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Everything you Never Expected

Northern University High

2007
The student body of PLS/NU High represents a cross section of the Cedar Valley community. The 2006-07 enrollment in grades pre-12 was 369 students, with an additional 80 students in the UNI Child Development Center. PLS/NU enrolls students in programs from pre-kindergarten through grade twelve and includes children as young as six weeks of age in the UNI Child Development Center.

The PLS/NU enrollment includes students from American, racial and ethnic minorities and those from other countries, those who receive free and reduced lunch, and those who have special needs. A defined attendance zone surrounds the school for Cedar Falls students in grades K-6, although elementary students may open enroll from outside the Cedar Falls school district. Middle and high school 7-12 students may enroll from Cedar Falls and other surrounding communities. The Child Development Center accepts children of parents who are UNI students or employees at UNI.
Price Laboratory School
Northern University High

Mission

Serve as an integral component of the University of Northern Iowa's teacher education program

Engage in scholarly work and service to advance teaching practices and provide resources for teachers in Iowa and beyond

Provide an excellent and innovative education for the early childhood through grade twelve students

About Laboratory Schools

To be a laboratory School, two factors must be in place. First the school must be affiliated with a college or university. Second, laboratory schools have as their primary mission the training of teachers, the expansion of research and the development of curriculum. There is only one pre-kindergarten through grade twelve comprehensive laboratory school in Iowa - Price Laboratory School at the University of Northern Iowa. Price Lab School is a public school governed by the Board of Regents and a department within University of Northern Iowa's College of Education.
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2006-07 Yearbook

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NU High Class of 2007
Senior Tally

Best All Around - Drew Stonewall and Chondraah Holmes
Best Couple - Brittan Lawrence and Kenton Engels
Best Couple Who Doesn't Know it Yet - Heather Fremont and Dylan Klenske
Best Dressed - Jovan Creighton and Tennille Backstrom
Best Eyes - Maureen Owino and Andy Tallakson
Best Hair - Drew Stonewall and Jess Niedert
Best Personality - Dylan Diemer and Bridgie Lane
Best Sense of Humor - Brandon Richmond and Karen Andersen
Best Smile - Jeff Owino and Brittan Lawrence
Class Flirt - Spencer Green and Molly Warren
Cutest - Bridgie Lane
Most Athletic - Drew Stonewall and Molly Warren
Most Changed - Erik Anderberg and Jess Niedert
Most Dependable - Kenton Engels and Shannon Piehl
Most Determined - Andrew Mallon and Heather Fremont
Most Intelligent - Sid Mitra and Jenny Hills
Most Likely to be Famous - TJ McClain and Mandy Rector
Most Likely to be Remembered - Andrew Mallon
Most Likely to Succeed - Peter Hochgraf and Shannon Piehl
Most School Spirited - Kyle Monson
Most Talented - Dylan Diemer
Most Talkative - Spencer Green and Hanna Wiesley
Most Shy - Ed Basom and Jenny Hills
Most Artistic - Dylan Diemer
Most Outgoing - Brandon Richmond and Hanna Wiesley
Most Likely to Get Lost in Cedar Falls - Sid Mitra and Brittan Lawrence
Guy Most Likely to Eat a Cricket to Impress a Girl - Jamie Mauer and Brandon Smith
Girl Most Likely to be Impressed - Kelsey Reuter
Most Musical - Dylan Diemer and Mandy Rector
Best Actor/Actress - Kenton Engels and Chondraah Holmes
Best Car - TJ McClain and Jess Niedert
Talks the Most but Says the Least - Spencer Green
Most Likely to Publish a Book - CJ Mather (on science), Brandon Smith (on go-kart racing), Heather Fremont (on how to get the senior lounge re-opened)
Most Likely to be a Millionaire - Ed Basom and Mandy Rector
Most Likely to be a Model - Andy Tallakson and Tennille Backstrom
Most Likely to Become a Pro Athlete - Drew Stonewall
Most Likely to Become President - Mandy Rector
Most Knowledgeable - Peter Hochgraf & Heather Fremont
Most Likely to Take Over the World - Ben Kishman and Heather Fremont
Most Likely to Graduate from College Early - Sid Mitra and Jenny Hills

As predicted by the NU High Senior class of 2007 as to what lies ahead...
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Barnes Building Materials, Community National Bank, Itech, Lattin’s, Maid Rite & Waffle Stop Grill, UNI Credit Union.

Silver
Andy Tallakson
FAVORITE MEMORY: Tailgating before football games. FUTURE PLANS: I am planning on going to UNI with a major in education.

Jeff Owino
FAVORITE MEMORY: Travelling to soccer games and having fun in the bus with other guys. FUTURE PLANS: I plan to go to a university to study human resource management.

Hanna Wiesley
FAVORITE MEMORY: Being at NIU high for 13 years. Going to Chile my junior year and Homecoming week my senior year. FUTURE PLANS: I plan on attending Iowa State University to major in something that has to do with working with kids.

