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## CLASS OF 2013













## HE SENIOR GLASS OF 2019

A select few of the Lowry seniors were asked how their year final year at Lowry was,

what their best memory of Lowry was, and how their high school experience was overall. Some of them even shared what they're going to miss most. A lot of the students agreed that their year

was fun and that they loved their teachers.

"It was amazing. I had a lot of great experiences and it was really fun," said Raven Black. Some students, like Taylor Martin, would disagree with that.

"It was alright. The classes were alright, teachers were alright, the sports were pretty fun. nada I'm going to miss the sports," said Martin.

Other seniors were a lot more nostalgic in their responses. Some of them are really going to miss it here.

"My senior year was actually really laid back," said Dax Kemp. He continued to say that he was happy this year went by so fast. "I see myself outside of high school; I don't see myself in high school." Kemp said that he's definitely going to miss his friends because he plans on moving away. "[I'm going to miss] lunch time. Going up to the field and playing football with my buddies. It's rough, but it's fun."

"You meet a lot of great people

here. This place is growing," Kemp said referring to his friends and the teachers.

"I guess overall it was pretty easy until, like, half way through," said Matt Cameron. He continued to say that he's not going to miss anything about Lowry and his best experience was meeting

his girlfriend.

Lesley Keever said her senior year was super fun and really easy. She's going to miss the teachers and Jodie. She also said that Leticia Gomez is her favorite freshman. Her best experience at Lowry was passing her proficiency tests and getting good grades.

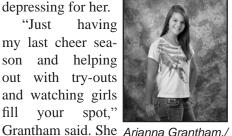
"I'm probably going to miss my Advisory class the most," said Arianna Grantham. "Mr. Storm was the coolest advisory teacher; we seriously had the most chill class ever." She said her senior year was her favorite year but it was also the most

depressing for her. having "Just my last cheer season and helping

Lesley Keever,/

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out with try-outs and watching girls your spot,"



continued to say Courtesy · Winnada

that getting ready for your last prom and homecoming is a real "Debbie Downer."

"My best experience would probably be just hanging out with Raven, Peyton, Ere and Lesley and just doing whatever we so choose to do and having Smoothie Wednesdays. It was just a blast with them," said Grantham.

DonVito DeGrazia said, "I'm definitely not going to miss getting in trouble, but I am gonna miss the teachers; I love every single teacher." When asked how his senior year was over all, De-Grazia said it was alright and it went by really fast like most the other seniors have said.

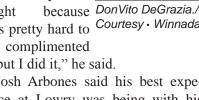
"I think my best experience at Lowry was probably getting complimented by Mrs. Knight she's pretty hard to get complimented



Courtesy · Winnada

by, but I did it," he said.

Josh Arbones said his best experience at Lowry was being with his see SENIORS page 3



## Valedictorian: Riata Kull

enior Riata Kull was chosen as Valedictorian for the class of 2013. The Valedictorian is the student who has kept the highest cumulative grade point aver-

This year, the Valedictorian is an excellent student with a passion for learning. She has worked hard since her freshman year to earn honest, and caring. She is Winnada Rieta Rose Kull.

this title. She is independent, Riata Kull./ Courtesy • She will deliver the commencement

speech at graduation and say "thank

you" to all the people that helped her throughout her school career. "Mr. Setzer, Mr. Corak, Mr. Storm, Mr. Beck, and my parents are just a few of the people I want to thank." said Kull.

Kull also had some advice to all the future Valedictorian hopefuls.

