

# Entertainment

## Kaitlin tackles college

By: Emily Swantek  
Staff Writer

School may be ending at the beginning of June for all of us but not for sophomore Kaitlin Niebauer. She is getting a head start on her career path of being a nurse, as she will be attending the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from June 24 until July 3.

Niebauer, said she wants to become a nurse anesthetist. "The reason why I am going is to get a head start on my career and find out what I'm good at," said Niebauer.

She is going to be learning a variety of new subjects and have many new experiences.

Niebauer said, "I will learn about medicine and nursing. I am going to visit hospitals and colleges of medicine around Philadelphia, attend daily seminars given by top doctors around the country, watch demonstrations of certain procedures and perform hands-on activities."

Along with all that, she will receive an introduction to medical ethics and participate in a mock residency program, watch live surgery briefings, learn the life of a resident studying at the colleges, learn clinical briefings, have clinical experiences, see different specialties, understand a gift of life briefing, witness patient care, experience disaster triage simulation and learn about Haiti before and after the earthquake.

It sounds like a lot of note taking and lectures, but that's what college is. She will earn two college credits for attending this program. "I was surprised when I got all the information because I didn't think we would be learning so much in ten days," said Niebauer.

Of course, the credits aren't going to be handed to her. "I have to take a test over all the information and pass it to get the credits," said Niebauer. She added they get graded on their participation and understanding of the information.

This isn't something a person can just sign up for. A

teacher has to nominate you and there are only a select few from every school that are nominated. "I got a huge packet with all the information about it in the mail one day saying I was nominated to go. Only 20 kids are going to this certain program the month I'm going," said Niebauer.

The cost isn't cheap either, unless \$3,000 is burning a hole in your pocket.

Niebauer said she has been fundraising for some of the money. "I did a bowling fundraiser and made around \$900. I made Easter candy and received \$120 for that," said Niebauer. She went on to say that she is also making cookie mix in a jar and selling those too. Not only is she raising money on her own, but she is going to being living on her own.

She will be staying in the dorms at the college campus of Villanova University. "My parents aren't staying there with me. They are driving me there and taking me home," said Niebauer.

She said she is a little nervous but excited to meet new people. "I'm worried I won't understand some of the information," said Niebauer.

There were a couple of things she had to do before she got accepted. She said, "I had to create an account and had to get mentors for recommendations from doctors." She also had to ask teachers to write letters of recommendation.

She mentioned she has to dress up everyday. "There is a dress code policy just like school. The skirts have to be knee length and we can't wear tank tops even though it'll be the end of June," said Niebauer.

After all that hard work, there will be a little fun for them. "We get to go see the Liberty Bell and go on a tour bus for half the day and get to go to a water park one of the days too," said Niebauer.

After her studies, she and her family are staying in Pennsylvania for a couple days to go sight-seeing. "I really want to go to Hershey's Chocolate World and get my friends chocolate," said Niebauer.

Niebauer said she is honored to be chosen to go to this program. "I hope I learn a lot about the medical field and the area I'll be working in."

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### Lauren Macauley's experience

Lauren Macauley is looking forward to moving away from Richmond.

She's been here her whole entire life and she's ready to move on to bigger and better things.

Throughout her high school journey, Macauley participated in many plays.

"My brother was in plays. Actually in seventh grade Alex Habel got me into plays," said Macauley.

She was also inspired to do plays from seeing the talent of the seniors when she was only a freshman.

She was mostly involved with theatre and absolutely loved it.

"Theatre was my whole expression to express myself and find out my passion. It taught me a lot about commitment and respecting each other," said Macauley. Her favorite show she participated in was *Fools*.

*Fools* happened during her sophomore year, which she concluded was her favorite year.

She said, "I met my high school sweetheart and I really liked that year."

Her all time favorite memory happened during her freshman year.

"At lunch, my friends and I sat there and me and my friend Leah had Alex Williams in between us. Leah and I looked at each other and read each others' mind, and licked his face," said Macauley.

Now her four years are coming to a close and Macauley is ready to move forward and attend Northern Michigan University.

She said, "I'm very excited and anxious and nervous and ready to take the next step."

