CRUISING TOGETHER...

WATERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL
HOME OF THE RAIDERS

2006
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The Class of 2006 was the very first class in the history of Watertown High School to hold a class event on the Boston Odyssey cruise ship. During their junior year, the members of the class of 2006 embarked upon a journey to host an unforgettable class event in the spring. Their enthusiasm and careful planning created a brand new semi-formal event aboard the magnificent cruise ship. With its three enclosed decks and open-air observation deck, the class cruised together in style aboard the Odyssey, creating memories that will last a lifetime.

The event was such an overwhelming success the class of 2007 held their spring semi-formal aboard the Odyssey, and the class of 2008 already has plans to do the same. The Class of 2006 truly has left a legacy that will be enjoyed by many future Watertown High School students for years to come. “Cruising Together” was chosen as the theme for the 2006 yearbook to reflect the many contributions made to Watertown High School by the members of the Class of 2006.
At Graduation, Mr. Noftsker addressed the Class of 2006 for the last time....

Dr. Hiersche, Dr. Gould, Mr. Paollilo, retired Headmaster, Dr. Cavanaugh, Jane O’Connor, retired principal of the Middle School, members of the School Committee, invited teacher honorees, parents, family and friends and most importantly, graduating seniors. On behalf of the faculty and staff of Watertown High School, I welcome all to the graduation ceremony for the Class of 2006.

Tonight is a very special evening for all in attendance here the Kelley Gymnasium. For our honored graduates, the Class of 2006, tonight marks the end of twelve years of homework, tests, papers, projects, musicals, sporting events and all of the special events that have made up your school career. For the mothers, fathers and guardians, tonight marks the end of another stage of parenthood as you set your children forth to meet the world of work, college or military service. For the faculty, tonight marks the opportunity to see the results of your dedicated work with these students. For me, I have the distinct pleasure of bestowing diplomas to the class of 2006 as the Headmaster of Watertown High School.

This is also a very special evening, as we say thank you and good-bye to five retiring members of our faculty. Tonight is the final graduation for these distinguished educators. This group of dedicated teachers will retire from Watertown High School leaving an indelible mark on thousands of Watertown children. This stellar faculty has given a combined 171 years of service to our school system. They will certainly not be forgotten and their work in the classroom will continue as the cornerstone for our future. I would like to introduce our retiring staff, my associates, and ask you to salute their tireless efforts for our students. As you are introduced, please come forward to receive your Watertown High School diploma:

Roberta Best                Family and Consumer Sciences
John Gardiner               Computer Technology
John Hayward                Social Studies
John Napolitano             Fine and Applied Arts
Thomas Neylon               English Language Arts

As graduating seniors, I ask you to reflect on all of the wonderful memories that helped to make your four years of high school so special. But in addition, I urge all of you to take that new path that is also full of promise, surprise and future memories. Take nothing for granted. Take advantage of every opportunity that your future holds. Be it college, a job, or the military; take the challenge and give it your all. Watertown High School has given you the education to be successful members of society. Take the skills and knowledge you have learned and use this education to make our world a better place for all mankind.

You have had success in the classroom, the athletic field, the stage and the community. You are leaving Watertown High School to attend the finest colleges, take on challenging jobs or serve our country in the armed forces. Whatever your career, do it with pride and determination. Make your family, friends and teachers proud.

I wish you the very best and success in all that you do. Thank you to you, your parents, and the faculty for making Watertown High School such a wonderful place to work, learn and grow. Congratulations to the Class of 2006..... I am proud to be your Headmaster.

P. Michael Noftsker
Headmaster
Watertown High School
Dedication

Mr. David Sheehan
Social Studies Chairperson

The 2006 Yearbook Staff gratefully dedicates its book to
Mr. Sheehan
for his unwavering support of this year's senior class.
Seniors in action...
You’re on Candid Camera!
1st Row: Jaclyn Parseghian, Kacey Brown, Maria Logakis, Jenna Burke. 2nd Row: Leigh Galligan, Greg Pugh, Josh Anderson, Kristina Price. 3rd Row: Sara Zirolla, Nicole Sheehan, Laura Krueger, Daniella Gentilucci.

Remember when we were young...
Remember when we were young...
1st Row: Michelle Sheehan, Alexia Malouf, Matt Moroso, Jenna Conclivo. 2nd Row: Maggie DeiRoco, Lynne Paolillo, Lynn Pizzi Carine Correia. 3rd Row: Kelly Green, Stephanie Colantonio, Richardson Desroches, Melissa DePaulo.
Luckily, Taylor and Jen didn’t drift away on their rafting trip.

On the Left: Andy is ready for a big soccer game on the red team.

On the Right: Mouhammed looks very interested at his class trip to the zoo.

Summer Fun!

Even though it may be the smallest in size, it’s the greatest in fun!

Little Kickers and Field Trips

On the Right: While Elise, Charlie, and Leigh get down to work, Danny seems to be taking a snack break.

1...2...3 Say Cheese!

On the Left: Leigh and Kelly smile bright for a photograph.

Communion Time

Leigh, Jackie, and Jen pose beautifully while Lynn and Steve look like they’re waiting at the altar.
Up on the giant hill, the J.R. Lowell School exceeds all the rest!

**Girl Scouts and Winners**

On the top, Laura, Jackie, Kayla, Julie, and Jenna pick up TONS of girl scout cookies. On the bottom, Cassandra and Stephen show off what they’ve won at a party.

**Sunny Days**

On the Left: Lynne and Maryellen are ready for fun at a Lowell School picnic.

**Drawing Time**

On the Right: Brian and Austin are artists in the making.

**Sleepover Craziness**

What on earth are Stephanie, Jackie, and Maryellen wearing?!!
When the other schools needed a place to stay, the Hosmer warmly welcomed them with open arms.
Faculty

Throughout our years at WHS, the dedicated faculty has provided us with academic and life lessons. Teachers have consistently managed to support us in the classroom, driving us to our fullest potentials. After 2:30, students are sure to see their instructors or administrators at their athletic games, theater productions, or band concerts. As they guide our clubs and teach our classes, they never cease to encourage our curiosity and creativity. Thank you so much for all of your enthusiasm and motivation—you've inspired us all!
(Top) Mr. Sheehan, Jen, Elise (Bottom) Jackie, Taylor, and Leigh on their way to the Statue of Liberty

Mr. LaRocca with a “Deep Thoughts” tee shirt

Ms. Peters, Darren, and Mr. Wulf

Megan, Tenelle, Ms. Best Jackie, and Jeanette getting ready to make some apple pie

Mr. Rimas taking charge
Faculty & Staff

Michael Boyd
Brian Brewer
James Buck
Donna Calleja

Nawar Ceukar
Jennifer Chiodo
Ann Connors
Brenda Connors

Patricia Conway
Malcolm Cooke
Joan Corkery
Norman Destrempe

Stephen Di Benedetti
atherine Di Nardo
Daniel Dressler
Linda Dudley
Charles Duggan
Neil Fetbroth
Robin Fies
Kathryn Fitzgerald

Martha Fitzpatrick
Rita Folgia
Marilyn Fontenrose
Ann Fratto

William Fratto
Charles Garabedian
John Gardiner
Ralph Gioiosa

Janene Goodman
Donna Gorian
Michele Grey
Kraig Gustafson
Faculty & Staff

Marie Hannon
Stephen Harrington
John Hayward
Phillip Henry
Erik Hiltunen
Earl Hinkley
Sandra Hoffman
Joanna Honig
Jane Jackson
Daniel Jordan
Jonas Kalish
Karen Kazarosian
Christopher Kearney
Lynsey Kraemer
Joseph LaRocca
Vera Larkin

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Faculty & Staff

Bryna Leeder
Mary Madden
Ellen Maggio
Donna Maher

Dorothy Mandel
Jeanne Martelli
David Mastro
Pamela McCourt

Kevin McKinley
Dorothy Morgan
Vivienne Mulhall
John Napolitano

John Neylon
Tom Neylon
James O’Connor
Maurin O’Grady
Faculty & Staff

David Sheehan
George Skuse
Michael Spillane
Alina Sullivan
Lawrence Sullivan
Sonia Tamakian
Lisa Tardiff
Joseph Tirone
James Travers
Karen Trenholm
Kittery Wagner
Joan Warnock
Eileen Westgate
Hugo Westphal
Barbara Williams
Thomas Wittenhag
Faculty & Staff

Daniel Wulf
Anahid Yacoubian
Geraldine Zani
Marietta Zani

Faculty Autographs...
Below: Ms. Best
Food and Nutrition teacher, Ms. Best, retires as the Class of 2006 graduates from WHS.

Above: Mr. Kearney
Looking quite studious, history teacher Mr. Kearney reads in preparation of an upcoming lesson.

The Great Faculty
Above: As always, Mr. Rimas is offering some insight for his Civics class. The seniors are just about to venture out into the corridors of WHS looking for teachers and students alike to take part in a survey!
Right top: Mr. Spillane gets the thumbs up (though he looks a bit surprised!)
Right: Mr. Tirone takes a moment to acknowledge the photographer who has interrupted his class.
Right: Just before becoming a mom, Mrs. Berardinelli offers a Hola! to the yearbook photographer.

Right: Mr. Passeggio
Mr. Passeggio, class advisor and math teacher, proves with a smile that math IS fun.
English teacher, Mrs. McCourt smiles a cheerful 'Good Morning' on her way to her classroom.

Mr. Wittenhagen

Mr. Witt is befuddled! He can't figure out why EVERY student did not try out for the track team!

Mr. Harrington

When he is not on the basketball court, Mr. Harrington is coaching WHS students in math!

Working diligently, Mrs. Porter smiles as she reads students' essays.

In front of his chorus, Mr. Wulf shows the student singers how it's done!
Below: Mrs. Dudley
Advisor to the National Honor Society, Mrs. Dudley greets all in attendance at the annual Induction Ceremony.

Faculty applauds the seniors
Above: Mr. Cooke congratulates Wyatt DeBaie at Awards Night.
Right top: Ms. Trenholm is recognized by a senior at Kimballs.
Far right: Mr. Fratto awards a senior.
Right: Mr. Nap receives his own WHS diploma at Graduation. He will retire from teaching as the 2006 seniors leave!

