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Alarm clock blaring, hair in a tangled mess, groggy eyes swollen shut, I (unwillingly) drag myself from the warm, safe comfort of my bed. My mornings are nothing short of peaceful. Never in my life have I had the time nor liberty to make myself a cup of steaming cup of coffee and watch Good Morning America before school. Usually, my mornings consist of throwing on my questionably clean uniform and grabbing a granola bar in a tornado-like rush from my house. Two morning meetings, Class Officer responsibilities, multiple AP tests, and after-school activities are all looming above my head. My high school career has been nothing short of crazy to say the least.

My Grandpa, God love him, sends constant reminders that my face shouldn't be buried in my phone all the time. Instead, I should be preparing myself for my future: learning all the Amendments by heart, brushing up on my Macbeth, memorizing the Periodic Table, or some casual, afternoon activity like that. "I can't believe your generation," he said. If I had a dollar for each time he uttered, "Well, back in my day..." I would be able to pay for college like I was paying for a gumball.

I can't sit at the dinner table without someone bringing up the topic of generation differences. Yes, I have grown up with a larger plethora of gadgets and gizmos at my fingertips, but that doesn't mean my motivation to be successful in life is falling short. Age gaps definitely do not define my level of ambition. If I want something in life, by golly, I'm going after it. I just have an interesting way of getting there, according to my mom.

She claims that my cell phone is a huge distraction. "You'll go cross eyed if you stare at that thing for one more second," she said. Yes, alright, I'll admit, my sarcastic mom is completely on point. My phone is a distraction. But I'm sure my mom knows what it is like to be a wide-eyed teenage girl who just wants to soak up every bit of knowledge she can.

No one can deny that different generations encompass different personalities. However, I do think it is ridiculous to underestimate or treat someone differently according to their age. Young people of this world are bright, bold, and ambitious. I definitely don't look "ambitious" when I resemble a homeless cat in the morning, but I'll get there!

There are many occurrences when I cover my head in embarrassment because of a stupid or impulsive act which reflects negatively on my entire generation (*cough* Justin Bieber *cough*). Contrary to popular belief, we are not all obsessed with our lips and eyebrows like Kylie Jenner. Teenagers today have so many technological advantages that previous generations never could have dreamed of having. Yes Grandpa and mom, I use this technology for personal benefit, but my mind is always finding ways to improve my life with the skills I gain from utilizing my phone, internet, laptop, etc. Settling is simply not an option. This generation of young people are so intuitive and observant towards other people. Society forgets all the amazing thoughts that are harbored in our developing minds.

Most of us are in the process of furthering our education. We don't have very much to offer up on the table right now, but give us time, and we will take the world by storm. Bear with me on this one, but I think of teenagers like Dory from "Finding Nemo." We might be scatter-brained and have no clue what we are doing in life, but we "just keep swimming." My generation is innovative, we are fresh, we are unstoppable. As for me, I plan to "just keep swimming" in order to achieve all of my goals for the future ... all while drinking a steaming cup of coffee and watching Good Morning America.

Column Writing
Devon Gottsch, Omaha Marian

Leaguetown High School budget cuts plague tradition, nurture education

Football players huddle up in the locker room while eager fans await kickoff.

Leaguetown High School always puts up an impressive match against competitors. The school's band and drill team, who won second place at the UIL Marching Band Contest during the 2013-2014 school year, has the crowd bouncing and cheering as they dance across the field to the sound of tubas, drums, clarinets, and more. In Texas, tradition is the sound of marching footsteps on painted turf, game-winning touchdowns, and a wild crowd.

All it takes is a budget cut to break the formula that breaks a tradition. When \$500,000 dollars needs to be found when federal money is not adding up, Superintendent Harriet Bernat proposes cutting the travel fund for the 343 member band and drill team. This will save a whopping \$32,000.