Andrew Mallon
FAVORITE MEMORY: Mr. Hamilton playing current events game. FUTURE PLANS: Go to college.

Chondraah Holmes
FAVORITE MEMORY: Getting on Homecoming court, and becoming Homecoming queen and spending time with friends. FUTURE PLANS: To major in pre-medicine/ biology and attend a 4 year college or university.

Brittan Lawrence
FAVORITE MEMORY: Basketball cheerleading my senior year. FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend a 4-year private college majoring in French or possibly pre-law.
Kyle Monson
Favorite Memory: Being on homecoming court.
Future Plans: Attending Hawkeye to major in graphic communications.

Mandy Rector
Favorite Memory: Going to Chile.
Future Plans: I plan to attend Wartburg College and major in biology and minor in Spanish.

Molly Warren
Favorite Memory: Playing basketball my junior and senior year.
Future Plans: I am going to the University of Dubuque to play basketball.

Karen Andersen
Favorite Memory: Listening to music in art class.
Future Plans: I am planning to go to UNI.

Tennille Backstrom
Favorite Memory: First day of 9th grade year in earth science. Mr. Spurr made a comment about weight watchers, and it somehow escalated to an on-going fight for the next 4 years about being fat and eating the whole buffet at our 5-year reunion!
Future Plans: I am planning on attending UNI in the fall to study psychology.

Ben Kishman
Favorite Memory: Doing calisthenics in the middle of the night at the 8th grade retreat with Mr. Barney.
Future Plans: Going to Kirkwood for 2 years to get my general stuff out of the way.
Jenny Hills
Favorite Memory: Going to France and Quebec with my French class.
Future Plans: Going to Iowa State to become a graphic designer and spend some time in France.

Jovan Creightan
Favorite Memory: During the Kee High game I got 2 sacks in a row, which helped us get the win. I also got to be in the paper.
Future Plans: I am going to Iowa Central to major in Criminal Justice.

Sid Mitra
Favorite Memory: Brandon Smith getting stuck in the elevator.
Future Plans: I plan to go to Michigan and become famous.

Jovan Creightan
Favorite Memory: Getting stuck in the elevator.
Future Plans: I plan to go to Iowa State University and to go to work for John Deere as an electrical engineer.

Maureen Owino
Favorite Memory: All my memories from high school are great.
Future Plans: Probably going to UNI.
Shannon Piehl

**Favorite Memory:** My favorite memory is when my team, Les Rampas, won in Current Events in US History with Mr. Hamilton. Our team was behind until the lunch round, but then we fought back to win in the end.

**Future Plans:** I plan to attend the University of Central Missouri and major in French Education.

Drew Stonewall

**Favorite Memory:** Performing with the Mystical Panthers.

**Future Plans:** Live life to the fullest.

Dylan Diemer

**Favorite Memory:** Seeing Brandon Smith get trapped in the elevator in eighth grade.

**Future Plans:** Hawkeye Community College, my best choice!

Heather Fremont

**Favorite Memory:** Any play I ever worked on.

**Future Plans:** I will be attending Iowa State in the fall for Engineering.

Jamie Mauer

**Favorite Memory:** Leaving high school.

**Future Plans:** I plan on going to college and get a degree in Computer Systems Management.
CJ Mather

**Future Plans:** I plan to attend Kirkwood Community College for two years before transferring to Iowa State to major in Information Technology.

Erik Anderberg

**Favorite Memory:** Going to the school carnivals. **Future Plans:** I plan on attending Hawkeye Community College.

Peter Hochgraf

**Favorite Memory:** Brandon getting locked in the elevator. **Future Plans:** Plan on doing Architecture.

Kelsey Reuter

**Favorite Memory:** Working back stage of all the musicals and plays - especially the '06 spring play between filling in and not knowing lines. **Future Plans:** Going to Hawkeye for my Gen Eds, then transferring to study Child Psycholology.

Kenton Engels

**Favorite Memory:** Performing as a Mystical Panther at two homecoming talent shows. **Future Plans:** I plan on attending Wartburg College.
Ed Basom
Favorite Memory: Caroling, set crew, and lunch bunch, and not just because they all had free food!
Future Plans: majoring in Engineering at Iowa State University, and possibly minorin in Russian.

Spencer Green
Favorite Memory: Football and Track
Future Plans: Going to Iowa Central and then UNI.

Bridgie Lane
Favorite Memory: Church chats with couch.
Future Plans: Planning on going to Loyola University in Chicago.

Dylan Klenske
Favorite Memory: Being an All-Stater for Reader's Theatre in Large Group Speech.
Future Plans: I plan to go into Aerospace Engineering at Iowa State University.

Jessica Niedert
Favorite Memory: Senior Prom and the Creek Walk in 11th grade.
Future Plans: Attend Hawkeye Community College to become a nurse and raise my son.
The MEMORIES LIVE ON...
The Year in Review...

