# DETAILS

THE GATOR 2008

THE TOP MOMENTS OF THE YEAR:

CONCERT REVIEW

DICKINSON HIGHSCHOOL MARCHING BAND

FASHION UPDATE BEST TRENDS OF THE YEAR

**NEW RENOVATIONS** 

THE NEW SAM VITANZA
STADIUM IS FINALLY COMPLETE

THE HIGHS, THE LOWS AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN

WHO'S WHO

The ones to watch at DHS

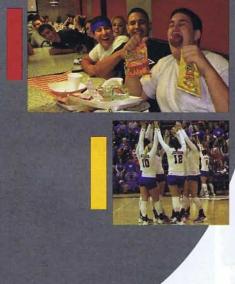
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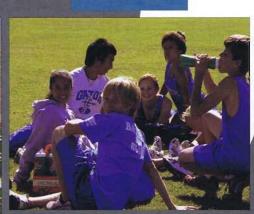


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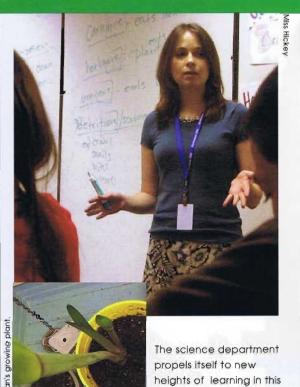




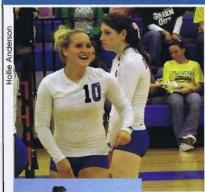


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# Insiders



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Sports: get the inside details of what went into the everything else inter



Life happens beyond campus grounds. From the cars we drive to the friends we hang with, these are the details that make our lives different than the rest.

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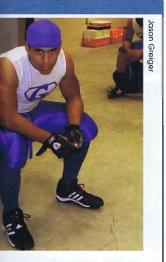




It doesn't matter wh class you're in, you always find a way to have fun.

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coaches, plays, and

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# 10 Extreme Sports

Exhilaration is what fuels these students to break out of the ordinary weekend

# **14** Fashion

Making a statement is difficult when you go to a school with 2,000 other people. Somehow students find a way to standout amongst the crowd.

# 24 Homecoming Game and Dance

The Gator football team wins homecoming, thanks to all the support from the community and heightened school spirit.

# 30 Prom and Graduation

Gowns, tuxes, limo's, a night to remember; seniors say a last goodbye to their school.

# 46 Juniors

The hardest year of high school: junior year. How did they do it? A look inside the class of 2009.

# 100 Faculty and Staff

Coaches, department heads, AP's, and every one else that keeps this place in order.

# 120 Varsity Boy's Basketball

More than just the stats, the details that truly matter.

# 144 Track

Pumping iron to build muscle strength

# 161 Broadcast Journalism

A new kind of technology never seen in Dickinson before. Who kept the cameras rolling?

# 193 Cosmetology

Getting free haircuts and facials is just the tip of the iceberg. Students open their horizons doing what they love.

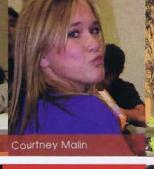
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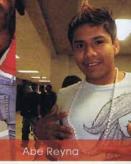




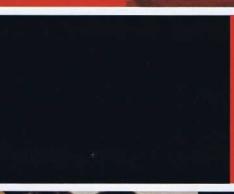


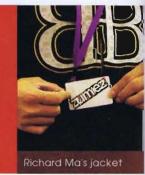
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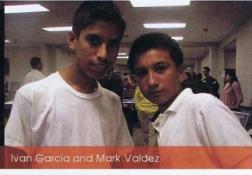




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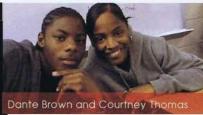










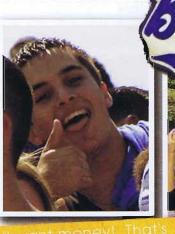




# HAT WAS RANDOM

Walking through the crowded halls of Dickinson, you hear and see really random things. Here's a collection of what we were able to capture.

