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The Top Twelve of the 2008 Senior Class



Kadin Norder



Gena Smith



J.B. Martin



Noah Lloyd



Christine Nguyen



Channing Butler

Kadin Norder, Gena Smith ranked Valedictorian, Salutatorian

Graduating with the best academic grade point average in the senior class is an incredible feat to accomplish. For Kadin Norder and Gena Smith, it took a lot of hard work.

Norder spent her extra school time participating in student council, soccer, track or playing percussion all her high school career in the Mighty Hawk band. Both students participated in the math and science team winning UIL competitions.

Smith, too, was a dedicated band member playing the saxophone as section leader. Smith

led her junior class as class president. Her 107 final grade point average earned her the proud name of salutatorian.

School, however, is not everything for these hard working students. In this interview, Norder and Smith reveal their dream careers, secret talents and more.

What are your future career plans?

Kadin Norder: The study of water.

Gena Smith: Research in chemical engineering, then go to law school and become a lawyer. My ultimate goal is to become President of

the United States.

How much of your free time did you dedicate to schoolwork?

KN: Every waking hour of my life (except for when I was rock climbing!).

GS: It depended on how much homework I had---some days more than others, obviously.

What is a secret talent of yours?

KN: I can recite the first 3600 digits of pi.

GS: If I told, it wouldn't be much of a secret, would it?!

What school sub-

ject do you most enjoy?

KN: English with Ms. Sharma when we don't have to write.

GS: Chemistry was a challenge, but I liked it the most.

What would your ideal career be with no limitations?

KN: If it wasn't for my moral upbringing, I would be a professional thief.

GS: To raise and train horses, and compete in the equestrian events of the Olympics on one of my horses.

If you could visit any place in the world,

where would it be?

KN: I would totally visit Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry.

GS: Greece!

What invention do you think needs to be invented?

KN: Soma from *Brave New World*

GS: A teleporter

Who is your favorite president and why?

KN: William Harrison because he died before he could mess anything up

GS: George Washington because he set the precedent for future

presidents.

What kind of scholarships did you receive for college?

KN: Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; \$96 000 for four years

GS: Purdue University; \$89 000 for four years

What teacher inspired you most?

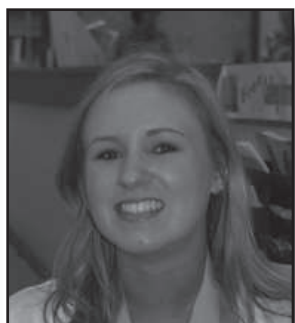
KN: Ms. Reichenbach.

GS: Ms. Mitchell, because she inspired my love for chemistry

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Some words of wisdom....

To the Graduating Seniors:



“Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.” These are the words I saw daily as a graduate at Northwestern. These were inscribed in large letters at the top of a classroom building, illuminated by a spotlight at night. Especially on cold, snow nights, when the campus was peaceful, I would reflect on these words. The verse is from Philippians 4:8. Whether you are religious or non-religious, the verse provides good advice as you embark on this important period in your life. Instead of dwelling on negative thoughts, focus on what is true, noble, just, pure, lovely, and praiseworthy. Whatever career you choose for yourself, be someone who is honest, caring, and worthy of respect.

Dr. Harry Caltagirone, Teacher, Birdville High School

To the Graduating Class of 2008-



Congratulations!!

While I know that the students I had the opportunity to teach will never forget the structure of a DBQ, the Little Boxes of the 1950's or the importance of Elvis Presley, you can graduate rest assured that I will never forget you either. It was my pleasure to teach students that brought such intelligence and a positive attitude into my classroom everyday. Your intellect and attitude made for an inspiring combination that was a pleasure to teach. You made my first year of teaching a great year. While I will miss your smiling faces ☺ in the halls of BHS, I have no doubt that you will achieve great things after you walk across that stage. Enjoy your post- high school years, but never forget some of the life long lessons that AP US History instilled in you: to consider different perspectives than your own, be a responsible American citizen (of course!), and dominate May 11th.