Song of the Year-Nelly Furtado featuring Timbaland "Promiscuous"
Album of the Year-Red Hot Chili Peppers *Stadium Arcadium*
Best New Artist-James Blunt
The Nintendo Wii was introduced to the market.
Motor Trend Car of the Year-Honda Civic
Story of the Year: Jason McElwain scores 20 points in 4th quarter and gives new hope to all autistic children.
Game of the year- Boise State 43 Oklahoma 42
Phil Mickelson won the Masters Tournament.
Italy won the World Cup.
Roger Federer won the US Open Tennis Championship singles for men
Maria Sharapova won the US Open Tennis Championship singles for women.
Sam Hornish, Jr. won the Indy 500.
Florida won the NCAA Championship in football and basketball
The San Antonio Spurs won the NBA championship.

Indianapolis Colts win Super Bowl XLI.
St. Louis Cardinals win the World Series.

#1 Movie-*Pirates of the Caribbean 2*

The US government is found to be secretly searching the telephone records of tens of millions of citizens.
An earthquake kills around 5,800 people on the island of Java in Indonesia.
Felipe Calderon became the president of Mexico.
The United States marks the fifth anniversary of the September 11th attacks.
Guess Who?!?!

Can you name these seniors?
I promise to respect everyone at Price Laboratory School, to follow school rules, to value all property, to listen to others, to do my best at learning, and to cooperate. I will not hurt others with my words or actions. I want Malcolm Price Laboratory School to be a safe and happy place for all.
Pre-K/Kindergarten - Ms. Hoffman's prek-kindergarten room was full of surprises this year as we discovered dinosaurs! We became paleontologists as we dug for dinosaur bones chiseling each bone from real rocks! The kindergarteners also went on many adventures all over the world as we read Mary Pope Osborn's Magic Tree House books. Our adventure to Egypt took us on a virtual online tour of many of the pharaoh's tomb. We ended the school year with a beautiful graduation ceremony celebrating both the prek-kindergarten graduates. Each student surprised Ms. Hoffman with a long stem red rose as she gave the diplomas to each individual child. A very Kodak moment for everyone attending.
We all had a fantastic year in Mrs. Bromwich's Pre-K-kindergarten room! Our class was highlighted in an Early Childhood Summit video showcasing our skills at our wonderful physical-knowledge centers. We were also dinosaur scientists when we studied fossils in our paleontology unit. Our class enjoyed dancing to High School Musical songs during our dance parties. We bonded closely as a classroom community during work and play and had an excellent year together. — Mrs. Bromwich

In Art - Kindergarten art students explored coloring techniques using a variety of materials, made lively mouse shaped color wheels, worked as a team to create posters, and learned about expressing emotions through lines.
Class of 2017-18

1st & 2nd

First & Second Grade

Mrs. Geopfert

Unit II

We have had a busy year in Unit II. We started the fall with our Iowa Explorations Unit. We learned about schools of today and yesterday and had a wonderful Old Fashioned School Program to culminate that unit. We also enjoyed visiting the Marshall School on campus.

Next we looked at the Insects of Iowa. We went on a bug hunt at the Hudson Road Prairie. We studied Farming in Iowa and visited the Hansen Dairy Farm. We also had a dairy tasting party during this unit. Our last unit for the fall semester was Pioneers and we had fun at our Winter Pioneer Celebration.

During the spring we studied Friendship. We sang songs for the residents at the Windsor Care Center and celebrated friendship at PLS with our Friendship Party. We studied our friends to the North and East and had a fun Japanese Tea Ceremony in April. We also enjoyed meeting Faith Ringgold in April. To end the year, we studied our Make-Believe Friends and performed fairytale plays for our families.

It was a fun year in Unit III!
In Art ~
Unit II art students expanded upon their classroom understanding of bugs through basic shape based drawing projects, learned about Grant Woods illustration techniques and materials, and formed clay pinch pots. ~ Ms. Tiffany
This year has been filled with many interesting activities. Early in the year, the students decorated a Christmas tree for the Festival of Lights and attended the celebration. The decorations' theme was the rainforest. In the fall, the students learned about Russia and the Russian language. A Russian graduate student from St. Petersburg taught the class for a semester twice a week. The students were also pen pals with another First Amendment School in Long Island, New York. They attended many plays at the Gallagher Bluedorn. In March, the students traveled to Des Moines to perform at the state capital for the Iowa legislators. In April, the students participated in a Chinese fair to learn about the culture of China. It has been a very successful year.
Fourth grade art students created fabulous joy balls, designed fantasy homes, molded pockets out of clay, and explored mosaic construction.

~ Ms. Tiffany

Fourth Grade Highlights

- Inventor Biographies
- How to Eat Fried Worms Unit
- MLK Play at GBPAC
- River Hills Friends
- Malt shakes, pizza, and the Chippmunks
- Parts of Speech: Shoolhouse Rock
- Turning our classroom into a Zoo
- Polygons
- The Wonderful World of Fractions and Decimals
- State Report Night

~ Mr. Asmus
Fifth graders were very busy in their classroom this year! They became great problem solvers in math, learned about chemical interactions in science, created a parade float about one of the 50 states in the USA, and "became" a historical figure for our White House Tea Party. This year's students were passionate learners and came into the classroom each day with a desire to learn and a quest for knowledge. They did a lot of cooperative group projects in social studies and science, and they learned that teamwork is an important life skill.