Above: Mr. Petricone
Science teacher and World Cup aficionado, Mr. Petricone is greeted by a fan at Kimballs.

Right: Mr. Harrington
Coach Harrington presents boys basketball captain Max Kerman with an award at Awards Night.
Left: Mr. DiBenedetti

Mr. DiBenedetti is psyched up after spiking a volleyball back at the opponents during a game at the Senior Banquet.

Left: Mr. Passeggio

Mr. Passeggio poses with Susan Bedrossian after the cook-out at Kimballs.

Below: Ms. Hyder and Mr. McDermott

Ms. Hyder and Mr. McDermott keep the graduates in order as they walk into the gym for Graduation.

Above: Mr. Noftsker

Headmaster, Mr. Noftsker welcomes the audience to the 2006 Awards Night.

Left: Mr. Sheehan

Mr. Sheehan’s influence and great teaching is recognized by the senior class at the Kimballs outing.
In this section are the reasons why this yearbook was created! Here are the senior portraits of the graduating class of 2006!
Grace making a beautiful mosaic bowl

Sara, Heather, and Ariel hanging out in the computer lab

George and John roaming the halls

Jackie playing hide and seek

Jackie, Matt, and Christine having fun in class

Rich yawning and Matt trying to be tough
Camera Shy Seniors:

Antwann Andrews  
Tariq Atiyat  
Antranig Avedissian  
Sean Canavan  
Hassan Chehab  
Hussien Chehab  
Carine Correia  
Felipe De Lucca  
Richardson Desroches  
Alexander Dominguez  
Hanaa El Massih  
Ingrid Felix-Orphe  
Kleiton Ferreira  
Julinnette Figueroa  
Matthew Fitzpatrick  
Ariel Gernes  
Ari Janessian  
Alik Karageuzian  

Scott Kelly  
Nadia Marchio  
Gary Maxwell  
Renee McGoldrick  
Carlos Mendez  
Jonas Moses-Gilson  
Austin Ng  
Pooja Patel  
Christine Phu  
Katiria Santiago  
Kellen Shaver  
Salah Shuman  
Richard Smith  
Hussein Taha  
Justin Tattershall  
Nga Tran  
John Michael Vinoya  
Adam Zalt

cruising together...

Class of 2006
When we first arrived to the school, we could barely even find our way around...

Jackie and Jen spending some time at Friendly's.

Alex goofing around - ready for winter yet?

Jenna, Nicole, and Daniella pose for the camera.

Sam and Mike horsing around in class.

Megan, Tenelle, Jackie: smile for the camera girls.
Kristina and Steve having some fun.

Now that we are a little more comfortable in our surroundings as sophomores...

Jen, Elise, and Jackie are cheering on the Red Sox at Fenway Park.

Dance Time
Brendan and Matt get down on the dance floor at the winter semi-formal.

Child Development
Jackie, Megan, and Jen hold the rice babies that they made in class - hopefully none of them broke!

Smile!
Josh and Alexia smile brightly for the camera.
Seniority rules . . .

We're finally upperclassmen!

New York

One of Mr. Sheehan's history classes is learning a lot from an architecture expert.

Wake up!
It looks like Josh is a little sleepy this morning as Jackie gives him a hug.

Nature's Finest
Max, Alex, Matt, and Lynn go for a hike.

Julie smiles for the camera while Stephanie looks like she's mid-sentence.

Elise and Taylor are ready for the bus ride back to Watertown from NYC.

Near and Far
On the left: Katie and Kristina huddle close together during a freezing Raider football game.

On the right: Danny, Lynne, Charlie, and Lynn hang out in New York City on a school trip.
On top, Moe and the Chehabs flex their muscles with team spirit. On the bottom, the "Seniors 06" banner is displayed - clearly it topped the other classes' banner.

Go Seniors!!!
A bunch of the girls are getting ready for the fall pep rally in the gym.

Happy Halloween!
Is that Kristina, Stephanie, and Lynne or a soldier, fairy, and a cow girl?

Ready for Fun
Talar and Susie smile for the camera.

Matt and Kasey look great together for the camera.

Janet and Josh show some senior friendliness.

We finally made it...
Congratulations Class of 2006!
Clubs and Organizations

Watertown High has a variety of clubs which support diversity and creativity. These different clubs offer students a range of activities, which foster originality and imagination. These clubs offer student an outlet to be who they are and do what are passionate about. At the end of the school day, students become more academically knowledgeable, but when students participate in clubs they become well-rounded learners who are cultured, sophisticated, and innovated.
Senior Student Government

Front Row: (left to right) Charlie Kessenich, Natasha Meletiadis, Susan Bedrossian, Kasey Brown, Danny Parshley
Back Row: (left to right) Alex Garbier, Darren Kusmerik, Kristina Price, Carlos Mendez

Junior Student Government

Front Row: (left to right) Lisa Conti, Jamie Kasabian, Christine Sideris, Nicole Price
Back Row: (left to right) Willie Barnes, Lauren Bryan, Kelsey Barry, Kenny Woodland
Sophomore Student Government

Top Row: (left to right) Kevork Ourfalian, Kim Foley, Mohamed Jaafar, Danny Alberico

Top Row: (left to right) Noah Jefferson, Andrew Tolman, Jonathan Blackwood

Freshmen Student Government

Top Row: (left to right) Pat O'Brien, Kenny Holt, Justin Forman

Top Row: (left to right) Andrew Grant, Mike Stewart, Matthew Sutherland
ARME\NIA\N CLUB
Back row: Ojemy Kav\l\akan, Ani Ye\ghishyan, Maneh Sahakyan, Nayri Ishakian, Lucine Cur\its.
Front Row: Tave\vik Keshishyan, Kristina Price and Tamar Chobanyan.

ITALIA\N CLUB
Back Row; Giuseppe Formato, John D’Amico, Nicole Price, Lisa Conti, Kels Barry.
First Row; Natasha Meletiadiis and Andrew Civetti.

IN\Terna\TIAL CLUB
Back row: Jackie Revolorio-Garcia, Lisa Conti, Jampa Cheshat Sung, Aquib Shah, Su-
bekh Ahmed, Ambreen Khah, Nayri Ishakian, Sauda Bukenya, Yvonne Naiya.
Third row; Stephanie Armiento, Rebecca Hecht, Nicole Price, Kelsey Barry, Nawja Ali-Hassan, Delia Guo, Phil Sesay, Maya Pardo, Liya Zhu, Sayaka Shishido.
Second row; Zoe Millstein, Giuseppe Formato, Ani Hakobyan, Tamar Chobanyan, Hristina Gorohovschi, Brandon Casia-Cuadro, Diana Jigala, Angel Tai.
Front row; Mrs. Leader, Ayse Barkus, Maxim Gorohovsky, Sandra Burk, Elena Cucerov, Hanh Phan, Vivian Nassali, Carlos Mendez, Tyler O’Hearn, Kleiton Ferreira and Mrs. Williams.

BONAIRE CLUB
Back Row; Dan Gomez, Noah Jefferson, Adam Clark,Matt Bartley.
Middle Row; Joanna Rosene-Mirvis, Vivian Brown, Connor VanNess, Har
Epstein, Ben Leahy, Greg Fugh, Steve Daley.
Front Row; Natasha Meletiadiis, Carlos Mendez, Andrew Civetti and And
Grant.
IDS


Second Row: Lauren Pagliarani, Matt Garber, Teddy Tsacogianis, Efraine Rodriguez, Lizz Gatzunis, Phil Chen, George Merdkhanian, Elena Antonelli, Maya Gido, Anna Glavash.

First Row: Gerry Mee, Stephanie Armanious, Aine DiRrane, Joanna Rosene-Mirvis, Giuseppe Formato, Jessica DePamphilis, Juliette Smith, Lauren Vincent.


GAY/Straight Alliance


First Row: Sandra Burk, Renee McGoldrick, Tia Dudley, Grace Strother, Richardson Desroches and Ms. Wagner.

Drama Club

First Row: Anna Glavash, Kristen Greim, Mike Girouard, Greg Beach, Tara Dowling, Connor VanNess, Maya Pardo, FlaviaKimera, Darren Kusmerik.

Second Row: Marla DeMatos, Matt Garber, Alaina Antonelli, Lauren Vincent, Cassandra Grizey, Zoe Millstein, Aine DiRrane, Mr. Wulf, Matt Bartley.

Second Row: Mackenzie Stinehart, Laura Dickerson, Juliette Smith, George Merdkhanian, Jessica DePamphilis, Stephanie Colantoni, Megan Otterson, Wyatt DeBaie, Layla Jones, Rebecca Hecht, Hannah Epstein, Adam Clark, Brian Chobar, Joanna Rosene-Mirvis, Lizz Gatzunis, Sandra Burk, Richardson Desroches and Carlos Mendez.

WHS Radio

Jesse Brackett, Matt Bartley, Heather Amato, Byron Matovu and Josh Anderson.
CHORUS
Middle Row: Marla DeMatos, Elena Antonelli, Adam Clark, Laura Dickerson, Maria Scenna, Mr. Wulf, Zoe Millstein, Caitlin Feaney, Anna Glavash.
First Row: Azniv Shahverdyan, Maneh Sahakyan, Rebecca Hecht, Joanna Rosene-Mirvis, Hannah Epstein, Darren Kusmirek, Megan Otteson, Stephanie Burk, Caitlyn Geagan, Jaclyn McGrory and Jamie Kasabian.

A CAPPELLA CHORUS
Back Row: Matt Garber, Adam Clark, Anna Glavash, Laura Orloff.
Middle Row: Marla DeMatos, Jamie Kasabian, Maria Scenna, Mr. Wulf, Megan Otteson.
First Row: Rebecca Hecht, Joanna Rosene-Mirvis, Hannah Epstein and Dan Kusmirek.

STRING ENSEMBLE
Back Row: Dr. Schuetze, Geoffrey Diehl, Noah Jefferson, Jeff Babigian, Tim Oates.
Middle Row: Delia Guo, Maria White, Elizabeth Louie, Flavia Kimera, Tim Corriveau, Judy Choi, Deby Thea.
First Row: Alex Graves, Maya Pardo, Emma Philley, Joanna Rosene-Mirvis, Najwa Ali Hassan and Gabriela D'Amico.