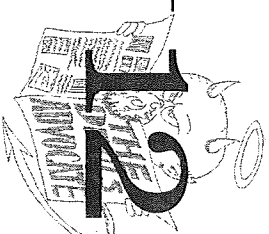
When she leaves, she will miss her lunch table the most.

"Throughout high school, it's been about discussing life and seeing my friends," said Macauley.

When she leaves, she wants people to remember her by her perspective, which she means well to everyone.

### Beau Barton's high school ride

Beau Barton is ready to venture outside of Richmond



## Summer jobs sought by students

By: Jessica Bibrey  
Staff Writer

Summer is almost here. With only two weeks left of school, many students will be looking for summer jobs.

Sydney Spens has had three jobs over the past year. Her first employment was at McDonalds in town. She worked there for over ten months then ended up

quitting shortly after and started her new job at Speedway. She has been working at Speedway for over two months now.

"I have to clean the store constantly and take care of the customers and make sure the store is up to date," said Spens.

Spens recently got employed at Jimmy Johns. Now with two jobs, she'll be making a good amount of money over the summer. Sydney plans on attending MCC this summer.

"Having two jobs is hard, but it's worth it in the end, being able to pay bills and have some play money. It won't affect my summer that much. I won't be able to hang out with friends, but the days I have off I always find time for fun," said Spens.

"If I had a favorite job out of the two, I have it would be Jimmy Johns because I like the people and it's fun," said Spens. Tara Loughridge, worker at McDonalds, has been employed there for over three months now.

"Working at McDonalds won't affect my summer. I'll still make time to do stuff, mainly riding and taking care of my horse," said Loughridge.

Loughridge plans on working at McDonalds for a long time so she can attend college at SC4 this summer.

"I'm saving up for college, then some of the money will have to go towards gas. If I have extra cash I put it towards my horse," said Loughridge.

There are pros and cons of having a summer job.

Many teenagers need summer jobs to pay bills and have gas, others get a job to have money to spend on things they want and need.

Rebecca Weishaar has been applying at stores all over town.

She is not giving up her search just yet. The search continues to a few places in the Armada area.

Though many businesses are not looking for employees, it's still good to have an application in case they need to hire someone ASAP.

"I don't care what I do, I just want a job so I can have money to go out with friends," said Weishaar.

Teenagers enjoy having their personal money instead of nagging their parents for extra cash.

"Having a summer job won't ruin my summer. It will be nice having my own money for once," said Weishaar.

Students will be on the search for a job soon enough.

With summer right around the corner, kids will be working at local businesses in town.

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## Fight Against Leukemia

By: Emily Swanlek  
Staff Writer

Did you know Leukemia causes more deaths than any other cancer among people under the age of twenty? Did you know that you can help save someone with Leukemia in our small town of Richmond?

The dentist office of Dr. Eric Groeneveld, located in Richmond on Main Street, is trying to help people with Leukemia that need a bone marrow transplant. It will be going on the whole month of May along with hundreds of other dentist offices.

If you want to register as a bone marrow donor, just stop in his office and ask to get your cheek swabbed. Then your tissue will be listed anonymously on the international bone marrow registry. All the information is confidential too.

If you choose to register, you aren't actually donating that day, it is just registering your tissue. When you register, you don't have to commit to become a donor. It just records your tissue type if you decide you want to donate to someone that matches you.

There is no cost to register, but donations are accepted for the official Shawn Burr, "Take a Bite Out of Cancer Foundation."

To find out more information, you can contact Dr. Groeneveld's office at (586) 727-0990 or go online to [drgroeneveldds.com](http://drgroeneveldds.com)



# HOROSCOPES

By: Jessica Bibrey and Lizzie Urban

### Aquarius: January 21-february 19

You need to change things up today. You might find that people are too lazy to do whatever you want them to do, but you can shake things up for the better. Go out and find something to do, the weather is just right for an outdoor activity. Slushy Flavor- All the flavors mixed in one

### Pisces: February 20-March 20

Be sure to check the mail, you'll have graduation invitation from all your friends. Summers here, its time to party. Make sure you have sunscreen on, there's a price to pay when you play in the sun all day. Slushy flavor-Watermelon

### Aries: March 21 – April 20

With the close of the school year quickly approaching, you think you have lots of time to get in work, but the clock is ticking. On another note, your friendships have really improved since you started spending individual time with each one. Slushy flavor- Strawberry Lemonade

