesses for the Saturn car company in their annual customer appreciation day. DECA attended a variety of conferences and competitions, including DECA Districts, State and Nationals.

“My favorite activity was the State competition in Lincoln because I was able to meet a lot of new people from all over Nebraska,” Bo Gebbie (12) said.

The officers for DECA were: President, Sam Kruger (12); Senior Vice President, Amber Ingram (12); Junior Vice President, Margaret Kukula (11); Vice President of Civic Conscience, Brooktynn Zendejas (12); Vice President of Finance, Lynn Anderson (12); Vice President of Social Activities, Jenny Tekesky (12); Vice President of Public Relations, Todd Jacobson (12) and Vice President of Professional Activities, Josh Priluck (12).
This year the Principal’s Advisory Board took a stand and discussed many topics and changes within Central as well as the whole Omaha Public School district. Topics ranging from Central’s parking problems to the new superintendent were discussed among freshmen through seniors.

The board met four times this year. In these short periods of time, Dr. Gary Thompson was able to gather students’ opinions and use them to better the environment at Central, not only for current students but also for incoming freshmen.

“I felt the meeting with the superintendent was very enjoyable and helpful,” Nicole Neumann (11) said.

Omaha Public School’s new superintendent, Dr. John Mackiel, took time out of his schedule to come to Central in November and hear what the students had to say about some of the upcoming changes within the district. Overall, many students and faculty members agreed that the meeting was a beneficial experience.
Board takes a stand

Left: 1997-98 Junior Principal's Advisory Board—Toni Adair, Emily Berman, Tynia Brewer, Gary Bullard, Nate Bullington, Taylor Campbell, Dariel Carpenter, Tameka Chunn, Stacy Cramer, Matt Darling, Megan Douglas, Karin Dudley, Neal Duffy, Julie Ferris, Nicole Grace, Alison Hager, Dana Hendee, Stephanie Holm, Marci Holmes, Kerri Inserillo, Mikala Kearney, Kate Kimball, Margaret Kukula, Christina Lewis, Jennifer Leuth, Krysti Martin, Katie McCann, Jill McFee, Kit Meigs, Ashanta Mickles, Cara Miller, Fareeda Muhammad, Andrew Nelson, Nicole Neumann, Jason Niemeier, Christian Niwuju, Emilie Parrott, Ricardo Peacock, Adriana Piña, Christina Radi, Amber Rager, David Rennard, Kelsey Stump, Jeremy Stutzka, Jane Swirzinski, Versie Vaughn, Stuart Waters, Beth Weis and Emily Williams. (Photo: Kim Schulte)

Left: 1997-98 Sophomore Principal’s Advisory Board—Julius Aquino, Iris Banks, Taylor Billotte, Jessica Boro, Nicole Bowers, Tai Burleson, Oscareta Campbell, Jono Croskey, Maggie Day, John Eubanks, Erin Foley, Mandy Gayer, Molly Hoberman, Laura Ingersoll, Julia Jahn, Chole Karpt, Katrina Kearns, Amber Miller, Andrea Mullen, Megan Myers, Chris Ochsner, Caila Pappas, Paul Philmlee, Kari Rider, RaShawn Smallwood, Erik Smith, Matt Smith, Katie Spoonhour, Anastasia Treantos, Mary Trisch, Emilie Waldmann, Sara Watson, Laura Werkheiser, Erika Wilson, Dominique Winford and Stefanie Wulff. (Photo: Kelsey Stump)

“Film Club worked the whole year to create films and by the end of the year had film expertise,” Ms. Carol Krejci, club sponsor, said.

Club members learned about film creation first. They learned how to make films throughout the year. Then they had the chance to direct and make their own production. Members also had the chance to write their own film scripts.

“Film Club gave people the opportunity to express themselves in a fun and creative way,” Becky Goldberg (12) said.

“The brains goes to the students, I just helped when I could,” Ms. Krejci said.
International Club dances the night away

By Marci Holmes

International Club gave students from all cultures a chance to experience life in the "American way," a club sponsor said.

Ms. Sheila Houston said International Club members participated in many activities this year, including bowling, ice skating, roller skating and dancing. Each member was eligible to participate in any or all of the activities and many said that they learned a lot about both America and their own countries.

"I liked being in International Club because we met many different people from other countries and learned about their customs," Jorge Morales (11) said.

International Club membership was not limited. They had an open enrollment and the participation for each activity varied.

"We enjoyed the activities as much as the students did," Houston said. "It was very rewarding to see our students experience American activities for the first time."

Upper Left: Victor Ramirez (10), Adriana Ascencio (11), Jennifer Castro (12), Sara Carreno (10), Jorge Morales (11) and Olivia Mora (10) groove to the music.

Left: Adriana Ascencio (11) gives dancing her all.

Above: 1997-98 International Club—First Row: Adriana Ascencio (11), Olivia Mora (10), Gloria Sarellano (12), Sara Carreno (10) and Thom Covos, sponsor. Second Row: Jennifer Castro (12), Michelle Golden, sponsor, Jorge Morales (11), Victor Ramirez (10) and Thao Giap (11). Third Row: Delia Antunez (10), Janet Reynoso (9), Ronnetta McKinney, sponsor, Bidit Jul (10), Tho Giap (12), Tammy Parker, sponsor and Nhial Riek (9). Fourth Row: Jacob Yao (10), Benjamin Rodriguez (10), Advait Bhakta (10), Bidit Chan (11) and Leonel Ascencio (12). (All photos: Marci Holmes)
Physics Club builds to new heights

"Physics Club gave students a chance to explore the world in a new way," Alyssa Arthur (12) said.
The Physics Club increased its membership this year. Many people joined to participate in the numerous competitions.

"I liked being the sponsor because Physics Club challenged the brightest minds," Ms. Jane Colling, sponsor, said.

Physics Club participated in the annual Balsa Wood Truss Competition, held at Oak View Mall. This event consisted of building bridges while following careful rules and guidelines.

They also participated in Physics Field Day, an event held by Creighton University. Members participated in an egg catapult, a bridge building competition and a Ping-Pong carrier tournament.

Top Right: Aggie Davis (12), Chris Anderson (11) and Annika Carlson (11) show what Physics Club is all about: building friendships. (Photo: Marci Holmes)

Middle Right: 1997-98 Physics Club—First Row: Eric Mickelunas (12), Eugenia Sumnick (11), Aggie Davis (12), Alison Hager (11), Norene Wolff (11), Jane Swirzinski (11), Dana Hendeel (11), Mikala Kearney (11) and Mrs. Jane Colling, sponsor. Second Row: Dr. Robert Wolff, Paul Larsen (11), Bo Gebbie (12), Sam Kruger (12), Bob Hruska (12), Andy Tworek (12), Aaron Freed (12), Gary Bullard (11), Chloe Karpf (10) and Nicole Bowers (10). Third Row: Dave Rennard (11), Corey Evans (12), Greg Davey (11), Johann Johnson (11), Jamison Richart (11), Ben Pierce (11) and Liz Montag (11). (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Right: Bo Gebbie (12) and Bob Hruska (12) work hard on inventing the wheel. (Photo: Marci Holmes)

Above: Mikala Kearney (11) and Kathryn Schroeder (11) put their Physics knowledge to the test. (Photo: Marci Holmes)
Art Club spreads creativity

By Kim Schulte

“Art Club gave me a chance to interact with people who love art as much as I do and we could explore possibilities outside the class,” Kelly Connor (12) said.

This year was Art Club’s first year as a club. The club’s sponsor was Ms. Margaret Quinn, who thought Central needed an Art Club so the students could do something they enjoy.

Members painted pumpkins for the Children’s Hospital in October. This gave the children who spent Halloween in the hospital a sense of holiday feeling. Members also started a new tradition at Central. They made chokers, anklets and bracelets which were sold to the students after school. They also worked on a new mural for the library wall.

