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Up & Coming

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Consumer Education Proficiency Exam
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Art Club Meeting-Room 66(2:50pm)
October 4
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Physical Development Department Meeting-Room 301(7:15am)
October 5
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Foreign Language Department Meeting-Room 204(2:50pm)
October 7
District IMEA Auditions-Geneseo High School(TBA)
Fall Play Set Construction-Auditorium(9am-5pm)
October 9
No School-Columbus Day
October 10
Board of Education Meeting-Board of Education Room(7pm)
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October 11
Femmes Unir-Library(6-9pm)
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October 18
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School Improvement Day-11:15 Dismissal

Variety Show 2006: A review



Limestone Cheerleaders danced to popular Michael Jackson songs - Photo courtesy of School Pictures of Illinois

By Wesley Goeken

Mythical Moments: Geeks, Greeks, & Goddesses; the heart of the 2006 Limestone Community High School Variety Show. The annual show was held on September 14 and 15. The show was emceed by seniors Britney Potier, Dave McClure, and Josh Kyle.

Each night of talent opened up with Kristen Williams singing "When You Love Me." Not only did she sing the song, but she played it on piano as well. The spotlight on her back seemed to almost give her a golden aura as she played. The crowd was intoxicated by her voice.

The Class of 2010 skit was a game of Family Feud played between rivals Limestone and Canton. The first category was 'Freshmen Fears.' The Limestone team won with guesses of "Getting lost," "Being shoved into a locker," "Book checks," "Go Home Freshmen! chants," and "Nothing." A commercial interrupted the skit, featuring a cow dancing to

the song "Milkshake" by Kelis.

Upon return of the game show, the category changed to 'Most Likely Phrase to be Used by Teens.' Once again, the Limestone team won, guessing the phrases "Oh snap!," "Cool," "That's hot," and "What's up?" Another commercial interrupted, featuring a cheerleader rambling on a cell phone. Family Feud quickly returned, and Canton managed to grab the category 'Popular Lunch Items.' The Canton team guessed, "Wedges," "Ice cream," and "Tacos." Limestone stole the category and guessed, "Cheese fries," for the victory. The freshmen of the 2010 skit were promptly booted off of the stage at this point.

Dave McClure appeared on stage as Superintendent Dr. Beach with Josh Kyle as Dr. Funke. As Beach, McClure explained that buying the students ice cream sandwiches for a good start to a year had drained the school's funding. He received

a phone call from the ice cream company asking him if he had informed the audience. He also pleaded that they not hurt his dog. McClure then introduced the next filler act, Meridian Falls.

Meridian Falls, a band of four, played a typical garage band song about reality and life. The vocals were not in tune with the rest of the music, and they were not well fit for the notes being sung. The bassist kept a good beat, and the drummer seemed to be the pinnacle of the band for most of the song. Guitarist Chris Corrie played a jazz-rock solo, and the crowd seemed pleased with his performance.

The next little bit featured the show's hosts in another small skit. Two were dressed as nerds, earmuffs and all. A box labeled 'Mashed Potatoes' could be seen in the hands of one of the nerds, and when asked about it, McClure explained that they were for a concert, more specifically for the "Mash Pit," having obviously

mistaken "Mosh Pit" for "Mash Pit." The crowd roared with laughter.

The next skit was the Class of 2009 Skit. The sophomore class had put together a Cupid game show of sorts, attempting to find a date for a Limestone male. There were three groups of contestants. The first group contained the girls known as the Canton Ugliers. The second was a group of Limestone girls who portrayed the nerdy group of students. The last group was a group of girls known as the Goddesses.

After their introductions, a commercial interruption was needed: yet another milkshake commercial. This commercial had a larger, two-man cow and Cupid dancing not-so-appropriately with the cow. Finally, the game show began with the 'Question and Answer' round. The first question was for the Canton Ugliers: Why should he pick you? The response was her personality, since she... (Continued on Page 8)

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Limelight editorial policy

The *Limelight* is the student newspaper at Limestone Community High school. It is a laboratory for journalism students designed to serve the total school community.

As a liberator, the newspaper provides staff members with independent writing opportunities and individual evaluation. Writing is based on a wide variety of research for a broad and often critical audience. The experience demands responsibility and cooperation.

Business skills are learned through the needs to sell advertising and to remain financially solvent.

While the newspaper is responsible to the Board and subject to state and federal laws, contents reflecting student thinking is not necessarily in agreement with administrative policy. An understanding of administrative policy should be reflected in articles relating to it.

The primary audience for the newspaper is the student body at Limestone Community High School. However, the staff recognizes that the paper is read by and must speak to the faculty, to the

administrators, to the parents, and to the community as a whole.

The first function of the newspaper in serving the audience is to accurately and factually report significant aspects of school life and subjects of interest and concern to the readers. Due to the fact that straight news stories are based on fact and should be unbiased, they may not be signed.

The *Limelight* should stimulate thinking and provide leadership for the school. As an independent

observer, the newspaper should use its unique access to a new and broad perspective to lead the school community toward constructive accomplishment. Editorial comments reflect the thinking of the editorial board and are not signed. Reviews and opinion columns by individuals must carry bylines.

The *Limelight* provides its readers with a public forum; students, faculty, administrators, parents, and others in the school community are encouraged to react to material printed

through signed letters or articles.

Names will sometimes be withheld from publication for a good cause. Outside contributors are subject to the usual restrictions of libel, defamation, slander, and obscenity and must conform to newspaper policy.

The newspaper need not agree with or endorse the contents of outside contributions. Contributions may be rejected if considered unsuitable. Any questions to this policy should be directed towards the newspaper adviser and/or the editors.

From the opinion editor's desk: *Is sixteen too young?*

By Sami Hubbard

Getting a driver's license is an event that many people wait for with impatience. For most teenagers this day comes on or around their sixteenth birthday. Some people are now reconsidering sixteen as the legal driving age because fifteen young adults in central Illinois, all under twenty-one, have been killed since September 2005 in preventable accidents.

Not all accidents are preventable. However, a little bit of responsibility can go a long way, and this is not just limited to teen drivers, but drivers of all ages. Responsibility is something that anybody can lack, yet it is nearly impossible to teach. No matter how many laws there are, and no matter how many times a person gets into trouble, there will still be people who break laws and lose their lives because of a poor decision.

Laws are made to follow! It does not matter how stupid you think a law is—follow it! It could save you from ending up in the hospital or worse, a mortuary. Anybody who has seen a person driving while talking on a cell phone can tell you how much that person's driving is affected. There is a newer state law

stating that drivers under eight teen are not allowed to drive and talk on the phone, yet I often see people who look younger than me doing this. The state makes these types of laws so people do not drive into the ditch or another car.

What scares me even more is that the cell phone law is a relatively small law to prevent someone from getting hurt; there are many more significant laws that people break everyday. Some of these laws range from stopping at a red light or stop sign to speeding. These are easily understood traffic laws, are they really that hard to follow? Speeding down a back country road is more likely to cause an accident than to impress somebody.

Of all the traffic laws, the number one reason for accidents in the United States is driving under the influence of alcohol and/or illegal drugs. In an accident that took place on June 18, 2006, three of my family friends were killed. They were all under the influence of alcohol and had been inhaling aerosol, or "dusting." I cannot even

imagine why anybody would be stupid enough to do any of this, let alone to get into a car with somebody who has. These types of decisions not only take lives, but ruin them too. All three of the boys' families now have to cope with the loss. If that is not enough to handle, the driver's family has to live with the fact that their loved one is blamed for the deaths of the other two boys, and in the eyes of the law was laid to rest as a murderer.