### Taurus: April 21 – May 21

Being reminded of important things leaves you full of stress and anxiety. Take time to unwind each night and remember that there are only a few short days left of school. Slushy Flavor- Grape

### Gemini: may 22- June 21

Never give up on something you really want. If you want it bad enough, you'll get it, but don't be impatient, time is everything. In the end everything falls into place, everything happens for a reason, even if it's not the end result you wanted. Slushy flavor- Wild Cherry

### Cancer: June 22- July 23

Knowing how to manage your time is tough. So many plans, so little time. Go with your gut and make a decision. Your summer is going to be filled with excitement. Your bond with friends will be stronger than ever, you and your bestie will be unrepeatable. Slushy Flavor -Mt. Dew

### Leo: July 24 – August 23

Considering you've been having a good week, try to take some of those positive vibes and give them to someone who is having a hard time lately. Slushy Flavor- Cherry Pepsi

### Virgo: August 24 – September 23

You don't know when or how, but an interesting financial opportunity will soon come to you. Deal with it smartly, and you will be gaining a lot from the chance. Slushy Flavor- Sour Apple

### Libra: September 24 – October 23

You can't live without your phone. You feel antsy without it, and are scared you're going to miss something big. It's got to where you aren't even able to talk to someone on the phone; all you do is text. Leave the phone at home for awhile, and forget about it. You'll be happier in the long run. Slushy Flavor- Orange Crush

### Scorpio: October 24 – November 22

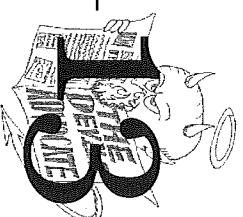
You've been a little short on money lately, and it's starting to get to you. Stop complaining about the situation, and do something about it. Babysitting and dog-walking seem to be the way to solve your empty pockets. Slushy Flavor- Pineapple -Coconut

### Sagittarius: November 23- December 21

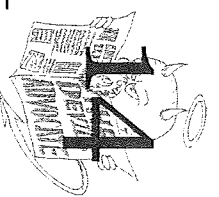
The best part about summer is making tons of memories. Be prepared to have a camera at all times, you'll want pictures of all the crazy things you do. A fun vacation this summer will have you forgetting the past in no time. Your slushy flavor- Pepsi

### Capricorn: December 22- January 20

Summer is right around the corner. Everything you want to accomplish this summer, you will! Be prepared for some road blocks, its gonna be tough, but in the end your summer will be one to remember. Slushy Flavor- Blue raspberry



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"We have three tournaments left, with our final BWAC match on Saturday. The final BWAC is 18 holes, so hopefully we'll do good," said Nowak.

Nowak does not only hold high goals for his team but also for himself, individually as well. "I am second in the BWAC by five points, but I expect myself to win the BWAC and make it to states," he said.

He also continued to express his goals not only for a strong team showing at states, but also for a strong individual showing. "I hope to make it to states and finish in the top five there," said Nowak.

One thing is for sure, the BWAC, regional, and state tournaments are all in the minds of the RHS golf team. The boys understand they need to work hard if they want to achieve all of their goals.

## The show must go on!

By Lizzie Urban  
Staff Writer

This year, RHS was shocked to find that we wouldn't be hosting the Talent Show. Charlie Urban, senior, was upset by the fact we weren't having one.

He said, "I feel disappointed, because it's a shame not to follow tradition."

A participant his freshman year as a techie, and his sophomore and junior year as a performer, Urban was frustrated to find out the news.

Mr. Applegate, head of the drama department, said, "I was kind of bummed out. I knew that NHS was opting out but I thought another group would pick it up. I'm not sure why they didn't."

An annual tradition, students felt let down, when finding out it was not going to happen.