“Art Club is a fun and creative outlet,” Sally Otis (12) said.

Above: 1997-98 Art Club-- First Row: Han Han Li (9). Second Row: Alex Matyja (9), Miriam Uebe (12), Bethany Hoelt (12) and Calli Cohn (10). Third Row: Heather Anderson (10), Ms. Margaret Quinn sponsor, Christa Lowitzer (12) and Ramsey Scott (9). (Photo: Jill McFee)

Upper Left: Julie Huffless (10) paints her pumpkin for the hospital. (Photo courtesy of Ms. Quinn)

Left: Faith Enright (12) gives her pumpkin that extra special touch. (Photo courtesy of Ms. Quinn)
This year, there was no longer an African-American History Club, but students still had the option of taking a class on the same subject. The African-American History class, taught by Ms. Patricia Brizendine, researched the history of African Americans.

The students participated in activities such as sampling traditional African-American cuisine prepared by Ms. Brizendine's mother. Lois Thomas from the Pulse Organization, which handles teen violence, came and spoke to the class. Also Mr. Mullen, a student teacher at Central who considers himself an authority on Omaha's African-American history, spoke to the class.

The students also participated in African American History workshops at other Omaha Public Schools.
Minority Scholars prove success
By Kelsey Stump

The Minority Scholars Program was designed to provide an educational atmosphere for gifted minority students.

"Minority Scholars was a group I could go to where there were other minority students who were high achievers, like me," Adriana Piña (11) said.

Mrs. Terrie Saunders and Mrs. Kathy Maloney put the program together last year. Students responded well to it, and Minority Scholars proved to be a success. Students could go to room 229 for tutoring during their lunch periods.

"We often arranged for guest speakers to come in from the Hispanic and African communities to speak with the students," Mrs. Saunders said.

College representatives also came in and spoke to the students about their opportunities as minorities.

Upper Left: Cerone Thompson (11) ponders Einstein as he attempts his physics homework. (Photo: Kelsey Stump)

Above: Mrs. Kathy Maloney and Mrs. Terrie Saunders, advisors, debate over who the next minority speaker will be. (Photo: Kim Shulte)

Left: Kendall Levison (11) is deep in thought as he writes in his book. (Photo: Kelsey Stump)
Mock Trial went to court this year and proved to be a huge success.

The club was new to Central this year. It consisted of six to seven participants, either male or female. Of the participants, there were three attorneys and three to four witnesses. The team also had an attorney coach, Mr. Ed Zendejas and a teacher sponsor, Mrs. Carol Hipp.

The new group built a strong case against their opponents using this year’s theme, State of Nebraska vs. Pat Peterson. They were given affidavits, a coroner’s report and other exhibits to apply to the case. They were also given a time limit of ten minutes to prove either side of the case.

The budding group of lawyers and prosecutors proved that they were all work and no play when they won three of the four trials they participated in.

“It was stressful, and it made me realize what a courtroom is really like,” Siri Heese (12) said.
Bowling Club knocks down competition

By Kelsey Stump

Bowling Club knocked down the competition this year when they challenged other OPS high schools at Kelley’s Hilltop Lanes.

At the open of the season, bowling club competed in tournaments and spent much of their time practicing at the bowling alley. The practice paid off this year when they ended with a winning season.

Instead of the traditional club, which involves both boys and girls, Bowling Club was more like a sport in the sense that they had separate teams.

“The girls team gained a lot of new players and came a long way this year,” Julie Weston (12) said. “The boys team also did really well this year.”

Above: 1997-98 Girls Bowling Team-Front Row: Tara Bacom (11) and Evelyn Reinthaler (10). Second Row: Sara Beadle (9), Julie Weston (12) and Sara Schneider (12). Not pictured: Heather Anderson (11). (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Top: Chad Powell (12) concentrates as he aims for a strike. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Above: 1997-98 Men's Bowling Team- Front Row: Steve Huthoff (9), Dave Jackson (9), Ben Cap (9) and Chad Sheffield (9). Second Row: Joey Brown (11), Richie Davenport (11), Chad Powell (12), Ed Climber (10) and Nick Backman (9). Not pictured: Brian Vencalek (9). (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
This year’s Varsity Football team proved themselves fierce competition with a strong starting line-up once again.

The Eagles headed into the season with an entire summer of hard work behind them. The team trained three days a week and also participated in a week long camp, which prepared them for the challenging season ahead.

“We played hard and gave 110 percent throughout the season. We started out slow but in the end we really pulled through,” running back DeAntae Grixby (12) said. “We always played to win.”

There were many key players that helped make the season a success. Seniors DeAntae Grixby, Cecil Evans and Lawrence Butler helped eliminate mistakes and contributed to a starting line-up that was hard to compete with.

Other players also contributed to making the team so powerful. Underclassmen Jamaine Billups (10), Terrell Gardner (11) and Brandon Williams (11) show that the Eagles have a promising future for the years to come.

“We took a little longer to click than expected, but once we did we showed everyone what Central football was all about,” Brandon Williams (11) said.
Left: 1997-98 Varsity Football Team—Front Row: Errol Randolph (11), Adrian Oropeza (12), DeAntae Grixby (12), Tim Williamson (12), Aaron Freed (12), Jason Regan (12), Cody Shevlin (12) and Larahn Minnifield (11). Second Row: Jimos Reese (11), Josh Smith (11), Lance Griffin (12), Lornell McPherson (9), Jon Dunson (12), Mike Sheehan (11), Bob Hruska (12), Cecil Evans (12) and Thomas Hubbard (12). Third Row: Trainer Heidi Jens, Sunn Perkins-Spurlock (12), Brandon Williams (11), Asst. Coach Stan Standifer, Head Coach Joe McMenamin, Asst. Coach Greg Hansen, Asst. Coach Mark Allner, Ryan Lowery (11) and Jay Axelrod (12). Fourth Row: Ernest Woods (12), Lawrence Butler (12), Kenderick Clay (11), James Leuschen (12), Brian Ketelsen (12), Matt Womacque (11), James Roark (10), Jamaica Billups (10), and Andrew Mitchell (10). Back Row: Terrell Gardener (11), Djuan Johnson (12), Chad Dalley (12), Jason Friedrichsen (12), Emil Moses (12), Marcus Brewer (12), Randall Ward (12) and Jason Galaska (12). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)
Underclass Football

By Mikayla Ward

The Underclass Football teams stayed competitive throughout the season by playing advanced teams.

The Freshman A team worked hard during practices and games to prepare for next year.

The Reserve team had a very rewarding season. The team did not contain as many players as other school’s sophomore teams, but it was the only team to beat Prep.

“By the time this year’s Reserve team become seniors, the team will have a very good record,” Coach Robert Lessley said.

The Junior Varsity team had a tough schedule for the first part of the season, but by the end of fall they had mastered many important playing skills.

“I believe that because of the work and team effort we had this year, next year will be a success,” Mike Sheehan (11) said.