While tradition is important, education comes first. "Am I happy about the cuts? No. But I can live with them. The cut could save a teacher's job," Band Director Mike Newman said. Without money to fund the school, teachers will eventually have to be laid off. Without teachers, there won't be classes, and eventually Leaguetown High School will have to shut its doors. Some might be hesitant to admit this, but quality education is more important than a high school band performing at away games.

The band would not be the only school-sanctioned activity suffering from budget cuts. Freshman B teams for all athletics, ACT/SAT prep classes that are offered to the school, and everything in-between will most likely suffer the same fate.



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Granola House and Bakery offers customizable, out-of-this-world granola

From Mexico to Hy-Vee to Granola House and Bakery, Louis Onate has traveled far with his sweet and spunky granola recipes. For a healthy yet delicious snack to nibble on, Granola House and Bakery is the place to go.

Onate started his business after learning the tools of the trade from his uncle, a granola factory owner in Mexico. After his oat-filled education, Onate earned a master's of business administration in business management and baked goods in a Hy-Vee bakery, adding to his repertoire of skills. All of this preparation and hard work led to the creation of a community-conscious granola factory. Onate's lifelong dream of owning a business where he could sell healthy, reasonably priced food to customers came true when he founded Granola House and Bakery.

"Granola House is a hybrid of a granola factory and bakery," Onate said. Granola House and Bakery offers customers fresh, homemade granola that can be tailored to each specific person's needs. I have a dairy allergy and frequently find myself staring longingly at mouthwatering, dairy-filled foods, so I was pleased that I had no trouble finding several fantastic mixtures that I could eat. Onate's multigrain granolas did not disappoint.

The honey granola offers a sweet, honey flavor with a hint of almond. The crunchy granola is sweeter than a 5-year-old begging for candy and would go wonderfully with yogurt, milk, or just on its own. Cane juice granola, though it may sound incongruous, is absolutely delightful. With a mixture of cinnamon, flax seed, and various grains, my taste buds were about to rocket to the moon. This stellar granola provides a healthy option for those who cannot resist the temptation of sweetness.

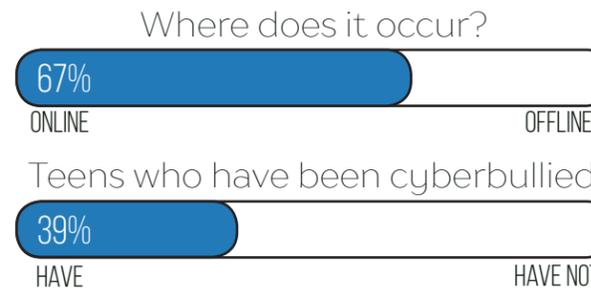
Along with a myriad of granola options, Onate's bakery offers a full spread of baked goods, including cinnamon rolls and a variety of pastries. Each baked good boasts low fat and low calorie deliciousness. Onate's recipes display a sharp sense of creativity, which he cited as crucial to his business's success.

Granola House and Bakery creates a unique customer experience, allowing people to customize their own granola while snacking on healthy pastries, all for a good price. Onate's most important key to success, according to him, has been listening to his customers. "It's more than just a bakery in that it offers fresh granola that can be modified, as well as baked goods that have fewer calories and fat," Onate said.

Not only does Onate truly care about his customers' needs, the owner also hopes to offer his baked goods to local schools and colleges. Granola House and Bakery, though a small, quaint business, has plans to make an impact in the community. Through customer-oriented, healthy manufacturing of goods, Granola House and Bakery is on the fast track to reaching taste buds everywhere.

Granola House and Bakery provides this one-of-a-kind experience on Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., as well as Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Onate's granola proficiency shines through from the first bite that reaches one's taste buds, sending one's mouth on a journey to the cosmos. With out-of-this-world granola and astronomical pastries that are healthy and reasonably priced, Granola House and Bakery will soon have everyone munching happily on granola as they leap and bound across the moon.

Entertainment Writing
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TYPES OF CYBERBULLYING

Gossip: Posting or sending cruel gossip to damage a person's reputation and relationships with friends, family, and acquaintances.