Many factors must be considered when looking at the number of accidents involving young drivers; it is not always their fault. Some accidents involving teens are not caused by them, but by another driver or even weather conditions. There are some situations that even somebody who had been driving for years could not have prevented.

I do not think it is necessary to change the driving age to eighteen, but there are procedures that we can do in order for young drivers to obtain more driving experience. The state of Illinois recently approved a law stating that a teen must

receive fifty hours of driving with a parent before getting a license, while before the requirement was twenty-five hours. Within those fifty hours of driving with a parent, so much of it must be in different weather conditions—this was not included in the previous law. Small changes like this one will help beginning drivers get more experience. Even with the help of this new law, there will always be a teen trying to impress his or her friends, a college student who is heading home after going out for a drink, or a driver who thinks that he or she is above the law and can just blow right through that stop sign. This just goes to show that not only do you have to watch your driving but everyone's around you; a driver can never be too careful.

In Central Illinois we have seen enough deaths. All I ask is that next time you are at a party and you get into a car to go home, or even when you drive home from school, please make the right decisions. I am sure when I say this, Limestone: nobody wants to see another young face in the obituaries because of a one-time mistake.

Have something to say?

Do you have an opinion on....

something in the news?

something at school?

anything at all?

If so...we want to print it!!!

All you need to do is write your opinion and include your name and year. You can then put it in the folder outside room 212 in the foreign language hall..

We would love to print your thoughts, all we ask is that when you turn in your opinion please make sure it is school appropriate! We will not print anything that is not suitable for the Limestone community. Any questions to this policy should be directed towards the newspaper adviser Mrs. Hayes or the opinion editor Sami Hubbard.

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Say What?

By Emilee Cox

Freshmen: the smallest, most frightened people in the school. We wander through the different colored halls, hoping to find our way. Most of us came from junior highs with a much smaller population of students.

In junior high, we were the top of the school, but now we have been beat down to the bottom again. We feel like first graders, frantically searching for the quickest route and praying we make it to our classes on time. But as the week wears on, you begin to familiarize yourself with your schedule. The students in your classes begin to laugh with you, and you make new friends. Maybe high school is not as bad as you thought.

Alas, you still have to deal with the ever-dreaded teachers. Some teachers are funny, some are weird, and some make you want to sink into the floor. They pile you with homework and tell you to "get involved." Get involved? How can we when doing homework takes three hours alone? I think the teachers have forgotten what it is like to be a student. Of course, there is not much homework they could have done in a one room



Art courtesy of Kelsi Cheek

classroom with slates and chalk.

Losing our friends is another universal fear. As more opportunities open to us, our interests spread to activities like band, cheerleading, or football. Your interests and your friends' interests might not spread the same ways. Can you remember how this feels, upperclassmen? How do you deal with it?

Oh yes, the upperclassmen, the people we have heard so much about. Some people caution us to not believe the students' tricks, such as paying rent for another locker in a different hall or paying for an elevator pass. Then other people tell us to make friends with the older students...friends? Are you nuts? We feel like ants beneath their highly priced

shoes. Unless, of course, you already had junior and senior friends before you reached high school. In that case you are one of the lucky ones—you do not have to worry about being hassled or taunted. Be proud of your social status.

Many things have changed in the course of one summer. Within three months, we went from knowing where we stand to

hunching our shoulders and looking at our feet when walking. But I highly advise against staring at the ground, you might run into a stray locker door. So on behalf of the freshmen population: please, I beg you, take it easy on us this year. As for freshmen, do not worry, I know this school year and all its horrors will get better eventually.

Words of experience: All around respect

By Stephanie Motsinger

My name is Stephanie and as you may or may not know, I am a junior. During my time here at Limestone, I have noticed the lack of respect between everyone.

Some teachers understand respect is a two way street. Those teachers give respect, but hardly get any in return. The teachers are here for a reason, and that reason is to help you make something of yourself. So when they dedicate so much of their time to help you (students), how can you be so disrespectful? This is just as much of a problem as teachers not showing respect to their students.

We, as students, are expected to respect our teachers, but is respect not something you earn? I do not know about you, but I believe that if you respect me, then I will respect you. However, it seems that some people just do not get this!

You would think that teachers would take the initiative to begin the process, and in many cases they do. But one teacher I had did not quite do that. For some reason the teacher thought of me as lower than himself. Correct me if I am wrong, but I do not think respect works like that.

I was very offended by this, and he immediately lost any respect I had for him. I am a firm believer that everyone is an equal and should be treated as such. One day the teacher "told", not asked, me to stay after class and informed me that I do not respect my elders, which is completely wrong—I respect those who respect me. This teacher was the only teacher with whom I had a problem because I respected my other teachers since they respected me in return. Maybe the teacher just did not understand that respect is a two way street; and to borrow a quote from Karl Cannon: "Respect: a two way street, from me to you and you to me."

I hope that the teacher in this incident will someday realize who he is and changes things, for this is nothing but a learning experience. Who the teacher is, however, is not important. What is important is that people see how vital it is to show respect to each other; and it is not just the teachers, but the students as well.

In most cases students and teachers respond well together when they show

each other an equal amount of respect. To those select few who just do not care, I will say this, "Open your eyes, because in the end, the only person you're hurting is yourself."

Oh, and there is one more thing I want to talk about while I am on the subject of respect, have you noticed the lack of respect we, the students, have for one another? When you walk down the hall you can hear just about every curse word in the book. Whether it is being said directly to the person or behind their back it has the same effect. Look at all the rumors flying around Limestone! I can guarantee that if we respected our peers more, rumors would soon not be an issue.

If *everyone*, the staff and the students, started showing more respect towards one another, I know the outcome would be a positive one. Limestone would become a better learning environment for us all. I say us all because no matter who you are, or how old you are, you never stop learning. And do not forget; there is not one person who does not benefit from a little respect.

Inside my mind...

By Dara Peacock

Here we are again: another year, another newspaper column, and another person, devouring the opinions of others as humans so love to do. Admit it, you would much rather be reading my opinion than the other boring things your probably use to reading at the beginning of every fourth hour. So, I have come to rescue you.

Sadly, I have a confession to make. It is so early in the year that I almost have nothing to write about. Relax...I said almost. However, I am going to be jumping around a bit with whatever comes to mind so be warned and do try to keep up.

One thing that has been on my mind quite a lot lately is friends. You make some, keep a few, but lose many. Do you ever just stop and think about all the friends you have lost over the years? I do, and frankly, it bugs me. Now that I am a junior, I have learned how important having close friends really is. High school would be unbearable without them.

Now admit, you had to have lost at least one friend

since you began high school (freshmen, this excludes you). Do you regret it? Do you miss them? I ask these questions because sometimes people stop being friends for ridiculous reasons. They regret it later, but are too ashamed and/or too stubborn to admit they were wrong.

I speak from experience people, and let me tell you something: it is not worth it. Put aside your foolish pride or shame and just make it right while you still can. Forgive and forget, because later on, it might be too late.

As far as I am concerned, there *are* some friends you could live without. Do not let one person confine you to a group of people. If they do not like it when you talk to "uncool" people, tell them to get a life. High school is too short to limit yourself to one group. Do not let them control you.

Well, I have nothing left to rant about. I apologize for my lack of opinion, but I promise I will have more to complain about by the next issue. Until next time...

CAREER CORNER

with Andy Roberts

By Jessica Demoss



Imagine getting put through tables, jumping off fifteen foot ladders, getting a steel chair to the skull. Now, what career could I possibly be talking about? I got two words for ya: professional wrestling. Now, before you stop reading this article because you hate wrestling and you think it is fake, well, read on. You may actually learn about the heart every professional wrestler puts into the sport.