Our annual field trip to Living History Farms was a great learning adventure. The students enjoyed the morning as they stepped back in time to 1875 as they were students in the one room school house. Traveling through the different farms in Iowa's history was another great part of the trip. It was truly a fantastic year in rooms 210-212!

In Art ~
Fifth grade art students used their design skills to create kaleidoscope name posters, formed sculptures from joined clay pots, and developed watercolor story paintings based on Faith Ringgold's illustration quilts. ~ Ms. Tiffany
Guidelines of Success
Give Me "5"

Respect
Learning
Responsibility
Attitude
Honesty/Integrity
8th Grade

Molly Andersen
Alexandra Bachman
Madison Backstrom
Kyle Basom
Jacey Boyland
Brandon Brown
Traishondus Bunch
Alexander Calboun
Savannah Campbell
Katelyn Corkery
Brittney Culmore
Corbin Dayton
Kyle Denning
Jyothi Dhanwada
Sarah Dietz
Christian Ford
Morgan Granger
JoAnna Griffith
Rachel Hanson
Leah Jocelyn
Alyssa Kilbourn
Thaddeus Klenske
Jenny Lee
Krista Lee
Andrew Leonard
Michael Longnecker
Mary Maletta
Katie Mallon
Nikolaus McCallum
Kendal McDonald
Middle School Senate

Sponsors
Leasha Henriksen
Jen Johnson

8th Grade
Jyothi Dhanwada
Rachel Hanson
Mary Maletta
Terry Nielsen
Ana Tallakson
Mason Walsh*
*(Also served as State Middle School Senate Parliamentarian)
Raquel Williams

7th Grade
Devin Anant
Darrell Coleman
Mary Harrast
Drew Lederman
Christine McKenna
Tessa Michaelsen
Ashlie South

6th Grade
Matt Boehmler
Margaret Creeden
Riley Garcia
Riley Gardner
Dominique Harrington
Dorian Hundley
Damien Mohorne
Dilan Mott
Atif Zaman

2006-07 - A year of progress...

Elections in the fall

Welcome to the Middle School Care and Share Carnival

Care and Share Carnival

Spring Clean-up
7th Grade

8th Grade
7th Grade


8th Grade

7th Grade


8th Grade

MS Boys Track

Front Row (l-r): Andrew Leonard, Alex Prinsen, Michael Longnecker, Shesters Panduro.
Back Row: Coach Smeins, Alex Quinones, Christian Ford, Terry Nielsen.
Middle School Jazz Band
Front Row (l-r) Tadd Klenske, Brittney Culmore, Sarah Prophet, Tessa Michaelsen. Middle Row: Joni Griffith, Christine McKenna, Brandon Culmore, Andrew Stone. Third Row: Mary Harrast, Judy Bleile. Back Row: Elizabeth Boody, Dorian Hundley, Terry Nielsen, Rachel Hanson, Nik McCallum, Mr. Johnson.
School Song

All loyal sons and daughters
Come let your voices rise
As we pledge allegiance to NU High
Foundations firm, convictions strong
We proudly stand erect and sing
Our Alma Mater song

Written and composed by Les Hale

School colors: Orange and Black
Mascot: Panther
High School

Northern University High School
Sophomores
Memories of Our 10th Grade Year

Sports, the hydrogen experiment, turning pennies gold, trigonometry, government with Mr. Weber, and study hall with Mrs. Couch.
Always acknowledge a fault. This will throw those in authority off their guard and give you an opportunity to commit more.
~ Mark Twain
Kody Asmus
Megan Balong
Aricia Beckman
Alison Beharka
Connie Bigelow
Sara Blanco

Shelly Bromwich
Kelly Brumm
Dorothy Burt
Jennifer Burton
Doug Case
Jennifer Christiason

Rachel Cole
Jeffrey Cornett
Karen Couch
Lyn Countryman
J.D. Cryer
Joan Day

Mary Doyle
Anne DuChene
Lynn Dykstra
Katheryn East
Nicole Geopfert
Mary Guenther

Becky Hawbaker
Leasha Henriksen
Diane Highnam
Sheri Hoffman
Dusty Johnson
Terry Ketter

Rick Knivsland
Karla Koch
Evelyn Ledtje
Amy Lockhart
Jim Maltas
Shelley McCumber

Pamela Meier-Kraus
Danielle Meyer
Kim Miller
Curt Nielsen
Doug Rottinghaus
Linda Sharp
Faculty Quotes

"To find the best in people, choose to think and believe the best about them."
~ Mr. Stichter

Yearbook students: It has been a year of transition with the design and production of the yearbook and, hopefully, there will be 'No More Nights' as a result. Many thanks for all your contributions.