"Just keep at it. There are times where you'll feel like quitting, but you have to be persistent and do what



## Academic Assembly: 'Cat in the Hat' style

any students, staff, and parents gathered in the old gym on May 8, to attend the annual Lowry High School Assembly of Excellence. Every year this event takes on a different theme, and this year's theme was one that everyone would be able to recognize, Dr. Seuss. The shirts handed out for the event had the well known, Cat in the Hat along with the famous quote "I meant what I said and I said what I meant, I always give 100%," printed on them. Dr. Seuss themed decorations welcomed students, staff and parents as they prepared to hear a total of 812 awards



Mrs. Ludlow and Mrs. James applaud Brandon Tomey on his Linares with her "Most Inspi-"Inspirational Student Award"./ rational Student Award"./Ron Ron Espinola • The Brand



Mrs. Pasquale presents Marie Espinola • The Brand

There were breaks in the presentation of awards that included performances by the Basque and Spirit of Mexico dancers, along with the members of the Encore Dance Academy and a surprise performance by a few members of the Percussion class.

One of the most important awards that is handed out at the assembly is the Most Inspirational Student award. Every year teachers nominate a student who has faced hardship but has still strived to meet their goals, while inspiring others in the process. This year there were two

recipients of this award, seniors Marie Linares and Brandon Tomey. Fellow students gave both of there inspirational students a standing ovation as they received their awards.

The top two seniors this year were Carli Evatz and Riata Kull; they were awarded a \$1,000 ca shier's check.

The top ten students in each grade level were awarded either a \$100 visa credit card or a choice of a \$50 visa card or a letterman's jacket.

The top ten seniors were Tyler Brumm, Sarah Custer, Carli Evatz, Sarah Gillespie, Cortney Kieser, Riata Kull, Maddie Mitch, Daniel Pollock, Ashley Principe, and Matt Ruehl. The top ten juniors included Dusty Bryan, Joseba Criswell, Amaya Davis, Maeve Donovan, Hayley Goldblatt, Chris Kitras, Tanner Lecumberry, Tytus Millikan, Taylor Schwartz, and Rachel Sigurdson. The top ten sophomores were Donovan Brumm, Auri Criddle, Alyssa Dendary, Sabrina Jensen, Emma Kracaw, Kylee McClellan, Meg Montero, Josh Rose, Thomas Schwartz, and Elizabeth Sims. The top ten freshmen were Katie Arrien, Caitlynn Cooper, Marcos Duran-Salcedo, Rebekah Goldblatt, Jewel Lapira, Aislinn Marsden, Madison Mayo, Jacob Palmer, Maggie see ASSEMBLY page 3



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### Art/Career Tech students show their skills at showcase

By Marcos Duran-Salcedo

he Annual CTE/Art Night was held May 23, with over 300 pieces of art displayed and many people in attendance. Art, drafting projects, woodshop furniture, welding displays, and much more was on display. Many students were working on projects as the night progressed, to give spectators a feel of what they do in class.

Mr. Andrew Anderson only had good things to say about the event. "The night has Duran-Salcedo • The Brand gone sublimely," said Anderson. "There are hundreds of pieces of art out there, and that's not an exaggeration. I couldn't be prouder of my students. There's a lot of art that goes unnoticed, that's why we're excited."

Mrs. Courtney Rorex had a similar tone to Anderson's.

"The night's been excellent, with no rain. There's 200 pieces of art out there, maybe more," said Rorex. "I am very thrilled about this. Everything turned out nicely. If you haven't tried art, you should, you might

be missing something."

But the night wasn't just about with many CTE projects on well. Mr. Don Walton



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FFA students selling T-shirts./Marcos



Sewing projects./Marcos Duran-Salcedo • The Brand



Sidewalk art by Art students./Marcos Duran-Salcedo • The Brand

threw in his opinion about the showcase. "During the night, you see a lot of people you normally don't see, and that's a good thing. It's neat to see a collection of things by the students." said Walton.

Overall, it was a pleasant evening for those who went to the showcase. If passed away. If you would like you didn't, you can come any year at to participate, wear the followaround this time.



Work done by Furniture and Cabinet Making students./Marcos Duran-Salcedo • The Brand

#### Colors worn to honor students BY WESTON IRONS

his week, students and staff will be honoring the students who have ing colors this week. There will be ribbons in the office for students to pick up.