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3. *Cedar Point* – If you have never been to Cedar Point, you need to go this summer. Found in Sandusky, Ohio, it's one of those places you just can't pass up. Home of the famous Top Thrill Dragster, Cedar Point draws in thousands of people every day, it has some of the best roller coasters in the nation, like the Millennium Force and the Maverick. Oh, you don't like extreme roller coasters? No worries! Cedar Point has thrill rides for everyone, and not only that, but a water park, too! Soak City Waterpark has dozens of water attractions that will cool you off throughout the day. Cedar Point opens at 10 and closes at 10pm during the week. On weekends, it stays open until 11 or even midnight. *So how much will all this cost me? \$60? \$70?* Guess again; a ticket will only cost you \$44.99! And that is not even including any deals or special offers you may receive. Tickets can be found for as low as \$27! So quick, pack up the car and buckle your seat belts because this summer your motto has to be *Ride On!*

2. *Niagara Falls* – Although you have to have a passport in order to visit them, the Niagara Falls are worth it. They capture the beauty of Canada. It's great to go here during the summer because the weather is nice and you are able to stay longer than just a few days. During the summer, you have all the time in

"They've done it every other year, so why not this one?" said Urban

The talent show provides an opportunity for students to express their talents, added Mr. Applegate. Urban isn't ready to give up on having a talent show.

"It's to provide a performing outlet for those who want to. I'd like to perform at least one last time on the RHS stage and give it a proper send off," he said.

One major problem with having the show was the timing. Urban added that it would have to around a week after school ended.

Mr. Applegate said, "It really looks like we are not going to have one this year. There just isn't time. The seniors are gone in a few weeks and I feel the interest in involvement and as an audience will be really low."

Still hoping to have a show, Urban is continuously

the world explore and see new things. So, why not go to Canada? Get out of the country and experience what lies on the other side of the border. The Niagara Falls do a spectacular job turning history into something beautiful. While you are visiting them, you can take tours, see presentations, and even hit up the gift shop. But, most of all, you can enjoy yourself. This trip asks nothing of you but for you to relax and take in what is around you.

1. *Mackinac Island* – And the number one trip of the summer is....Mackinac Island! Why? Because it's located right here in Michigan, and because there is fudge there! And, c'mon, who can pass up some Mackinac Island fudge? A 6 hour drive, this vacation would definitely be a great road-trip to take with your family or friends. Between the ferry rides and the fudge eating, there is so much to do in Mackinac. A tourist favorite has been the 8 mile bike ride around the island. You can ride either single or rent a tandem bike and ride with a friend! Why go out of state to have a great time, when we have a vacation spot unlike any other right here in the state? Make this summer memorable with a trip to the Upper Peninsula. Spend the weekend eating fudge, sightseeing, shopping, bike riding, seeing light shows, and taking ferry rides. Spend the weekend as a Michigander.

trying to get more interest involved.

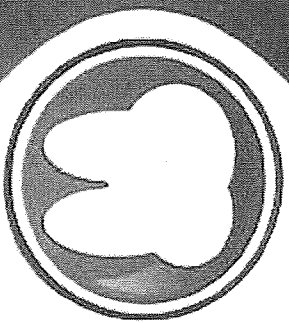
"Contact me in person, through Facebook, however. I may have a sign-up sheet in the library. I just need enough people interested to actually warrant a show," Urban said.

All talents are welcome. From skits to everything musical, they want it all. Ideally, there won't be any auditions, as long as it's school appropriate.

"If you want to do it that is your audition. We want as many people as we can get. The more the better," Urban added.

Still supportive of the show, Mr. Applegate said, "If I would have known that there wouldn't be a talent show this year, then I would have run one through the drama department. Next year, unless another group wants to do it, I have dibs."

A sign-up sheet will be in the media center soon, to show how many people want the talent show back.



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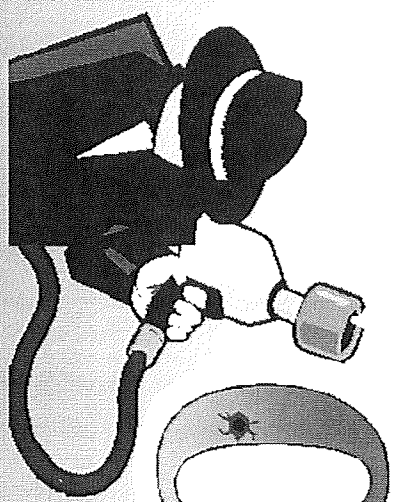
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## Students gain more responsibility: New technology policy

By: Brett Brincefield  
Staff writer

It is a student's dream come true! It has finally happened.

Next year, Richmond High School's technology policy is changing. Now, students will be able to have cell phones on them through the hallways, in the bathrooms and at lunch.