To all the Seniors:
In the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson, "Always do what you are afraid to do." Best wishes.
~ Mrs. Dykstra

"Exercise does increase the growth of brain cells and it reduces stress. Keep moving and prioritize to take care of your body. If you don't take care of your body, where will you live?"
~ Mrs. Smith

"I will always have fond memories of the class of 2007 since you were my first group of students at the Lab School.
- Best of luck always.
~ Mrs. Lockhart

According to author J.K. Rowling, "Destiny is a name often given in retrospect to choices that had dramatic consequences." Therefore, to the class of 2007, I say: Thank you for all of the drama you have added to our lives at MPLS. Now go out and live your destinies by making choices which will have dramatic consequences! Best Wishes!!!
~ Mrs. Tagtow

As the great philosopher, Dr. Seuss said, "Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." You are a class of great conviction, never let go of your convictions.
~ Mrs. Wagoner

"Best wishes to all of you in the years to come. Try to remember that we never regret an act of kindness."
~ Mrs. Weber
Student Life

NU High students traveled to Chile, France, and Quebec during the 2006-07 school year.
Quebec 2007

The French students at the IMAX in Montreal

"Quebec is like no other city on earth. It looks like it fell out of a book of fairy tales."
~ Bridgie Lane

"The food in Quebec was amazing. There were delicious French pastries and desserts in American-sized portions."
~ Brittan Lawrence

"It was fascinating to see so many bilingual people in one area. Most of the servers and clerks were able to speak fluently in both French and English."
~ Jenny Hills

"Quebec was a lot more like a French city—very narrow cobblestone streets and very little mechanical transportation."
~ Ben Kishman

"I really loved old Montreal because it reminded me of France. We also visited Notre Dame in Montreal, one of the prettiest churches ever."
~ Shannon Piehl
"Living it up in Arica, Chile." ~Erica

"Live everyday as if it were your last" ~Kristina

It was very fun. Once in a lifetime chance and it was a great time. I wish to do it again someday. ~Alex

"Best two weeks of my life." ~John
France is so beautiful. Everything is so rich in history and there are many things to see. Everywhere you look there is something amazing. Paris was my favorite place to go and it is especially beautiful at night. Elizabeth, David and I climbed the Eiffel Tower 3 minutes before it closed. I will never forget my trip to France.
~ Shannon

It was a little awkward being the only guy that went, but it was fun. I will never forget going to Paris at night and climbing the Eiffel Tower with Shannon, Elizabeth and the French friends we stayed with. I will also never forget going into so many girl stores.
~ David

I absolutely loved France! I will never forget my night in Paris with Shannon, David and our correspondents. Everyday I had something new to look forward to, and I hope to return someday.
~ Elizabeth

The France trip was an experience that will stick with me forever! I met some amazing people and made amazing memories!
~ Tiffani

France was amazing. Everything was so beautiful and you really got to experience the culture.
~ Alayna
Front Row (l-r): RaeVonn Kearns, Elena Tallakson, Shannon McKenna, Sriya Subramani. Second Row: Kaylee Williams, Hanna Wiesley, Amanda Rector, Brittan Lawrence, Wrenna Walsh. Back Row: Erica Jensen, Drew Stonewall, James Kapanka, Keith Hanson, Will Rector, Marissa Baskerville, Megan Hardy. Not pictured: Ta'Mone Williams, Kenton Engels, Thomas Creeden, Jawanza Holmes and Sponsor, Danielle Meyer.
Large Group:

Reader's Theater - "Letters to a Student Revolutionary"
Went to All-State
Leandra Gute
Megan Hardy
Amy Kischer-Browne
Dylan Klenske
Margot Taylor
Kaylee Williams

Improvisation: Went to State
Dylan Klenske
Katie Thompson

Individual:

Acting - Went to State
Danielle Glaspie

Being in Reader's Theater was such a great experience. We have so much fun going to All State in Ames and staying up late watching movies at the hotel and then having to wake up really, really early to perform.
~ Margot

Reader's Theater was hilarious! I'll never forget the "Great Salsa Spill" 5 minutes before State Performance.
~ Kaylee

I have never had to make myself cry before. I'm proud to say that I have finally mastered the art!
~ Amy
Members of the 2006 - 2007 NU High Choir

Rhyanne Abernathy-Manning
Tennille Backstrom
Marissa Baskerville
Edward Basom
Erik Basom
Savannah Boehmler
Elizabeth Brumm
Bailey Carlisle
Erica Cornett
Kenton Engels
Karen Engels
Samantha Felts
Cassandra Giller
Leandra Gute
Keith Hanson
Megan Hardy
Irene Hochgraf-Cameron
Elizabeth Hoffman
Chondraah Holmes
Corey Holmes
Jawanzaa Holmes
Ashleigh Jensen
Brittany Johnson
Amelia Kischer-Browne
Dylan Klenske
Andrew Mallon
Jamie Mauer
Paul Mauer
Shannon McKenna
Jay Miller
Emma Piehl
Alayna Rasmussen
Kelsey Reuter
Meagan Schneider
Tristan Schofield
Nathan Smith
Rameses Smith
Elena Tallakson
Abbye Van Cleave
Wrenna Walsh
Kaylee Williams
Ridwana Zaman