PEP BAND
Middle Row: Adam Clark, Justin Louise, Brittany Bowler, Julie Cristello, Megan Otteson, Zoe Millstein, Jesse Taylor, Stephan Jaskolka, Carlo Fierimorente, Christine Bellis, Andrew Grant.
First Row: Alex Garber, Will Leahy, Francesca Pizzuto, Dan D'Amico, Laura Sarson, Josh Ronulo, Giuseppe Formato, Van Phan, Leah Beland and Mr. Jordan.
NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

First row; Nathan Getz, Carlos Mendez, Kristina Price, Laura Kruger, Mary Macauld, Darren Kusmerik, Munif Jaafar.

Middle row; Jackie Parseghian, Ayse Barkus, Andrew Civetti, Kasey Brown, Julie Bad, Grace Strother.

First row; Alexia Malouf, Leigh Galligan, Maggie DelRose, Maryellen Barba, Lynn Helen Pham, Stephanie Colantonio, Elena Cucerov, and Mrs. Dudley.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Mrs. Dudley, Lynn Pizzi, Maryellen Barba, Helen Pham and Hannah Epstein.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVES

Helen Pham, Alex Garbier and Hannah Epstein.

TRI-HI-Y/INTERACT

Back row; Jackie McGrory, Mike Grzelczyk, Tracey Elwell, Maura Cannon, Sara Zirolla, Diana Avanesova.
Third Row; Christine Sideris, Stephanie DaRocha, Lauren Mahoney, Lauren Bryan, Nicole Price, Kristina Price, Jen Moran, Julie O’Leary, Kristen Gilmore.
Second row; Lisa Conti, Kelsey Barry, Brigid Cunningham, Kasey Brown, Andrew Civetti, Stephanie Colantonio, Ms. Kazarosian.
Front row; Maryellen Barba, Natasha Meletiadis, Darren Kusmirek, Carlos Mendez, Leigh Galligan, Cassandra Rice, Ani Zarianan and Helen Pham.
SCIENCE TEAM
Back row: Hanh Pham, Elise Letteriou, Josh Anderson, Carlos Mendez.
Front row: Knara Bagriova, Sandra Burk, Helen Pham, Maria Logakis and
Andrew Civetti.

BOOK CLUB
Back row: Wyatt DeBaie, Nicole Price, Kelsey Barry, Tyler O’Hearn.
Front row: Alexia Malouf, Hanh Pham, Najwa Ali Hassan, Tracey Ramsey, Grace
Strother and Emma Philley.

BIOLOGY CLUB
Back row: Dan Gomez, Noah Jefferson, Adam Clark, Matt Bartley.
Middle row: Joanna Rosene-Mirvis, Vivian Brown, Connor VanNess, Ha
Epstein, Ben Leahy, Greg Pugh, Steve Daley.
Front row: Natasha Meletiadis, Carlos Mendez, Andrew Civetti and An
Grant.

WORD PAINTER
Stephanie Armanious, Tracey Ramsey and Grace Stother.
PEERS MAKING PEACE
Back row: Helen Pham, Kelsey Barry, Nicole Price.
Middle row: Emma Philley, Sandra Burk, Carlos Mendez, Andrew Civetti and Ms. Ruseckas.
Front row: Josh Anderson, Natasha Meletiadis, Maryellen Barba, Sandra Burk, Heather Amato, Susan Bedrossian, Cynthia Delorey, Jenna Burke and Kayla Sheehan.

SPORTS MANAGEMENT
Back row: Matt Sullivan, Steve Tramontozzi, Mike Grzelcyk, Ryan Quinn, Kenny Mulland, Tori Cacciatoare.
Middle row: Lisa Conti, Lauren Mahoney, Stephanie DaRocha, Nicole Price, Kelsey Fry, Lauren Bryan, Willie Barnes, Kristina Price, Kasey Brown.
Front row: Sandra Burk, Susan Bedrossian, Cassandra Rice, Jesse Frye, Ani Zarin, Stephanie Colantonio and Talar Manjikian.

SADD
Back row: Mr. Cooke, Ms. Ruseckas.
Middle row: Lisa Conti, Kelsey Barry, Tracey Elwell, Maria DelRose, Melissa Antonellis, Nicole Price.
Front row: Josh Anderson, Natasha Meletiadis, Maryellen Barba, Sandra Burk, Heather Amato, Susan Bedrossian, Cynthia Delorey, Jenna Burke and Kayla Sheehan.

VIDEO YEARBOOK
Jesse Brackett, Wyatt DeBaie, Heather Amato and Josh Anderson.
Sports

Sports instill a regimen of hard work and persistence. Students at WHS that participate in sports learn how to deal with failure but strive for success. Sports create spirited healthy students.
The senior field hockey girls and Ms. Donahue after a great game.

The senior soccer girls ready for practice.

Nick with his golf clubs.

Seniors freezing in the bleachers at the Thanksgiving football game.

Excited fans during a basketball game.

Danny watching the Thanksgiving day football game.
Go Raiders!

Jackie and Jen bundle up to watch the Red Raiders take on Belmont in the annual Thanksgiving Day game.

"Red, red, red. White, white, white. C'mon Watertown...Fight, fight, fight! Go Red Raiders!"

Top left: A staple at every home game, DJ Lil Papa spins the tunes to cheer on the boys basketball team.
Center left: Josh Anderson hugs an underclassman in the stands at Victory Field.
Above: Rain, sleet, or snow...the WHS Band never missed a home football game.
Right: Matt Sullivan shows his spirit by wearing a WHS cheering uniform!
Raiders in Action

Far left: Kayla giving it all she has to place in the long jump.
Near Left: Nick with his clubs waiting to hit the green.
Bottom Near Left: Mike winding up to throw the disk at Victory Field.

Near Left: Maryellen racing towards the puck against another Burlington girl.

Bottom: Brian taking a big cut while Marc watches the action from first base.

Top Center: Jenna and Susan look on to the field while hanging out in the dugout.

Top Left: Munif sharpens his juggling skills before the game.

Top Right: Susan drives to the basket for a shot during warm-ups.

Above: Hassan getting ready to lift his Burlington opponent and go for the pin.
Top Left: Steve Tramontozzi breaking through the defense.


Top Center: Raider defense setting up.

Bottom Center: Jared Rooney looking to make a pass.

Right: Andrew Sullo making a run.

Front Row (left to right): Talin Donoyan, Samantha Chase, Susan Bedrossian, Jesse Frye, Heather Amato
Second Row: Casey Cox, Melissa Guinta, Loryn Smith, Daksha Dumornay
Last Row: Julie Cristello, Shanice Wilson, Laura Jones, Brittany Bowler, Mariam Chobanian, Francesca Pizzuto, Coach Kristen Douglas

Top Right: Senior Casey Cox gets focused on the game.

Above: Loryn smiling on the bus ride.

Top Center: Senior Susan Bedrossian has a laugh at one of the football games.

Bottom Center: The girls in action at a home game.

Far Left: Seniors Jesse Frye and Samantha Chase hug for the camera.
Field Hockey

First Row (left to right): Jenna Burke, Stephanie Colantonio, Katie Alyward, Cassandra Rice, Jaclyn Parseghian
Last Row: Coach Eileen Donahue, Taylor Connors, Kelsey Barry, Jenna Barbato, Samantha Lacerra, Hanna Robinson, Stephanie Sideris, Christina Urquhart, Kim McGinness, Ashley English, Christine Sideris, Leah Kas, Jackie Dupuis

Top Left: Co-Captain Katie Alyward on the attack.

Above: Senior girls Jenna, Steph, Katie, Cass, and Jackie looking cute.

Top Center: Co-Captain Stephanie Colantonio hustling with the ball.

Bottom Center: Ms. Donohue talking to the team at halftime.

Far Right: Cassandra Rice using her stick handling skills.
Left to Right: Coach Jim Travers, Will Barnes, Sean Callahan, Mike Callahan, Dylan Stockdale, Dylan Manchester, Mike Grzelcyk, Steve Anastasi, Chris Kelly, Mike Stewart, Jim O'Reilly, Tom Oates. Front Row, Left to Right: Craig Fimian, Matt Bartley, Nick Johanson.

Far Left: Matt Bartley watches the ball fly down the green.
Top Center: Captains Craig Fimian, Matt Bartley, and Nick Johanson strike a pose.
Bottom Center: The members of the golf team take a breather.
Top Right: Nick watches his teammates on the field.
Bottom Right: Craig winds back and takes a long swing.
Boys Soccer


Bottom Row: Daniel D’Amico, Munif Jaafer, Ben Leahy, Felipe De Lucca, Byron Matovu, Antragin Avedissian, Kevork Tenkerian

Top Left: Coach dictating a play to the team to ensure their victory.

Bottom Left: Steve Panza passing to a fellow teammate.

Top Middle: Seniors come together for one last photo.

Bottom Middle: Dan Holland head butting the ball away from the opposing team.

Far Right: Senior Ben Leahy
Girls Soccer

First Row (left to right): Kasey Brown, Casey Hand, Lynne Paolillo
Second Row: Coach Stacie Marino, Meagan Usseglio, Maggie Delrose, Elise Legeriou, Maryellen Barba, Julie Haddad, Coach Kim Boroyan
Last Row: Amy Sallese, Lauren Bryan, Megan Pelletier, Kim Foley, Julie O’Leary, Amanda Khoubasarian, Kim Mclean, Maria Delrose, Emilie DeBaie, Courtney Hopkins, Alisa Aylward, Alison Holland, Meaghan Kingston

Far Left: Kasey Brown going for a header.
Top Center: Girls saying a cheer together before the start of the game.
Bottom Center: Senior girls Maggie Delrose, Meagan Usseglio, Kasey Brown, Lynne Paolillo, Maryellen Barba, Julie Haddad, and Elise Legeriou.
Top Right: Elise waits on offense for a pass.
Above: Maryellen Barba running back on defense.
Boys Cross Country

First Row (left to right): Jeff Perrin, Max Gorohovsky, Alex Garbier, Matt Fitzpatrick and Mike Comick.

