

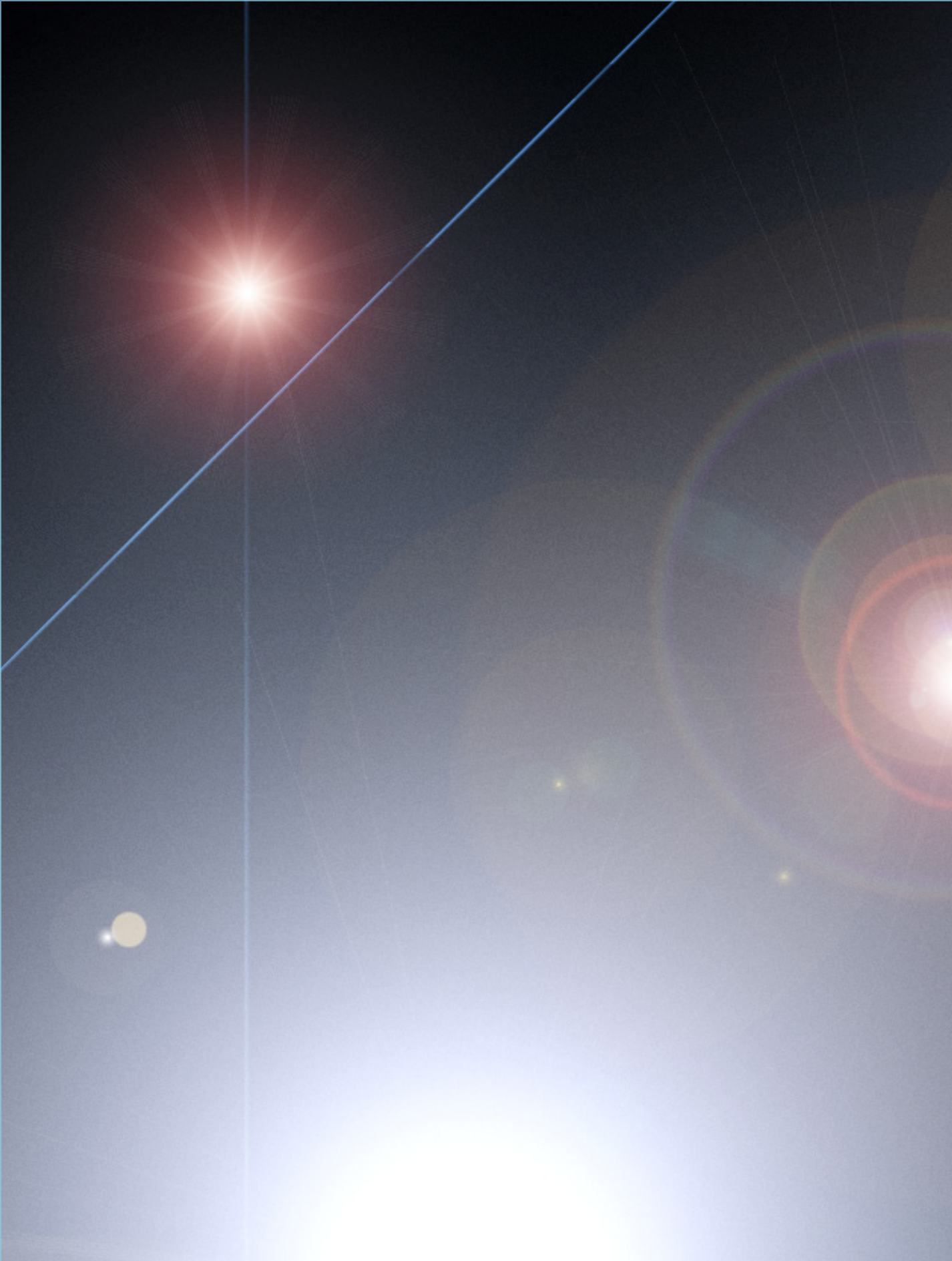


Our Name Up In Lights

Fairbury Jr/Sr High School

The Trail

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6 ATHLETICS

38 ORGANIZATION

60 ACADEMICS

84 STUDENT

100 PEOPLE

134 ADS

HOME OF THE JEFFS

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After a long awaited revealing, the new sports complex seated a full house of fans for the homecoming football game. After the anticipation of this event, teachers, students, and community members alike got a rush when they read "Fairbury Jeffs" across the top of the new scoreboard.