There is reasoning for the new policy.

Mr. Olsen said that lots of research has gone into cell phones as an educational tool. While 20 years ago, pagers and other technology were seen as distractions, now he says it has come full circle in that everyone pretty much has one and they are widely accepted. Mr. Olsen said, "There are a lot of tools that are available to supplement teaching process and by allowing students to use their own devices, we are integrating technology into our profession. And with greater control there is greater responsibility."

Mrs. Michon said, "I know a lot of other schools are turning to this policy. We are for one year to see how it turns out, and if changes are needed to be made through the year, changes will be made." She said discipline rules will be carried out if students decide to use them where they are prohibited.

There are three different zones for next year indicating where and where not cell phones can be used. The green zone means cell phones are allowed in that area at all times. Yellow zones mean it depends on the teacher and what they're doing in class that day. Red, on the other hand, means that cell phones are prohibited every day.

Mrs. Michon said, "If teachers have yellow, they may tell students ahead of time to bring their cell phones and we're going to have signs up by next fall for each classroom to let tell students where cell phones, are or are not allowed. We'll be going over it in the handbook that first week."

There are two teachers who have already decided that their room will be red.

Dr. Ladd said, "I don't have a problem with it. Doesn't impact me; don't use them in my classroom. My room is going to be a bright red!"

Mr. Rineer, English teacher, said his room is straight up red, unless he sees an opportunity for in class-learning.

play on their cell phones and text or call friends during class.

With the changes, there are some worries.

Dr. Ladd also said he could see some theft and vandalism issues that will probably be needed to be dealt with through the year.

Mr. Roodbeen said he is worried there will be abuse, overuse and a comparison of teachers where some students may say, "Well such and such let's me do this. Why won't you?"

However, the abuse of the new policy will have consequences.

"With anything there are those who disrespect greater responsibility, which means greater consequences," Mr. Olsen said.

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everywhere else she worked. But her favorite memory was at Richmond Middle School.

Mrs. Frantz said, "It was my first banquet, and it was for the annual holiday dinner for the seniors [senior citizens] of Richmond between the months of November and December. The Richmond Rotary had put the dinner on and it had started at 6:00. So, we were getting all set up and it was only 2:30 and the seniors started showing up! They were taking rolls out of the bread baskets on the tables and stuffing them into their purses and pockets. After they took all the rolls, I had to run up to Kroger's and get new rolls. Now, from that day on, we do not leave the bread or rolls out early for senior dinners."

Mrs. Frantz has seen a lot of changes in these past years. She is going to miss Richmond, staff and students because this has been her job for a long time.

Now, it is time for her to branch out into being a grandma, working in her yard, traveling and just living life one day at a time.

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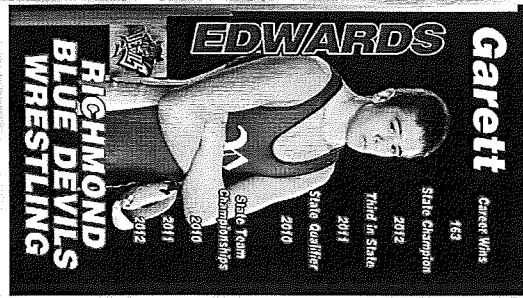
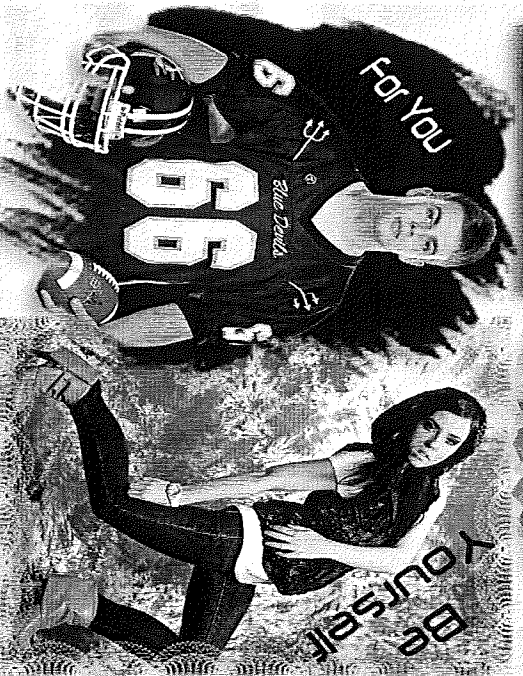
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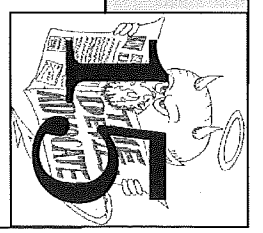
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## Goals, we all got 'em