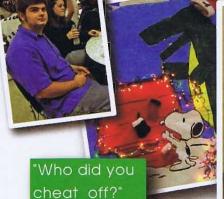




want money! That's



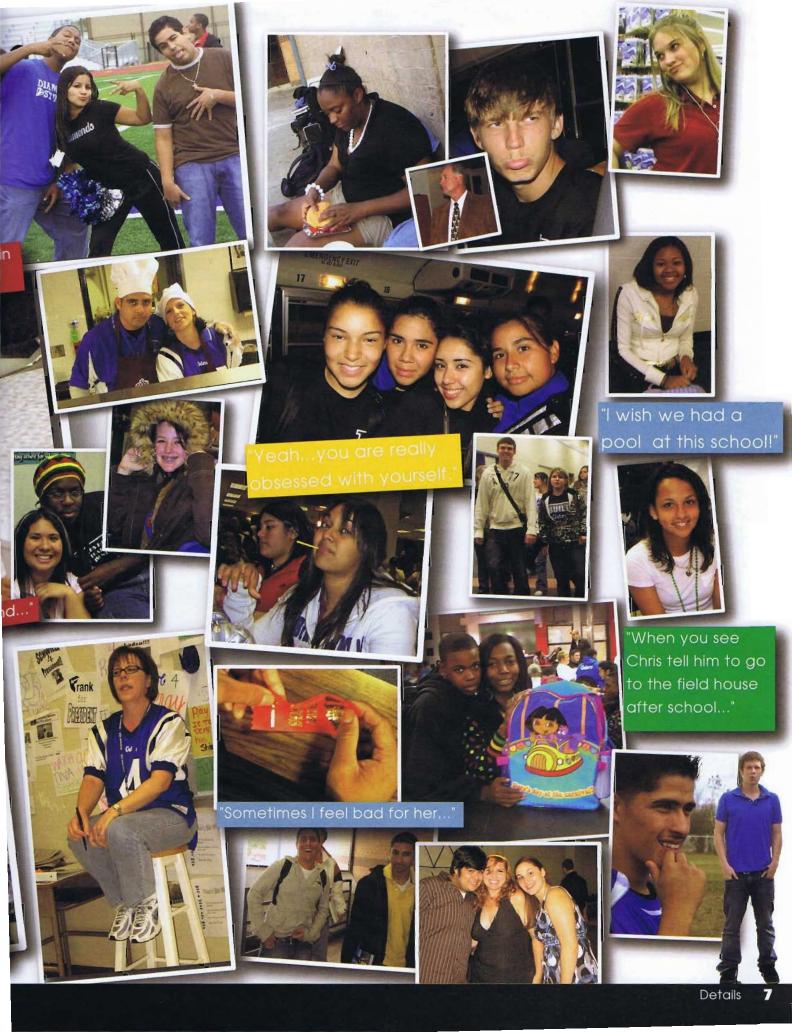
"I'll sell my kidneys!"







'Don't hit that trash ca



"The thing I remember the most about nerd day is being able to look awesome in my attire. It was a lot of fun and interesting to see how other people dressed." -Chris Kuyper

# **Feeling the Gator** SPIRI

Every Friday during football season there's a sense of spirit that fills the halls at DHS. Students show their individual styles and originality when displaying their school pride through an array of unique outfits. The spirit day themes, organized by our own Gator cheerleaders, inspire students to bring out their inner nerd, dress as twins, "dress up", western attire, animal print, blue and white all over, polka dots, camo, Hawaiian clothes, and even take a trip back in time with 80's wear.

After school, when the game starts, students aren't the only ones with school spirit. Enthusiastic parents and fans give the team a boost of energy and inspire them to press onward toward victory. We make sure that our visitors are confronted with... good ol' Gator Pride!

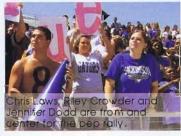






Big AI does the fight song cheer with pride during the annual homecoming pep raily.

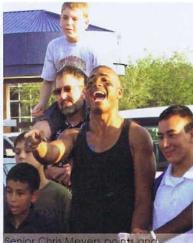








The Dickinson High School band marches to entertain the community and pump up the football team before the big game.



Senior Chris Meyers points and laughs hysterically as contenders attempt to pulvarize a car during the homecoming carnival.



Wigged mystery man displays his Gator pride



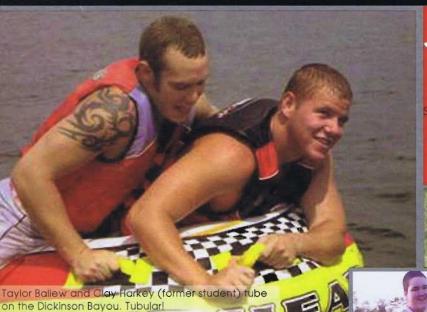
Senior Whitney Tran Jeers at the

photographer through her nerdy

Donald Dodson and Maria Trejo enjoya
chuckle together after meeting up at the pep

Strolling along in the homecoming parade, members of cosmetology Katy Watz, Diana Amaya, Bich Le, Gina Herrera, Jessica Hood, Kayla Medina and Krystal Millard display their SUPERcute style.





Junior Catelyn Honeycutt quietly during a game of



Future motocross star, Jeremy Barron powerslides in his leisure time.

I went to downtown Houston with a bunch of my friends and I tried to front feeble this big rail there. I flipped backwards and landed on my arm and broke my arm pretty bad.