The colors are the following; Monday: Pink, in memory of Yesica Juanes; Tuesday: Green in memory of Luis Covarrubias; Wednesday: Red, in memory of Michael Murchison and Robert Wiek; Thursday: Purple, in memory of Esmeralda Avalos; and Friday: Yellow, in memory

of Cody Nielson.

Mrs. James credits Brandon Tomey for the great idea to honor the students who have passed.

"Brandon Tomey is a wonderful student, the whole thing was his idea, he was the brain child behind remembering the passed students." said James.

Chloe Yates had a heartwarming message to the passed students.

"We wish you could be walking on that stage with us and though you won't be with us physically you will always be in our hearts," said Yates.

### Seniors

friends. "[I'm going to miss] Kagen Barns and DonVito De-Grazia," said Arbones. His senior year, the parts that he can remember of it anyway, were pretty good.

"My best experience at Lowry was being able to be a part of the wrestling dynasty that has gone on for the past five years," said Cody Andersen. "I'm going to miss being able to play on the football field every Friday night."

"Overall it's been great, it's been the easiest year so far," Anderson said referring to his senior

To end their amazing year, the seniors have been hosting fun activities like Senior Skit Night. The graduating drama students got to recreate scenes from their favorite movies and TV shows while others performed songs and monologues. The skits were, as always, hilarious and touching. Drama won't be the same without the se-

Senior Sunset is also one of the last hurrahs the seniors get to participate in.

The majority of the senior class participated in the Senior Skip Day. Most of the seniors went to Rypatch and hung out with friends. Other seniors just stayed home and slept the day away.

#### Assembly

Tyree and Cheyenna Wolicki.

The students of the month were awarded with a free movie pass for Parks Cinemas. The following were selected by their teachers as students of the month throughout the school year: Carly Bell, Trase Bell, Amanda Brandon, Ashley Bressem, Donovan Brumm, Timothy Burroughs, Juan Castro, Lydia Covarrubias, Christopher Dendary, Daisy Diaz, Maeve Donovan, Colin Doyle, Blake Duncan, Marcos Duran-Salcedo, Clay Erquiaga, Rachael Foster, David Galeana, Ryan Godinez, Francisco Gonzalez, Samantha Hernandez, Ere Higbee, Jack Hill, Lindsey Howell, Jessica Jensen, Emma Kracaw, Gabrielle Lapira, Makayla Lopez, Leonard Madrid, Lindsay Pate, Renee Poole, Maria Ramos-Bueno, Joshua Rose, Carina Ruiz, Brandon Tomey,

Katherine Tyree, and Perla Valdez.

This year's Assembly was one that students would not soon forget. With a "Cat in the Hat" theme, some students wonder how they will be able to top the success of this



Sarah Betteridge, Alexis Kranovich, and Carina Ruiz perform a Percussion piece./ Ron Espinola · The Brand







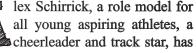
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## Athlete of the Year: Alex Schirrick

By Jessie Schirrick



been selected 2012-2013 Athlete of the Year.

Not only is she an all-star athlete but she maintains a 4.0 GPA and is an active member of the National Honor society. You can also find her in the weight room lifting just about as much as half the boys.

"I've always tried to get involved in as many things as I can," said Schirrick.

She has been a varsity athlete since her sophomore year. In cheerleading she was a highly advanced flyer and her team took 2nd at competition her sophomore year. She made the All-American UCA cheer squad in 2011. In track she participates in relays and sprints. Her relay team took 4th in State for the  $4 \times 200$ , her relay team took 6th and 7th for the  $4 \times 100$  and the  $4 \times 200$ , respectively, she took 7th in state for the 100-meter dash her junior year. She was also rewarded Sprinter of the Year 2012.

Schirrick has been a cheerleader since she was just a child.