Top Left: The team coming together to get pumped before the race.
Above: Max Gorohovsky conserving energy.
Center: Max Gorohovsky taking one for the team.
Bottom Center: Alex Garbier sprints by the on-lookers.
Far Right: Alex Garbier and Matt Jablon running the final stretch.
Girls Cross Country

Above: (Left-Right) Stephanie Burk, Lynn Pizzi, Sandra Burk, Christina Ioannidis, Lauren Sarson and Elise Conde.

Bottom Left: Sandy going the distance

Above: Captains Lynn Pizzi (3rd from the left) and Sandra Burk (5th from the left) with fellow teammates

Upper right: Sandy Burk changes towards the finish line.

Top center: Team picture with the boys and the coaches.

Bottom center: Captains Lynn Pizzi and Sandra Burk hug for the camera.
Girls Basketball

Front Row (left to right): Kristina Hagopian, Lynne Paolillo, Katie Alyward, Kasey Brown, Stephanie Colantonio and Susan Bedrossian
Last Row: Emile DeBaie, Lisa Conti, Chrissie Urquhart, Maura Cannon, Tracy Elwell and Coach Rimas.

Above: Katie Alyward and team warming up for the big game.
Top left: Stephanie Colantonio blocks her opponent.
Center: Team seniors smile for the camera.
Far Right: Kasey Brown going for a three pointer.
Bottom Center: Susan Bedrossian taking a shot for the team.
Boys Basketball


Top Right: Max meets his team as they get ready for the start of the game.

Center: Brendan O’Leary stares down an opponent.

Right: Matt Sullivan focuses on the game.

Far Left: Max Kerman fiercely drives to the basket.

Bottom Center: Steve Daley looks for the pass.
Back Row (left to right): Sabrina Paola, Julianne Pizzi, Samantha Tetti, Melissa Guinta, Loryn Smith, Ashley Arnon, Daksha Dumornay, Beth McMullin, Shanice Wilson, Julie Cristello, Christina D'Amico, Sabrina Miller.
Middle Row: Sara Hanley, Francesca Pizzuto, Talin Donovan.
Bottom Row: Casey Cox, Samantha Chase, Jesse Frye.

Top Left: Cheerleaders at half time preforming an aerial stunt.
Bottom Left: Cheerleaders ready to preform at half time.
Top Center: The Cheerleaders cheering the team as the run onto the court.
Bottom Center: The cheerleaders giving the team spirit fingers as they take a free throw shot.
Far Right: Cheerleaders at half time preforming an aerial stunt.
Back Row (left to right): J.V. Rosa, Sean Taverna, Nareg Hovhannisyan, Michael Gaete, Bobby Shutt, Noah Jefferson, Chris Russo, Geffery Diehl, Michael McLaughlin, Jeff Babigian, Michael Keily, Matt Wolf, Philip Delaney
Middle (left to right): Coach Alexson, Igor Belubekov, Pat Barry, John D'Amico, Lam Dinh, Kenneth Woodford, Michael Caira, Coach Russo
Front (left to right): Michael Comick, Hassan Chehab, Jeff Nash, Mouhamad Al-Najjar

Far Left: The Boys Wrestling gets together for a team huddle before the bog match.

Top Middle: The Seniors on the Wrestling Team.

Bottom Middle: Senior Hassan taking down his opponent.

Top Right: Senior Hassan breaking out of a hold.

Bottom Right: Senior Mike Comick trying to break out of a pin.
Boys Ice Hockey

First Row (left to right): Sean Mahoney, Jeffrey McNamara, Steven Tramontozzi, Paul Morales, Greg Pugh, Brian Antonelli, Dylan Aucoin, Coach John Campbell. Second Row: Coach Mike Hayeis, Coach Pat Donovan, Charlie Beagan, Lucas Villandry, Justin Renzella, Sean Callahan, Salvatore Cacciatore, Ryan Quinn, Michael Grzelyck, Arshen Mahjoubi, Glen McManus. Last Row: Brendan Shaughnessy, Nick Sideris, Bobby Kelland, Matt Sinkevich, Justin Forman, Billy Bellis, Mike Fantasia, Matthew Sutherland, Eric Anastasi, Stephen Anastasi.

Top Left: PJ Morales fights off a defender.

Middle Left: Steve Tramontozzi heading down the ice eager for a goal.

Center: Seniors PJ Morales, Greg Pugh, and Steven Tramontozzi posing with their coaches.

Middle Right: Greg Pugh and a few of his teammates celebrating after a goal.

Bottom Center: The team getting ready for the game with a group huddle.
Front Row (left to right): Jackie VanDerkeyl, Krista Carderelli, Hannah Robinson, Hannah Epstein, Kayla Sheehan, Maryellen Barba, Christine Sideris, Janine Callen, Courtney Hopkins, Shelby Austin-Manning.
Second Row: Assistant Coach Rob Dwyer, Head Coach Steve Russo, Elizabeth Russo, Maddie Herzog, Jackie Dupuis, Bridid Tarpey, Bridid Cunningham, Kristen Gilmore, Maria Delrose, Katia Inga, Allison Marshall, Assistant Coach Kerry Lessard.
Back Row: Emily Sideris, Katie Murphy, Maya Pardo, Amber Nicholas, Kyla Tarpey, Stephanie Sideris, Kimberly Foley, Amanda Mullane, Tania Long, Georgette Hayek, Caitlin Feeney.

Top right: Captain Maryellen Barba goes for the puck.

Above: Captains Hannah Robinson, Hannah Epstein, Kayla Sheehan, Maryellen Barba and Christine Sideris strike a pose.

Center: Seniors Hannah Epstein, Kayla Sheehan and Maryellen Barba smile for the camera.

Bottom Right: Captain Hannah Epstein charges after the puck.

Left: Kayla Sheehan and Hannah Robinson joking around before the game.
Girls Track


Top Left: Maggie jumping into the pit.
Bottom Left: Elise flying off to victory.
Top Middle: Seniors Maggie, Elise, Aleka, Laura, Ani, and Meagan.
Bottom Middle: Seniors Laura, Maggie and Elise check out the competition.
Far Right: Laura leaping for the team.
First Row: (left to right); Ben Leahy, Felipe DeLuca, Jon Vinoya, Alex Garbier, Max Gorohovsky, Jared Rooney, Brian Corsi.
Second Row; Dan Buckley, Ara, Will Leahy, Jimmy Brennan, Vazrik Chiloyan, Jason Cormier, Dan Holland, Tom Huff, Willy Barnes, Paul Moans, Garren Chiloyan, Matt Jablon.
Back Row; Coach Wittenhagen, Phil Sesay, Ian Munger, Danny Alberico, Timothy Roche, Kevin Wallace.

Far Left: Senior Brian Corsi clearing the high jump.
Top Center: Senior Jared Rooney sprinting towards the finish line.
Bottom Center: Alex Garbier and Max Gorohovsky watch from the sidelines.
Above: Alex Garbier running hard for the win.
Top Right: Max Gorohovsky making a leap over the high jump.
Front row, left to right: Steven Tramontozzi, Brian Corsi, Jared Rooney, Marc Massarotti, Alex Garbier.
Back row, left to right: Coach, Brian Antonelli, Steven Panza, Patrick Barry, Sean Callahan-Montague, Justin Forman, David Sideris, Kenny Woodland, Michael Grzelcyk, Justin Renzella, Coach Joe Chiodo.

On the far top: Senior Alex Garbier throws a killer pitch.

Above: Junior Sean Callahan-Montague rounds first base.

Center: The team joins together before a game.

On the far right: Senior co-captain Jared Rooney gets ready to swing a home run.

On the right: Senior co-captain Brian Corsi gets a man out.
Front Row (left to right): Marjorie Riedle, Maryellen Barba, Jenna Burke, Susan Bedrossian
Back Row: Coach Walsh, Christine Sideris, Tracy Elwell, Deborah Chase, Chrissie Urqhart, Hannah Robinson,
Ashley English, Kimberly McGinness, Stephanie Sideris, Asst Coach Rimas

Top Right: Senior Captains Jenna Burke and Maryellen Barba pose for the camera.
Above: Senior Maryellen Barba takes a swing at the ball.
Top Center: Seniors Marjorie Riedle, Maryellen Barba, Jenna Burke, and Susan Bedrossian get together for a hug.
Bottom Center: Senior Susan Bedrossian is ready for the play at second.
Far Left: Senior Jenna Burke waits for a pitch.
Front Row: Left to Right: Josh Ronulo, Richardson Desroches, Jeff Perrin.
Middle Row: Roman Gankin, David Stanissian, Michael Girouard, Clayton Silva, Pat McCusker, Adam Clark.

Top Left: Co-Captain Richardson Desroches hits the ball back to his opponent.
Above: Co-Captain Richardson Desroches gets ready to protect his court.
Top Center: Co-Captain Jeff Perrin focuses in on the game.
Bottom Center: Co-Captain Jeff Perrin serves the ball to the other team.
Far Right: Co-Captain Richardson Desroches has deep concentration while hitting the ball.
Back Row (left to right): Coach Jill Zeikel, Sarah, Kimera, Zoe Millstein, Lauren Sarson, Emily Izzo, Laura Dickerson, Judy Cho, Svetlana Gankina, Marla deMatos.
Front Row (left to right): Immy Yu, Brigd Cunningham, Melissa DePalo, Jenna Barbato, Megan Pelletier.

Top Right: Junior Jenna Barbato at the ready for her opponent's serve.

Bottom Right: Sophomore Zoe Millstein is returning a strong serve.

Top Middle: Sophomore Svetlana shaking hands with her opponent before they get started.

Bottom Middle: Sophomore Marla deMatos sharing a few words of encouragement with fellow teammates Zoe and Jenna.