Below: 1997-98 Junior Varsity Football Team—Front Row: Jamar Perkins (11), Andrew Burson (11), Jay Rose (11), Jason McFarlan (11), Mitchell Moses (11) and Larahe Minncfield (11). Second Row: Lornell McPherson (9), Kenderick Clay (11), Ryan Lowery (11), Chris Colegrove (11), Mike Sheehan (11) and Josh Smith (11). Third Row: Chris Kelley (11), Coach Stan Standifer, Coach Mark Allner, Coach Greg Hansen, Georg Getty (11), Andrew Mitchell (10). Fourth Row: James Roark (11), Matt Womacque (11), Minsu Strickland (11), Jon Nebel (11) and Zac Clementson (11). Fifth Row: Johann Johnson (11), Chris Allen (11), John Ingraham (11), Josh Humphrey (11) and Colion Stoffel (11). Sixth Row: Matt Leibman (11), Jeff Myers (11) and Ryan Garrison (11). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)
Left: The Reserve Team anticipates a kick off. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)

Below: Central football players prove that they ALWAYS put 110% into the game. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)

Opposite Page Middle: 1997-98 Reserve Football Team—Front Row: Alec Alba (10), Dante Harris (10), William Gregory (9), Jorge Escamilla (10), Julian Martin (10), Cody Banks (10) and Travis Pohlman (10). Second Row: Brian Orsi (10), Destry Thompson (10), Gregory Edds (10), Jason Gilbert (11), Bill Labenz (10) and Justin Galaska (10). Third Row: Kasper Poulsen (12), Coach Robert Lessley, Coach Dan Archie, Coach Lathan and Tim Robertson (10). Fourth Row: Ryan Colvin (10), Bobby Andrews (10), Jerry Borzobohaty (10), Jesse Cleasby (10), Andre Jack (10) and Tony Jansen (10). Fifth Row: James McAlister (10) and Mike Kush (10). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)


Left: Ryan Lowry (11) and Johann Johnson (11) mentally prepare for their game as they walk onto the field. (Photo: Lauren Pettit)
Varsity Softball slides into season

By Lauren Pettit

This year’s Varsity softball team proved to be a very motivated group.

Five seniors helped pull the team together with their experience and dedication. Along with the five seniors, many underclassmen stepped up a level and provided fresh new talent in some key positions.

“The new coaches really brought unity to our team,” Meghan Duffy (11) said. “We all played together as a whole.”

The girls were led by the innovative coaching techniques of Kerri Semrad.

The team said that the season’s success was due to the new coaching staff and their strategies.

“The new coaching staff really worked hard,” Sophia Theophilopoulos (10) said. “We all clicked. We’ve had a great season and the team got along really well.”
Above: Cris Calhoun (12) pitches a ball that’s sure to stop the opposing batter. (Photo courtesy of Robert Anderson)

Opposite Page Far Left: Ally Crossman (12) waits for the ball while Meghan Duffy (11) watches on. (Photo courtesy of Robert Anderson)

Opposite Page Left: Jenny Queen (12) and Amber Akiens (11) anxiously wait for the game to start. (Photo courtesy of Robert Anderson)

Above: 1997-98 Varsity Softball Team—Front Row: Kim Higgins (12), Stephanie Spielmann (11), Sophia Theophilopoulos (10), Amber Akiens (11), Mary Anderson (10) and Kim Lykke (12). Middle Row: Maggie Day (10), Ally Crossman (12), Kellie Thompson (11), Meghan Duffy (11) and Cris Calhoun (12). Back Row: Kari Shank (10), Coach Jim Monen, Coach Kerri Semrad, Coach Paul Semrad, Coach Kathy Mingo and Jenny Queen (12). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)
The Junior Varsity Softball team had a great season with a 8-6 win over Marian at the Burke Invitational Tournament.

"The Eagles were successful because they never gave up," Coach Jim Monen said.

Mary Anderson (10) made many miracle catches in the outfield including a gamesaver in the win over Marian. Dana Hendee (11) hit a triple to beat Bellevue East. Miranda Edmonds' (9) rocket throws to the catcher put an end to most opponents' thoughts of stealing.

Shana Voycheske (10) hit a home run against Lincoln and helped the team by hitting triples. Maddie Wessleman (10) batted-in and scored the winning runs against Marian. The team's final record was 10-9.

"The Junior Varsity Team was one of the best in terms of working together. We fought hard every game and never gave up," Dana Hendee (11) said.

Left: Mary Anderson (10) prepares to steal third base. (Photo courtesy of Robert Anderson)

Above: 1997-98 Junior Varsity Softball Team—First Row: Kerry Olson (10), Emily Lykke (9), Callie Thomas (10), Casey Wolcott (10), Lacie Hansen (11), Cecy Losee (10) and Maddie Wesselmann (9). Second Row: Miranda Edmonds (9), Mary Anderson (10), Stephanie Spielmann (11), Sarah VanBeccelaere (9), Danielle Tackitt (10) and Dana Hendee (11). Third Row: Coach Jim Monen, Amanda Ward (10), Shana Voycheske (10), Melissa Brown (11), Maggie Day (10), Angie Jones (10) and Coach Kathy Mingo. (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)
Mens Tennis swings into action

By Brooke Kelly

The Central High Men’s Tennis team started and finished the season with impressive victories.

The team started practicing in mid-August, but some players participated in pre-season tournaments.

“Our team was very competitive this year. Overall we placed high throughout the metro and state,” Charlie Carlin (11) said.

During the season, the team won the Millard West Invite, placed fourth in the Metro Conference and took fifth place at The State Tournament. Stuart Waters (11) also finished second in singles at Metro and took first in singles at State.

“It was a wonderful season,” Coach John Waterman said.

With players like Stuart Waters (11), Charlie Carlin (11) and Chris Ochsner (10) returning next year the tennis team has a bright future.

Above: Jeremiah Schultz (11) puts on his game face for the camera. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)

Left: Stuart Waters (11) concentrates on his opponent’s serve. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)
Above: Jeremiah Schultz (11) puts all he's got into his swing. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)

Top Left: **1997-98 Mens Tennis Team**—Front Row: Chad Powell (12), Dan Danberg (12), Noah Priluck (9) and Chris Ochsner (10). Middle Row: Paul Larsen (11), Jeremiah Schultz (11), Josh Priluck (12) and Stuart Waters (11). Back Row: John Ashford (12), Charlie Carlin (11), Coach John Waterman, Ben Teply (12) and John Owens (11). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)

Left: Charlie Carlin (11) shows his frog jump as he reaches to smash the ball. (Photo: Kelsey Stump)
The Girls Golf team started out strong this year with the addition of many new players.

“It was rewarding and fun to work with this group,” Coach JoAnn Dustako said. “They were a fun group and to see them succeed was very rewarding.”

The players were young, fun, spirited and very dedicated. They were ready to improve and learn new techniques. The team consisted of nine sophomores, two juniors and one senior.

Rachel Slosburg (12) and Stacy Cramer (11) were the returning lettermen and provided leadership for the other players. Rachel placed ninth in the Abraham Lincoln Invite. Stacy placed seventh in the Abraham Lincoln Invite.

“Playing on the Golf team was a lot of fun and hard work, but it was definitely worth it,” Jessica Boro (10) said.
Left: 1997-98 Golf Team - Front Row: Rachel Slosburg (12), Katie Pryor (9), Meredith Kalina (10) and Amanda Micek (10). Middle Row: Julie Miyeno (10), Jessica Boro (10), Calli Cohn (10) and Lena Hosford (10). Back Row: Stacy Cramer (11), Coach JoAnn Dustako and Taylor Billotte (10). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)

Above: Lena Hosford (10) and Jessica Boro (10) demonstrate their style of golfing. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)

Left: Justine Walton (10) shows off what she learned from watching the circus. (Photo: Sarah Anderson)
Cross Country keeps up the pace

By Brooke Kelly

The 1997-98 Cross Country team finished with yet another successful season.

Coach Tim Shipman said this year’s team was successful because of its hard work and persistence.

In order to prepare for this year’s season, the members of the team had practices every Wednesday morning during the summer at UNO.

“There were many highlights during the season, but working with the kids was definitely one of the best,” Coach Tim Shipman said.

Another highlight of the season took place when Annika Carlson (11) finished first at the State meet and took second at the Ralston meet.

“I think Cross Country was so successful this year due to the team unity and support for each other,” Chris Scofield (12) said.

With many of the underclass runners returning, the team is prepared for another great season.

Right: Annika Carlson (11) stays focused and ahead of all the other competitors. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)

Below Right: Team captains Todd Jacobson (12) and Chris Scofield (12) prepare for their upcoming race. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)

“Cross Country helped me to realize the importance of team unity.”