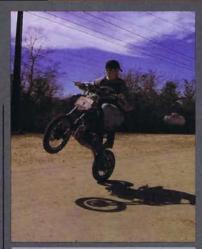
- Michael Reagan



Dirtbiker Matt Cheetam doesn't seem to mind a little mud.



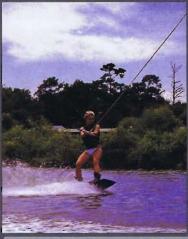
# ON THE JAGGED EDGE



Sophomore Garrett Reagan pops a wheely on his dirt bike, showing off his mad skills.



Junior Aaron "Lunchbox" Hodgin takes a breather after shredding all day on his sk8board.



Senior Desiree Swauger wakeboards in the Dickinson Bayou over summer break.

# UNDISCOVERED

"Dickinson has talent" seems to be a common theme this year. The annual talent show proved to be not only entertaining but very impressive.

Musical skills some of DHS students posses have never been so brilliantly displayed. Piano keys, guitar riffs, drums solos, and sassy dance steps all left the audience pleasantly surprised. The \$8 entrance fee was well deserved after

In the end, it was Richard Ma's smooth voice and placid guitar melodies that won the audience's vote.



ed Harrigan, along with his band, perform the ional anthem, their opening act, getting the crowd

This is Dickinson!

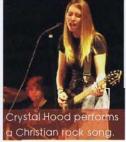
What do you

expect?"

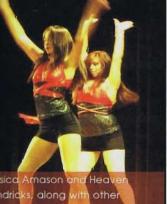
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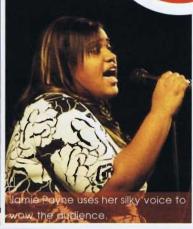








of their seats and on their feet





pella, impressively staying on tempo and in melody.



The host of the night.



### **Kyle Crawford**

Q: What do you think was different about this year's talent show? A: There were actually tolented people and a good crowd."



### Shane Feliz

Q: Why did you want to be a host? A: I thought it would be a lot of



### **Eric Alvarado**

Q: What did you think about the crowd's attitude and energy that

A: Most of the crowd had high energy olthough there were some

# BIG spenders needs and wants, students join the

In order to cover their American work force.

Some people call it "hustlin'", others refer to it as "on the grind", or "J-O-B" but we all know what we get out of all of them: money! As up-and-coming business professionals in the world, it is very important to learn the trades and skills that will get us out of the classrooms and into the fast-paced society.

Car accessories, clothes, cell phones, movie tickets, and other luxury items all come out of our own (well earned) paychecks.

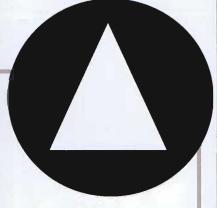


at Cold Stone creamery, off of I-45.

Details: Tina Shanks has been working at Cold Stone Creamery for over a year and will soon to be promoted to a managerial position.

"I think that the thing that most people don't know about Cold Stone is that we have to sing for every customer that leaves a tip. I'm proud to say that I'm the best singer we have. I go all out with the jingles!"







# DETAILS:

Jessica Rolin is a sales associate at
Academy Sports and Outdoors. She works in
the apparel department, along with Adriana
Maldonado and Talia Nunez.