Our name up in lights.

The stadium roared with excitement after every touchdown. A train whistle sounded to represent a piece of the old field. The new complex **glowed** with **splendor** that night. The stadium lights served as a **lighthouse** for the town of Fairbury, beckoning everyone to witness the **brilliance** this accomplishment. The school year started with anticipation for the new complex. Moving from the old field motivated people to look at past traditions.

Seniors showed their **character** as they left **signatures** on the school walls, farm animals grazing in the front lawn, and tractors parked in the grass to greet everyone on the first day of school. Another tradition, the

blaze of a homecoming bonfire resurfaced after ten years, it flickered on students' faces **illuminating** their not-yet-faded summer tans.

Glitter and **sparkles** covered the elaborate dresses of girls attending the "thriller" themed dance. Camera **flashes** created a strobe light effect as everyone tried to capture the moment.

Sports carried on old traditions as well as establishing new ones. Fall sports started carrying the **torch** of success for the year. Cross-country ran through the mud, muck, **sunshine**, and wind. Two individuals **shone** when they placed in the top 15 and qualified for state. Volleyball broke in a new coach, and learned teamwork and practice are the **name of the game**.



Our Name

Up In Lights







Listen During a first-day-of school convo, John Mach '10 shows Principal Jeff Vetter how to play Don't Forget the Lyrics. photo by J. Shinn **Smash** Before the homecoming bonfire, Trevor Brunow '10 uses a sledge hammer to beat up a car decorated with the opposing teams name. photo by N. Vernon **If You Build It** Senior Greg Bauer helps build the press box of the new athletic complex. photo by J. Shinn **Emotions** Before practicing the play "The Three Musketeers All Swash And No Buckel," John Mach '10 plays the piano. photo by J. Shinn **Hit It** Throwing a football at the dunking booth target, Josh Johnson '12 aims carefully. photo by J. Shinn



Football **designated** the start of every home game as a time for students to form a "tunnel" for the players to walk through, on their way to the field. The community purchased Jeff **brand** apparel when they qualified for the state playoffs for the second year in a row.

Snow covered not only the ground, but filled the pool, covered cars, and canceled school for multiple days. Student's faces **radiated** with happiness as they searched for their winter clothes and headed for the sledding hills. Winter sports held their heads high. Boys and Girls basketball worked hard to **light up** scoreboard **bulbs**. Swimming traveled over 300 miles a week watching the **glare** of **headlights** in the fog traveling to Beatrice

for practice. Wrestling supported high expectations with seven **star** seniors and many talented underclassmen.

Claiming their fame, Crimson Elite, Drill Team and Cheerleaders sported **gleaming** faces as they performed. Delighted audiences clapped and cheered after concerts, half time, competitions and convocations. The Speech Team practiced and memorized for their meets in hopes that they would receive a **glinting** medals.

All things considered, the school year started with great **splendor** and **brilliance**. Vehicles were greeted by the **flickering candles** of Light The Way, Cast and crew of The Three Musketeers felt worthy of **autographs** after their performance, and everyone knew the real **identities** of the Miss Fairbury Jeff candidates. Throughout the year the **spotlight** will **shine** on various events and people, but we will always know this was the year we put **our name up in lights**.



In The Spotlight

Show How Bright You Are

Classes Rule For Student Body

Pencils scribble notes on the lines of a ruled notebook, nervous twitches show as a test is taken and students prepare for their future. A school is where people go to learn. Even in "student athlete" the student comes first.

The start of a new brought changes to help boost grades. A new Individual Access Period was installed in an effort to monitor students, and encourage them to get their work done, and turn it in. Along with this, the early-out Fridays continued. The end-of-school bell rings at 2:30 every

Friday. After this time students can stay up till 3:30, whether required to get assignments done, or to prevent being forced to stay in the future.