You do not think this is your ideal career choice? Meet seventeen-year-old Andy Roberts, who wrestles for a local federation based out of Peoria called Next Generation Wrestling or NGW.

"I decided, man, if I'm going to do this, I want to be good at it."

Roberts stated that he first heard about NGW during their weekend shows in downtown Peoria. They have recently changed their venue to the gym in Bellevue Plaza, where they hold wrestling shows every other Saturday night. Roberts saw a few shows and thought he may have a shot at working in the business.

"I decided, man, if I'm going to do this, I want to be good at it. A few months into training, and I fell in love with the business. This is something I now live, eat, sleep, and breathe," Roberts explained.

Roberts was only fourteen when he found out about the school, but by the time he was sixteen, he has talked to a man named Alex Larson. Larson is the promoter, booker, and head trainer for NGW. "Alex and I worked everything out, and before you know it, boom, here we are!" Roberts exclaimed. Andy believes he was not a typical wrestling fan. He said, "When I was about thirteen or fourteen years old, I entered my rebellious stage we all go through, and so my mom outlawed wrestling at the time, so naturally I started to watch it."

"This is something I now live, eat, sleep, and breathe."

For anyone interested in this unique career, Roberts described the training school atmosphere of just that—a school. "It's work there. We train hard there. If we're not in the ring, we're out of it doing sit-ups, push-ups, jump rope, etc." He said. Roberts explained that this school just is not a place where kids go to imitate what they see on television—he is the youngest on the roster, with the majority of wrestlers at least in their twenties.

"I wrestle every match like it's my last."

NGW is not the only federation Roberts has wrestled for. He explained, "I've wrestled in Springfield, Peoria and Moroa, Illinois for Great American Wrestling." Since he is still in high school, he cannot take many bookings out of the area. "I don't have the time to travel right now. School comes first," Roberts stated.

When asked where he sees himself ending up in the business, Roberts replied, "I'd like to say a huge star, but I don't want to think that far ahead. I wrestle every match like it's my last. I'd like to work at Total Nonstop Action Wrestling based out of Orlando, Florida, but it's every wrestler's dream to work for World Wrestling Entertainment at some point." Total Nonstop Action Wrestling is the WWE's current biggest competition, competition, broadcasting their wrestling show on national television weekly as well.

For any suggestions on becoming a wrestler, Roberts offers this advice: "Believe in yourself. This is a mental business. The second you think in the ring is the second you get hurt. There is nothing 'fake' about a steel chair. That's steel on skull."

Plenty of wrestlers have taken breaks before from the business due to real injuries obtained from entertaining fans. For that, I, as a wrestling fan, thank all professional wrestlers for their daily sacrifices to entertain us all. Roberts concluded with this: "Expect the unexpected, and believe the unbelievable. I hope to see you all at the next NGW show!"

Student Council kicks off year

By Wesley Goeken

The LCHS Student Council has begun the 2006-2007 school year by jumping right into their duties. They started off the year with the assembly on August 25, organized entirely by the Student Council in such a short time.

Headed by Student Body President Karen Reaktenwalt and Student Body Vice President Allyce Cheatham, the Student Council has been extremely busy, planning activities, such as this year's Homecoming.

The 2006 theme for the Homecoming Dance and Homecoming Parade, both on September 16, was "Celestial Nights." The theme for the Variety Show was "Greeks, Geeks, & Goddesses."

The Student Council's nominations and elections for the Treasurer (Brittney Potier) and Secretary (Lynsi Hermann) during the week of August 28 have helped to establish the foundation of the 2006-2007 Student Council. The Student Council is trying to help not only our students, but even those in the community as well by organizing events such as a fall blood drive.

There is also rumor of a secret Halloween activity this fall, but as of now, there has been no official information of the event released.

Our Student Council is one of the best around, and as long as they continue to work as hard as they do, they will remain in that position.

Making Magic

By Tiffany Newtonson

The Fourth Annual *Return to Hogwarts* was held at the Glen Oak lagoon on Saturday, September 13.

Multiple students from Limestone attended, as well as volunteered at the event. Freshmen Heather Lindsey, Kelly Shannon, and Lacie Marcussen played characters.

The Peoria Park District held open auditions for characters on August 25. This year, playing a character meant attending at least five practices.

Lindsey and Marcussen attended the event last year. Volunteers there informed them about the casting. "I've always been a big Harry Potter fan, and we do roleplays on Xanga, so I thought playing a character in person would be fun," Lindsey said.

This event would not have been possible without the

Rockets on parade
By: Tiffany Newtonson

The Key Club sponsored the annual Limestone Homecoming Parade on September 16 at 10:00 a.m.

Due to road construction on Airport Road, the route changed this year. Since the parade began in Alpha Park, traveled down Garfield Avenue, and ended at Limestone, the parade was essentially run backwards.

The Key Club chairperson was junior Crystal Loyd. She was responsible for organizing all of the Key Club members' jobs. Volunteers arrived at 8 a.m. to prepare for the floats coming between 9:00 and 9:30.

The marching band and color guard led the parade followed by Grand Marshall Dr. Beach.

The Student Prevention Team had a float about preventing drunk driving. It featured a student dressed as a beer can, as well as students with tombstones on their chests.

The Class of '07 finally pulled together to form an actual float, and the Class of '08 sported an antique car. The underclassmen were lacking in the float department this year.

Many sports teams were represented at the parade, the soccer team, the volleyball team, the cheerleaders, and, of course, the football team.

Other floats included JFL, LAGBL, Limestone Youth Soccer, a Brownie Troop, and local grade school cheerleaders.

volunteers. Set up for adults lasted from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday with younger volunteers arriving after school. Saturday, set up ran from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

When show time rolled around, everyone was decked out with robes and wands and ready to be their character. Many volunteers participated in a play on stage. The volunteers had even learned to waltz to reenact the Yule Ball from *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*.

Lindsey summed up the role of characters. "We try to get guests more interested in the experience and make it seem like they really are in a Harry Potter book or movie," she explained.

Volunteers for the event also came from ICC, Richwoods, Central, East Peoria, and other schools throughout the area.

New Teachers



Name: Mrs. Empey
Subject Teaching: English
Hobbies: Reading
Favorite Book: To Kill A Mockingbird
Where Have You Taught Before?

This is her first year.
Favorite Season: Fall
Favorite TV Show: ER
College Attended: Bradley University
Favorite Restaurant: Olive Garden



Name: Mrs. Coovert
Subject Teaching: French
Hobbies: Sewing, playing with the kids
Favorite Type of Music: Classic Rock
Where Have You Taught Before? 5 years at Deemack High School and 3 years at Pekin High School
Favorite Movie: Disney's *The Jungle Book*
College Attended: ICC and ISU
Favorite Restaurant: The Hofbrau Restaurant in Peoria

COLLEGE BOUND

Illinois Central College



Location: East Peoria, IL

Type: Community College

Mission: Illinois Central College is committed to a future that "surprises" our students, employees, and community. We don't think "settling" or "satisfying" is enough. This document reflects our best effort to create priorities that cause us to "stretch". We believe that these priorities will take us to a level of excellence that we haven't dreamed of or achieved before. We are confident that we, the people of ICC, can create this future.