Exclusion: Deliberately excluding someone from an online group.

Impersonation: Breaking into someone's e-mail or other online account and sending messages that will cause embarrassment or damage to the person's reputation and affect his or her relationship with others.

Harassment: Repeatedly posting or sending offensive, rude, and insulting messages.

Cyberstalking: Posting or sending unwanted or intimidating messages, which may include threats.

Flaming: Online fights where scornful and offensive messages are posted on websites, forums, or blogs.

Outing and Trickery: Tricking someone into revealing secrets or embarrassing information, which is then shared online.

Cyberthreats: Remarks on the Internet threatening or implying violent behavior, displaying suicidal tendencies.

EXPERTS TALK

"While bullying through physical intimidation has long been a problem among teenagers, cyberbullying by using computers and smart phones to send rumors or post cruel messages has become more prevalent in recent years," explains Dr. Jennifer Caudle. "Even though there might not be physical injuries, cyberbullying leaves deep emotional scars on the victim."



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SPECIAL EDITION

Bowling. A fun experience with some friends, a league of overly competitive old men, Or maybe even the alley you stop by for some cheese fries on the weekends. But now, bowling will be a life changing experience.

Last fall, the NSAA approved the implementation of a Special Olympics Unified Sports bowling program throughout schools statewide.

All students will participate in one classification as the program runs from mid October through early December.

As the first ever sanctioned uniformed sport in Nebraska, many are anticipating this new opportunity for special education students. For the 2016-2017 season, 41 schools have already registered to participate.

“A number of our schools are already excited,” assistant director Dan Masters said. “All of the responses have been mostly positive.”

Creating an inclusive experience for students is extremely important to the Unified Sports program. However, of all activities, bowling was not arbitrarily chosen.

“Bowling was really high up on the list when students were surveyed and asked what sports they would like to participate in,” Masters said. “It was the committee who helped drive this choice as well. “

Participants in the bowling program will include both those with and without intellectual disabilities, encompassing all the needs participants may have. Each team will be comprised of three students: one with an intellectual disability, and two partners without intellectual disabilities.

“The rules are how you get that equal participation,” Masters said.

The Special Olympics bowling program will be funded by a grant provided by The Nebraska Special Olympics Program, as well as the NSAA. Schools will sign up for the program online and receive funds based on the number of teams the school registers.

The bowling program will be a huge opportunity for special needs students, as they will be able to participate in the same activities as their peers. Prior to the program’s implementation, special education students could join their school’s activities, only if permitted by an administrator. The Special Olympics bowling program will be a much more inclusive process.

“I want to provide opportunity for kids who may not have been able to play sports in the past,” Masters said.

As for the future, the bowling program may be one step leading to the creation of a vast array of opportunities.

Masters is excited for the program, as he believes it will pave the way for “more opportunities for special needs students in the future.”

Although the bowling season will last three months, the impact it leaves on the lives of students will last forever.

“These kids will have new life lessons and learning activities that they will take with them,” Masters said.

News Writing
Nicole Ludden, Papillion-LaVista



News Feature Photography
Quincey Epley, North Platte



The young child struggles to climb the mountainous stairs. She falters a little but makes one last-ditch effort to reach the top. Finally she peaks at the top step. All the effort to simply make it to the top floor is all due to a rare heart condition born into a little girl.

“When I was born with a hole in my heart, my parents were told to go home and enjoy the other three kids because they did not believe I would make it. My dad did not take that as an answer,” Sue Fuchtman said.

Childhood is often coined as the carefree fun time, but Sue Fuchtman was unlike most kids. Born with a hole in her heart, Fuchtman was unable to participate in many of the typical childhood experiences.

“The condition limited me. I’m not sure that it held me back because there were a lot of folk that helped me. I spent a lot of time inside so I might have become the world’s best babysitter in that time,” Fuchtman said.

After living throughout a good portion of her childhood with the condition, Fuchtman underwent open-heart surgery, at just 13 years of age, to seal the hole in her heart using Teflon. A procedure like this was not only risky in terms of health, but also financially. The surgery would be a costly option for a family with five children.