Far Left: Senior Melissa DePalo helping out her team as much as possible because she was out with an arm injury.
Front Row: Maggie Dellrose, Laura Krueger, Stephanie Colantonio, Aleka Athanasiades, Cassandra Rice, Ani Zarifian, Elise Letteriou, Meaghan Usseglio, Kayla Sheehan.
Second Row: Kristina D'Amico, Leah Kas, Katie Prendergast, Brigette Nilan, Katherine Bren, Samantha LaCerra, Stephanie DesRoches, Kelsi Barry, Alex Burns, Amanda Khashabarian, Laura Orloff.
Back Row: Jennifer Ryan, Mackenzie Striehart, Tara Dowell, Lauren Vincent, Alaina Antonellie, Jackie Nar, Maddie Herzog, Shelby Austin-Mannins, Alison Holland, Mary O'Laughlin, Elizabeth Russo, Alison Marshall, Amy Salise.
Boys Spring Track

First Row: (left to right); Bryan McManus, Felipe DeLucca, Ben Leahy, Max Gorohovsky, Dan D’Amico, Carlos Mendez, Mike Kulegian.
Second Row; Glen McManus, Jimmy Brennan, Justin Logue, Dan Holland, Vazrik Chiloyan, Will Barnes, George Merdikhanian, Artem Hakobyan, Ara Tutundjian.
Back Row; Coach Kearny, Tom Huff, Andrew Grant, Philip Sesay, Arshan Mahjoubi, Garen Chiloyan, Jesse Brackett, Will Leahy, Karmell Shanklin, Dan Buckley, Geoffrey Diehl, Greg Beach, Ryan Quinn, Mitchell Tolini, Andrew Mazzeo, Matt Sutherland, Tory Cacciatore, Ethan Szeto, Jason Cormier, Coach Witt.

Top: Bryan McManus getting ready to throw the javelin.

Above: Felipe DeLucca sprinting to the finish line.

Top Middle: Mike Kulegian winding up to throw the discus.

Bottom Middle: Seniors Max and Dan D. talking to Ben about the meet.

Far Left: Carlos Mendez hurling the javelin for some points.
On the athletic field, track, or court, the Red Raiders are fierce opponents. Each Raider puts blood, sweat, and tears into each contest! Raiders cheer on teammates, encourage peers, and are always loyal to their team!
Go Raiders!

2005-2006
Student Life

Watertown High School is more than just an academic institution. WHS students are afforded various opportunities to become well-rounded citizens. From clubs to student-run organizations, students explore a diversity of interests, ethnicities, and academics during their days at WHS.
Gilbert aims a squirt gun at an unassuming opponent.

Tariq gives a presentation at an International Club meeting.

Mike takes a break to observe the festivities at the annual senior banquet.

Kristina and Katie pose on the deck of the Odyssey at the Junior Cruise.

Following an International Club meeting, the members enjoy a snack.

Marc plays an intense game of Tug O War at Kimballs.
After 41 years of teaching, Mr. Neylon retires as the Class of 2006 graduates from Watertown High School. A staple of the WHS English Department, Mr. Neylon has taught all grades and levels of the English curriculum.

The Class of 2006 wishes Mr. Neylon a happy retirement!
The Class of 2006...

...celebrates the beginning of the end of the cruise together.
Left: Michelle Sheehan carefully looks over yearbook pages before submitting them.
Far Left: Matt Bartley can't believe there are finals for seniors!
Below: Tracey Ramsey works on a Psych project in the computer lab.

**Senior Candids**

The day to day at WHS

Above: Shots of graduating seniors

Left: Scott Kelly hopes that the rain holds off so Graduation will be held outside.

Right: Tariq takes a break from his computer work.
Seniors working together

Left: Danny busting out some high notes on the trumpet.

Right: Michelle, Jen, and Jackie make sure that the senior proofs for the yearbook are okay.

Senior Candids

Left: The girls look beautiful as they prepare to board the Odyssey for the Junior Cruise.
Prices

One Medium Iced Coffee From Dunkin' Donuts: $1.79

A Pair of Jeans from Abercrombie and Fitch: $79.50

A Gallon of Gas for Your Car: $3.01

Two Bleacher Seat Tickets at the Boston Red Sox Game: $46

Two Movie Tickets at the Theater: $18

Five New Notebooks for the First Day of Classes: $20

A Medium Java Berry From Celebrity's: $3.15

A Video I-Pod from the Apple Store: $299
Four Years at Boston College: $184,000
Four Years at Bentley College: $161,360
Four Years at UMASS: $28,000

Two Tickets To A Yellowcard Concert: $50

A Wristlet from the Coach Store: $58

An Apple Computer For Your Room: $1,299

A 52" Plasma Television: $2,299

Brand New Cleats for Basketball, Baseball, Football, Softball, Soccer, or Track: $40

A Single Download from iTunes: $.99

All The Memories Kept From Four Years At Watertown High School: Priceless
A
All Night Party
The PTO planned a six-hour event for the class of 2006 on the night of graduation. We stayed up all night playing DOR, volleyball, racing, going through an obstacle course, playing Family Feud, and getting hypnotized.

B
Bagels
No one could ever resist getting the $1 bagels before class each morning.

C
Cruisin' Together
The theme for this yearbook was chosen because we are all moving on to the next phase of our lives.

D
Dunkin' Donuts
Iced coffees were always seen being held by students in the morning.

F
Friends We Will Always Remember
Throughout high school new relationships were made every year. The friends you make in high school could end up being the friends you will have for the rest of your life.

G
Graduation
On June 2, 2006 we finally completed our four years of high school. College, here we come.

H
Hours of Homework
The homework load seemed to end.

I
Ice Cream Social
On our last day of school as seniors, we were served ice cream in Class of 2006 mugs by the Juniors.

J
Junior Cruise
Our class was the first one to eliminate the junior Prom and instead have a Junior Boat Cruise. Even though there were some doubts, it ended up being one of the best nights of our high school years.

K
Kimball's Farm
On May 31, 2006 the senior class banquet was held at Kimball's Farm. The day was filled with bumper boats, volleyball, golf, a dunk tank, and delicious ice cream.

L
Les Miserables
The drama department put on Les Miserables as their annual winter performance. The cast of the Les Miserables was filled with people who have been acting all their lives and also people who have just started. It was certainly an unforgettable show.
Class Favorites

Music
1st Rock
2nd Anything
3rd Rap

Hollister
1st
2nd Abercrombie
3rd Pac Sun

Movie
1st The Notebook
2nd Wedding Crashers
3rd Saw II

1st Pizza
2nd Cheeseburger
3rd Cake

Actress
1st Rachel McAdams
2nd Kate Beckinsale
3rd Halle Berry

1st Johnny Depp
2nd Will Ferrell
3rd Ben Stiller
Artist
1st Chris Brown
2nd Yellowcard
3rd Nickelback

Boston Athlete
1st David Ortiz
2nd Tedy Bruschi
3rd Tom Brady

Restaurant
1st Chateau
2nd Cheesecake Factory
3rd Bugaboo Creek

Boston Team
1st Red Sox
2nd Patriots
3rd Bruins

Sport
1st Football
2nd Soccer
3rd Basketball

Ice Cream
1st Mint Chocolate Chip
2nd Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough
3rd Oreo
Autographs...
The activities and events held at Watertown High are a product of hard work by students and faculty. Every year they do their best to create successful fundraisers from bake sales to rock concerts. Pep rallies, Mr. WHS, and the Junior Semi boat cruise (first experienced by the class of 2006) are among many fun activities—not to mention the long awaited senior prom, banquet, all night party and of course graduation!
Melissa takes a second to smile at friends while she paints the wall during Senior Week.

Emma receives an award at the annual Awards Night as Dr. Hiensche and Mr. Wulff look on with pride.

Milenka shades herself in the hot sun with sunglasses and a baseball hat.

Alexia is recognized at the NHS Induction Ceremony.

Graduate Ben Leahy stands out in the crowd.

Darren and Kel help themselves to the luncheon at the Kinball's outing.
Senior Hannah Epstein and Junior Greg Beach as the outrageously funny Thénardiers.

Seniors Lynn Pizzi and Jesse Beagan as Eponine and Marius.

Senior Carlos Mendez making his first High School Musical debut.

The cast: Adam, Clark Marla DeMatos, Lynn Pizzi, Jesse Beagan, Raouf Jacob, Hannah Epstein, Matt Bartley, Wyatt DeBaie, Carlos Mendez, Darren Kusmerick, Ian Hatch, Rebecca Hecht, Laura Dickerson, Jackie McGraw, Madelein Herzog, Jessica Beland, Mike Callahan, Alaina Antonelli, Lauren Vincent, Mackenzie Stinehart, Lisa Cappellucci, Tammy Dowling, Amanda Pinero, Caitlin Feeney, Caitlyn Geagan, Greg Beach, Matt Garber, Maya Pardo, Flavia Kim, Faye Hisoler, Stephanie Burk, Anna Glavash, Laura Jones, Joanna Rosene-Mirvis, Meagan Otteson
Adam Clark, Ian Hatch and Marla DeMatos in an emotional moment.

Adam Clark and Rebecca Hecht in their roles as Cosette and Jean Valjean.

Lynn Pizzi and Little Eponine coinciding I think not.

Marius and Cosette singing "One Day More."

Eponine and Marius finally admitting how they really feel.

Hatch leads the ensemble in "One Day More."

LES MISÉRABLES
Right: Katie, Hannah, and Joanna get ready to go diving!

Top Center: One of the docks that can be seen in Bonaire.

Below: LaRocca shows off his amazing frisbee catching skills.

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Above: Connor, Joanna, and Vivian sport their matching bandanas while having a hug for the camera.

Right: Ben looks serious while Matt obviously likes goofing off for the camera.

Bonaire 2006

The biology club along with volunteer chaperones took a week long trip to Bonaire in the Dutch Caribbean. The trip was filled with a lot of laughter, enjoyment, and of course scuba diving. The trip was in the most part organized by Mr. George Buckley. The tradition of Bonaire has been going on for many years here at Watertown High School.

Left: Ben, Mr. Buckley, and Katie have a nice talk about diving.

Far Left: Joanna and Adam have a good time dancing together.

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Left: Mr. DiBenedetti and Matt have an in-depth conversation on one of the docks.

Left: Ben is caught diving into the ocean.

Below: Adam, Joanna, and Hannah all hold hands as they jump off the dock.

Above: Katie, LaRocca, and Hannah are ready to board the plane to start their trip!

Left: The entire Bonaire crew comes together for a huge group picture to capture the memory of the trip.
The Junior Cruise was held on June 8th, 2005.

We were the first class at Watertown High to have a junior cruise rather than a junior prom:

(Left) A big group outside one of their houses before they get to the school.