# BBS BBS



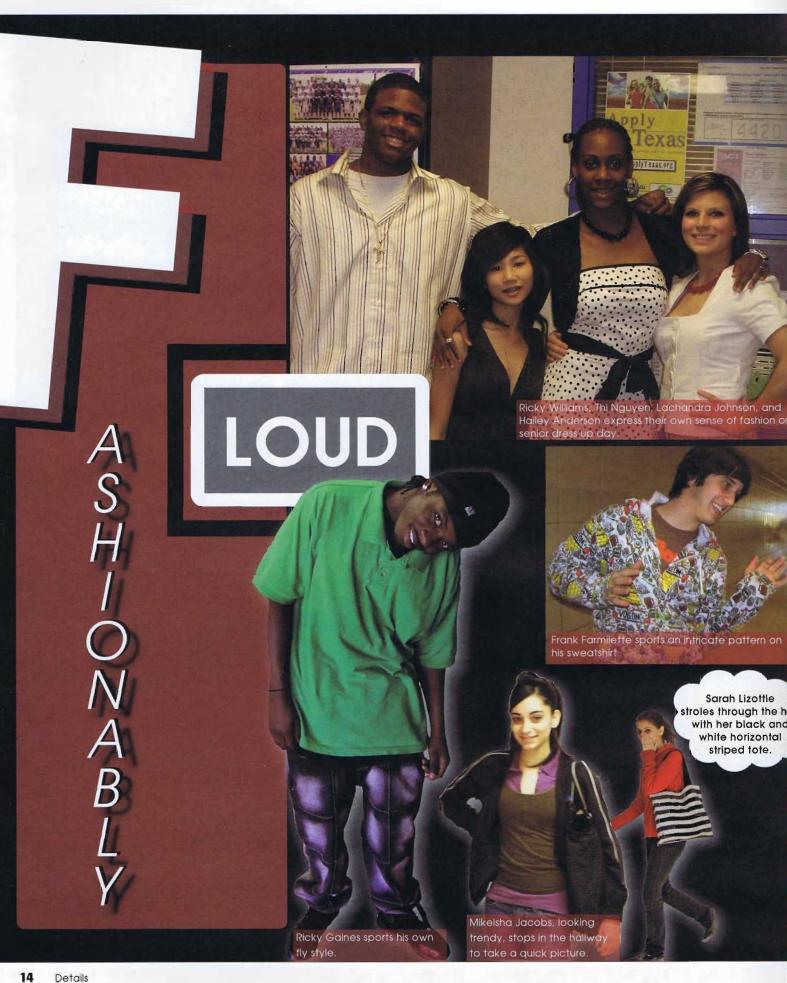




Samantha Jenkins gives a friendly smile as she works at one of Ziegler's cash registers.







DHS fashion is very diverse. Many different groups here at DHS bring back old styles and make them new again, anywhere from hair, shoes, make up or even backpacks. You may think that you would see your younger sibling carrying a backpack that display characters like, Dora the Explorer, Sponge bob, and Tinkerbelle, but this year they were even popular among high school students. Students have taken inspiration from the 80s and have begun wearing bright color pumps, eye catching clothes, and sometimes even snazzy leg warmers.

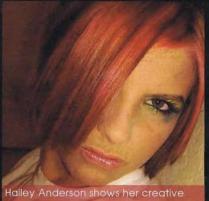
Natural beauty has been enhanced, and all colors of the rainbow are now showing up on people's faces. Vibrant colors along with glittering metallics are among

the picks of the season.

Students have now figured out how to dress up the dress code. It's not just the normal polo anymore; students are now adding matching jewelry,

Seniors Taylor Martinez and Kristen Thomason show off their style on senior dress up day. Smilling shows there excitment to be dressed so cute.

"BOOTS WITH THE FUR"



Hailey Anderson shows her creative side with a fierce look



Mrs. Zachariades blocks the sun from her eyes with her super cute shades.



Whitney Tran

Desiree Swauger

Monique Little

like old skool: classic.

Juicy Couture got to have it!

Micheal Alanis boldly displays his loud RED hair.

and fancy handbags.



ith celebrity images plastered all over our televisions and magazines, it is only natural that we get our inspiration from these familiar faces. While most of us have not resorted to shaving our heads to resemble our favorite stars, we have picked up the best looks and adapted them to suit our personalities. Sometimes, just by fluke, we end up looking like stars we never intended to. For the lucky ones, this can make us stand out in a crowd.

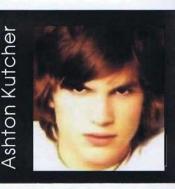
### DETAILS:

- Actress on The Disney Channel's Suite Life of Zach and Cody, High School Musical 1 and 2
- 24 years old
- Had a controversial rhinoplasty in 2007



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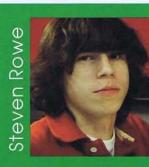
- Model turned actor who has starred in That 70s Show, The Guardian and The Butterfly Effect
- 30 years old
- Married to 46-year-old
   Demi Moore





# DETAUS:

- Likes to eat cold ravioli
- Writer for the Gator News
- Loves her lips
- Thinks she walks like a penguin
- Favorite store is Ron Jon Surf Shop



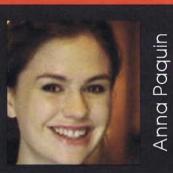
# DETAILS:

- Skates
- Surfs
- Plays basketball
- Cuts his own hair
- Says paparazzi follows him

## DETAUS:

- adores sloths
- is going to attend UCLA
- ranked in the top ten percent of the senior class



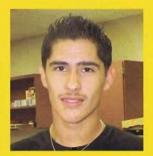


# DETAILS:

- Award winning actress who has been featured in Fly Away Home and X-Men
- 26 years old
- Studied at Columbia University but quit school to further her acting career

# DETAILS:

- Has a job shucking oysters
- Plays soccer
- He and his younger



Raul Gonzalez

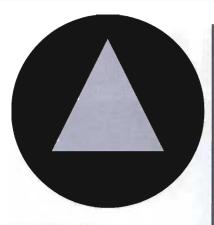
# DETAILS:

- Team captain of Real
- 31 years old
- Known for kissing his wedding ring after scoring



# DETAILS:

- Regarded as the most famous softball player of all time
- 27 years old
- Fired by Donald Trump on The Apprentice in 2008



# DETAILS:

- Ex-Racketball Player
- Favorite feature is her hair
- Has 2 kids that are in 7th and 9th grade
- Takes her 45 minutes to get ready in the morning



VIs. Nemeth





"I've been told I look like Reese Witherspoon."