All-State Recognition
Amelia Kischer-Browne & Elizabeth Brumm
NU Orchestra

High School Band


There is no power greater than a community discovering what it cares about.
- Margaret Wheatley

Community = It's not about me; it's about us - We need Us!
- Dr. Upham
High School Jazz Band

The Yearbook Class

NU High Yearbook Staff

2006-07

Erik Anderberg
Karen Andersen
Jalen Bergman
Michael Bowman
Kristina Cook
Michael Cornett
Jovan Creighton
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Alex Weichers
Tommy Woods

2007
"No More Nights"

Planning Meetings:
- Layout
- Design
- Photography
- Fundraising
- Marketing
- Sales
- Customer Service...
Judge Gaffney having a talk with the Simmons about Elwood's problems.

Myrtle May once again complaining about Elwood being around.

Veta having an intense conversation on the phone with one of her friends.

Nurse Kelly is having one of her disagreements with Dr. Sanderson again.

Dr. Chumley and Dr. Sanderson having a doctor to doctor conversation.

Miss Johnson serving some drinks to the guests.

Harvey Cast

- Myrtle May Simmons
- Veta Louise Simmons
- Elwood P. Dowd
- Miss Johnson
- Mrs. Ethel Chauvenet
- Ruth Kelly, R.N.
- Duane Wilson
- Lyman Sanderson, M.D.
- William R. Chumley, M.D.
- Betty Chumley
- Judge Omar Gaffney
- E.J. Lofgren
- Megan Hardy
- Amy Kischer-Browne
- Kenton Engels
- Danielle Gaspie
- Kristina Cook
- Elizabeth Brumm
- Nate Smith
- Jonathan Hersberger
- Dylan Klenske
- Chadraab Holmes
- Paul Mauer
- David Nielsen

Fall Play
Harvey

Cast Members for Harvey
"Of course I'm fine," says Nessa, but Jay Wonders.

Leandra says, "Bow and look at your adoring fans," to a shy Keith.

"Don't we look spiffy in these costumes?"
2007 Spring Play
The Clone People

Kenton and Ellie take a well deserved bow.

Amy packs her bag.

Kenton gets a drink.

Mandy holds "very still" for eyeliner.

All smiles before the curtain.

Jay and Sally compare notes.

Hanna smiles with Brittan.

Nessa with bandage after her "accident."

Dr. Elman calmly assures Sally that she has the situation under control.

"See I do look old," says Mandy.

"You want another picture?"

Waiting and waiting for the show to start.

"Yes! These are natural curls."

"Membership in the Alpha Chapter of the National Honor Society is earned through demonstration of the four ideals held in high esteem by the society: Character, Leadership, Service & Scholarship"
Senior Awards

Graduation Program

Honors

Academic Honors
Edward Basom
Heather Fremont
Chondraah Holmes
Siddharth Mitra
Amanda Rector
Brandon Richmond
Andrew Stonewall
Hanna Wiesley

High Academic Honors
Tennille Backstrom
Kenton Engels
Jennifer Hills
Bridgie Lane
Brittan Lawrence
Shannon Piehl

Outstanding Academic Growth
Erik Anderberg and Jovan Creighton

Special Service Award
Heather Fremont and Andrew Mallon

Department of Teaching Awards
Howard VanderBeek Writing Award - Jovan Creighton
Brian Smith Multicultural Leadership Award - Chondraah Holmes
Boehlmer Award - Andrew Tallakson
Les Hale Music Scholarship - Kenton Engels
Kenneth G. Butzier Scholarship - Kenton Engels, Heather Fremont, Jamie Mauer
Ross A. Nielsen Scholarship - Drew Stonewall
Malcolm & Mary Day Price Memorial Scholarship - Jennifer Hills
Albert A. Potter Science Award - Chondraah Holmes
Department of Teaching Award - Hanna Wiesley
Dwight Curtis Memorial Scholarship - Kenton Engels
Ferdinand C. Riechmann Scholarship - Tennille Backstrom, Shannon Piehl
Class of 1978 Faculty Scholarship and Award -
Student: Heather Fremont, Faculty: Dr. Lyn Countryman

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Sports and Events
Homecoming 2006

This year's homecoming week started off with the annual dress up days. The students came to school each day with a new outfit and a new theme including Dress-up Day, 80's Day, Twin Day, Pajama Day and Spirit Day. The students decorated the halls and participated in the Talent Show. Drew Stonewall, Kenton Engels, and Morgan Cawley dazzled the crowd once again with another one of their classic NU Themed Songs. The week concluded with the football team beating Midland High School 31-12. This was the second year in a row the football team won their homecoming game! Drew Stonewall and Chondraah Holmes were voted the Homecoming King and Queen and as you can guess, there was plenty to celebrate at the homecoming dance after the big football win!