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2. Betty Gardner Cloyd Public Health Nursing Memorial
Amount: \$500
3. Glynn Future Teacher Endowed
Amount: Up to \$2000
4. Heart of Illinois Association for the Education of Young Children
Amount: Up to \$1000
5. Robert Morris College Scholarship
Amount: up to \$6000
6. Technology as a Career Scholarship
Amount: \$500
7. Theatre Scholarship
Amount: Up to full tuition
8. Jim & Phyl Woodhouse Endowed
Amount: \$750
9. Caterpillar Inc. Scholarship
Amount: up to \$1000
10. R.W. Fauntleroy Academic Excellence
Amount: up to \$2000
11. Marily Case Scholarship
Amount: \$2000
12. Dobkin Scholarship for Education
Amount: up to \$2500
13. Gary H. and Doris R. Kling Engineering and Health Careers Scholarship
Amount: up to \$1000
14. Peoria Metro New Car Dealers Association Scholarship
Amount: up to \$3500
15. Marion Mahoney Griffin Memorial Fund for Women in Architecture
Amount: up to full tuition

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Up Close & Personal with...

Jared Schneider



Name: Jared Schneider

Who was your favorite Ninja Turtle?:

Donatello

What is your favorite scent?:

Fresh citrus, chocolate, Paris Hilton perfume, and the halls of Lime-o in the morning

What animal would you be?:

Aardvark because Arthur, the title character of my favorite childhood television show, was an aardvark.

How do you eat Oreos?:

Carefully

What would make you push the Easy Button?:

Nothing, I wouldn't need to. Yeah, I'm that hardcore.

If you were an emoticon, which would you be?:

##?8>0!+G

What song best fits you?:

"Don't Stop, Get it, Get it" or something like that.

ODB's in it.

What has been your favorite high school event?:

Any Boys Soccer game, which all of you should come to.

What is your favorite high school memory?:

Taking out a whole team in dodgeball then passing out from asthma.

Where will you be this time next year?:

12:43 P.M. August 28, 2007? Right behind you.

Whom do you admire?:

Ross Swanson. That kid's awesome.

Look who's new!

By Kimber Fawley

Have you ever thought about being a counselor? Have you ever thought about motivating people to succeed? Well, one of the newest additions to our school wanted to do this for a career.

Yet, Ms. Fiddes has not always wanted to be a counselor. She said, "I wanted to become a stewardess, but that does not appeal to me at all now." After graduating from the University of Maryland, where she had an undergraduate degree in social work, Fiddes then worked for Illinois Central College for three years.

She counseled there and marketed the college to high



September 1966

Frosh. Parents

Parents of freshmen students were invited to attend freshmen parent orientation night on October 4-7 at 7-8:30pm in the cafetorium. Mrs. McCraith, then guidance director, recommended that all parents of students new to the school in 1966 attended one of these evening sessions. Parents would receive information regarding curriculum, extra curricular activities, and functions of the guidance department.

Foreign Exchange

Limestone is was very fortunate to have had five foreign exchange students. One was Tess de Guzman, 18, from Quizon City, Philippines. Her impression of the United States was that she found that people here are friendly, more relaxed, and live at a rather face-pace. She said that things were a little different here than at her other school. Tess says, "It's co-educational and there is more freedom here. In the Philippines we cannot choose courses, here we can."

New Opinions

What did new freshmen students think of their school? 1966 *Limelight* asked them. Cindy Kerker said, "I think it's neat, a change for the better." There are many different opinions by then students, some were extremely positive, and some students seemed not so open to the new change. "I don't like anything yet! They should give you more time between classes," stated Lyne Tucker, then freshmen.

Citation Received

Limestone was one of the 310 schools nationally to receive a Citation for Excellence from the 1966 National High School Art Exhibition held in June in New York City. This national honor was won by the school's art department in competition with thousands of high schools across the country.

Meet the Press



Name: Tiffany Newtonson
Grade: 12
Years in *Limelight*: 2
Role: Art Director
Favorite Food: Cherries
Favorite Color: Purple
Favorite Music: Queen
Plans for Education: Computer Animation
Fun Fact: Watched [Captain Planet](#) as a child



Name: Kelsi Cheek
Grade: 9
Years in *Limelight*: 1
Role: Reporter
Favorite Food: Roast
Favorite Color: Blue
Favorite Music: Rock
Plans for Education: Drawing
Fun Fact: Very persuasive

school graduates. She still wanted to be a counselor in a high school though.

According to Fiddes, her biggest influence is the students. She enjoys being around high school students more than working in the marketing world.

As a counselor, Fiddes loves being able to help people function on their own. She enjoys helping to motivate people and helping them to accept their

responsibilities and work through their problems. Her pet peeve is when people act like victims or have poor excuses.

In her free time, Fiddes enjoys reading Adler and Rogerian, two of her favorite theorists. She also said, "I love to run—it's one of my passions, especially running for good causes." One day she hopes to run from Memphis to Peoria in the St. Jude annual race.

Let's put introductions in order

By Kelby Poplett

Here at Limestone we have a new band director who goes by the name of Mr. Andy Empey. He attended Western Illinois University and previously directed at Winchester High School. Ever optimistic, Empey directs the jazz, symphonic, wind and marching bands. Empey's favorite type of music is jazz and, he also enjoys aquariums and going fishing. Empey owns a

Pomeranian named Boo and a pet fish. His favorite movie is "Batman Begins," and his favorite restaurant is the Barrel Head in Springfield, Illinois.

Empey is very excited about this year's season and wants all the bands to become accustomed to him and the changes made this year. He believes the most difficult part on directing the band is understanding

all the different events that take place. Empey said, "The band is awesome this year—we are having a lot of fun." His main goal while directing the band at Limestone is to have a stronger band each year. Ideally, the students will start playing an instrument in grade school and continue throughout their high school years.



New band director,
Mr. Empey

Important band dates

October 7: Marching Band Camp at WIU

October 14: Marching Band Camp at Metamora

October 20: Bands of America - St. Louis Regional

October 21: Bands of America – St. Louis Regional

Senior band members

Anne Bennett: Pit
Lucas Borland: Snare
Stephanie Bohls: Trumpet
Jason Brown: Clarinet
Amy Dunham: Bass Clarinet
Ryan Feagin: Tenors
Danielle Hetzel: Flute and piano
Megan Larke: Drum major and Tenor sax
Jimmy McMullen: Alto saxophone
Kayla Miller: Alto saxophone
Lacey O' Brien: Flute
Tom Winchester: Trombone

Musical Words

B A E B N A C L O T O L R A L S M P N O L T T A S
 C T A T T A E T H B E C A O T T I A M B T E R H E
 U A F P T A A Y A F O T L O I R T B E V Y S U C R
 T O E I D L P G O H M E U A T R H A A A E B M T F
 A Y R C H R S P Q O M E R L R A T F S C M T P I H
 T B W C O O N A R P O S F C F I B A N O C B E P C
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 N V O T L O E T L N T O P V P M U R D D N R N R A
 C H E R S C Y L A R U T A N C U H C L T A C V S T
 R N U T Q E N H B I N M N V S C C S S A B O T E A

WORD LIST

FLUTE	SOPRANO	OBOE
KEY	ALTO	PICCOLO
FLAT	TENNOR	ACCENTS
PITCH	SHARP	DRUM
TRUMPET	NATURAL	TUBA
STACCATO	CLARINET	OCTAVE
BASS	SOLO	BEAT

Prankster

By Kelby Poplett

When the time came around for their annual prank, a group of seniors went overboard. They not only pranked Mr. Empey and Mrs. Thomason, but the entire band as well.

To help Empey feel the band's love, the group snuck out to his house, which he hoped they would not find, and wrote on his car with paint markers and vaseline. Thomason discovered the old standby: toilet-papered trees. She also found a kiddie pool filled with goldfish.