- Hannah Whelton



"Someone once told me I look like Sandra Bulock."

- Mrs. Peltier



"Everyone tells me I look like Audrina from The Hills!"

- Ms. Watson



# CINDERFELLA

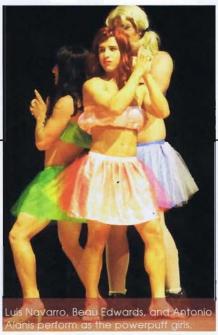












Time to rummage through your mother's closet and your sister's bathroom cabinets, Cinderfella brings out the passionate attributes in our Gator boys. The Senior class raised over \$2,000 from the Cinderfella fund-raiser. All proceeds went to pay for the annual Senior Breakfast.



DETAILS Mr. Combs

Couzi and JoJo

Alstrus

Why did you chose to participate in Cinderfella?

Mrs. Calderaro does so much to help the students at DHS. When she asked me to help out I couldn't refuse.

How emberrasing was it?

It was a little bit embarrassing, but when you do something like that you need to go all out or not do it at all.

Where did you get your outfit?

My lovely ensemble was provided in full by Mrs. C.

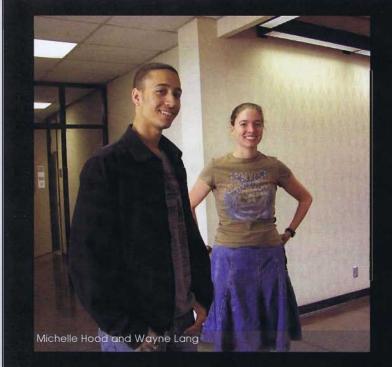
# COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL



Some of us are oblivious to this incredible program's existence. What exactly is Collegiate High school? To put it in simplest form: high school students take college level classes at COM to earn college hours and high school credits at the same time. It's a smart way to get ahead in the game.

In the life of a Collegiate High school student, everything is different from the average DHS student.

All classes are taken at College of the Mainland and most of these students rarely see the high school building. However, most of the collegiate students are more than willing to give up the customary high school life for the life of a driven college student. Kudos to all of them.

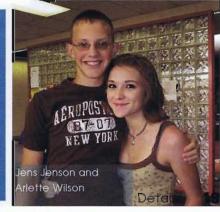


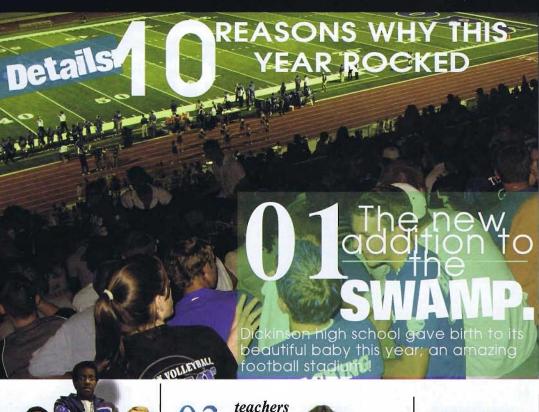












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important life

helping the community

**Organizations** such as PALs and NHS dedicated their time to making the community a better place by playing their part in helping society.

### new kids on the block

Did anyone else notice the increase of students in the halls? It seems like everyone wanted a piece of DHS. The more the merrier!

# goes to state

This group proved that Dickinson 's students are among the best and the smartest in the state.



# AcaDeca



# all we need is love

What would high school be with out a little T.L.C.? But please folks watch the P.D.A

### the friends list keeps growing

Buddy, pal, homie; this year was full of ways to adress the people you trust the most.



# taking the next step

Several DHS athletes inked deals with colleges to continue playing sports in college

Football: Jardon O'Neal

(Kilgore) Yousef Nacouzi (Kilgore) Basketball: Brianna Hypolite (Rice) Morgan Williams (Georgetown) Lachandra Johnson (University of Texas Pan American) Baseball: Austin Ardrev (Coners State University) Tyler Magliolo (Galveston Junior College) Soccer: NeddyGarcia (Sam Houston State) lan Bryant (Central Baptist



College)

school spirit reaches new high

G.A.T.A GO GATORS!



uniqueness

prevails

From clothes

to hairstyles,

Dickinson

students

expressed

their own

hallways.

in the

sense of style

What do you think was the best thing that happened this year?

"The Lady Gators going to state in basketball, because me and my boys got to go watch.