All the best,
Ms. Reichenbach

...from your
TEACHERS

These are my memories of this year's seniors

- * Kadin, Noah, and Ty--- The 7:20 pre-breakfast club. With regular appearances from Channing, as well. I never got lonely.
- * I really missed Ty during the 2nd semester.
- * Thanks to J.B. for restoring my faith in male scholars. Last year was tough.
- * Austin and Aaron during the chapter 46 discussion.
- * The seniors in “Suessical”. Wow.
- * Savannah- This world is not your home! You are an encouragement.
- * “THAT WHALE HAS WHAT??”
- * Priscilla and Ryan B. were born too late. Just too groovy.
- * Lindsey. Always the first to class and with a smile.
- * You can finally come clean now, Gena. How many sneezes meant “A”, “B”, “C”, or “D”.
- * Sean. Come back in 5 years to teach my class (I know you can already).
- * “What up party table?”
- * The red ink princess. Thank you, DeLaney.

My parting advice. Hey, with this wisdom and 96 cents you can get a soda at QT!!

- * Some “ Why” questions never get answered in this life.
- * Do not marry someone based on their “potential”.
- * GO GIANTS!!
- * Forgiveness destroys bitterness.
- * Allow yourselves to be blessed.

Will Griffin



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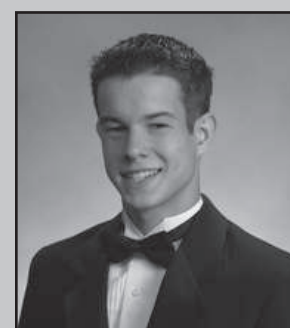
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Olivia Camel's favorite memory of senior year was being a part of prom fashion show.



"Baby Mama was the funniest movie of the year."

-Nicole Vanderlaan

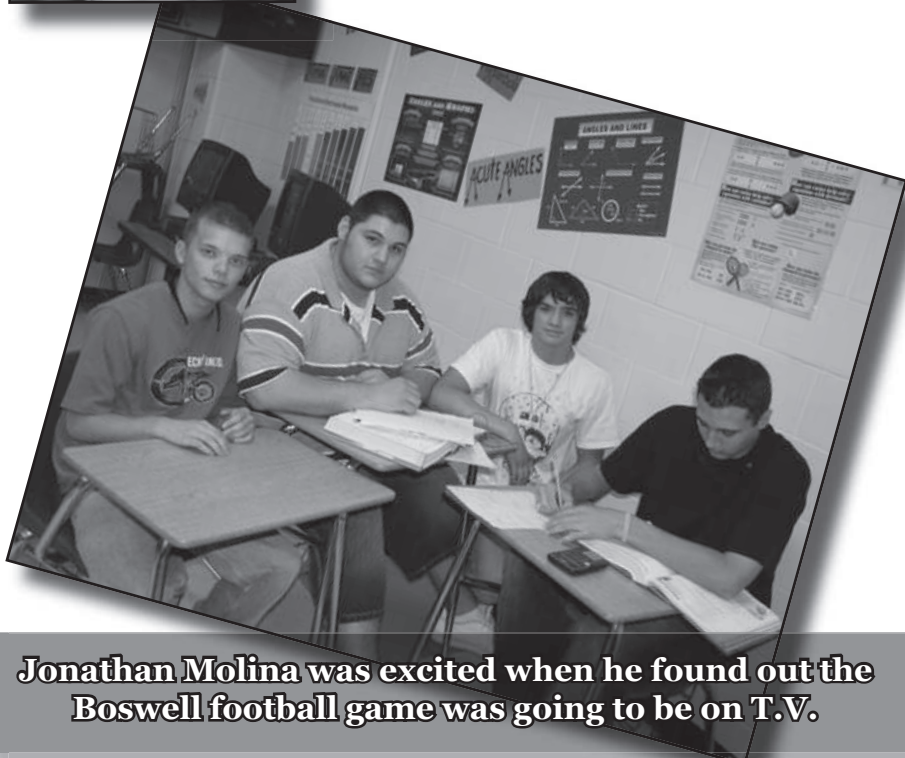


Megan Roberts enjoyed being captain and leading this year's Golden Motion drill team.



"Bleeding Love by Leona Lewis was my favorite song this year. I also enjoyed *Radiohead* a lot."

-David Wooley



Jonathan Molina was excited when he found out the Boswell football game was going to be on T.V.