-Todd Jacobson (12)
Left: 1997-98 Mens Cross Country Team—Front Row: Nate Kovarik (12), Todd Jacobson (12) and Carlos Zendejas (9). Middle Row: Tim Hakanson (12), Dave Rennard (11), Jamison Richart (11) and Chris Scofield (12). Back Row: Sam Kruger (12), Gatong Gatluak (10), Coach Tim Shipman, Gatwech Tut (10) and Matt Miltner (12). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)

Above: Todd Jacobson (12) fights for the finish at the Central Invitational. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)

Upper Left: 1997-98 Womens Cross Country Team—First Row: Allison Pagan (12), Morgan Denny (11), Amy Revenaugh (12) and Mandy Gayer (10). Second Row: Annika Carlson (11), Marisa McClure (9), Becca Iverson (9) and Jill Carroll (11). Third Row: Meredith Zendejas (10), Coach Tim Shipman and Jackie Hart (12). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)

Left: Team members Marisa McClure (9), Morgan Denny (11) and Meredith Zendejas (10) share a bonding moment. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)
The Lady Eagles Varsity Volleyball team proved this year that their hard work and dedication has finally paid off.

The girls trained hard all summer to make this season a successful one. The team started the season out strong with two wins over South and Northwest.

“This year was a turning point for our team,” Jessica Mouton (12) said. “It’s about time people started respecting Central volleyball and recognizing us a threat.”

Throughout the season, many of the girls led the Metro Conference in every aspect of the game including aces, attacking, set assists and digs.

The team agreed that much of their success was due to having experienced players on the court.

“Overall, the season went really well,” Cara Steffensmeier (11), team captain said. “We have a lot of team unity which really helped us pull through and win the close matches.”

Above: Lauren Pettit (11) reaches for the kill during a vigorous pre-game warm-up. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Left: Becca Baines (12) serves up an ace to contribute to the Eagles’ winning season. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)
Above: The Eagles cautiously cover their teammate to force the victory over South. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Right: Brooke Ponec (11) eagerly awaits to see if her teammate can return the ball. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)
The Freshman, Reserve and Junior Varsity Volleyball teams have all shown promise for years to come.

The Junior Varsity team worked hard in practice to make the season a successful one.

"I feel this volleyball season has taught me a lot about myself and my teammates," Katie Foley (11) said. "I think everyone is talented and has a lot of intensity."

The girls said they agreed that overall the season was a great learning experience and it really prepared them for Varsity level competition.

The Reserve team was composed of eight girls who said the season provided them with valuable playing experience.

Many of the Reserve players moved up to the Junior Varsity level, which motivated their teammates to improve their level of play.

This year's Freshman team also had an impressive season, according to Coach Tammy Wade.

"Volleyball was a fun experience for me," Kailey Grant (9) said. "I learned a lot and hopefully I'll play throughout my high school years."

With so much young talent, the Central Volleyball program has a very promising future.
Left: 1997-98 Reserve Volleyball Team—First Row: Kristy Schulte (10), Kristin Lalley (10), Catie Wieczorek (10) and Becky Willits (10). Back Row: Andrea Mullen (10), Nicole Bowers (10), Stacy Huff (Team Manager), Coach Trent Lodge, Stefanie Wulff (10) and Breanna Hines (10). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)

Above: 1997-98 Freshman Volleyball Team—Front Row: Christine Anderl (9), Nicole Heafey (9), Kailey Grant (9), Jocie Wieland (9) and Liz Ackley (9). Middle Row: Erika Plummer (9), Alex Matyja (9), Audrey Grafton (9), Stacy Huff (Team Manager), Caroline Walburn (9), Courtney O’Malley (9) and Brianna Maliszewski (9). Back Row: Sarah Cleveland (9), Taylor Meier (9), Coach Tammy Wade, Erin Cannon (9) and Emily Prest (9). Not Pictured: Rachel Cotton (9), Laura Hendee (9) and Jessica Kafka (9). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)

Above: The Freshman team takes a time out to listen to their coach. (Photo: Lauren Pettit)

Left: Katie Foley (11) carefully watches the ball as she serves. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)
The Varsity cheerleading squad worked hard to learn cheers and dances to perform at athletic events and pep rallies, Mrs. Cheryl Ripa, sponsor, said.

“This year there has been a lot of stress on the squads because of all the changes, but they are did a good job,” Melissa Blair (12), varsity captain, said.

The squad held summer practices which enabled them to meet new members and become acquainted with their new sponsor, Mrs Ripa. They also gave the captains, Melissa Blair and Vanetta Bailey, a chance to learn their responsibilities.

The squad participated in the UCA cheerleading camp at the University of Kansas, held at the beginning of July. During the school year, the cheerleaders helped to decorate the school for spirit week and homecoming.

“The squads improved greatly in their skills and did a good job in promoting school spirit,” Mrs. Ripa said.
Above: Stephanie Putnam (12) and Jane Swirzinski (11) show the strong friendship that exists between the squads (Photo courtesy of Stephanie Putnam)

Left: Varsity cheerleading squad members pose for a quick picture with the Eagle during an exciting football game. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Left: 1997-98 Varsity Cheerleading Squad—Back Row: Unique Williams (12), Jenni Tekesky (12) and Vanetta Bailey (12) Middle Row: Stephanie Putnam (12), Aggie Davis (12), Tia Robinson (12) and Jennifer Quandt (12). Front Row: Jenny Link (12), Jasmine Henderson (12) and Jessica Colton (12). Not pictured: Amanda Backora (12) and Melissa Blair (12). (Photo courtesy of Arnold Clark)

Opposite Page Top: It is the last Blast from the Past for Jenny Link, Vanetta Bailey, Jenni Tekesky, Amanda Backora, Tia Robinson, Stephanie Putnam, Jennifer Quandt, Melissa Blair, Unique Williams and Aggie Davis. (Photo: Jane Swirzinski)
This year the Underclass cheerleaders spent their time cheering on their school and fellow students.

To prepare for this year, the cheerleaders attended a camp and had practices on weekday mornings on the summer. Some members of the squads even participated in pre-season competitions.

“Cheerleading has been a great experience and I’ve been able to meet a lot of new people,” Audrey Kosmicki (10) said.

The cheerleaders helped immensely with homecoming preparations. They organized king and queen elections, sold tickets to the dance and decorated Ak-sar-ben for the occasion.

“The cheerleaders this year were more involved in performing for the students and getting the student body involved in athletic events,” Mrs. Cheryl Ripa, cheerleading sponsor, said.
Left: 1997-98 Reserve Cheerleading Squad - Back Row: Audrey Kosmicki (10), Brandie Hollingsworth (10) and Jessica Boro (10). Middle Row: Anastasia Treantos (10), Amber Latoza (10), Tasha Brown (10) and Emily Kammerer (10). Front Row: Julie Miyeno (10), Tai Burleson (10) and Julie Prouty (10). (Photo courtesy of Arnold Clark)

Middle: 1997-98 Junior Varsity Cheerleading Squad - Back Row: Jennie Foster (11), Monique Wyatt (11), Jamila Cooper (11) and Brooke Ponce (11). Middle Row: Versie Vaughn (11), Amy Whitmyre (11), Jane Swirzinski (11) and Rachel Alukonis (11). Front Row: Judy Schaffer (11) and Mikayla Ward (11). (Photo courtesy of Arnold Clark)

Below: Jessica Boro (10) shows her school spirit at the first pep rally of the year. (Photo courtesy of Gail Braddock)

Left: The Freshman squad entertains the crowd at one of the Freshman football games. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)
Pom Squad motivates crowds

By Lauren Pettit

Pom Squad worked its way through another exciting year promoting school spirit to many students.

The squad worked hard all summer in preparation for the year to come. They displayed remarkable routines which proved the amazing strength of their school spirit.