# YEAR'S BEST

# hottness meter

Hottest: Channing Tatum and Jessica Alba

Hotter: Chris Brown and Carrie Underwood

Hott: Zac Efron and Angelina Jolie

# The year you most remember in sports

steroid scandals stir up questions in Major League Baseball

18%

Giants beat undefeated Patriots in super bowl

22%

16%

Lady Gator Track won district for the first time in fifteen years

44%

Gator Varsity Football makes it to playoffs

# DS AT N Soldier Boy C Rag Daddy E My Dougie

# The Things We Say

### that's cold

adj.

term used to describe something that is mean hearted or spiteful in the action.2.term to describe something that is amazing or awesome

### thats whats up

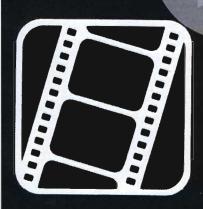
adi.

term used to describe an ideal situation Ex:You're from Dickinson?That's what's up.

### fam

noun

term used to describe a person that you're close to or associated with. Ex:What's up fam?



# movies that rocked

AS VOTED BY YOU, THE NUMBER ONE MOVIE OF THE YEAR WAS SUPERBAD, FOLLOWED CLOSELY BY KNOCKED UP IN SECOND AND AMERICAN GANGSTER IN THIRD.

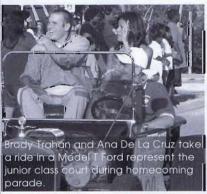


- Lil Wayne Dufflebag Boy
- Colore Caillat Bubbly
- Flo Rida Low
- Miley Cyrus See You Again
- Lil Wayne Lollipop
- Daughtry Home
- Paramore Misery Business
- Usher Love In This Club
- J. Holiday Bed
- Gary Allan Watching

Airplanes

Community
Shows
Character

Homecoming expanded for the 2007-2008 school year. We've started a new tradition by hosting an annual Homecoming Carnival. The parade was also held around the school and ended up going very smoothly. There were various activities such as smashing a car, ring toss, and guitar hero. With the parade and the carnival being held at the same spot, the community had a great oppurtunity to come together, have fun, and cheer on our boys on their way to victory.





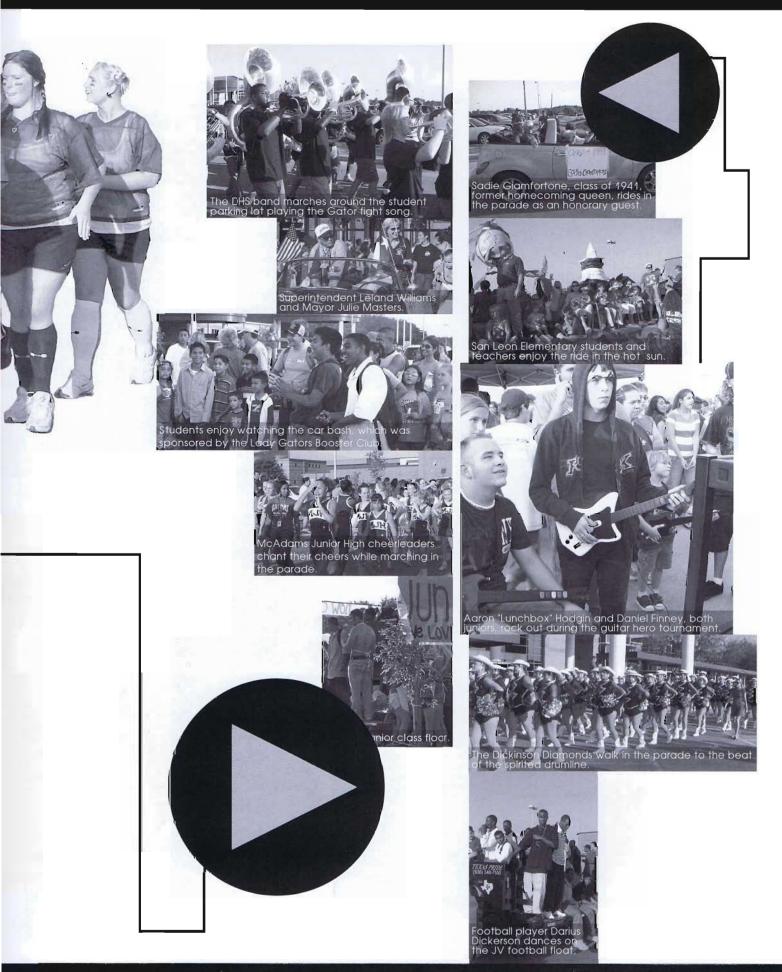
A cosmetology student paints the face of a carnival attendee to raise money for her organization.



Senior Fatmir Halili takes a sledge hammer to the bumper of a car the car bashing fundraiser at homecoming carnival.