(Above) Elise and Jesse get ready to get on the boat.

(Lefi) Nicole, Nadia, and Daniela looking great in their dresses.

(Right) Nice shades Brendan!

(Above) Stephanie, Jesse, Cassandra, Samantha, Laura, Maryellen, and Aleka taking an all girls picture before the cruise
(Left) Beautiful Girls, Beautiful View! Kasey, Lynn, Lynne, Krissy, Susie, Talar, and Kristina

(Below) Alex, Elise, Craig, Jen, Leigh, Jackie, Helen, and Taylor taking a picture in the shade

(Left) A lot of people, a lot of conversation.

(Left) Charlie, Julie, Matt, and Rich looking sharp on the boat

(Above) Hanna, Elena, and Zeliha looking stunning in their black dresses
Below: Josh Anderson smiling for the camera after winning a science award.

Right: Austin Ng receiving an award from Mr. Cook.

Top Right: Many students received generous scholarships from the Rotary Club.

Right: Carlos Mendez receives an award from former science teacher George Buckley.

Bottom Left: Emma Philley gets a scholarship awarded by Ms. Hannon.

Underneath: Anto and Ari look serious for the camera.

Bottom Right: Hannah has a laugh as Mr. Paolillo tries to give her an award.
Left: Maggie is all smiles when Mr. Noftsler hands her over an envelope.

Left: Bryan McManus and Wyatt Debaic walk towards Officer O'Connor on the stage.

Below: Winners of the Sons of Italy Scholarships wait on stage while everyone's name is being called.

Left: Lynne, Ben, and Kasey wait patiently on stage after being recognized.

Above: Kayla, Max, Maryellen, Jared, Katie, and Carlos all come together after getting off of the stage.
1. Alex Garber and Nathan Getz socialize after the ceremony.
2. Leigh Galligan rises to the podium as her name is announced.
3. Mrs. Dudley, advisor to the NHS, addresses the parents, friends, and family of NHS members and inductees.
4. Maryellen Barba address her society members.
5. Danny D’Amico, Grace Strother, Adam Clark pose for a picture following the ceremony.
6. Kristina Price, Katie Alyward, and Steph Colantonio smile for the camera to celebrate their academic success.
7. Lynn Pizz, Maryellen Barba, Helen Pham speak to the audience.
8. Superintendent Dr. Heirsche gives his speech celebrating the success of WHS scholars.
9. The entire NHS poses with its advisor, Mrs. Dudley, for a group photo.
10. Hannah Epstein looks on as Helen Pham addresses the audience.
11. Ayse Barkus rises as her name is announced.
12. Executive Committee member, Lynn Pizz, speaks before she lights the ceremonial candle.
13. Darren Kusmerik applauds a classmate and fellow NHS member.
14. Headmaster, Mr. Nolfs, applauds the achievements of his student body.
15. Maryellen Barba and Helen Pham oversee Hannah Epstein as she lights a candle.
16. Senior members of the NHS take their places on stage prior to the beginning of the ceremony.

NHS Executive Committee: Maryellen Barba, Hannah Epstein, Helen Pham, and Lynn Pizz

NHS Advisor: Mrs. Linda Dudley
Painting the Wall

Seniors put their artistic thumbprint on the Victory wall.
“Always remember days like this!”

1. Susan Bedrossian forces a smile...as the camera interrupts her artistic work!

2. After chipping away the Class of 2005 slogan, Sandra Burk sweeps the last of the '05 paint chips off the bleachers.

3. Maria Logakis and Janet Keledjian take a break from the painting to pose for a picture and enjoy a lollipop.

4. Byron Matovu and Greg Pugh take advantage of photo opp just before Officer McLellan drives away.

5. Friends Ben Leahy, Felipe DeLucca, Laura Krueger, Maggie DelRose, and Kayla Sheehan have a group shot taken to cherish the memory.
Laura Krueger, Kayla Sheehan, Michelle Sheehan, and Jenna Consilvio join for a group hug.

Ivan O'Brien looks towards the camera after painting his name on the bleacher banister.

Cassandra Rice sips her Dunkin Donuts' coffee before getting to work...or she is overseeing the work of her classmates!

With best friend, Moe Al-Najjar looking ready to leave the field now that the painting is done, Hussien Chehab shows off his pride for WHS football and school spirit.
Senior Banquet

May 31, 2006 - Kimball’s Farm in Westford, Massachusetts
Bumper boats, golf, volleyball...you name it, we did it!

1 Johnny, Julie, Danny and Rich pose for the camera.

2 Maryellen, Lynne, Sara, Kristina and Heather use all their muscles trying to beat the boys at tug of war.

3 Jared trying to push Mastro into the waterfall.

4 Munif and Matt pile up their plates with food from the grill.

5 Everyone in the bumper boat line takes a break from waiting to pose for a picture.
Josh cools off after being pushed into the waterfall.

Even Mr. D. gets in on a game of volleyball.

Max and Alex return from a round at the driving range.

Hussein shows off his muscles and goes all out to dive for the ball at volleyball courts.

Nick, Milenka, Tracy, and Grace take a break from the fun at kimbles to pose for a picture.

Hussain eyes the bride in an intense game of badminton.
Watertown High School’s Class of 2006 Senior Prom was held on May 26, 2006 at the Cambridge Hyatt.

1. Taking A Break
   After some fun dancing in the center stage, Hannah and Darren take a refreshment break so they’re ready to go back out again.

2. Over Here!
   Marc relaxes for a few minutes on the dance floor.

3. Having Some Fun
   Matt, Greg, Jared, Brian, Jeff, and Felipe take a break from dancing to goof around for the camera.

4. Best Friends
   Carine and Lana enjoy the comfortable seating of the Spinnaker Lounge.

5. Picture Perfect
   Casey and Jeanette pose with their dates for a beautiful kodak moment.
Matt and his date Amy look adorable together out on the dance floor.

Adrian smiles as Kel fools around for the camera.

Francesca smiles for the camera as Josh laughs with a friend on the side!

Matt and Tyler look handsome and their dates, Kim and Anna, look amazing in their matching white dresses.

Cousins Marvellen and Kayla look absolutely stunning in their dresses.

Milenka is looking gorgeous in her long, blue prom gown.
Friends
Maryellen, Jared, Aleka, and Bryan all pose together for a picture before they leave for the prom.
The dance floor was crowded all night long.

Greg, Jeff, and Bryan can always be found goofing around.

The crowd cheers on Matt, Raouif, and Marc as they demonstrate some sly dance moves.

Matt, Max, Alex, Steve, and Brendan all have a little chat at their dinner table.

Everyone needs to get their hands up and JUMP!

Natasha and her date look absolutely adorable together.
The WHS Class of 2006 has personality!
Each member of this graduating class contributed to the overall spirit of the evening. Celebrating academic successes, athletic accomplishments, theatrical achievements, and much more, each graduate received a well-deserved round of applause.

A gym never looked so festive!
Graduates have processed in and taken their seats! Let the ceremony begin!

Celebration!
Because of the threat of thunderstorms, the graduation ceremony was moved from Victory Field to Ryan Gymnasium. However, that did hinder the spirit and celebration. Nothing could rain on this parade!!

Mr. Noftsker and Mr. McDermott share in the celebration
Right: Mr. Noftsker welcomes the graduates to the 2006 graduation ceremony. Mr. McDermott congratulates the graduates during the procession.
Valedictorian Address

Today marks the end of the beginning of our lives. It also marks the beginning of the end of our lives, but fortunately it does not mark the middle of the end of our lives. It will come later.

As we come a long way since kindergarten, but we've also come a long way since the beginning. Look at humanity as a whole! Our brains are no longer the size of walruses, and we've managed to invent such mysteries as the microwave and the shopping mall.

From a Darwinian standpoint, our sole purpose in life is the same as that of every other life form on Earth: to find food and reproduce before we die. Why then, do we as a species have this ridiculous obsession with education, if the key to success has everything to do with nómen?

Perhaps it is in our upbringing, or even our very nature, to want answers to life's big questions. It is not enough for us to sit around chewing cud like ignoramus sheep; we need to explore the world around us, to find meaning in our situations and surroundings. In short, we like to make things difficult for ourselves. Because let's be honest: not much is easier than chasing cud.

Humanity has chosen to prioritize, to put our biological purpose on a backburner as we search for meaning in life. But what is that magical finish line we're trying to reach? Fame? Fortune? Happiness? Personal goals differ from person to person as much as America'sicl preferences. It is unreasonable, therefore, to let others define success or lose. If your idea of a good time is living with wild caribous in the Alaskan tundra, then so be it. That's almost as strange as owning a Hummer.

As a young people, we often find it difficult to decide on a career path or path to follow in life. I've started to make a list of a few ideas for myself, and I'd like to share it with you so you may be of some help. Number one: invent time travel. That would be quite a feat of space-time engineering. And let me tell you, probably pretty lucrative, if that's your thing. Number two: work at The Sharper Image, because I bet you could score a lot of free massaging chairs. Number three: invent teleportation or a personal jetpack. Or both. In that case, the jetpack would be just for fun. Number four: discover an alternate energy source for fossil fuel. Preferably something that exists in abundance and that has some or no purpose, like Brussels sprouts. Or tulipanes.

What have we to lose by dreaming big? Disappointment is temporary, accomplishment is forever. We can't please everyone, and if we are afraid of failure, how can we ever hope to succeed? As long as we learn from our errors, we have nothing to fear by making a single mistake. Except if that mistake is falling into a pit of flesh-eating parasites. Then you're in trouble.

The greatest piece of advice I can offer you this evening is to laugh. Laugh at your friends, your enemies, and yourself. Humor is the single most important tool that we have at our disposal. It is the greatest defense we have against hardship and adversity that life, and you will be invincible.

I will leave you now with a quote by the great Bob Marley: "Life is a big road with all the signs. So when you are riding through the ruts, don't complicate your mind. Flee the hate, mischief and jealousy. Don't bury your thoughts, put your vision to reality. Get up and live!"

Congratulations, class of 2006!