“It would be a very big bill at the time for my family, but what helped us was the strong support of the community around us. It gave me a sense of what my community could be like,” Fuchtman said.

Fortunately for the family and the people joining in for the cause, the surgery was a success, but it did leave some lasting impacts on the brief time after.

Newspaper Feature Writing Joseph Covolo, Millard North



Students Spend the Day Helping

BY ALEXA ANDERSON

The Gering senior class got to take the day off from school on Friday to help serve the community with several projects throughout the area. Seniors from Gering High School were seen all throughout Gering and Scottsbluff doing community service Friday morning.

The seniors were given the opportunity to choose what job they took on whether it was cleaning up trash along the highway, or helping out animals at the humane society.

Senior Cassidy Cooper chose to help pick up trash along U Street all the way to Country Club Road.

“Picking up trash was not as bad as it sounds,” Cooper said, “I actually enjoyed it because for once it was a nice day out and everyone helped out.”

After Cooper and her group of other seniors finished cleaning up trash, they moved on to help out the Humane Society.

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Cassidy Cooper, 12th

“The Humane Society was the best experience because we actually got to interact with the animals even if it was just cleaning out their cages,” Cooper said.

Cooper and her group at the Humane Society helped bathe the newborn kittens, walk the dogs, and clean out the cages of the animals. Justin Wallace and Brandon Gable, also in Cooper’s group, did not necessarily interact with the animals but they helped with the Humane Society’s renovation.

In another group was senior Dakota Gellner, who signed up to work at the monument.

“I chose to work at the monument because I knew it was going to be a beautiful day outside, and I enjoy doing work when it was as nice as it was,” Gellner said.

Gellner and her group worked out by an old dump site next to the monument. They began by picking up all kinds of debris to clear the site so they could begin to replace the prairie. When they were finished raking and planting seed, the area they were working on became a part of the prairie once again.

“I was not sure what we were going to do that day but I had fun digging the trenches,” Gellner said, “I would do it all again if I had to.”

Other groups also helped around the community with cleaning houses, raking at the zoo, setting-up the senior picnic, working at local parks, and helping out at the museum in Gering.

After their community service, the seniors got to lay-back at a picnic teacher Janelle Schultz help set-up and play games such as volleyball and badminton.

“The whole day was great,” Senior Bret Orozco, who helped out at North Platte Valley Museum, said, “I got to spend time with my friends while also helping out the community.”