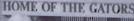
Gator mascot Big Al looks on the Dickinson Community with pride.



# Homecoming Game



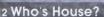
The Dickinson Gators took the Sam Vitanza Stadium field for the first time since the start of the season. Though quarterback, Brody Trahan, was injured midgame, the Gators pulled through for a heartfelt win, with a final score of 28 - 7. The Varsity football players join together on the field as a team everytime they hit the turf. Their hardwork reflects this year's victorious season.





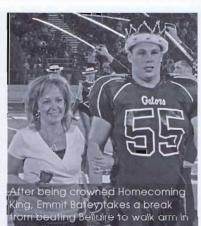
1 Superman that...
Junior, Brody Trahan,
propels himself through
the air, over opposing
teammates to score.

The Varsity football team emerges from the new field house with pride.





Homecoming Queen and Diamond Colonel Kara Jones, is congratulated by Mr. LaTouche.

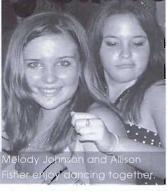


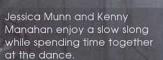
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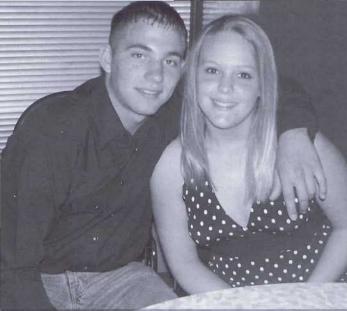
2008 Homecoming court: Parker Ginn, Beatriz Navarro, Brianna Hypolite, Monique Little, Kara Jones, Tabitha Townsend, Ashley Burkeen, Ana De la Cruz, Holly Griffin, and Cody Robinson. Homecoming Dance



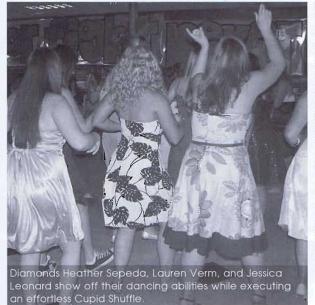








Michael Hernandez and date Amy Chandlertake a breather from the lively homecoming dance floor.





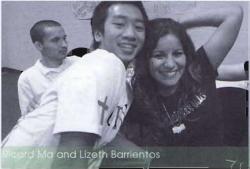
The Diamonds hosted the second annual Homecoming Dance this year. Dj Cool-Aid from party 93.3 got the guests pumped and ready to party. The tickets were sold to raise money for the Diamonds' trip to Orlando, Florida during spring break. The dance was a great success overall and a very enjoyable event.

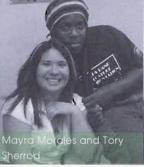
Shawn Foster looks around for a potential partner before he starts to dance.

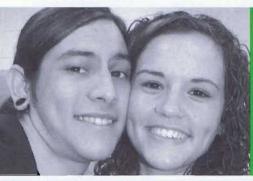
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# ATHLE









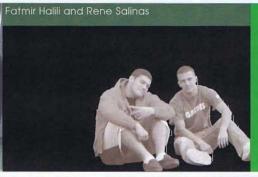
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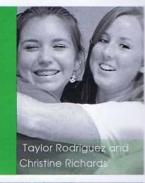
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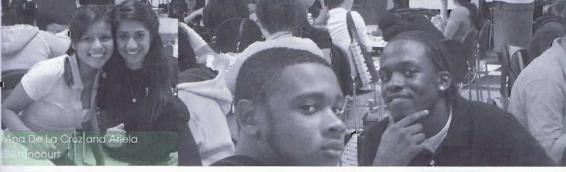




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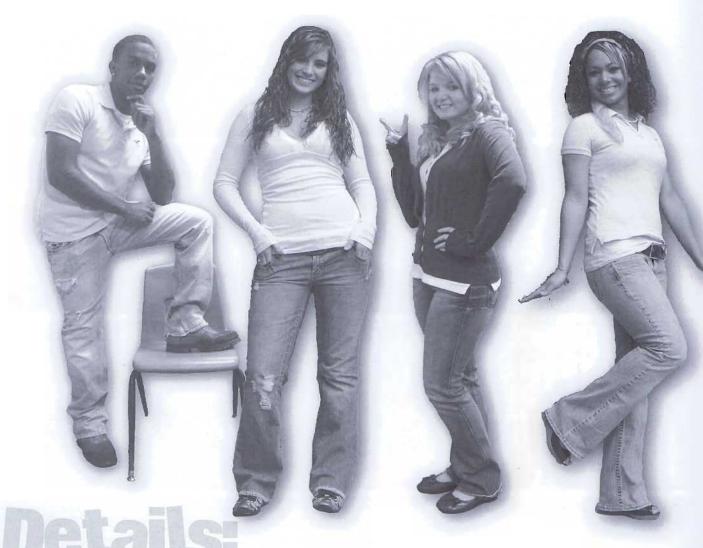