Valedictorian

Hannah Epstein

Salutatorian

Stephanie Colantonio

Salutatorian Address

Dr. Herrnisch, Mr. Ntsheler, members of the faculty and school committee, honored guests, family, and my fellow members of the class of 2006, it is an honor to speak before you.

About fifteen years ago, when we began to read and write, classic figures like Dr. Seuss and Maurice Sendak provided us with whimsical characters and fantastic settings that encouraged fun learning experiences. I would like to pay a small tribute to them, and to all of the teachers who have made our education enjoyable, by reading a poem written by the brilliant Shel Silverstein, entitled This Bridge.

This bridge will only take you halfway there To those mysterious lands you long to see Through gypsy camps and swirling Arab fairs And moonlit wood where unicorns run free. So come and walk awhile with me and share The twisting trails and wondrous worlds I've known. But this bridge will only take you halfway there - The last few steps you'll have to take alone.

Even before high school, we have been striving to cross the bridges of our lives; struggling to make it from one transition to the next. Whether it be from the carefree days of elementary school to the awkward stages of middle school or from riding bicycles to driving cars.

Throughout our schooling in Waterdown, inspiring teachers, parents, coaches and counselors have been by our sides, supporting our bridges, by guiding us and offering us academic and life lessons. They have also shared the stories of the wondrous worlds that they have known. Any student who has attended one of Mr. Sheehan's classes is well acquainted with his trips to China - and someday when they go there, and they will, I'm sure they will remember him. Mr. Tremblay could always relate a statistics lesson to hilarious narratives of his quirky neighbors and hairdressers. Many of us are also aware of Mr. Matteo's renaissance love story of courting his wife and with Mr. Pétroccio's vacation to Sierra Leone where he looked forward to observing the solar eclipse and ended up witnessing nothing but clouds. Thank you to all of the teachers for your stories.

Now it is our time to take a few steps alone to finish building another bridge so that we can discover our own new worlds. Many of you will travel across the country or to different continents to engage in new cultures and ways of life. Some of you will choose to reside locally, where you can learn even more about the community that has raised you while supporting the area's progress from our education system to politics.

Whatever the journey you choose to embark upon, always give yourself options - let your bridge branch out. Never settle until you have tried everything that intrigues you. Make attainable goals, but do not let them limit or restrict you from accomplishing even more.

Voice your opinions, but be accepting of others' and strive to tolerate and appreciate the diversity in the people who surround you. Every once in a while, take a step out of the box that you feel comfortable in. Ultimately, enjoy yourself, for it the words of the ancient philosopher Socrates, Not life, but good life is to be chiefly valued.

Congratulations Class of 2006 and I wish you great luck with your future endeavors.
Watertown High School has many long standing traditions, many of which are part of its annual graduation ceremonies. The WHS Graduations are student-run... the way it should be! Students perform musical interludes and select former elementary and middle school teachers to recognize for making a difference in the lives of the graduates.

Top (left): Richardson Desroches recognizes former WMS teacher Mr. Sclafani.

Top (right): Hannah Epstein and Darren Kusmirek sing “Seasons of Love” from “RENT.”

Bottom (left): Cassandra Rice laughs during the ceremony.

Bottom (right): Lynn Pizzi and Jesse Beagen impress the audience with their vocal performances.

Knara Bagirova looks like she needs a hat carrying gifts from proud well-wishers out the gym!
Left: Brian Corsi gladly and proudly accepts his diploma...a moment all of the graduates will cherish!

Below: After the graduation ceremony, the seniors will congregate together for one last time! They will enter the All Night Party through a terrace of red, white, and black balloons.

Presenting the class gift....

Above: Charlie Kessenich presents Junior Class President, Lisa Conti, with the class gift - a donation to the Tom McGovern Memorial Scholarship Fund.

For the final time as President of the Class of '06...

Left: Charlie Kessenich addresses his classmates.
ALL NIGHT PARTY

Congratulations
GRADUATE

Jackie answering at Family Feud.

Michelle, Ashley, and Antonio pose.

We finally graduated!

Ani and Helen pose after getting some food.

Kayla has fun going down the slide.

Talar, Jeff, and Cassandra have a hug.

Adrian and Hussein!

Max and Greg get drawn.

Knara and Vivian race to the end.

132 All-Night Party
JUNE 2-3, 2006

Class of 2006.

Steve answers a question.

John and Elise take a little rest.

Gina draws Alex's portfolio.

Nathan gets prepared.

Kasey works hard to get the farthest.

Emma, Grace, and Nick take a break from all the activities.

Kleiton sits still for Gina.

Choi and Soros dance.
ALL NIGHT PARTY

Sara climbing up the wall.

ALWAYS REMEMBER THE DAYS LIKE THIS...

Maggie and Jenna say "cheese".

Our class saying is displayed on the wall.

Krispy and Byron race each other.

Nathan and Antonio toast.

Kasey and Jesse share a laugh.

Meagan slides down!

Heather and Andrew.

Alex and Helen compete in Dance Dance Revolution.
JUNE 2-3, 2006

A bunch of the boys play volleyball.

The caricaturist was amazing.

Matt is in his starting position.

Ben bouncing down the slide.

Elise, Jen, and Jenna smile!

Moe and Tariq in the cutout.

It is starting to get late in the night...

Marjorie gets ready.

Hannah and Darren.
Without the on-going support from our community groups and businesses, it would not have been possible to create this book full of priceless memories. We would like to use this space to recognize those groups that have contributed to the success of our yearbook. Thank you for all of your support, it is well appreciated!
Congratulations to the Class of 2006
Dear Milenka,

Congratulations on graduating from High School. We are so very proud of you. We love you very much, and wish you only the best in your future. Mom, Dad, Paola, Cecilia and all of the Alvarez & Aguilar Family.


Milenka Alvarez

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Milenka Alvarez

Melissa, May all your dreams come true. Congratulations!

Love, Dad, Mom, Jennifer & Bella

Melissa DePalo

Congratulations Maggie! (our soccer star)

We are very proud of you and all of your accomplishments! Good Luck in College! All our love, Mom, Dad, Maria, Toby, and Patches

Marguerite DeRose

FABULOUS FEET BEGIN AT...

SUSAN WRIGHT SCHOOL OF DANCE

May you all have found, through dance, individual success that will help take you into the future.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Mima Consilvio, Daniela Gentili, Sara Hanley, Natasha Melitiadis, Taylor Pelletier, Megan Ussery and Sara Zirella

Love to all, Miss Susan

Leigh Golligan
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Best of Luck
to the
Class of 2006

Maryellen Barba

Congratulations
Maryellen!

Wishing you the best of luck
at Boston College.

GO EAGLES!!
although the Cruise Together has ended...

the Memories will last a lifetime

Class of 2006
Hurricanes ravage the Gulf Coast region in the fall of 2005, posing an unprecedented test of the United States federal emergency response efforts. Hundreds of lives are lost and thousands are left homeless in the wake of Category 4 Hurricane Katrina, followed by Rita and Wilma. The tragedy spurs contributions of money, talents, homes, food and more in an attempt to raise spirits and rebuild the area.

**August**

25 Hurricane Katrina strikes Florida.

28 Mandatory evacuation of both New Orleans and Mississippi is ordered as Katrina becomes a Category 5 storm in the Gulf of Mexico.

29 Downgraded to a Category 4 storm, Katrina hits land. 1.3 million homes and businesses lose electricity in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. 30 levees are breached, flooding New Orleans and leaving 100,000 people stranded. After slow government response, civil unrest and looting begins.

31 President Bush surveys the damage.

**September**

1 30,000 National Guard troops are deployed. Gas prices spike to as high as $5 per gallon.

2 President Bush visits Louisiana and signs a $10.5 billion relief bill. Nearly 154,000 evacuees arrive in Texas.

4 The New Orleans Superdome is evacuated.

6 President Bush and Congress pledge to investigate the flawed disaster response.

9 Government-issued debit cards are distributed to evacuees. The program fails and is ended days later.

12 Michael Brown, head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, resigns. Flooding is down to 50 percent in New Orleans.

14 New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin announces a phased repopulation plan.

15 New Orleans begins to reopen. Katrina is named the most destructive hurricane in U.S. history.

20 Louisiana Governor Kathleen Blanco declares a state of emergency as Hurricane Rita strengthens off the coast.

22 Rita hits the Louisiana coast and heads for Texas.

23 Thousands evacuate eastern Texas and the 9th Ward of New Orleans floods once again after levees are overrun.

**October**

24 Hurricane Wilma hits southwest Florida.
Front Page Headlines

- On October 15, Iraqi voters ratify a U.S.-supported draft constitution that establishes a federal state. A second election, in December, creates the new government's first parliament.
- Several airlines declare bankruptcy due to huge fuel, labor and security costs. Passengers see fees for pillows, aisle seats and more as carriers seek new revenue sources.
- During rush hour on July 7, London is hit by terrorist attacks. Bombs strike one bus as well as the city's underground trains, leaving 56 people dead and 700 injured.
- John G. Roberts Jr. becomes the 17th Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court following the death of William Rehnquist.
- Violence in Iraq continues to cost lives. Since the war began in March 2003, over 27,700 Iraqi civilians and 2,300 coalition troops have died.
- Gasoline prices surge in September before falling back to pre-hurricane levels. Major oil companies face federal questioning after revealing profits of over $35 billion during this period.
- A devastating 7.6-magnitude earthquake hits the Kashmir region of Pakistan in October, killing 87,000 and leaving 3.5 million homeless.

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• In January 2006, Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf is sworn in as Liberia's president, making her Africa's first elected female leader.

• Vice President Dick Cheney's top aide, Lewis "Scooter" Libby resigns after being indicted in October on criminal charges relating to the leaking of a CIA officer's identity.

• Despite his years of anti-gang advocacy while in prison, on December 13, former Crips gang leader Stanley "Tookie" Williams is executed by lethal injection for four 1979 murders.

• Methamphetamine use becomes a national crisis as meth-related crimes skyrocket on the West Coast and in the Midwest. Pharmacies remove pseudoephedrine products from shelves in an effort to control meth production.

• On January 2, 2006, an explosion at the Sago Mine in Tallmansville, West Virginia, traps 13 miners 260 feet below the surface. Sadly, only one of the miners is pulled out alive.