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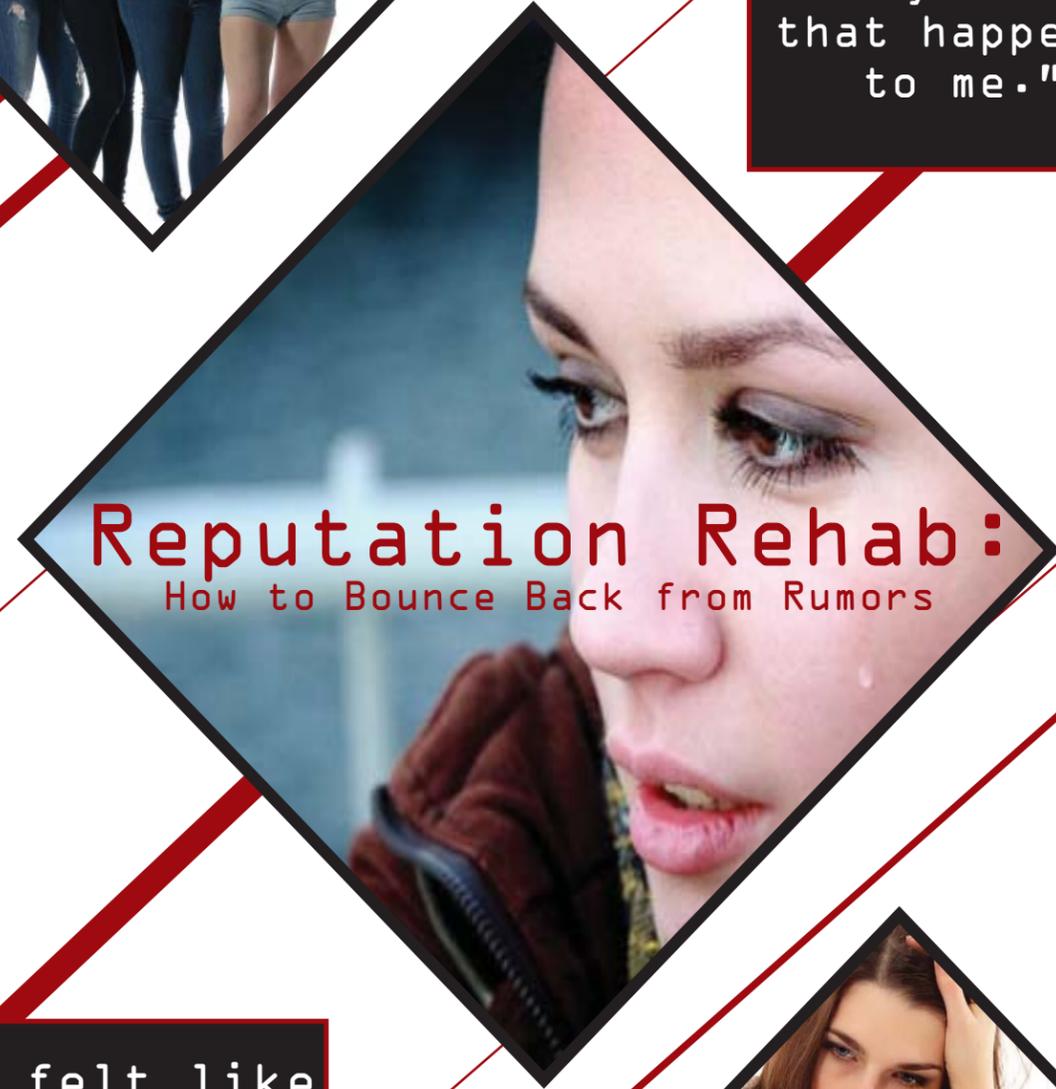
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Reputation Rehab:

How to Bounce Back from Rumors

"I felt like
I had no
control over
anything
anyone said
about me"



When you walk into the gym at Norfolk High School, you see what their boys basketball program is all about. Many banners hang, displaying a history of success and pride within the program. With physical education teacher, Ben Ries, as the head coach for the past 14 seasons, the program has taken a positive turn.

Since Ries was young sports have always been his biggest passion. He grew up playing basketball, and he played all the way through high school.

“In elementary school, sports were what I enjoyed and what I loved,” Ries said. “I built so many friendships with my teammates and coaches, that’s what it was all about for me.”

Ries took control of the Norfolk boys basketball program in 2002 after graduating from the University of South Dakota in 2000. After finishing his playing career at South Dakota, Ries went on to become a graduate assistant for two years.

“I had the opportunity to play college hoops at the University of South Dakota, it was a great experience, playing for a truly amazing coach,” Ries said. “I also played alongside hall of fame caliber teammates, and we were a very successful team because of them.”

Now, Ries has led the Norfolk Basketball team for 14 years, and has led the program in the right direction. With Ries at the helm, Norfolk has gone 244-95 and has become one of the top non-Omaha programs in the state. Other accomplishments that Ries has been apart at Norfolk, include 9 GNAC Tournament Championships, 7 District Championships, 9 State Tournament appearances and playing in the 2010 State Championship Game, where they fell short.

Ries admits, there are a lot of very good teams in the Omaha Metro that have been dominating boys basketball the last few seasons.

“The metro area has been dominating the rest of the state lately, between Omaha South and Omaha Central it has been tough,” Ries said.

However, Ries believes that Norfolk does hold one advantage over the big Omaha schools.