~ Coach Asmus
For only the third time in 20 years, the Panthers ended the year with a winning season. Much of this year's success can be attributed to the departing seniors. All received post season honors.

-Coach Asmus
Football Cheerleading
A season to remember...

"This football cheerleading season was really fun. I had fun spending time with my friends, and getting to know some new people. It was also fun watching the football team and cheering them on. Overall, it was a great season!"

~ Megan Hills
The Cross Country team worked very hard this year. It showed with David Nielsen placing 21st at the state tournament meet. The team will only lose two seniors so they will be back for another strong season next year.

~ Coach Henriksen

Front Row (l-r): Nate Smith, Andrew Mallon, Kenton Engels, James Kapanka.
The 2006 NU Cross Country Season was full of many accomplishments for the individuals and the teams. All of the student-athletes were hard workers, team players, and leaders in the classroom. Both the boys and girls teams showed the great attitudes and mental toughness it takes to be a cross country runner.

~ Coach DuChene
Volleyball

Basketball Cheerleading

Cheerleading Memories

"It was the most fun activity I have done all throughout my high school career."
~ Brittan Lawrence

"Basketball Cheerleading was very special and it was fun cheering for our guys and girls. I looked forward to every game!"
~ Chondraah Holmes

Boys Basketball

Varsity


"We are happy with our season but the outcome definitely motivates us for next year."

-Nick Ellerbroek

"I wish we would have made it further, but overall I think we had a very successful season as we won the NICL for the third year in a row."

- Travis Ellerbroek

Junior Varsity


Boys Basketball Season

Although this season ended on a sour note, the boys basketball team claimed their 3rd straight NICL conference championship. The boys only lost to Denver in NICL play and played one of the toughest schedules in the state. They still managed to win 20 games for the 3rd straight year and had a number of players receive Post Season awards. Coach McKowen announced at the end of the year that him and his wife Jody would be moving to Kansas City and that this season was his last at NU. We want to thank Coach McKowen for all his hard work and taking the NU HIGH boys basketball program to the top of the conference. Good luck next season and GO PANTHERS!
Girls Basketball Season

This year's girls basketball team welcomed a new coach in Tyler Struck. The girls improved from game to game and have the opportunity to be very successful in the years to come due to the number of underclassmen playing on this year's team. The season was highlighted by exciting wins over Eldora-NP and Dike-NH. Molly Warren was one of the most dominating players in the history of NU HIGH Girls Basketball. The future is bright for the girls basketball team at NU and with a little hard work and determination, the sky is the limit!
Boys Soccer

Front Row (l-r): Devon Turner, Keith Hanson, Justin Stone, Will Maletta, Andrew Mallon, Jordan Stone, Sid Mitra.
Boys Track


Track Season

"This year was good. We are still rebuilding, but should still be good next year. I look forward to the last year of high school track. We are 'gonna be good!"

~ David Nielsen

State Results:

David Nielsen 3200: 4th place
David Nielsen 1600: 3rd place
Girls Track

Track Season

"Track was amazing this year. We worked hard and had lots of fun! Everyone should plan on NU making a lot of noise at state next year. Go Panthers!"
~ Shannon McKenna

State Results:
Shannon McKenna 3000: 7th place
Boys Tennis

Tennis Team

Front Row (l-r): Paul Mauer, Sid Mitra, Keith Hanson, Jay Miller, Jonathan Hershberger, Dylan Klenske.

Back Row: Coach Froyan, Tony Tan, Drew Stonewall, Ian Campbell, Jamie Mauer, Nate Smith.
Girls Tennis

Tennille Backstrom, Brittan Lawrence, Megan Hills, Erica Jensen, Ellie Tallakson, Molly Warren.

Panther Record

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The 2007 NU Boys Golf Team had a fantastic season, becoming the 6th Panther team in 10 years to advance to the State Tournament. In the process, the Panthers established the 7th best season stroke average ever, at 167.19, while defeating 9 teams in duals and losing only to two. The team finished 2nd in the tough NICL Conference Tournament, became Sectional Champions, and placed second to eventual state champion Mason City Newman in the District contest.

Throughout the season the Panthers were led by junior Ben Peterson, who was the medalist in the Grundy Center Tournament and the NICL conference and who finished in the top 10 in every tournament but one. Peterson also led the Panthers with a season best stroke average of 39.5, with all-time leader in matches counted in as well as top-ten medals won.

Adding to the NU success were sophomore Thomas Creeden and freshmen Jalen Bergman. Each had top 10 finishes in 4 major tournaments, with Bergman being the runner-up medalist in the Sectional Tournament. Playing #4 and #5 for the Panthers throughout the season were seniors Kenton Engels and Andy Tallakson, both of whom were named NICL All-Academic conference. Along with Petersen, both Creeden and Bergman had stroke averages below 41.7 for the season.

The Panthers also received varsity contributions from letter winner Jordan Bachman and freshman Emmett Fritz, who competed in all the post-season tournaments for NU including the state tournament, where NU finished 6th. With four of the players returning from the group who played at state, plus Bachman, and sophomores Kendall Jackson and Jared Luchtenberg, the future looks bright for the Panther Golf Team in the next couple of years.