"I started cheerleading when I was in first grade on the NNC All Star Team, and I made the Senior elite squad by the time I was in fourth grade. I continued doing cheer throughout Junior High and all through High School. I was first introduced to track in elementary school when we had track days. I won the 800-meter and set a record in long jump. I also did track in junior high and all throughout high school," said Schir-

rick.

Alex Schirrick comes from a long line of cheerleaders as her two older sisters were also on the Lowry team.

"Watching my older sisters is what inspired me to get involved," said Schirrick.

Her advice for other cheerleaders is to have fun because it goes by really fast.

She is the first of her family to do track and says her enthusiasm for the sport has always been influenced by Olympic runners.

Her favorite high school sports memory was getting 5th at Zone her junior year because it allowed her to compete at state as an individual which had been a goal of hers since she was a Freshman. Her least favorite memory is cheerleading morning practices for the Homecoming and Winterfest performances.

> She prefers Track over cheerleading because it better fulfills her competitive drive.

"My coaches have taught me a lot about working with other and striving success," said Schirrick.

Although her future plans do not include pursuing an athletic career, she has a promising future in Nursing by attending UNR.

"Because Nursing requires a lot of hard work, I need to focus on my academics. Getting my degree is very important too me," said Schirrick.



## Athlete of the Year: Michael Billingsley

By Weston Irons

ond wrestler in Lowry history to win four individual sate championships, was All-State for football, and is just an all around solid athlete. He excels in sports and also in

ichael Billingsley; the sec-

Year, a title that he has earned.

So far Michael's senior year has been great. He's added to his list of sports accomplishments as well as re-

school, making him the Athlete of the

ceiving multiple academic awards.

"My year has been pretty ideal. I got All-State in football, our wrestling team won another state championship and I won another individual wrestling championship and so has my brother," said Billingsley.

Michael's biggest accomplishment has been in wrestling this year. He has

four individual wrestling titles and was of a wrestling

team that has won five straight championships.

Michael has made many new friends and teammates in his four years of high school. He gives a lot of credit them for helping him accomplish what he has.

"Without the teammates I've had there's no way that I would be able to accom-

plish what I have, especially in the wrestling room we all push each other really hard," said Billingsley.

Something Michael is really going to miss about playing sports for Lowry is the people who come and watch and support as well as his teammates.

"I'm going to miss the closeness of the town and how they would support us and also having the teammates I have," said Billingsley.

Michael's cousin Jace Billingsley has served as his biggest inspiration. Being cousins they grew up together, played sports together, and are very close.

"My cousin Jace is my biggest inspiration, he has been my best friend since forever and has always been my wrestling partner since we were little. He pushed me through all of these years," said Billingsley.

Outside of sports and school Micheal enjoys doing many things.
"I like hanging out with my

"I like hanging out with my friends, going to the lake, wakeboard, fish, and being outdoors," said Billingsley.

With Michael leaving Lowry and going off to wrestle for the United States Air Force Academy, he has advice not only current Lowry athletes but future Lowry athletes as well.

"Don't take anything for granted, and make sure you give every sport 100% because it goes by fast and you will regret not giving it everything you got," finished Billingsley.



## Hard work pays off for Drake By Justin Albright

owry athletes are some of the most successful studentathletes in all of Nevada, however, despite all of the successes in sports, Lowry doesn't get too many athletes going to the ultimate level of Division 1A sports at the collegiate level.

Michael Drake has achieved this goal of climbing that ladder onto Division 1 spots, as Drake is trading in his blue and gold uniform for the black and orange of the Oregon State Beavers.

"Oregon State has always been my number one pick in schools since I was a sophomore, and just for all this to happen, being accepted to school



Michael Drake and his Oregon State teammates./ Courtesy • Facebook

and the whole tryout process and making the team was just awesome," said Drake.

Drake didn't plan on being a cheerleader until his sophomore year, since he originally played basketball and many other sports.