"The best movie of the year was I am Legend!"

-Kelly Morris

Class Clown
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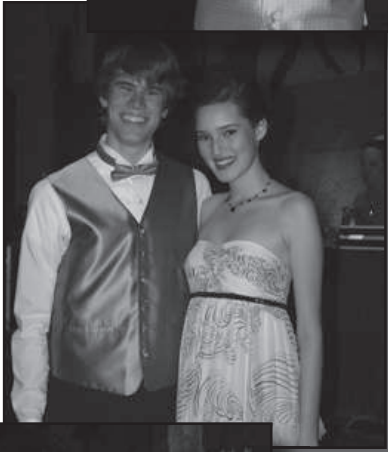
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Alisha Basham



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“It is good to have an end to journey toward, but it is that journey that matters in the end.” -Ursula Le Guin

Greek-life rooted in history

Male fraternities and female sororities are special member clubs that most colleges and universities use to help create a strong school spirit attitude, and have fun while doing it. These exclusive student associations date back to the American colonial era.

During that time, colleges focused on teaching the classics, Greek and Latin literature, rather than liberal arts such as science and history. As a result, students created these clubs to debate the intellectual and political ideas of their time.

The first general fraternity, known as the “Flat Hat Club,” was established in 1750 at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. Thomas Jefferson was even a member

of this fraternity. Later in 1776, Phi Beta Kappa became the first society to identify itself with Greek letters. Phi Beta Kappa displayed many of the characteristics associated with today’s Greek lettered fraternities: rituals, oaths of loyalty, secret handshakes, a motto, a badge, and a strong bond of friendship.

As more chapters were founded and as time went on, Phi Beta Kappa became purely intellectual and less social in its purpose. Today, on over 184 college campuses, Phi Beta Kappa has become a scholastic honorary society. It has been researched and suggested that participation in a fraternity or sorority produces a significant impact on the lives of members.

Greek life also of-

fers a network of support and people who may be able to help advance the goals and careers of other members. Fraternities and sororities have been in existence for years refining their history and numerous rituals.

Studies have shown that members of fraternities and sororities drink significantly more alcohol than nonmembers. A Harvard College Health study found that fraternity members were 75 percent more likely to engage in heavy binge drinking, versus nonmembers’ 48 percent; sorority members have a 62 to 40 percent ratio in members versus nonmembers alcohol use.

Extensive and dangerous amounts of alcohol are often involved in the initiation process. Situations in which stu-

dents are forced to do embarrassing or risky tasks such as this are known as hazing. Hazing often takes form of the initiation process.

In an attempt to diminish brutal hazing, the pledge periods have been either eliminated or at least drastically shortened in many fraternities. Deaths and other serious injuries attributed to hazing has caused many states to enact laws prohibiting hazing.

Although there are dangerous elements to joining a fraternity or sorority, Greek life does provide many leadership opportunities that are beneficial to its members as they prepare to be successful in the future.

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Students prepare for roommates, dorm life

As seniors anticipate future dorm living, away from the prying eyes of parents, they must learn one thing: living with a roommate is not the same as living with parents.

Some students have chosen the comfort

of picking friends from home as their roommate. Others have chosen to be thrown blindly in the unknown, hoping their university will pick a friendly enough roommate for them.

To students worried about getting along

with a stranger, many universities offer a profile matching program where they attempt to match up roommates with similar habits and interests.

There is one common complaint voiced by those with dorm room

experience: unwanted guests who never seem to leave. It is a good idea for students to communicate with their roommate on having friends over frequently. Roommates can then find a happy balance with having friends over, and maybe even

share the same circle of friends.

Another concern is having a roommate who has no idea what personal boundaries are. While some roommates share food, shampoo and movies, it is best to ask first instead of assuming

when a close relationship has not been built yet.

Part of college is being exposed to a new variety of people. New roommates should be considerate and open-minded towards each other. For instance, if two roommates have different religions, they should be able to accept each other’s different beliefs without trying to convert the other. Criticizing a roommate’s passions or political beliefs can also be a hotbed for animosity.

With a few rules of etiquette in mind, along with good communication, college freshmen can also learn to adapt to changes and make sharing a dorm room much easier.

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