To pay the seniors back for pranking her, Thomason went to Superintendent Dr. Beach and asked if he could scare them into thinking they were trouble. After a visit to Beach's office, the group of seniors soon discovered Thomason's plot.

They decided to pretend they were facing expulsion.

After the visit, the group of seniors who were involved returned to practice to share the "bad news." Empey helped further the prank by saying that the expulsion story was true; and that Limestone might not have a marching season this year, thanks to their behavior. Later that day, the group of seniors returned to the football field, where the band was practicing their show, with their heads hanging low to apologize. As the other members of the band stood motionless to hear the future of their season, the loud speaker was handed to the seniors. At the same time the group looked up with broad smiles to say, "We got you!" The other band-members were shocked, but glad to still have their have their marching season.

Party time

By Kelby Poplett

Every year after band camp week, the marching band has a pizza party in the Limestone cafeteria for all the hard work they have put in. People from the band can perform skits in front of friends and family, and the famous Spam Award is presented. The brass section of the band comes up with a box full of spam and certificates for unusual categories, like the Superman award which Jimmy McMullen won. Kayla Miller won a Spam Award for returning to the marching band, and of course the grand prize of three cans of Spam went to Mr. Empey for being there when the band needed him the most. The color guard had their own performance of the band camp, which they imitated some of the band kids and Mr. Empey. The pizza night was so much fun, and the band deserved it after the hard work they had out in.

Random Q's & A's

Name: Allison Burnham
Instrument: Clarinet
Favorite color: Red and Black
Favorite music: Anything except rap



Name: Nikki Larson
Instrument: Flute
Favorite color: Orange
Favorite piece of music: A La Lune from our marching music.
Favorite instrument: Alto sax



Name: Abby Borland
Instrument: Baritone
Favorite thing about band: Drill
Favorite musical note: E flat



Color guard: a family matter

By Megan Morrison

The color guard has been working hard and is off to a great start. All of the girls are very excited for their upcoming season. They have been busy choreographing flag work, memorizing their drill, and brushing up on their marching skills. "The girls have had many hours of practice and discipline to put into this years show, Cirque de Soleil," said Mrs. Kathy Thomason, the color guard coach.

Co-captains Amber Post and Shayanna Jacobs agree that this is one of the best groups of girls on color guard that Limestone has ever had. "These girls have much potential ahead of them," said Post, "I want each year

for the color guard to improve more and more," she added.

The girls have enjoyed working with Mr. Empey as well. They like how he puts excitement and enthusiasm into his work with the show. Color Guard agrees that with more enthusiasm there comes more fun and enjoyment.

Outside of class and practice all of the girls are good friends. "This group is close, and we all bond together well," says Jacobs. Being as close as they all are is what makes it a lot easier on all of them. Post refers to the color guard as her second family and a great support group.

"Cirque Du Soleil"

By Kelby Poplett

The marching band's show for this year is called "Cirque Du Soleil," which means "Sun Circus." The show consists songs from the album *La Nouba*, which includes "Distorted," "Reve

Rouge," "Al la lune," and "Urban." The music provides a rhythmic beat and one can see a lot of movement by the band members. The band had been practicing the show since early August. Their

parade tune this year is called "Quest." "The show is exciting this year," said sophomore Kristin Lehman. So come out and cheer on your marching Rockets!

Marching Band



Color Guard



Marching band and color guard pictures courtesy of *Amulet*. Photographer: Alyssa Smith.

Senior color guard members

Allyce Cheatham

Shayanna Jacobs

Caitlyn Pennington

Amber Post

(Continued from Front Page) ...doesn't have access to a razor (implying hairy armpits). There was a pause while Cupid tried to trim the hair for her. The nerd was asked what her interests and hobbies are, and her main response was knitting with her mom. The next question, for the Goddess, was why she should be picked. She said that it was because she was hot and her beauty could run laps around the other girls. This caused uproar from the other girls, and the security actors had to remove the Canton Ugliers from the stage as the crowd chanted "Jerry, Jerry, Jerry!"

Another commercial interruption hit as two old ladies walk on stage recreating the identity theft commercials seen so often on television. As the crowd's laughter died down, the show returned. It turned out that the nerd was the contestant's choice. The Goddesses were outraged, and they danced to show him what he was missing. He decided to change his mind, and this caused the nerds to dance in response. The entire cast of the skit broke out in dance, almost as if it were a musical. Coach Peacock then appeared on stage, stating that we won the football game, "ninety-eight to tree." After a short argument with Cupid, one of the Canton Ugliers reappeared on stage, only to be knocked down by the Crocodile Hunter yelling, "My, she's an ugly one!"

Another filler act hit the stage with an all-too-familiar N'Sync tune known as nothing other than "Pop!" Val Artis was more than a crowd pleaser as his insane skills tore up the stage. He gave an impressive show of break dancing and a hybrid of both fluid and robotic-like movement. It was not long before Andrew Buchanan appeared on stage, too, in a dance-off with Artis. They battled back and forth, but in the end, Cochran lost the fight. Val's incredible performance was utterly breathtaking under the flashing, color-changing lights.

Michael Jackson's "Thriller," a tune from the past, was reenacted by the cheerleading squad. A werewolf was seen on stage in the beginning, and the strobe lights enhanced the horrific mood of zombies crawling onto the stage. It was not long before the Michael Jackson feel was in the air, not just with a single Michael on stage, but six of them at once, dancing to the ever-popular tune

"Smooth Criminal." The cheerleader Michaels weren't as in step with one another as one would expect from cheerleaders, but that did not hinder their trip down memory lane.

Mercy Misigaro appeared on stage with nothing more than a microphone and guitarist Ross Swanson. As she appeared on stage, the crowd roared with excitement, screaming her name. Her nervousness was apparent, but she managed to sing "Your Love is Extravagant" by Casting Crowns. The crowd absolutely loved her singing, despite the fact that she was obviously nervous.

The Class of 2008 skit took place in 310 A.D. after a football game with the team cheering after their victory. There is an explanation of all the school groups, including the football players, the nerds, the goths, the cheerleaders and the foreign exchange student. Commercial interruption was imminent at this point. It was an enormously large woman in a bikini dancing to a Weird Al Yancovic tune called "Just Eat It." It quickly morphed into another "Milkshake" commercial. The crowd was less than pleased by this repeat of an already old joke.

When the skit was back, the curtains pulled away to reveal the football coach, Coach Peacock, bowing to a cardboard cutout of a football player. He was interrupted by a real football player, and the stage curtains fell again, then pulled back once more to reveal the day of the game. The cheerleaders put on quite a hilarious skit multiple times throughout the game, which ended in a wonderful slow-motion play, where the football team won the game and lifted an undeserving player onto their shoulders.

The night's final skit was the Class of 2007 Skit. It featured a version of the game show "Next" where players could win a date with Paris Hilton. The contestants included Mr. Veirs, Nicole Richie, a freshman, Ron Burgundy, Ashton Kutcher, and Coach Peacock. Mr. Veirs was the first contestant, and he said that Paris should pick him because he is smart. She denied him a date, and on came a commercial. A Tag Body Spray commercial, to be exact, quickly closed with a disclaimer that Tag does not actually work. Upon return of the show, Nicole Richie was next.



Identity theft commercial - Photo courtesy of School Pictures of Illinois

She was a contestant solely for the chance to win money. She was told off by Paris, and the freshman got his chance for a date. He got up and screamed "0-'10, babe!" only to be quickly booted from the stage.

A commercial interruption was put into place, as Mrs. Adams appeared to raise money for a fund to send a Spanish student to Mexico. She said that people needed to send in their donations quickly, because the trip was delaying the birth of her new child, John Jacob Jingleheimer Schmidt Jebediah Prodo Tocalaguitara Newyorkcity Adams. Ron Burgundy took the place of the freshman, and attempted to play the jazz flute, but did not impress Paris Hilton to his dismay.