The Pom Squad worked throughout the entire year participating in many events such as UDA summer camp, The Metro Dance Competition, Kiddie Dance Camp, football and basketball games, car washes, homecoming decorations and pep rallies.

“I think the determination, energy and spirit of the 1997-98 Pom Squad made us a squad which was admired and respected by our peers,” Sarah Wiedman (11) said.

Many of the Pom Squad members said that their squad reached new heights thanks to their unity and motivation as a group.

“Pom Squad worked hard to promote school spirit and we had tons of fun bonding as a squad,” Sonja Shelstad (11) said.

Above: 1997-98 Pom Squad—Front Row: Christa Lowitzer (12), Chloe Karpf (10) and Kristen Hillman (10). Second Row: Amanda Mice (10), Meghan Duffy (11), Staci Johnson (12), Erin Quinlan (12), Lacie Hansen (11), Kara Spoonhour (12), Jaclyn DiGiacomo (12), Nicole Bower (10), Amber Ingram (12) and Jenny Kniewl (12). Third Row: Michelle Moran (11) and Nicole Driscoll (11). Fourth Row: Melissa Colton (10), Julia Jahn (10), Ally Crossman (12), Molly Medakovich (12), Katie Spoonhour (10) and Sonja Shelstad (11). Not pictured: Lizzie Fraser (11), Rachel Guzman (11), Alison Hager (11), Roselyn Hudson (12), Tiffany Lave (10), Jill McFee (11), Christian Nwuju (11), Jessica Stanek (11) and Sarah Wiedman (11). (Photo courtesy of Ally Crossman)

Upper Right: Sonja Shelstad (11) and Lizzie Fraser (11) show that practice makes perfect. (Photo: Leslie Ujhely)
Left: 1997-98 Pom Squad—Front Row: Nicole Driscoll (10), Kristin Hillman (10) and Jenny Kniewel (12). Second Row: Katie Spoonhour (10), Kara Spoonhour (12), Staci Johnson (12), Lacie Hansen (11) and Erin Quinlan. Third Row: Meghan Duffy (11), Alison Hager (11), Nicole Bowers (10), Ally Crossman (12), Lizzie Fraser (11), Amanda Micek (10), Rachel Guzman (11) and Jessica Stanek (11). Fourth Row: Jaclyn DiGiacomo (12), Sonja Shelstad (11), Chloe Karpf (10), Michelle Moran (11), Julia Jahn (10), Tiffany Lave (10), Jill McFee (11) and Sarah Wiedman (11). Not pictured: Roselyn Hudson (12), Amber Ingram (12), Christa Lowitzer (12), Molly Medakovich (12) and Christian Nwuju (11). (Photo courtesy of Ally Crossman)

Above: Molly Medakovich (12) concentrates on the routine at a pep rally. (Photo: Gail Braddock)

Left: Seniors Erin Quinlan, Staci Johnson, Kara Spoonhour, Jaclyn DiGiacomo, Amber Ingram and Ally Crossman all smile pretty for the camera at a football game. (Photo courtesy of Ally Crossman)
The Varsity Men’s Basketball squad consisted of a group of well-rounded athletes, Head Coach Rick Behrens said.

Coach Behrens said that although the team was rather inexperienced, they improved individually, as well as a team throughout the season. Due to the graduation of six seniors, all of which were starters, this year’s team was forced to start from the beginning.

“We had an inexperienced team coming into this year, but every week we learned and improved as a team,” John Franzese (12) said.

The team developed together as one and beat some teams they were not expected to beat.

“We have an outstanding group of young men on our basketball team,” Coach Behrens said. “They represented Central High School well.”

Right: Sunn Spurlock (12) concentrates on making the basket and protecting the ball. (Photo: Alexa Christon)

Below: The Men’s Varsity team works together to beat the Wildcats in an intense game. (Photo courtesy of Rusty Crossman)

Right: Ben Jacobson (10) tries to think of a way to get the ball past his opponent. (Photo: Alexa Christon)
gains experience, talent

Left: 1997-98 Men’s Varsity Basketball Team—Back Row: Joe Yard (12), Assistant Coach Eric Behrens, Head Coach Rick Behrens, Assistant Dan Archie and Ben Jacobson (10). Middle Row: James Mills (10), Sunn Spurlock (12), John Franzese (12) and Jason Latta (12). Front Row: Lorenzo McMorris (11), John Sims (10), Shaun Israel (12), Brian Rahaman (10) and Lawrence Butler (12). Not pictured: Brandon Thomas (11) and Clydell White (9). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)

Below: Lawrence Butler (12) practices his ball handling skills. (Photo: Alexa Christon)

Left: Ben Jacobson (10) prepares to pass the ball to one of his fellow team members. (Photo: Alexa Christon)
"I felt good about the Reserve team. Right now I would have put them up against any team in the city," Coach Stan Standifer said.

The Reserve team played well together, passed the ball well, executed offense and played tough defense. The Freshman team emphasized team unity and focused on improving its basketball skills, Coach Greg Hansen said.

The Junior Varsity team had some close games this season, by practicing and playing hard. The key to the JV team was rebounding and accurate shooting, Andre Minnifield(11) said.

"I believe that we had one of the best all around JV teams in the metro and finished fairly strong," Clydell White (9), JV team member, said.

Right: Jacky Smith (11) shoots a free throw against South. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Below: 1997-98 Reserve Basketball Team—Front Row: Andrew Mitchell (10), Shannon Israel (10), Willie Metcalf (10), James Butler (10), James Roark (10) and Mark Hakanson (10). Back Row: Bobby Andrews (10), Brian Pfeiffer (10), Coach Robert Lessley, Coach Stan Standifer, Jeff Hakanson (10) and Ryan Colvin (10). Not pictured: Marlon Brewer (9), Nate Gasaway (10) and Brian Hudson (9). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)
Above: 1997-98 Junior Varsity Basketball Team—Back Row: James McAlister (10), Jacky Smith (11), Coach Dan Archie, Lorenzo McMorris (11) and Junell Dumes (10). Front Row: Andre Minnifield (11), John Sims (10), Clydell White (9), Jaye Lewis (10) and Jimos Reese (11). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)


Above: Andrew Mitchell (10) shoots for two Points against South. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)
Girls Varsity basketball worked extremely hard to do their best all year long, Coach Dave Feleci said.

This year’s team was composed of only three seniors and seven sophomores. Coach Feleci said that the underclassmen were forced to mature quickly in order to fill the positions that most upperclassmen could have held.

“The seniors have shown a lot of leadership and have been a good example of how to work hard,” Mandy Frank (10) said.

The team came out of the season with an exciting victory against Bellevue West in which they won by 25 points. They were also in close competition with Bryan and North.

“We had good students on our basketball team,” Coach Feleci said. “They worked extremely hard and did their best each game.”
Above: Stephanie Kelley (11) defends the ball from an oncoming opponent. (Photo: Stephanie Putnam)

Above: LaVonda McClinton (11) looks for an open shot. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)

Left: 1997-98 Women's Varsity Basketball Team—Back Row: Stephanie Kelley (11), Coach Matt Shafer, Selese Avery (10), Coach Dave Felici, Mandy Frank (10) and Coach Larry Lathan. Middle Row: Jenny Queen (12), Cassandra Lathan (12), Kari Rider (10), Temia Moten (11) and Mary Trisch (10). Front Row: Lakesia Valentine (12), Tai Burleson (10), LaVonda McClinton (11) and Mary Anderson (10). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)
“Hard work and dedication went into making the Girls’ Underclass basketball a strong program by stressing fundamentals and playing like a team,” Ms. Michele Roberts, Freshman basketball coach, said.

The Freshman A and B teams played well and were evenly matched against the other OPS freshman teams.

The Reserve team played well and their skills progressed over the course of the season.