The senior class shows leadership by having eight valedictorians. One proud holder of a 4.0 GPA is Kayla Specht '10. She says, "It feels good to be recognized for my hard work throughout high school."

With the help of teachers, and administrators, students are striving for higher grades and making our school a place of great learning.



Dipstick Checking the oil in a truck, Greg Bauer '10 learns the necessary information for taking care of a vehicle. photo by R. Rhoden **Thinking**

Cap Will Ebke '12 uses logic to solve a problem in Geometry. photo by T. Horky **Whipped Cream** After taking a pie to the face, Moriah Schroder

'12 watches the mess drip from her face. photo by J. Shinn **Mixology** In a block 1/2 Chemistry class Thaddeus Immink '12 checks to see if the chemicals have reacted. photo by N. Vernon



CHARACTER:

Who You Are

People Tell The Story

People fill our hallways with laughter and life. Without them, the school would look like a hospital with blank white walls, and a lonely aura. Lockers, bleachers, and school supplies would only be dust-catching reminders of what used to fill the building. The individuals filling the hallways every weekday morning represent who we are.

The accomplishments of each person add up to the overall success of the whole group. Wrestling finished a remarkable year with seven seniors, five state qualifiers, and one state finalist. Freshman Joshua Moody '13, overwhelmed by the

satisfaction of making it to State Wrestling said, "going to state as a freshman was awesome. Starting my high school career like this sets a high bar for me to reach in the future."

As another feat, Jarrod Shinn '12 was chosen to participate in the National FFA Choir. "Nebraska filled ?? out of the 89 people in the choir," said Shinn. "I was honored to be the only sophomore boy there."

The character of each student and faculty member add together to form the mood that fills our school. So many personalities make it almost impossible to group us as anything but Fairbury High School.



Family Ties After being announced at drill team parent night, Morgan Stewart '10 hugs her mother. photo by E. Pishny **Energized** After running at the Fairbury Invite, Cassie Leonard '10 eats a popcicle. photo by J. Shinn **A For Ace** Cheering at a home volleyball game, John Mach '10 and Colton Stone '10 hold up signs after a serve that resulted directly in a point for the Jeffs. photo by J. Shinn **All Wet** After falling into the water of a dunking booth, Math Teacher Rick Bell jokingly scolds his son for hitting the target. photo by J. Shinn



Getting through Senior Trent Pollman breaks through a Thayer Central screen to go in for the point. photo by N. Vernon

Pumping Iron During weight training, Chad Medina '12 and Jared Fritch '12 work to sculpt their muscles. photo by J. Shinn

Old Times As a demonstration of uniforms of the Civil war, Patrick Backer '12 dresses up in antique clothes. photo by J. Shinn

Work It Out During Algebra class, Coleman Bauer '15 thinks hard to solve an equation. photo by J. Shinn

Show Off The Fairbury Drill Team performs "Rockin' Around The Clock" during half-time of a girls basketball game. photo by N. Vernon



The year gave students many opportunities to put **our name up in lights**. Take a look at the **brightly shining** moments, but don't be blinded by them. Smaller achievements should get the same credit as the rest.

Students have caught-the-eye of the community many times with their **character**, and **brilliance** throughout the year. The combined **radiance** of the newspaper and yearbook staff earned them fourth place honors at local contests. Junior Nicki Vernon **shone** in her young role as photo editor. "I love looking through the pictures after a game," said Vernon, "seeing the **glow** on a player's face as we catch a great moment of their career

in a photo is great."

Months of practice gave the basketball team plenty of time to polish their skills and finish a **splendid** season. senior Jake Bell said, "I thought our team did a great job of working as a team, and serving as a **beacon** of hope when people thought our program was falling apart."

It is these kinds of moments that add a **sparkle** to our day. As time goes by, it is these instances that we will remember as the times Fairbury High School's name was **up in lights!**



Still Shining