“The biggest key to our success is the passion that our town has for our program,” Ries said. “We build all of our talent from the ground up, and work with our kids to make them the best of athletes they can be.”

During the winter, time can become to tough to manage for Ries, who also has a family of 5 that he lives with.

“With practices going anywhere until 6 or 8 p.m. every night, it’s tough to get family time,” Ries said. “During the season it’s like I’m working two fulltime jobs, as a P.E. teacher during the day and a coach during the evenings and the weekends.”

Next season, the team will be led by current juniors, Logan Strom, Travis Larson, and Lane McCallum, as they look to make a run at the State Championship.

Sports Feature Writing Nolan Tracy, Omaha Westside

An offensive battle took place in Tuesday night’s girls basketball matchup, concluding with Leaguetown High School defeating their crosstown rivals at Bay City 84-78 in the conference basketball championship.

Bay City center Luann Lewis led scoring for both teams with an astounding 40-point night. Coach Bensen was mindful of Lewis’ potential, explaining that she “is a one of a kind player; not the kind of player you plan on stopping.”

Lewis lived up to her expectations, shooting just over 64% from the field; however, not without opposition from her defender, Jane Jackson. “Lewis is a monster, but Jane really went to battle down there,” Bomber point guard Sue Stuart said. “You have to love the way Jane worked.”

Coach Bensen’s starting shooting guard, Mindy Stuart, has been alongside him through all four years of his coaching career at Leaguetown. Prior to his arrival, the Bombers had struggled with discipline off the basketball court.

“This is a really special group,” Coach Bensen said. “Not many people understand how much effort they put into this, and I’m just excited for them.”

Leaguetown’s deep roster proved to be effective deep into the fourth quarter, when center Jane Jackson fouled out of the game. “I was worried when Jane fouled out with four minutes to go,” point guard Sue Stuart said.

The Bombers’ Natalie Combs picked up right where Jackson left off, substituting in and locking down on defense. “We thought we had a chance, and until the final 4 minutes it looked like we had it,” Thunderbirds head coach Michael Adams said.

Leaguetown’s victory, their 12th in conference play this year, earned them their fourth consecutive conference championship. “We are going to enjoy this tonight,” Bensen said, “but we’ll be back at practice tomorrow getting ready for districts.”

Bay City finished their season with an 11-3 conference record, while Leaguetown will compete in districts later this week.

**Sports News Coverage
Jacob Zink, Papillion-La Vista**

Giving spare change to a homeless man. Paying for a stranger's coffee. Donating to a charity. Although these actions are generous and unselfish, "Paying it forward" doesn't always require physically paying. Leaguetown High School Math teacher Angela Munday is hoping to prove just that by rebuilding the high school's mentoring program. Yearning for that connected community feeling again, Munday, a former member of the mentoring program, has overcome personnel changes and budget cuts to hopefully connect students and local mentors by May 1.

As a young high school girl, Munday didn't have only massive piles of homework to worry about. She also had a home life that made it harder for her to concentrate on schoolwork and to have hope for a prosperous future. So when her high school counselor placed her in the hands of Beth Freckling, she was caught off guard. After a milkshake, a compliment and four years of meeting weekly, Munday and Freckling became very close. "Beth talked to me about college, about having a career, about setting goals for my life," Munday said, "I had never thought about the future before meeting Beth." Munday explained how deeply the mentoring program has affected her life and how it has inspired her to revive the program for the current students and the ones to come.

Munday has been given nothing but support from the school administration and the Leaguetown community, including more than 15 local business people and four district staff members in the mentor line-up so far. The Leaguetown High School principal Asher Price had nothing bad to say when asked about Munday and her program, stating that he knows many students that could use a mentor.

Not only are the future mentors ready to meet their mentees and get started, a couple students have voiced that they too are looking forward to being involved in the program. "It would be great to have another adult support me," sophomore Corey Small voiced. He hopes that his mentor will help to guide him through the college process like Freckling did for Munday. Many students recognize the good Munday is doing in their school.