*Goals of the RHS seniors going into college*

By: Adam Boyd  
Sports Editor

Senior year is an exciting for a lot of people. Along with all the excitement, grad parties and the pride of graduating high school, we all should still have some sort of goals.

Some goals may consist of grades, while others deal with their social life or later jobs.

Kerin Upplegger is one of those seniors. Upplegger wishes to finish with her masters degree within five years.

"Also I would like to make good connections with people places for a good future job," she said.

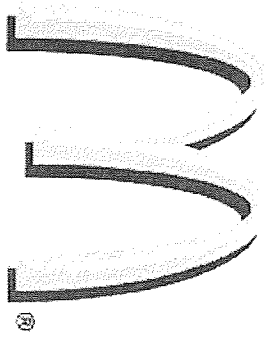
Another senior, Beau Barton wants to graduate high school with a 3.5 GPA or higher. "It would also be nice to get into a good grad school," he said.

Valedictorian of his class, senior Michael Graham, wishes to go through college and grad school with a good GPA. "I also want to excel among my classmates in Kettering," he said.

In every good class, there are the people who want to have fun.

Josh Younk is one of those seniors. "I want to go through Tech with a steady GPA. But mostly, I want to have as much fun as possible," he said.

Senior Jessica Murphy, like Younk, wants to have a lot of fun in college. However, she also wants to make a lot of life long friends. "School's important to me too, so maintaining a 3.5 GPA would be nice," she said.



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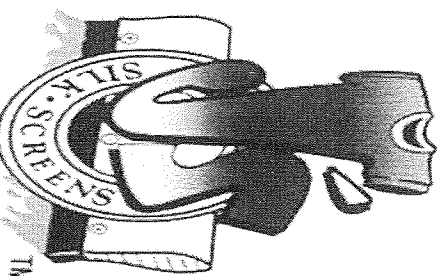
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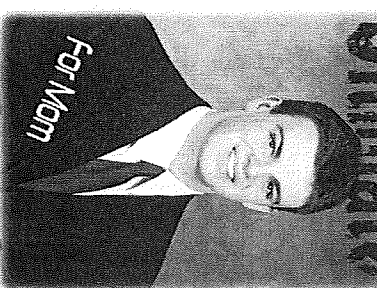


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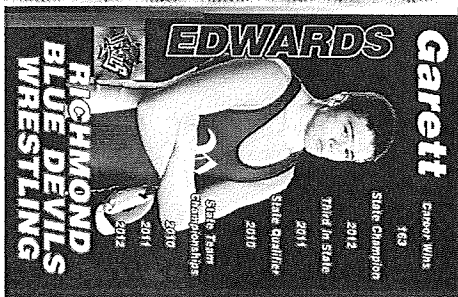
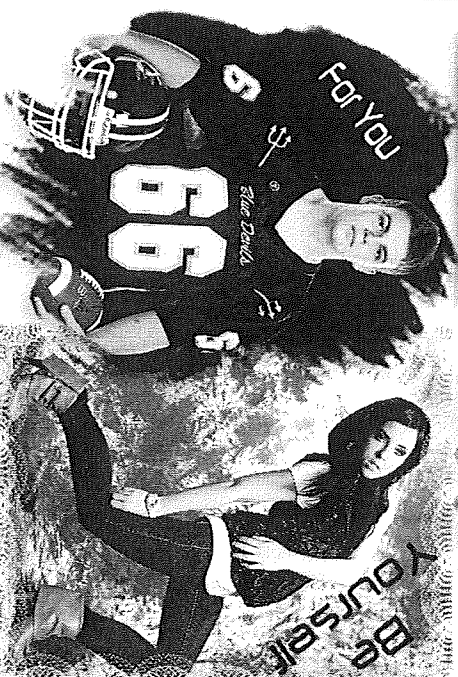


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