The Junior Varsity team played some tough opponents and always put in 100 percent effort. With some help from key players, Mary Anderson (10), Oscaretta Campbell (10), Mandy Frank (10), Mary Tritsch (10), the JV team gained victories.

“We all improved from last year by working and pulling together as a team,” Anna Treantos (10), Reserve Team, said.
Left: 1997-98 Junior Varsity—Front Row: Becky Abersfeller (11), Mary Anderson (10), Ebony Finch (9), Meghan Gibilisco (11), Tai Burleson (10) and Kari Rider (10). Back Row: Temia Moten (11), Stephanie Kelley (11), Coach Matt Shafer, Mandy Frank (10) and Mary Tritsch (10). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)

Left: 1997-98 Freshman Team—Front Row: Maureen Fogarty, Kailey Grant, Angel Whitehall, Emily Lykke, Sharra Carbonell and Lailoni Lewis. Second Row: Ashley Freeman, LaMesa Wright, Sylvia Czornyj, Christie Evans and Andrea Gatzke. Back Row: Joanna Mayhew, Caroline Walburn, Coach Michele Roberts, Meredith Rinaker, Jenny Storm and Gina Rahaman. (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)

Above: Kari Rider (10) blocks her opponent during a Junior Varsity practice. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Left: Iris Banks (10) shows off her skills as she dribbles around a Marian opponent (Photo: Mikayla Ward)
The 1997-98 Central Swim team dove into another season with many new swimmers, in addition to the returning lettermen.

With most of last year’s team returning, and many new swimmers joining the team, Coach Mike Steele said that he thought this would be a good year to rebuild the team’s strengths.

“We started the year with a hard practice schedule, including morning practices,” Eddie Piatt (12) said. “But in the end all of our hard work and dedication paid off.”

The men’s team, led by captains Eddie Piatt (12) and Chris Scofield (12), showed their improvement through a victory at the OPS Invite held at Bryan.

The women’s team, led by captains Erin Jenkins (12), Brooke Kelly (12), Jenny Link (12) and Erin Quinlan (12), also showed tremendous progress in both relay and individual events.

“Overall, the team worked hard and tried to do their best and that’s really all that we asked them to do,” Coach Steele said.
**diving make a splash**

Left: 1997-98 Central Swimming and Diving Team—Back Row: Chris Scofield (12), Michael Kruger (9), Eddie Piatt (12), Jeremy Scurlock (10), Nate Bullington (11), Michael Gill (11), Jamison Richart (11) and Adam Backora (9). Third Row: Marci Holmes (11), Nicole Davenport (10), Tegan Fry (11), Coach Mike Steele, Jill McFee (11), Assistant Coach Lisa Swan, Sarah Cleveland (9), Colleen Williams (10) and Christian Hoeger (9). Second Row: Alissa Fitch (9), Fawn Herndon (11), Jody Baines (11), Erin Quinlan (12), Jenny Link (12), Brooke Kelly (12), Erin Jenkins (12), Danielle Galvan (10), Kerri Inserillo (11) and Heather Morehouse (10). Frist Row: Kate Drickey (9), Marisa McClure (9), Paige Jenkins (9), Jenny Langenfeld (9), Alyssa Quinlan (9), Aubri Johnson (9), Thea Naikelis (9) and Cathy Watson (10). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)

Above: Erin Jenkins (12) fends off the other team during one of the polo practices. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)

Left: Kerri Inserillo (11) catches a quick nap between her events. (Photo: Brooke Kelly)
As the season started out, the wrestling team began to build and achieve goals for the end of the season.

"The wrestlers are a good group of hard workers that expect nothing but the best and hopefully that will carry on through their high school careers," Coach Jimmy Foster said.

They continued to grow and improve as a team throughout the season. The hard work and dedication paid off.

William Garcia (10) had the fastest pin on the team, 27 seconds. Anders Christensen (9) had a record of ten wins, ten losses and three ties. Eli Bainbridge (12) and Max Kenny (10) had the most pins for the team.

"The team did good for being a nine-person team. We needed to attack more to conquer the whole match," Will Garcia (10) said.

Right: Mohammed Husain (10) wrestles his opponent to the ground. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Right: Eli Bainbridge (12) circles his competitor as he goes for the take down. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)
Above: Max Kenny (10) pins his opponent at the South-Northwest dual meet. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Above: Mohammed Husain (10) concentrates on his take down against his competitor from South. (Photo: Mikayla Ward)

Left: 1997-98 Wrestling Team—Front Row: Dan Wells (9), Max Kenny (10), Anders Christensen (9), William Garcia (10), Ty Griess (9), and Mohammed Husain (10). Second Row: Ernest Harrington (10), Andrew Thom (9), Justine Walton (10), Ben Bahr (10) and Dustin Friedman (10). Back Row: Joe Wojtkiewicz (12), Bobbi Johnson (10), Coach Jimmy Foster, Coach Murray Fenn, Chad Willits (11) and Eli Bainbridge (12). (Photo courtesy of Photographic Enterprises)
Powerlifting pushes its way to the top

By Lauren Pettit and Audrey Kosmicki

This year’s Powerlifting team set their goals high, Coach Joe McMenamin said.

“I really felt that we had a good chance to challenge other teams for state,” Coach McMenamin said.

The team practiced twice a week and many of the lifters trained twice daily. Coach McMenamin said that the practices were filled with intensity and all the lifters showed a strong sense of dedication.

The team was very experienced because more than half of its members were returning lettermen. Jason McFarland (11) and Jason Galaska (12) were both returning state champions. Lamare Fuller (12), Jamaine Billups (10) and Courtney Dawson (11) all contributed to the strength of the team.

“This year’s team worked hard,” Jason McFarland (11) said. “We were really glad with the way things turned out.”

Upper Right: Errol Randolph (11) displays his strength as he squats. (Photo: Lauren Pettit)

Above: Lance Griffin (12) shows his immense strength while dead lifting. (Photo: Audrey Kosmicki)

Right: Jamaine Billups (10) concentrates on his lift. (Photo: Lauren Pettit)
Left: 1997-98 Power Lifting Team- Front Row: Jerry Borzobohaty (10), Errol Randolf (11), Josh Smith (11) and Lance Griffin (12). Back Row: Lee Serrant (11), Jason Regan (12), Alec Alba (10) and Jamaine Billups (10). Not Pictured: DeAntae Grixby (12), Jason Galaska (12), Courtney Dawson (12), Jason McFarland (11), Sirwayne Wardlow (11), Jay Axelrod (12), Thomas Hubbard (12), Carlos Nuno (12) and Terrell Gardner (11). (Photo: Audrey Kosmicki)

Top: Jerry Borzobohaty (10) gets ready to lift. (Photo: Lauren Pettit)

Left: Josh Smith (11) works towards perfection. (Photo: Audrey Kosmicki)
Central’s Men’s Volleyball team improved steadily throughout the year, Coach Brad Reichmuth said.

This year, three teams were chosen, making Central a recognizable threat. The Varsity Purple team was coached by Brad Reichmuth, the Varsity White team by Steve Hernandez and Steve Quackenbush and the JV team by Trent Lodge.

“I feel this is the most experienced team Central has had, even with just one senior,” Coach Reichmuth said. “Most players have already played in a national tournament.”

Coach Reichmuth said that athletically they are one of the best teams in the metro and they are in a good position to win state and qualify for nationals.