Once again, the skit was interrupted by a commercial. This time, it was a commercial for the television program Laguna Beach, featuring a few girls wearing summer clothing, portraying the typical teen drama TV

show. Following that commercial was a dedication and moment of silence for the beloved Steve Erwin, whose death has not only swept Limestone High but the rest of the world. As an end to the commercial break, the seniors decided to show that they were too cool to have a "Milkshake" commercial. The crowd was more than pleased to know that the commercial breaks for the night were over.

At the end of the break, Ashton Kutcher got his chance to win over Paris. As the waitress came by, he tripped her, and yelled out "You got Punk'd!" only to get a firm fist in the face. He then bent over in pain, and Paris came over to make sure that he was okay. It turns out that he faked being hurt, and then Paris was the victim of the phrase "You got Punk'd!" After his loss, Ashton sat down, leaving it up to Coach Peacock's turn. He won the date and invited Paris to the Limestone football game on

Saturday. The night concluded with the seniors inviting the crowd to sing along to the school song

The second night of the show, Friday was a replay of the previous night without the 2010 and 2007 skits. Each performance was slightly better than the night before, since each group had had more practice, but the auditorium was not nearly as full. Nonetheless, the students of Limestone Community High School put on a spectacular show for the rest of the community.

Homecoming Royalty

Freshmen:

Matt Johnson and Olivia Heller

Sophomores:

Brad Courdt and Rachel Kyle

Juniors:

Cal Harmon and Katie Neal

Seniors:

Nick Moreland and Brittney Potier

King & Queen:

Josh Kyle and Monica Siebenthal

Top five summer movies

according to a Limestone poll

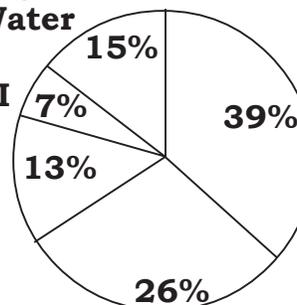
3) Lady in the Water

5) Clerks II

4) Cars

2) Click

1) Pirates of the Caribbean II



It's a Wonderful Life

George Bailey... Brandon Chandler
 Understudy... Andrew Kluesner
 Clarence Odbody... Wes Urish
 Understudy... Tyler McIntyre
 Mr. Gower... Jake Caudill
 Understudy...Cody Shoesmith
 Harry Bailey... Teddy Delicath
 Understudy...Samuel Misigaro
 Mother Bailey... Shayanna Jacobs
 Understudy...Emily Larke
 Aunt Tilly... Mercy Misigaro
 Violet Peterson... Brittany Christensen
 Understudy...Amber Post
 Bert...Tyler McIntyre
 Uncle Billy...D.J. Lucas
 Understudy...Mario McCart

Citizens: Gabriel Blancaflor, Tyler Wright-Cornell, Samantha Smith, Amy Dunham, Caitlin Lakin, Valerie Ahl, Marissa Reynolds, Erin Lawrence, Abby Borland, Sam Stein, Chelsey Sunderland, Nich Stein, Aliex Bullock, Emily Stenzel, Dana Fulton, Lacie Marcussen, Theresa Sanders, Courtney Bacon, Jill Parks, Samuel Misigaro, Kayla Hislope, Kelly Shannon, Brianna Johnson, Megan Pence, Cody Shoesmith

Father Bailey... Mario McCart
 Mary Hatch(Later Bailey)... Kelly Kookken
 Understudy...Teala Jacobs
 Ruth Bailey... Amber Post
 Henry F. Potter...Scott O'Neal
 Understudy...Jacob Carroll
 Mr. Potter's Goon#1/Voice of Joseph... Ross Swanson
 Mr. Potter's Goon#2... Cal Harmon
 Mr. Potter's Secretary... Michelle Pomeroy
 Mrs. Hatch... Sarah Hanlon
 Sam Wainwright/Voice of God... Jacob Carroll
 Miss Andrews... Teala Jacobs
 Mrs. Thompson... Amy Sanders
 Mr. Martini... Ruben Rodriguez
 Mrs. Martini... Emily Larke
 Miss Carter The Bank Examiner... Kayla Hislope
 Mr. Welch... Nick Williams

The fall play, *It's a Wonderful Life*, is advised by Mr. Zach Binder, an English teacher here at Limestone Community High School. Over sixty students auditioned. On September 12, auditions were held for children from local grade schools (ages 8-12) to play the roles of the Bailey children. The play will take place on November 9, 10, and 11.



Celestial Night: a review

By Tiffany Newtonson

The homecoming dance was held in the gymnasium this year on Saturday, September 16 from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. The theme was Celestial Nights.

The table decorations were quite charming and fit the theme well. The names written in gold upon the silver stars also worked out nicely.

In the snack bar, pictures were available for purchase. The columns used for the pictures referenced the Greek theme of the variety show. They added a nice touch to photos, but the plain backdrop was disappointing in comparison to those of recent dances.

As always, the music could have used work because there were only two styles of dancing, both of which required a partner. At least one break-dance-off occurred. There was also a bit of line dancing to AC/DC, which was awkward at best. The DJ did what all DJs do and played the same music that is played at every other dance anyone here has been to before.

All in all, most people enjoyed themselves at the dance. It was a great conclusion to the many homecoming activities.

Writer's Block



With Megan Pence

Living Life

I can't see it,
 But somehow, I can certainly live it,
 I've got places to be,
 Places to go,
 Got to get there,
 It doesn't stop there.
 I guess that's life,
 I don't care,
 Cause I just feel like livin' it up,
 Just trying my best to add some fun into the hectic little mix.
 I can't see it,
 But I can sure live it!



Upcoming concerts

Bloomington
 Sat Oct 28: Def Leppard and Journey
 Located at 316 Washington St., 12:00 P.M.

Peoria
 Sat Sep 30: Slingshot 57, Flyleaf, Falling Up, and Family Force 5
 Located at 1601 W. Northmore, 9:00 P.M.

Thu Oct 19: Brad Paisley and Carrie Underwood
 Located at 201 Jefferson Ave., 12:00 P.M.

Wed Nov 8: Chicago
 Located at 201 Jefferson Ave., 7:30 P.M.

Champaign
 Sat Oct 21: James Blunt
 Located at 1800 First St., 7:30 P.M.

Sat Oct 28: Slingshot 57
 Located at 3601 Staley Rd., 7:00 A.M.



Music to my ears

DragonForce - Inhuman Rampage (Roadrunner Records)

By Wesley Goeken

Following their first two albums, *Valley of the Damned* and *Sonic Firestorm*, the band formerly known as DragonHeart has continued the tradition of their self-proclaimed style, "Extreme Power Metal."

Digging down to their roots, DragonForce resurrects the dual speed-guitar solos lasting over two minutes in length, the hymns of epic battles enlightened by the chorus, the fast, wild drums, the wicked bass guitar, and the highly-skilled keyboardist.

Their first single from *Inhuman Rampage*, titled "Through Fire and Flames," expanded the already popular band's range of fans, bringing forth the powerfully entrancing guitar styles of Herman Li and Sam Totman. Its epic, fantasy-like lyrics pull your brain through a loop as the guitar solo twists your ears into a cross between almost video game-like noises and unmatched musical talent.

