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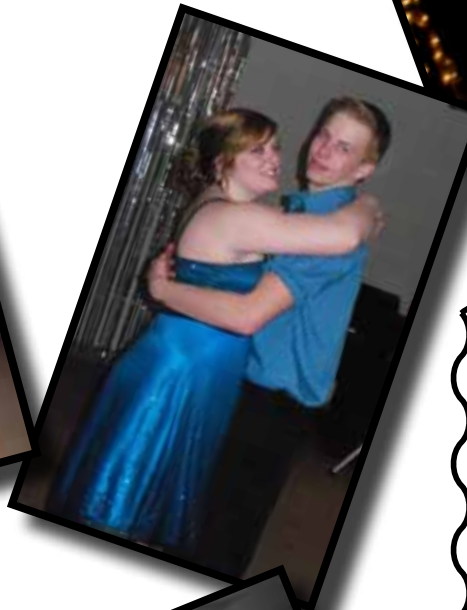
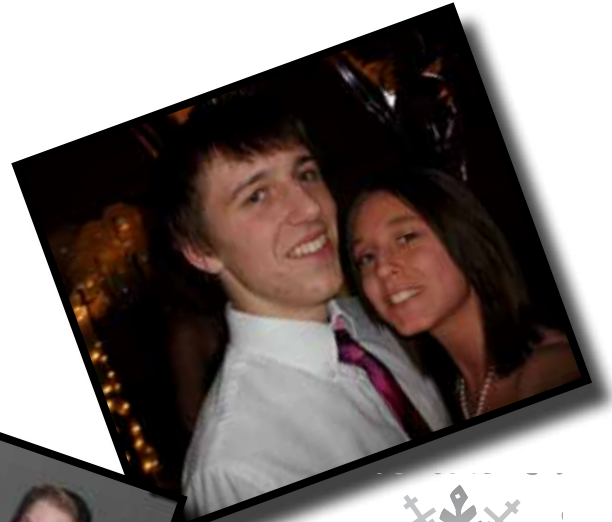
Cassville High School

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Snowflake Ball

Student Council held a Snowflake Ball at the Fellowship Center in Cassville on January 16th from 8:00 P.M. to 12:00 A.M. The cost was \$5 per couple and \$3 per person. Decoration colors were white, silver, and blue. Students enjoyed snacks and punch while dancing to "Music By Jake". Chaperones for the event were: Mr. and Mrs. Bernhardt and Mr. Bernetzke. The dance was well-attended. Profits went to Student Council and will be used for activities to come.



Attention Seniors!

Yearbook Staff needs your Senior Portrait in a digital format! Bring in a CD or have your photographer email one to Mrs. Oswald (See her for details!)

Forensics

Cassville Forensics this year is small in numbers and is young in experience. This year's team consists of Emily Ballweg, Hannah Rupp, Rachel Ackerman, Chase Pebworth, Paige Hampton, Tami Mumm, Grace Ballweg, and Kelsea Kirschbaum. The team ventured to DeForest on January 30 and Sun Prairie on February 6. Emily Ballweg made the final power round and won a medal for her Four Minute entry at both tournaments.

The Forensics team went to Prairie du Chien for the sub-district on February 22. All members of the Cassville Forensics team advanced to district levels which occurs in Platteville on March 20. The team is also going to Blanchardville for the Six-Rivers Conference Tournament on March 6. The team's final event for the year will be the state tournament in Madison on Friday, April 16.



Band News

This year the band students have been very busy. To start things off, thirteen junior high band students participated in Solo and Ensemble. All Participants did an excellent job and were eligible for a first and second rating.

On February 19 and 20, Madeline Bode, Tamara Mumm, and Isaac Okey were nominated and selected to participate in the Tri-State Honors Band hosted by UW-Platteville. Also, Emily Ballweg, Madeline Bode, Tamara Mumm, and Hannah Rupp participated in the Six Rivers West Conference Honors Band held on March 2, and will be participating on March 8.

On Tuesday, March 2, junior high students took a trip to see the Madison Symphony Orchestra Spring Young People's Concert. A grant was applied for and received from Target to make this trip possible for these students.

The next item on the list is band clinics. A guest conductor for UW-Platteville will be visiting for the day to work with the band students. Also five students have been preparing to perform in the Solo and Ensemble Contest that will be held on March 27 in Wauzeka.

During spring break, a number of high school students will be participating in the music booster trip to Chicago. While in Chicago, the students will be going to see a Chicago Symphony, Beauty in the Beast, and visit several museums.

Chorus News

This year, Cassville High School hosted the Six Rivers High School Honors Choir and the Middle School Honors Choir on January 25. The High School Honors Choir was conducted by Mr. Greg Dennis, UWP, and the Middle School Honors Choir was conducted by Ms. Keri Rasmussen, and the evening concert was held in the high school gym.

Cassville High School Students who performed were Alyssa Adrian, Emily Ballweg, Harley Cederquist, Greg Kuttern, Katie Muller, Tamara Mumm, and Gabel Schaal. Middle School Students representing Cassville at this event were Destiny Cederquist, Dallas Esser, Gage Kaufman, Kami Kedley, Tyler Koehler, Cheyenne Mumm, Kayla Mumm, Abbey Rauch, Codi Schwab, Jenny Tanaka, Dillon Vogt, Tarka White.

Mr. Lavelle Receives Stewardship Award

Frank Lavelle, Cassville High School Science Instructor, recently received the Upper Mississippi Stewardship Award. Mr. Lavelle received this award for all the work he has done with Legacy Projects, students and staying involved with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. This is only the second award the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has given out in the last fifty years.