“This year’s team was very close, so that pushed us to try even harder,” Joe Greco (11) said. “By playing in a national tournament we all gained a lot of experience.”
Left: 1997-98 Varsity Purple Volleyball Team—Front Row: Joe Greco (11) and Jamaine Billups (10). Middle Row: Chad Powell (12), Ben Rinaker (11), Brian Connor (11), Andrew Thompson (11) and Lornell McPherson (10). Back Row: Gary Bullard (11), Chris Anderson (11), Cory Beckius (11), Coach Brad Reichnuth, Stuart Waters (11), James Roark (10) and Team Manager Stacy Huff. (Photo courtesy of April Santon)

Left: Varsity Purple team members work hard during a conditioning session. (Photo: Lauren Pettit)

Not Pictured: 1997-98 JV Volleyball Team—Jono Croskey (10), Ben Davis (10), Neal Duffy (11), Tom Fuchs (11), Tony Hernandez (10), Matt Lind (10), Joey Rider (9), Carlos Zendejas (9) and Coach Trent Lodge.

Far Left: Chris Anderson (11) takes his time to ace his serve. (Photo: Lauren Pettit)

Left: Ben Rinaker (11) consoles Joe Greco (11) during a hard workout. (Photo: Lauren Pettit)
Congratulations, Gail!

You've made me very proud!

Love, Mom
Congratulations Kara,
I Love You!

Katie

Good Job Kara...
Love,
Mom and Dad

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Rachel,
Always keep the stars in your eyes. We are so proud of you.
Congratulations!
Love Always,
Mom, Dad, and Ariel

To: Claudia
5000 Students
3 Department Chairpersons
12 Assistant Principals
3 Principals
5 Superintendents
and 33 great years
at Central High School

Brian (Barney) Watson

“Thanks for the Dance”
“We can do no great things - only small things with great love.”
- Mother Teresa

Rebecca,
We are so proud of you.
Love, Mom, Dad, Jody, and Brandon

Nicole ('98) & Randy ('97) Dubas - Our Mom made us wear this!

Tom, Our Prince Charming
You're a great guy that we are very proud of. You've given us 17 years of joy and happiness. We know that you'll do well with life's challenges. Thanks for all your love.
Always, our Buddy Bear,
Mom and Dad

April Louise,
We are very proud of you. The world is a better place because of you.

Love,
Mom and Dad
Sara Joanne Jacobson,
We admire your intelligence, spirit, and tenacity. You work hard, play hard, and we are very proud of you. Congratulations!
Love, Mom, Dad, Rachel, Ben and Justin

"THE FUTURE BELONGS TO THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN THE BEAUTY OF THEIR DREAMS."
~Eleanor Roosevelt

Staci, We are very proud of you. Remember to always follow your dreams. Your hard work and dedication will take you anywhere you want to go.
Love Dad, Mom, and Kari
To our middle son Brian,
You have brought laughter and love into our lives. Your caring and unselfish nature is something we admire about you. Your enthusiasm for life is a joy to witness. You have always been our ray of sunshine.
We Love You,
Mom & Dad

Nick-
You'll always be special and unique to us. We love you! Good Luck.
Mom, Dad & Elizabeth
Sophomore Cheerleaders

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Amber
Anna
Emily
Julie
Tai
Tasha
Audrey
Jessica
Dan,
Congratulations on your accomplishments at Central. We are very proud of you.
Love,
Dad, Mom, Sarah and Anne

She walks in beauty, like the night of cloudless lines and starry skies;
And all that’s best of dark and bright meet in her aspect and her eyes.

( Lord Byron )

I love you, Nicole

Mom

One Singular Sensation...
Congratulations, Kate.
Dad, Mom & Brian
Trevor:
Your creativity is just one of your many talents. We’re proud of you and your accomplishments.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Corey, Alissa and Kate

We’re proud of you, Susie!
Keep up the good work.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Julie, Katie and Elizabeth Hutfless

Y O U I R A R E O U R S C I P E R G I R L !

Hey Boopser!
You made it!! We all are so proud of you!

CONGRATULATIONS!!
Mom, Dad, Jimmy, Julie and Pa

From our Bathing Beauty to our Hollywood Star - As you cruise down the highway of life - May you never forget your loving family.
Ally,
Time has gone by too fast!!
You're the best!!
Love
Rusty, Joy & Liz

Sarah,
A happy memory is a joy forever.
Thank you for all the happy memories you've given us.

We love you,
Mom, Dad
Susan & Matt

Congrats
Sara!

Love, Mom,
Jack & Jeff

You were thinking about graduation even then... weren't you Brooke???

Congratulations and Love,
Dad, Mom, and Megan
Congrats
Amanda! Live life to its fullest. We all love you!
Joy, Mom and Dad, Travis and Hilary

We Love You,
Papa, Mom, Maggie, Teddy, Chelsea and Jake

"Behold, Children are a gift of the Lord."
Psalm 127:3
Christy, God has blessed you with such a giving heart and blessed us with a wonderful gift...YOU!!

Allison,
Always keep a song in your heart.
Love, Dad and Sue

Congratulations
Frankie, "Squeaky"
Remember, you’ve always been loved.

We are truly twice blessed.
Congratulations on your many accomplishments and best wishes for the future.

We know the best is yet to come.
Love
Mom, Dad

Mary
My dad always said after high school that time would fly by...and it did...and it still is. You have made it to your last year and you are excited and thrilled to be done...while we are in shock and a spin as to where the time has gone. After high school, your time on earth will also go quickly by. Make the most of every second of it, but don't get caught up in the temporary. Enjoy all the great and awesome, yet passing things of this life, and remember the Great Giver who loaned them to you to enjoy. As you live each passing moment with all the gusto that you can, live it for Jesus Christ and for eternity's sake, why waste it just for the “now.” Strive for an eternal perspective, because life is short. Live in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work, increasing in the knowledge of His will, because He is so worthy. Spend time getting to know Him, because the people who know their God will display strength and take action. He is The Truth, He is The Life, He is The Way. He is The Risen One Who Lives and he is coming back again with the clouds and every eye will see Him. One of my prayers is, that when your faith becomes sight, and you meet Him face to face you will hear the words, “Well, done My good and faithful servant”. Then you will have known more than this life has to offer!!! We love you Brandon Jay Roberts and desire the Lord's very richest for you.

Mom and Dad

Brandon,

Well, now is the time for eloquence. I'm supposed to have all the right words and say something really inspired, right? I guess, and I'm sure you would agree, that eloquence is not my gift, so I won't try to use any. I just keep thinking about the past 18 1/2 years and trying to sum it all up to fit on this little page, and this is what pops into my head. “Fix your eyes on Jesus...who endured such opposition from sinful men so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.” Hebrews 12:2-3. That passage reminds me of you. Throughout the last four years, you have been a wonderful example to me of a “Kingdom that cannot be shaken.” I have never see you grow weary or give up, and I am confident that the strength of your faith alone is a testimony that few will forget. I know that I never will. Now, as you deal with the changes ahead, although you are not a “girl” like me, know that at times it will be difficult. Do not ever forget your foundation and remember that NOTHING compares to the promise you have in him. Continue to see God with all of your heart. He is the ONLY thing worth pursuing because he will never disappoint you. I am so proud of you, Brandon, and I am so thankful God allowed me to have such an awesome best friend - my brother. I love you.

Love, Jill
Sarah,  
Time has passed too quickly. Don’t wait for someone to bring you flowers. Continue to plant your own garden!  
We love you and are so proud of you!!  
Mom, Dad and H.T.

Sarah,  
Thanks for all the smiles!  
Love, Dad & Mom

Congratulations,  
Lissa !!!  
Mom, Dad, Chris, Melanie and Jeremy

To the best of memories
Congratulations
Netta!!!

It seems like it was just yesterday when you started school now you are graduating. Keep God first and you will go far....

We are so proud of you,
Mom, Dad, Ray, Ron, Ryan and Snoop. ☹

Your are more than just a granddaughter, you are a grand child. A grand young lady. A grand person. The epitome of grace and beauty.

Congratulations
Netta,
Grandma Sissy

Sarah,

I have known that you were special from the moment I first saw you. I've never been disappointed. Your sweet loving nature has blessed you with many friends, your keen mind with many adventures. I know you will be successful in anything you choose. I'm very proud of you.