"Operation Ground and Pound," their latest single from the album, dares to be heavier than any other song

they have previously released, grasping the soul of classical black metal guitar styles. The song following it, titled "Body Breakdown," is the only chance you'll get to truly appreciate the skills of keyboardist Vadim Pruzhanov, drummer Dave Mackintosh, and bassist Frédéric Leclercq as they each embark on a journey of their own solos that are indescribable.

released one of the best power metal albums of all time.



Twenty-five years later and still friends

By Elizabeth Kelly

Think forward twenty-five years from now. Where will you be? Will you still talk to the same people you are friends with now? These are the same questions the class of 1981 was asking just a little over twenty-five years ago. Over the homecoming weekend, September 15 and 16, these questions were answered.

On Friday, these old friends gathered at Hammer's Bar and Restaurant to chat about the old days and about what is going on in their lives now. After dinner the class enjoyed snacks to satisfy the munchies one gets while laughing with friends. The class finished catching up with one another and listened to some great music provided by D.J. Video.

On Saturday, the alumni headed out in the cold to support their dear old Limestone during the parade. Afterwards, they went to the field to watch and cheer on our boys during the homecoming football game. After all of the cheering, the alumni who went to the early morning

festivities met up with even more friends to celebrate the twenty-five years of freedom from high school, especially the dreaded P.E. class, at the American Legion Post 979.

Once everyone arrived, the class ate dinner together as they laughed at stories of all the good times they shared together. Finally, the weekend ended as they spent the last few hours together enjoying music provided by, ironically, Mid-Life Crisis.

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Our homecoming weekend was full of making memories we will look back upon at our reunions, while theirs was spent reliving and retelling the memories they made so many years ago.



Class President of '81, Greg Stalter. Photo courtesy of Amulet.

Commencement May 20, 1981

Processional - "Pomp and Circumstance" - Elgar
 Invocation - Julie Ann Getz
 Welcome - Stephan Barry Christiansen
 Address - Odie Jay Williams
 Honors - Dr. N. T. Endsley (Superintendent)
 Presentation of Diplomas - Ruth Ann Bryne (President, Board of Education)
 Class Roll - Gregory Lee Stalter (President, class of 1981)
 Farewell Address - Ute Beate Claudia Prohaska
 Benediction - Marilyn Joyce Johnson
 Recessional - "Grand Maroh" Verdi



Homecoming Queen of 1981, Beth Negley and her court attended the bonfire.

Photo courtesy of Amulet.

News Notes

Students of the month recognized

Tech-Prep Student of the month

Senior Rebeca Diaz has been selected as the Tech-prep student of the month for September. The teachers of the department were unanimous in their selection of Rebeca. She was selected based on her high performances in the business department. The characteristics upon which she was selected include that she is cordial, polite, demonstrates a positive attitude, and pushes herself to go above and beyond expectations.

For her outstanding achievements, Diaz will be awarded a savings bond sponsored by Illinois Welding school, and her picture will appear in the *Limestone Independent News*.

Academic Students of the Month

Senior Lynsi Hermann has been selected as the academic student of the month for August. Senior Anne Hein has been selected for academic student of the month for September. These students were given this award based on their academic achievements.

Chamber Singers Car Wash

On Saturday, September 9, the Chamber Singers group held a car wash at the Pekin Wal-Mart. They raised \$1,064. This money is going towards their efforts to get the professional singing group, Chapter Six, to come and perform for them here at Limestone. This would be an excellent learning opportunity for them all. Other fundraising is to come, so please help support the choir in their efforts!

Art Club

The art club meets on the first Tuesday of every month, right after school. They make T-shirts, paint faces at the Homecoming game and basketball games, paint business windows to raise money for Easter Seals, visit area art exhibits, make Christmas ornaments, and many other activities that our members suggest!

If you would like any information on art club or would like to join, contact Mrs. Bentley in room 64.

October Testing

PLAN, a preparation test for sophomores to help prepare them for the ACT, has a fee of ten dollars and will be accepted during all lunch hours. The fee due by October 2 or 3. Test dates for October are as follows:

October 3: Consumer Education Proficiency Exam (Consumer Education Classes)

October 17-19: All School Testing (All Students)

October 21: PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) (Juniors)

October 28: ACT at Limestone (Senior Retake)

For more information see your counselor in the guidance office or check out the Limestone homepage at www.limestone.k12.il.us.

Speech Season Begins

The speech team tryouts were held on Thursday, August 30, and were only planned to be held for one day, but due to the great turnout, they had to be carried over into August 31 as well. There forty-five team members this year, consisting of returning

and many new faces. Their first meet is Limestone's Early Bird Invitational on October 28. Coach Jeri Look described her expectations for this year's team: a sixth consecutive title and return to the state tournament this year. The team captains are senior Kelly Kooken, senior Shayanna Jacobs, and junior Crystal Loyd. "The captains this year are people who have shown dedication to the team and know what hard work is. I expect them to lead the team to another successful season," stated Look.

Amulet Field Trip

On September 8 Mrs. Kocher and her twenty-two yearbook students went to the Gateway Building in downtown Peoria. Limestone as well as several other schools came to learn techniques on writing captions, taking photographs, and creating the basic layouts of a yearbook. The trip was sponsored by Taylor Publishing, and our own Ms. Tinnon was the key presenter. The class enjoyed their trip while learning valuable lessons on how to make this year's Amulet the best yet.

Airport Road Construction

The current construction on Airport road has been planned for three years, and was scheduled to begin the weekend of July 4, but did not begin until mid-August. The construction will continue as long as the weather is nice and will resume once again in the spring. It is planned to expand the road into five lines until Pfeiffer road. "Drive carefully and be aware of traffic and workers, and slow down," stated Dr. Beach, as advice to the student body. The construction is planned to last at least two years.

New Locker Rooms

Over the summer \$25,000 was spent on renovating the athletic locker rooms. It took all summer, but it was well worth the time and money, seeing as no one can remember the last time they were renovated. The boys' locker room was done before school started and the girls' locker room was completed in late August.

Lady Rockets take nationals

By Sydney Gann

For the Limestone Area Girl's Basketball League's (LAGBL) varsity team, the weekend of June 30 was far from routine. In Bloomington, Illinois, the American Youth Basketball Tour (AYBT) held their annual national tournament.

"It wasn't easy," Coach Joey Wright explained. "Out of the thirteen girls on the team, only seven played. Of those seven girls, one was injured, and another hadn't played basketball all summer."

Our Lady Rockets under LAGBL not only played in the tournament, but they also won their division's championship game. AYBT is a national league. There are teams from Canada and all over the United States, including Indiana, New York, Wisconsin, and Maryland.

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Jenelle Hibser, the team's center, played basketball on a badly

sprained ankle. After sitting out the first two days of the tournament, she was happy to get on the court again. When asked how she felt about being a part of the winning team, Hibser only smiled and replied, "Really good."

The talented team had only one senior, Kaitlyn Schroeder. They also had three juniors: Sadie Gann, Jenelle Hibser, and Amber Cochran; and three sophomores: Brittney Monk, Lorin Heiser, and Sydney Gann. Maroa-Porsyth, the opposing team for the championship game, had a full bench and twice the crowd, but the Lady Rockets took the court and played their game with confidence.

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The Lady Rockets pose for picture after their big win. Standing (L to R) Joey Wright, Sadie Gann, Jenelle Hibser, Lorin Heiser. Kneeling (L to R) Brittney Monk, Kaitlyn Schrpeder, Amber Cochran, Sydney Gann. Not pictured Kylee Wolfe. Photo Courtesy of Joey Wright.

"The lead was ours, we kept it, and extended it, and never stopped having fun," he added

The girls not only won as a team, but also as individuals. On Friday June 28, Kylee Wolfe, a sophomore guard, participated in a three point shoot-out contest and received first place. Lorin Heiser, another sophomore guard, came close behind in fourth place.