Mr. Lavelle received the award as a surprise at a McGregor dinner for volunteers that he was invited to on February 20, 2010. Mr. Lavelle states "it was an honor to accept it and it was a total shock."

Students of the Month



January

Foreign Language
Harley Cederquist

Most Improved Foreign Language
Vincent Reynolds

English
Brandon Laufenburg

Math
Anthony Rauch

Math
Jared Winkers

Art
Tami Mumm

Science
Kevin Seng

February

Forensics
Kelsea Kirschbaum
&
Grace Ballweg

Special Services
Andrea Scholl

Social Studies
Saige Bierman

Comet Boys Basketball

This year's boys basketball team has played very well posting a 12-10 record on the season. They encountered a bit of a slump going through their first losing streak of the season with four losses in a row. They lost the first one to River Ridge 40-43, the second to Lancaster, the third to Potosi, and fourth to Shullsburg. Because of this coach Uppena is had the boys go back to the fundamentals and try to bring intensity back to the team. The seeding meeting was recently held for the boys regional tournament and the comets were chosen as a five seed in the regional, facing off against the four seed Wauzeka-Steuben. Tuesday night, February 23rd, the Comets played at Shullsburg and the final score was 46-55. On Friday, February 26, the boys basketball team had it's last home game of the season against the Belmont Braves. That night was also Senior Night. The boys played very well and the Seniors got their last home game to be a victory winning 60-48.

On Tuesday, March 2, the team played their first Regional Game against Wauzeka at Wauzeka. The team lost by 9 with a score of 50-41 ending their season.

This year's JV boys basketball team has been sticking with everyone they play and recently had a five game winning streak. The boys ended their season on a two game losing streak losing to Shullsburg and Belmont. The boys finished out the season with a overall record of 9-12.

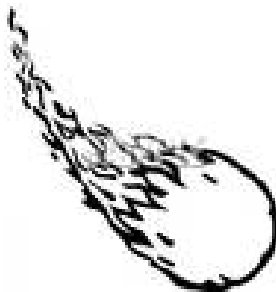


*Good Job Boys!
You had a great
season!*

Lady Comets Basketball

The Lady Comets basketball team has been playing hard all season and has posted a record of 6-15. The girls recently had a two-game winning streak winning against Shullsburg 49-45, Benton 57-20, and Benton again 56-15. The ladies are trying to put together a late season rally to possibly get a better seed in their regional which is on Tuesday, March 9, against Potosi. This past Monday the Lady comets traveled to Lancaster to play the Arrows and took one to the chin losing 54-23. The Lady Comets will be playing River Ridge Friday, March 5. The ladies have a chance to eliminate the Timberwolves chances of being alone at the top.

The JV Lady Comets have been trying hard all year and have really shown improvement. Their overall record is 2-18 but the ladies never give up and always gave 100%.



Good Luck Ladies!!!

Remaining Games

March 5 vs. River Ridge

March 9 @ Potosi



Cassville Wrestlers Finish Season at Regionals

The River Ridge/Cassville wrestling team had a good season this year. At the conference meet in New Lisbon, the team tied for 3rd place. Kevin wrestled well as he finished 2nd. Luke had a rough day, but he battled and took 5th.

At Regionals, the team competed well but only sent Ryan Vogt to Sectionals as he took 1st place.

Kevin took 3rd place, falling one place short of advancing to Sectionals. Luke did fairly well but finished 4th.

Kevin finished the season with a record of 27 wins and 10 losses. Luke ended the season with 23 wins and 14 losses.

Also congratulations to Ryan Vogt who took 2nd place at the State Wrestling Tournament. Ryan lost

the match by only three points. His second place finish sets a new record for the River Ridge/Cassville wrestling team. The previous record was 5th place.

Congratulations to all Cassville/River Ridge Wrestlers!

Final Record J.H. Basketball

The junior high girls recently ended their season on February 3, 2010. Coach Jill Friesen stated that "she appreciates how the girls worked hard, even when they came up short in the end." Coach Friesen also wanted to give a special thanks to the St. Charles girls who went out because without them they would not have had a team. The junior high girls ended their season with a record of 1-13.

The junior high boys had a short season this year with only four games. There were not enough kids for a team at the public school so the 7th and 8th Grade joined the St. Charles kids. The season started late and so only four games were played. Codi Schwab was able to complete the full season with the St. Charles team. They practiced hard and have a great record to show for it which is 3 wins and one loss.



S.T.A.R.S. Still Shining

The S.T.A.R.S. members have worked hard throughout the year, and have had fun performing. They have performed for our Health class, mixed groups of high school physical education students, and the D.A.R.E Graduation at the Elementary. They have learned five skits with different themes like sexual behavior, respect and adolescent depression.

Mr. Boyum believes the S.T.A.R.S. members are successful in their classes as well as life because they are in many activities like the National Honor Society, Forensics, and Student Council. These performers make time to practice before school and on Sundays monthly. This is because they want to make a

difference in the youth of our community. They have been awarded a \$1000 Student Mini-Grant from Wisconsin Department of Public Instructions Division of Safe & Drug Free Schools for getting the group started and to keep it going after five of the performers graduate this year.

The groups' upcoming performance will be held at Southwest Tech at the Teen Conference on March 18.

Great Job S.T.A.R.S.!



Spelling Bee Competitors



The three Cassville High School Spelling Bee competitors went to Cuba City Elementary School on January 25th for the South Sectional Spelling Bee.

The students that competed were Zoe Gotzinger, Brittany Markley, and Hayley Williams. The alternate for the students was Gage Kaufman.

These three worked and studied hard but, unfortunately, none of them advanced to the next level. The Scripps Regional Bee will be held at Clarke College in Dubuque, Iowa on March 13th. This event is sponsored by *The Telegraph Herald*.