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# The Gator

The hundreds of pictures. The flashing cameras. The modern designs. The stuff you should know



# Jordan

- Dartez:
  -sophomore
- -football,

basketball,

baseball, track

- -photographer
- -LSU fanatic

# Lauren Johnsthone:

- -senior
- -favorite color: pink

and teal

-fears: spiders and

heights

-favorite store:

hollister

# Lauren Verm:

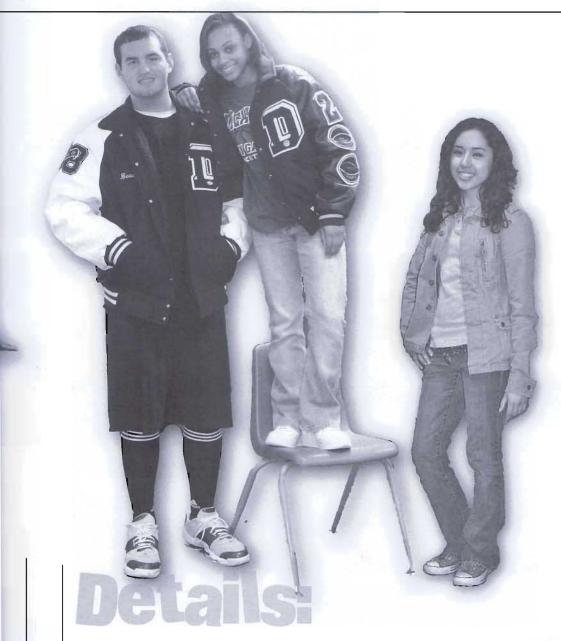
- -junior
- -Diamond
- executive
- -PALS
- -perfectionist
- -Loves to smile

# Destiny Cooper:

- -senior
- -loves to eat
- -loves to shop
- for clothes
- -very picky
- -lazy
- -out-going

# Contributors

The stuff you want to know. This is how we did it. The Gator Staff finally presents the **Details**.



# Beau Edwards:

- -senior
- -football and soccer player
- -multitalented
- -helpful

# Delanah Samuels:

- -sophomore
- -basketball and track star
- -very moody
- -loves cream soda
- -doesn't like guacamole and sour cream

# Talia Nunez:

- -senior
- -yearbook editor
- -always carries a
- camera
- -loves her dog
- Lucas
- -dreams of
- traveling the world

# Brittany

James &

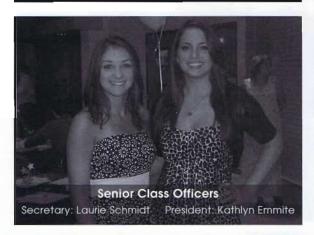
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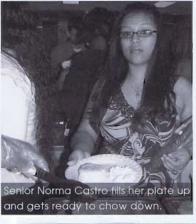
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# SENIOR BREAKFAST

Even though it's the end of the year, seniors at DHS gather together at senior breakfast to talk about the finale of a huge chapter in their lives. Other than the yummy food, important events such as graduation and project grad are discussed. This event takes place in the cafeteria and is catered with hard work and delicious food. Items on the menu are things such as variety of fruits, sausage, biscuits, eggs, and juice. This event brings seniors one step closer to the end of their high school lives.



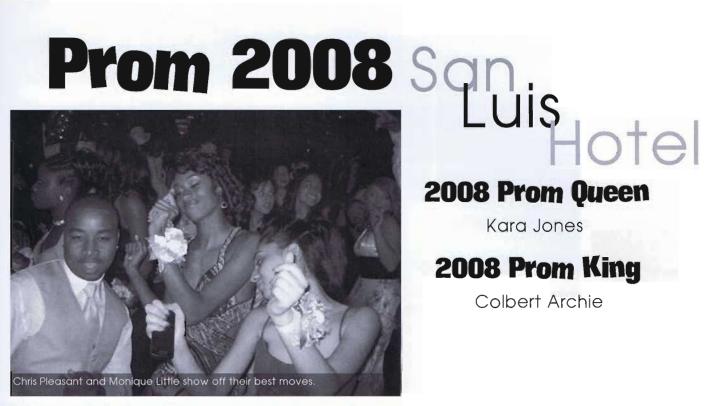






Class 200





2008 Prom Queen

Kara Jones

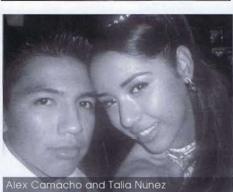
2008 Prom King

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# DJ Hernandez