Many players believe that the team really played hard in the last game. "It's the best we've played as a team all season!" Amber Cochran declared.

"No one tried to outshine anyone else, and it was exactly what I asked from them," Coach Wright said.

Who led the team to victory? This question can easily be answered. All seven girls led each other to the win, lifting each other's spirits as the game took

some unusual twists and cheering each other on from the sideline.

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The Lady Rockets' overall record for the summer was 28-13, winning sixty-eight percent of their games. They played in cities throughout Illinois and Indiana. LAGBL offered them a good experience that ended in a great win. This is proof that a small team can do great things and that when gambling and hoping to win; seven truly is a lucky number.

Limestone area baseball team wins state

By Megan Morrison

The Limestone Post #979 American Legion baseball team finished the summer season with a record of 27 - 11. They won their District and Division tournaments and finished second in both Department tournament and Great Lakes Regional. Those tournaments led up to the American Legion World Series, where only eight teams in the nation can qualify. The boys made it to the Sweet Sixteen, but they were eliminated in extra innings by the team from Terre Haute, Indiana, who ended up winning second place in the World Series.

Coach Tim Farquer exclaimed that the Limestone Legion team has only advanced this far one other time in the history of the program. The other time was when Chicago White Sox star Jim Thome was in his last year of legion ball.

What make this team's victories even more special is that legion teams are normally a combination of kids from three to five different high schools and the age limit is nineteen. The team had students



Pictured above, kneeling, (left to right) Coach Brian Newby, Coach Tim Farquer, Brock Watson, Shawn Songer, Mike Genovese, Brandon Wikoff, Anthony Heskett, Mgr. Tyler Huffman, Kevin Scheffler. Standing, (Left to right) Paul Secrest (official scorer), Drew Koeppl, Jesse Burns, Josh Hawn, Neil Yemm, Coach Brad Coyle, Danny Otten, Ryan Camp, Mike Barnes. Photo courtesy of Tim Farquer

exclusively from Limestone, and only one high school graduate, Brock Watson.

The members of the team still in school here are: Mike Barnes, Ryan Camp, Teddy Delicath, Mike Genovese, Anthony Heskette, Drew

Koeppl, Kevin Scheffler, Trent Thomason, and Neil Yemm. Farquer exclaimed, "We could not be more proud of what the boys were able to do!"

Spring All-Conference

2006

Girls Track

1st team-Nicole Benson

Boys Track

1st team- Brandon Pence
T.R. Pursell

Girls Soccer

2nd Team- Rachel Kyle

Boys Tennis

2nd Team- Will Mosher

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Limestone's Athletes of the Month

Kayla Carlson



What sport do you play? Varsity Tennis.
Do you plan to play that sport in college? Yes, I hope to.
How tall are you? 5'3.
What grade are you in? Junior
What is your favorite color? Teal
Who is your biggest role model? Why? Maria Sharapova; I wish I could play tennis like her.
Do you have a good luck charm? If so what is it? Nope, but if I win a match I like to keep one of the game balls.
What is your favorite class? Why? 7th hour Color Guard, because it is lots of fun and you get out of gym.
What do you normally do to warm up for a game? Practice serving to warm up my arm.
When is your birthday? August 15, 1990
What type of music do you listen to?: EVERYTHING! :)

Josh Kyle



What sport do you play? Soccer.
What position do you play? Forward.
How tall are you? 5'6".
What is your uniform number? 3.
What grade are you in? Senior.
What is your nickname? Meach.
Who is your biggest role model? Why? My dad, BJ. He is a god walking amongst mere mortals.
What is your favorite class? Why? Physics, Hebron, enough said.
Do you have any pre-game rituals that you do before every game? Get the whole team hyped by listening to *Living on a Prayer*.
Do you have any major fears in or out of the game? I fear nothing!
What do you usually do to celebrate after a game? Buffalo Wild Wings.
When is your birthday? August 31, 1988

Nicole Benson



What sport do you play? Cross Country.
What position do you play? 1st Varsity girls.
How tall are you? 5'7".
What grade are you in? 11th.
What is your favorite color? Orange.
Who is your biggest role model? Why? My mom; she's always there for me.
Do you have any pre-game rituals that you do before every game? If so what? I try to visualize my race the night before.
What do you normally do to warm up for a game? 10 - 15 minute jog followed up with 2- 4 stride outs.
What do you do during the off season to keep in shape? I train year-round and get ready for track.
When is your birthday? August 21.
What type of music do you listen to? Everything.

Sport Shorts

Golf

The boys have already played two tournaments. They are 1 in 2 dual matches. The team is lead by Senior Ryant Lambie and Aaron Loorentz. They are working really hard to make their season a fantastic one. Come out and watch your Limestone Golf team!

Girls Tennis

Limestone Girls tennis team has had a great start to their season. The Fresh/Soph team beat East Peoria 5-4 on August 29. The Varsity team has also won two matches so far this season. They beat Manual 8-1 and Woodruff 5-4.

Math teacher Ms. Bontz filled the open position as assistant coach. She has not been playing tennis very long, but she is determined to show the girls that she is ready and willing to be their new coach. Head coach Mr. Sanders will be retiring soon, so he is preparing Ms. Bontz for the years to come.

The tennis team is out to work hard and win this year. Saturday September 30 is the freshman mid-Illinois tournament. The tournament will start at 9 a.m., so come out and watch the girls play.

Volleyball

The Limestone Girls Volleyball Team kicked off their season on September 2 with the Invitational Tournament which was held at Limestone Saturday August 2. Sophomores won the tournament with a record of 3-0.

Current records on the season are Varsity: 8-5 (4-0 in conference); sophomores: 8-0; and freshman: 5-0.

Cheerleading

On July 18, 2006, the cheerleaders traveled to Southeast Missouri State University for the National Cheerleaders Association summer camp. The NCA attracted over 400 cheerleader world wide. The Limestone cheerleaders won the following awards:

Top Gun Award: The Top Gun Award goes to those who excel in tumbling, jumping, dance, and stunting. The Top Gun Dance Award went to Brittany Christensen and the Top Gun Jump award went to Sydney Parlier and Teala Jacobs.

Performance Top Team Winner: The cheerleaders competed for this title as though they were in an actual competition, and took home the award.

NCA Top All-American: This award is awarded to the All-American member who received the highest score from the camp. The award went to Breanna Crow.

LCBS October Sports Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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SFB - 6:00pm 2	GT - 3:30pm 3 VBall - 5:00pm BS - 4:15pm Golf - Reg. TBA XC - 4:15pm	GT - 3:30pm 4	VBall - 5:00pm 5	VFB - 7:30pm 6	GT - 9:00am 7 BS - 10:00am XC - 9:30am	8
VBall - 5:00pm 9 SFB - 6:00pm	GT - 4:15pm 10 BS - 4:15pm Golf - Sec. TBA VBall - 5:00pm	11	VBall - 5:00pm 12	GT - Sec. TBA 13 BS - Reg. TBA VFB - 7:30pm Golf - State TBA XC - 4:00pm	GT - Sec. TBA 14 VBall - LCHS Tourna BS - Reg. TBA	15
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XC - 3:30pm 23	BS - Sec. TBA 24	25	26	VFB - Playoff TBA 27	BS - State TBA 28 XC - Sec. TBA	29
30	VBall - Sec. TBA 31	GT = Girl's Tennis VBall = Volleyball SFB = Sophomore Football VFB = Varsity Football		XC = Cross Country BS = Boys Soccer		Happy Halloween!