Love always
☺ Mom ☺
You have to accept whatever comes and the only important thing is that you meet it with courage and with the best you have to give.

Love,
Mom, Dad & Sheanacy

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.

Love,
Mom and Jackie
THIRTY HEADS ARE BETTER THAN ONE
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HAT DAYS
BLOOD DRIVES
MAKE-A-WISH
LEADERSHIP
PROM
STATE CONVENTION
JACKIE:
FROM START TO FINISH
YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN
A STAR!

Keep reaching for them...

All our love,
Mom, Jared, and Rachael
Matthew,

You have truly been our ‘gift from God.’ We are so proud of you, son. Always remember that if you work hard you will be able to achieve your goals. We love you and wish you all the best in the future. You and sis have truly made our life very happy.

Love, Dad & Mom

Matt,

I am so lucky to have a little brother like you. I can’t imagine life without you. Best of luck to you today & everyday. Congratulations!

Love,
Chris & Pat
Congratulations, Lisa!  
We are very proud of you and your accomplishments!  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Amy & Buddy

Courtney  
"Look toward the Sun and the Shadows will fall behind you."  
You were God’s first gift to us and you will always be our treasure. Use the many talents you possess with kindness, generosity, and love and you will elevate the human mind and spirit.  
You have a style of your own that we look forward to seeing developed as you further your education and work toward making your dreams come true.  
Our hope for you is to have as much success as you desire and as much contentment as can fill your heart.  
With all our love,  
Mom, Dad, David and Jubilee

Stephanie  
We are very proud of you and all that you’ve accomplished. You’re on the road to success!  
We Love You!  
Dad, Mom, Michelle, Britni and Austin

Lauren/Scout,  
From the first day, you’ve been a joy!  
We wish you all the happiness life can hold.  
Our pride in you and love for you, will travel along wherever you go.  

Congratulations and Love,  
Mom, Dad, Leigh, Gram & Grandmother
Go placidly amid the noise and haste,
And remember what peace there may be in silence.
As far as possible without surrender
Be on good terms with all persons.
Speak your truth quietly and clearly;
and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story...
If you compare yourself with others,
you may become vain or bitter;
For always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself:
Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans...
Be yourself. Especially, do not feign affection.
Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity
and disenchantment it is as perennial as the grass.
Take kindly the counsel of the years,
Gracefully surrendering the things of youth.
Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in the sudden misfortune...
Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself.

You are a child of the universe,
no less than the trees and the stars;
You have a right to be here.
And whether or not it is clear to you,
No doubt the universe is unfolding as it should.
Therefore be at peace with God,
whatever you conceive Him to be.
And whatever your labors and aspirations,
in the noisy confusion of life
Keep peace in your soul.
With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams,
It is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful.
Strive to be happy.

From “DESIDERATA,” by Max Ehrmann

Lema -- We are so proud of you! We missed you so much last year, but you have returned more mature, more self-confident, and more sure of what to make of your future -- and what a wonderful future it will be. We'll never be far away, always ready to help you in any way we can. You will always be in our thoughts and in our hearts.
Be happy, be healthy, be safe -- be yourself. God grace your way as you make your dreams come true. Go in Peace.

With love, Rifaat, Mona and Mustafa

Good Luck and Best Wishes to the Graduating Class of 1998

The Bashirs
Through Chinese food, movies, (R&J) guys, TCBY and other nameless things - I’ve had the time of my life these past two years. You’ve been the best friend I could ever have. Have fun senior year!

Love, Steph-Betty Vista

Steph. How do I sum up the past two years as your friend? All I can say is, “Our Friendship is forever.” Love Always, Jane

When I grow up, I want to be.....

Fourteen summers have passed since this photo, but it seems like only a few. Congratulations!!!

Good luck and love for your future. 

1998

Leslie &

From the beginning you were bright, energetic, and special. You light up my life.

My daughter and my friend. We love you, WeeWee!

Love,

Mom, Renee & Billy

ERIN QUINLAN

Take these words “STRAIGHT TO THE HEART!”

We think you are “OUT OF THIS WORLD” because you are “SOLID AS A ROCK!”

Keep your “EYES ON THE PRIZE” and you are “BOUND TO WIN!!”

So “LIVE THE LIFE” and “LET IT SHINE!”

Love, Mom, Dad, Alyssa, Whitney and Branson

It’s Time For A “SUMMER CELEBRATION!!”
Melissa (Princess)

Destiny is no matter of chance. It is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for. It is a thing to be achieved.

We are very proud of you!

Love, Mom, Dad, Jenny, Mike & Jack
Alyssa

From rolling to walking, talking to writing, imitating to creating, questioning and seeking, you have made us so proud.

Life is not made up of milestones but rather of moments. Savor each one of yours, as we do with you.

Mom, Dad and Aaron

Bring up a child...
In the ways of the Lord and when she is grown, they will not depart from her.

≈ We love you, Siri
"Fate chooses our relatives, we choose our friends."

-Jacques Delille
The Marketing Program recognizes students’ interests in being a leader at Central High School. The Marketing course, DECA, the marketing club and the marketing internship program offer students valuable experience and opportunities while in high school.

Students enroll in marketing as a junior elective course. It is offered at 7 a.m. (zero hour) through 5/6 hour daily. The course is designed to complement any field of study students may currently be pursuing—college prep, business, industrial technology or a combination of any of Central’s programs. Understanding how economics, product development, business ownership, sales and management operate in today’s global world, gives students the competitive edge in future endeavors.

Marketing Internships involve over 130 local businesses which provide employment opportunities in basic marketing skills. Internships also provide assistance in setting future goals from three qualified coordinators, as well as developing useful employment skills, work ethics, and a network of business people in the community who can help with future plans. Marketing Internships also allow students to earn money while receiving high school credit.

C H S D E C A
JEN,

You have always strived to be the best at whatever you do. We are very proud of your accomplishments and especially your graduation! The best years are ahead of you.
Dad, Mom, Sarah, Shannon, Ryan
From a beautiful baby to a lovely young lady, you’ve made us very proud!

We love you, Sarah!

Mom, Dad, & Emily

Congratulations Denna!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Kori & Blake 🎉

(You make grandpa smile!)

Your many accomplishments have always made us proud!

Your determination, sensitivity, and integrity will be the cornerstone for a promising future! 🎉
Band Memories...
2001

LAURA

JENNY

ERIN

KATE

TANYA

PAME

ERICA

SHERI

FRESHMEN CHEER LEADERS
SET YOUR SIGHTS HIGH!
Congratulations
Love, Mom, Dad,
and Kim

Congratulations Jennifer!

We are very proud of you
and all you have achieved!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Jill, Hayla
Cheree, & Eric
Paul, We’re so proud of you and your accomplishments.
We pray that God will continue to guide you.

We love you.
Mom, Dad, Luke and Marie
Isaiah 40:31

Congratulations to the Class of 1998 and Central’s faculty on an incredibly successful year.
THE SLOSBURG FAMILY

Amy,
There is an old Indian proverb that teaches parents to give our children two things: roots and wings. Your roots are firmly grounded in faith, family and friends. Your wings are strong and ready for take-off.
God bless you and your journey!
Love you forever,
Mom and Dad

Congratulations Tara!
We are very proud of you and all of your accomplishments.
Love,
Mom & Dad
Rebecca -
“For I know the thoughts and plans that I have for you, says the Lord...”
Jeremiah 29:11
Love, Mom

Congratulations Rebecca
Your one in a Million!
Love Mom & Dad

“A friend may well be reckoned the masterpiece of nature.”
-Ralph Waldo Emerson
We salute the outstanding Parents, Educators, & Pupils of Central High School!

Congratulations 1998 Graduates

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Congratulations and good luck to 1998 Graduates!

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