• In October, former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein goes on trial in Baghdad, pleading innocent to the murder and torture charges against him.

• Hoping to restart the peace process with the Palestinians, Israel evacuates the Gaza Strip, an area it has occupied since the 1967 Six-Day War.

• Civil unrest rocks France as more than 300 towns and suburbs explode with riots and arson. High unemployment, racial discrimination, and rage are blamed for the outbreaks.
A global pandemic is feared as the avian flu claims 73 lives in Asia by the end of December and threatens to spread across the world.

After seven years and 2.88 billion miles, NASA's Stardust capsule returns to earth carrying dust particles from the tail of the comet Wild 2. Scientists believe the samples hold clues to the formation of the Solar System.

The Sichuan Wolong Panda Protection and Breed Center in China deals with a baby boom—16 pandas, including five sets of twins, are born between July and November 2005.

In August, U.S. astronaut Stephen Robinson successfully completes an unprecedented emergency repair of the space shuttle Discovery while in orbit.

According to recent research, chocolate can be a healthy treat thanks to its high content of flavonoids, which help maintain good circulation and reduce blood clotting.

A vaccine that may potentially fight recurring cancer cells is successfully tested on 14 breast cancer survivors. It is hailed as the first step toward preventing the disease.

The American Dental Association cites bottled water and its lack of fluoride as a major contributing factor in the rise of tooth decay in children.
Hikers scaling Mount Mendel Glacier in California discover the remains of Leo Mustonen, a World War II airman whose plane crashed in 1942.

U.S. scientist Gregory Olsen pays $20 million for a trip to the International Space Station aboard the Russian Soyuz spacecraft.

The ruins of what may be the oldest Christian church, built in the third or fourth century A.D., are discovered on the grounds of Megiddo Prison in northern Israel in November.

Anticipating the G8 summit in July, Bob Geldof organizes musicians for a series of concerts around the world to highlight the problem of global poverty.

Bill Gates, Bono and Melinda Gates are named TIME’s Persons of the Year for their efforts to battle poverty, AIDS and malaria in Africa.

Natalee Holloway, an 18-year-old from Birmingham, Alabama, becomes the lead story for every major news outlet after her disappearance while vacationing in Aruba.

In August, American anti-Iraq War activist Cindy Sheehan, whose son Casey was killed in action in 2003, holds an extended demonstration at a peace camp outside President George W. Bush’s Texas ranch.
Everywhere you look this year sparkle is in with teen girls.

- From preppy to vintage looks, vests make a bold statement in the fall of 2005.

- Cowboy boots see a rise in popularity, and not just for line dancers and country music fans.

- The "hoodie" is a staple in most teens’ wardrobes.

- Blazers with a retro fit make a big splash on the fashion scene.

- Style gets a dose of fun over formal with these unique fashion alternatives.

- Flip-flops are considered a fashion necessity, not just casual footwear.
- Shops that help you prepare meals to freeze, take home and cook offer a fun, quick and easy mealtime solution for busy moms.

- Pets receive the royal treatment with gourmet pet foods, available in upscale pet food shops, pet food bakeries and even ice cream parlors.

- Due to high gas prices, consumers opt for smaller cars with better gas mileage rather than gas-guzzling SUVs.

- The popularity of poker on television results in one of the biggest fads of the year — home Texas Hold 'Em tournaments.

- **Podcasts**, free broadcast-format audio files published to the Internet and downloaded to iPods by subscription, are a hip way to keep up-to-date.

- The new food pyramid recommends that kids eat more fruits, vegetables and whole grains than in the past, and exercise 30 to 60 minutes each day.

- Blogs become the biggest Web craze since the inception of the Internet thanks to sites like Blogger.com and MySpace.com.
Praised by critics and audiences alike, Peter Jackson's remake of the 1933 classic King Kong becomes a giant box-office success.

Golden Globe Best Actress nominee Keira Knightley shines in the hit movie Pride and Prejudice, based on the 1813 Jane Austen novel.

Moviegoers rush to see March of the Penguins, a surprise hit documentary that follows a year in the life of a flock of Emperor penguins.

"The boy who lived" returns for more adventure in the fourth movie installment of the Harry Potter series. Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire.

The beloved C.S. Lewis series comes to life on the big screen in Walt Disney's The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.

Box-office profits are down in 2005, due in part to the trend of movie fans opting for the quick release of hit movies on DVD.

Best Picture Academy Award Nominations

- Brokeback Mountain
- Capote
- Crash
- Good Night, and Good Luck
- Munich
• Geena Davis receives popular approval as television's first female President of the United States in one of the year's best new shows, ABC's "Commander in Chief."

• Based on the childhood of comedian Chris Rock, UPN's "Everybody Hates Chris" is a hit.

• Doctor "McDreamy," also known as Dr. Shepherd, and the rest of the staff at Seattle Grace Hospital achieve healthy ratings in ABC's "Grey's Anatomy."

• Viewers can't get enough of ABC's "Lost." The show earns a Golden Globe for Best TV Series Drama and spawns countless fan speculation sites.

• NBC finds a new hit comedy with the quirky story of a man in search of redemption, "My Name Is Earl."

• Surprisingly high DVD sales influence FOX to bring back the formerly canceled cult favorite "Family Guy."

• America's No. 1 rated show for 2005 is the CBS crime drama "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation."

2006 People's Choice Nominations for Favorite Reality Show Competition

• "American Idol" (FOX)
• "Fear Factor" (NBC)
• "Survivor" (CBS)
Green Day tops off a career year with seven MTV Video Music Awards, including Best Video of the Year for "Boulevard of Broken Dreams."

With Late Registration, Kanye West maintains his status as hip-hop's top dog, landing on top of Rolling Stone's Top 50 Albums of 2005.

Reggaeton, which blends influences of hip-hop, Jamaican reggae and dancehall with Latin American bomba and plena, reaches its height in popularity in 2005.

Seattle indie favorites Death Cab for Cutie break into the mainstream with the album Plans and "Directions," a series of 12 short films.

University of Texas grad Cowboy Troy bursts onto the country scene with a new music genre, "hick-hop," which he proudly displays on his class ring.

Eight years after the death of former lead singer Michael Hutchence, Australian rock band INXS selects new frontman J.D. Fortune on the CBS show "Rock Star: INXS."

Strong releases by Kelly Clarkson, Shakira, Mariah Carey and Gwen Stefani rule the music scene. Carey's The Emancipation of Mimi earns eight Grammy nominations and is the top-selling album of 2005.

Clara
Fall Out Boy
Keane
John Legend
Sugarland

2006 Best New Artist Grammy Nominations
Nintendo DS owners can now be virtual dog owners as well, thanks to the wildly popular Nintendogs series.


The Star Wars franchise remains a juggernaut in the videogame industry with the winter release of Star Wars: Battlefront II.

Gamers wait in line for hours to get their hands on the year's hottest holiday video game console, Microsoft's Xbox 360.

The addictive numbers logic puzzle, Su Doku, captures the attention of crazed puzzlers across the nation.

The classic game of 20 Questions gets a makeover for 2005 with the artificial intelligence powered 200, one of this year's hottest toys.

Music videos and TV shows are accessible on the go with the newest must-have item from Apple, the iPod with video.
In June, the San Antonio Spurs win the 2005 NBA Championship over the Detroit Pistons in a thrilling seven-game Finals series. Spurs forward Tim Duncan wins MVP honors.

In February 2006, figure skater Sasha Cohen leads the U.S. Olympic Team into the XX Olympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy.

Danica Patrick, 23-year-old race driver, wins Rookie of the Year honors in both the Indy Racing League’s IndyCar Series and at the Indianapolis 500, where she finishes fourth.

Citing conduct unbecoming to the team, the Philadelphia Eagles suspend wide receiver Terrell Owens for four games and deactivate him for the remainder of the NFL season.

The Pittsburgh Steelers hold off the Seattle Seahawks for a 21-10 victory in Super Bowl XL. Future Hall of Famer Jerome “The Bus” Bettis retires after the game.

NHL hockey returns in fall 2005 after losing the entire ’04-’05 season to a labor dispute. Fans flock to see players in new uniforms and exciting innovations like tie-breaking shootouts.

Hawaiian golf phenom Michelle Wie turns professional on her 16th birthday and signs endorsements worth $10 million, making her one of the highest paid female athletes in the world.
In November, WWE superstar Eddie Guerrero dies of heart failure. In 2004, Guerrero was only the second wrestler of Hispanic heritage to win the WWE championship.

American Lance Armstrong wins his unprecedented seventh Tour de France in July. Armstrong then retires from competitive cycling.

BMX superstar Dave Mirra wins the gold medal in the BMX Park Finals of X Games XI.

Longhorns quarterback Vince Young leads Texas to a national championship with a dramatic 41-38 comeback victory over USC in the 2006 Rose Bowl.

After an 88-year wait, the Chicago White Sox win the 2005 World Series, sweeping the Houston Astros in four games. White Sox right fielder Jermaine Dye is named Series MVP.

Two-time champion Tony Stewart wins NASCAR's Nextel Cup Series and a record $13.6 million in winnings in 2005. Stewart's career Cup earnings now total over $48 million.

Swiss tennis superstar Roger Federer wins two Grand Slam titles, at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, along with all four ATP Masters Series events.
Beloved "Gilligan's Island" funnyman Bob Denver dies of cancer at 70. Although only 98 episodes of the popular sitcom were made, Denver was typecast as the nutty Gilligan for his entire career.

Kristin Cavallari, featured on the MTV reality show "Laguna Beach," becomes one of Hollywood's hottest young personalities.


Actor Tom Cruise, 43, makes headlines all year with his controversial views on psychiatry, his new love, actress Katie Holmes, and his couch gymnastics on CBS's "The Oprah Winfrey Show" and NBC's "Tonight Show with Jay Leno."

Actor-comedian Richard Pryor dies at 65 in December. Pryor's concerts and movies in the '70s and '80s inspired performers like Eddie Murphy, Arsenio Hall and Robin Williams.

Peter Jennings, anchor of ABC's "World News Tonight," dies of lung cancer in August. The popular TV journalist held the anchor position for 22 years.

Coretta Scott King, legendary civil rights advocate and widow of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., dies in January 2006. She was 78.