Coach Lee Weber was very happy with the success of the Panther Golf squad. "We were very young this year, playing only two seniors throughout the season. When we advanced to the state tournament, we played two 9th graders, and there were only a total of four 9th graders in the entire field of 62 golfers. We hope the experience that the underclassmen gained this season will pay dividends next year, with a return to the state meet and a higher place finish."

Casino Royale

To the NU class of 2007
Make sure you're in your bed, at least by 11:00.
Do your homework carefully, day to day.
Don't settle for B's if you can earn A's.
Remember, school days can be a ball.
There're enough activities for you all.
Basketball, music, drama and such
Can all benefit for your special touch.
There are teams to join, deadlines to meet,
And the well-known faces of friends to greet.
There are counselors and coaches and teachers to guide
And a beautiful campus to give you pride.
Make the most of the years to come when you're at NU
And enjoy great success when you are through.

Amanda Rector - Many of us are ready and willing to go to college and made our future plans long ago. Those of us that will feel a slight hint of sadness after this is all over, remind us all of something: We are not taking a step, but a gigantic leap into the future. We are leaving high school with hopes of pursuing big dreams and aspirations, what ever they may be. I believe that it is important to dream big but realistically. As author J.K. Rowling wrote, "It does not do to dwell on dreams and forget to live." We have lived and learned and have become better people for it. There have been teachers along our journey who challenged us to think and step out of our comfort zone. Classmates who rarely spoke gave their opinions to the astonishment of us all. Life is about discovering yourself and determining what you want to do with the talent you have. You will always have the option to follow the beaten path, or make your own. J.K. Rowling wrote, "It is our choices that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities."

Andrew Stonewall - Words of Wisdom - First off let's take a moment and celebrate. We have reached a major milestone in our lives. It is a passage, so to speak, from childhood to adulthood. It is important to remember how we got here... and who helped us get here... (coaches, teachers, friends, and family) because these are the people who are our true friends and also the people who really care about us. The point of all this is that life will always be the same. There are no short cuts, no easy paths, no breaks. It is one step after another until you reach your next goal. Yes it will be challenging but the most important thing to remember is to enjoy life's dance. It won't be easy but as long as a person stays positive and respects others, life's dance will be a whole lot more enjoyable. As George Washington Carver once said, "How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and strong,... because someday in your life you will have been all of these."

Lee Weber - "The Three Lessons of the Lion King"
So there you have it... FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE. The three challenges I give you today are to discover what it is you truly believe in, what it is that you hope for yourself and the community around you, and above all, who it is that you love above all else...do those three things in life and everything else will take care of itself.
And one last thing...if Leo Buscaglia were here today I know he would add this...make sure you go find those people in that slide show right after the ceremony, and tell them you love them and tell them thanks for all the love they gave you in your life, and then give them a big hug...REALLY, I MEAN IT...DO IT! You'll be amazed at how good it will feel.
Graduates, Congratulations...and, at least for today... Hakuna Mitata! Thank you all very much.
Karen
Andersen
Karen,
Good job!
Love,
Your family

Dylan
Klenske
Dylan,
A new backpack - a great adventure.
Now the backpack is bigger,
And so is the boy...
Congratulations Dylan!
We are so proud of you.
Love, Dad, Mom and Tad

Curtis
Mather
Cj,
Congratulations Cj!
We're very proud of you!
Lots of Love,
Dad and Vickie

Jamie
Mauer
Jamie,
Congratulations!
Eighteen years went by so very fast!
Love, Mom.

Amanda
Rector
Amanda,
I'm very proud of all you have accomplished and
how hard you've worked to achieve your goals.
It's been so much fun watching you grow up! You
are a beautiful young woman on the outside, but
more importantly, on the inside.
Congratulations! Love, Mom.
Kelsey,  
"Do not let your fire go out in the hopeless swamps of the...not quite, the not-yet, the not-at-all. Do not let the hero in your soul perish, in lonely frustration for the life you deserved but have never been able to reach. The world you desired exists...it is possible, it is yours." ~ Ayn Rand  

Henry Ford said "Whether you think you can or think you can't -- you are right." I believe you can. Congratulations, Kelsey!  
With love & pride, Grandma Betty

Brandon,  

Shoot for the Moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars.  

Brandi

Brandon  
Richmond

Andy,  

We are so proud of you. At age two you declared "I like fun!" and this has been your motto throughout your school years. Whether you were catching a long pass, shooting a three pointer, striking someone out, beating a trashcan or tap dancing on stage, we have enjoyed watching you have fun in all you do. Good luck in your new adventures at UNI. May life always bring you the joy that you bring others.  
Love, Dad, Mom, Ellie and Ana

Andy  
Tallakson

Hanna,  

Thanks for all the great memories and for sharing all your activities with us. You are a great daughter an we are so proud of you.  

Hanna  
Wiesley

Senior Salutes  
Class of 2007
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