"Maybe a mentor can turn my life around like Ms. Munday's life." Ylise Ventura added.

So as summer quickly approaches and schedules fill up, struggling students will have something to look forward to and a helpful shoulder to lean on. College applications won't be such a burden and coping methods will be in mind. As Munday would say, "time to pay it forward."

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Yearbook Sports Feature Writing

Abby Lang

Class A

Roxanne Grant is a driver. She spends her weekends driving for hours, not towards a destination, but to the finish line. The sophomore has been racing competitively for six years and recently earned herself a spot at NASCAR's legendary training camp this summer.

"This camp is the opportunity of a lifetime for me," Roxanne said. "I've been waiting for this moment most of my life. [...] When I received my acceptance letter I had to read it twice to make sure it was true."

Roxanne's passion for racing began shortly after she was able to talk. By the time she turned four, she turned down Barbie dolls for racecars. Her father, Bart Grant, has supported her dream and has even helped her shop for cars. Even though his heart races with fear every time she steps into a car, he supports her in every way he can.

"Roxanne has a dream and is pursuing it completely," Bart said. "When she first said she wanted to apply to the driving camp, several of her friends and a few family members advised her not to apply. [...] Luckily, Roxanne doesn't listen to others. She listens to her heart."

Unlike her pint-sized stature, her confidence is massive. She has not once listened to her peers who discourage her from racing. In fact, she takes pride in her sport, and is unbothered by the fact that she's the only female on the track. She has

Shane Sedlak / Can You See It?

Yearbook Theme Copy Writing
Shane Sedlak, Papillion-LaVista

Opening

Perspective: an ever-changing aspect of a high school student's life. In our brief four years at Roosevelt High, our teachers and administrators work tirelessly to create a culture for growth and learning. Sure there is plenty to learn in the classroom, but here, amazing things happen all over. Can you see it? There's a distinct calling for greatness flowing from the halls to the fields and back. Look harder. You'll see it in junior Harvey Jameson's eyes as he greets you with a friendly smile. All of his life, Jameson suffered from a rare disease that left him blind in one eye: a unique perspective, but not a dreadful one. A point of view that he embraced, inspiring his classmates to appreciate the little things in life. When his fellow classmates achieved a staggering crowd-funding campaign to partially restore his vision, he could see it with perfect clarity. As he removed the bandages wrapped around his head, it appeared before him in the form of a thousand beaming faces. How about the girls' softball team, whose bus broke down nearly 50 miles from the state tournament? The Emerson High varsity team, whom the girls beat the previous year, did not have to stop to lend a hand. But as the 56 girls from both teams crammed into Emerson's bus, each of them realized the vast definition of sportsmanship. As they laughed and endured a packed bus ride together, they searched for the bitter resentment they had once witnessed, but instead, there was something else. Though they could not put a finger on it, they could all see it.

Division (Organizations)

Blank faces in pressed black suits and dresses lined the hall as Mr. Whitley faced them with his hands tucked behind his back. He had taken over as advisor for the debate team at the beginning of the year, a stranger to everyone. As he spoke before their first meet, the students noticed a shaking in his voice. Finally, he came out: not long ago, in his hometown, he had gotten into a nasty situation with a few of the students. Long story short, the assault charges were dropped, but his reputation was tarnished. He could hardly see through his misty tears as he explained the guilt he felt for not telling them up front. But as his students closed in around him for a group hug, it revealed itself silently, but brilliantly. While some saw it at the beginning of their tenure at Roosevelt High, others experienced it much closer to the end. As senior Tara Forman stepped off of her conductor's stand at the last halftime performance at the last football game of her four-year career, her band stayed put. She saw the smirks on their faces, and began crying as they broke into the very first routine she had ever conducted as a freshman. She watched in amazement as her friends nailed a routine that most of them had never seen before, let alone performed. And she saw the gratefulness in their eyes, and there it was. She could see it, and she would never forget it.

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