"I just wanted to try something different, and it looked really fun," said Drake.

As Drake was growing up, he never really thought about cheering, because he mainly played basketball, football, and also had a love for rodeo.

"When I was younger, I loved Rodeo and my biggest dream was to be in the PBR," said Drake.

Cheering is Drake's true passion, but while he's away from cheering, there are quite a few things he enjoys doing, but he doesn't drift too far away from his passion.

"I like to lift weights, eat and just think about cheer," said Drake.

"I like to lift weights, eat and just think about cheer," said Drake



### Boys golf repeats as champions

By Josh Shaver

any people had doubts the Buckaroos could repeat after the southern teams dropped from the 4A. After last year's dominating performance at state, the Lowry Buckaroos found themselves trailing after the first day of state this year to Faith Lutheran.

The Bucks hadn't trailed all season or really even came close to losing.

On the first day the Buckaroos trailed by 23 shots after the first nine holes of play. The momentum turned after that as the Bucks rallied back and only trailed by 1 to close the day.

After Cole Erquiaga shot a team low of 76 followed by Ethan Gray (77), Chris Mendoza (77), Josh Rose (81), and Chris Dendary and Andy Mendoza tied for a 84.

"From coming back from a 1 stroke deficit on the first day to watch them dominate like that I couldn't be more proud. The attitude was great. That was the first time we jumped in the suburban after being down by 1 stroke. It felt like we were up by 30. The momentum total-

ly shifted our way. With all the speculation on the southern teams and the hype of Faith Lutheran, we were kind of the underdog coming into the tournament. We pretty much established that the Lowry golf dynasty will be here for a while. Congrats to everybody, a special congrats to Chris Dendary and Ethan Gray for going so low on the second day. I couldn't be more proud of Chris for what he accomplished his senior year," said coach Andrew Meyer.

The second day went well. Ethan Gray shot a team low of 71 and finished second overall in the state. Chris Dendary shot 72 and finished fifth overall in the state. Cole Erquiaga shot 82 on the second day having trouble putting, but he finished tied for sixth.

Chris Mendoza shot 82 as well on the second day and finished seventh overall. Andy Mendoza shot 84 like his first day and still placed in the top ten. Josh Rose shot a 88 the second day to place 15th. The team total for the two days was 786 which was good enough to take state for the second straight year.





## The year in Lowry sports By Justin Albright

#### Football

or the third year in the row, Lowry had a very successful year. The year was clouded with doubt though due to the graduation of Jace Billingsley, people didn't know what to expect, but Coach Tim Billingsley made a switch at the quarterback position putting junior Calvin Connors in the start-



Cody Andersen makes a tackle against Fernley./ Ron Espinola • The Brand

ing spot and making Lowry have more balinced offenive attack. Bucks ompiled record of 10-2, but for the third straight year,

the Bucks made the trip down to Moapa Valley for the first round of playoffs and suffered another heartbreaking loss. The Bucks are returning the majority of their team, so look for them to have another successful year.

#### Girls Soccer

After returning the majority of their team from the previous year, the girls soccer team had high hopes. The Bucks returned the majority of their team from last year, and featured two freshmen that made an immediate impact. The Bucks reached the playoffs this year, but lost to the Elko Indians in the Quar- Rikki Hamilton tries to terfinal matchup. The Bucks get the ball back./ Jolyn aren't losing any players off Garcia • The Brand this year's squad, as they



have very high hopes for next year's squads.

#### Girls Golf

Coming off a successful season, the lady Buckaroo Golf Team had high hopes as they were returning the majority of last years team. The girls worked hard every day in practice and consistently improved on their skills, which led to the fourth place finish in state, and second in league. Alyssa Dendary, Cortney Keiser, Tori Echeverria, Caitlyn Orr, and Macy Alvarez took the journey to the state tournament, nobody placed in the top 6, but Keiser took eighth and Dendary placed 11.

#### Boys Soccer

Starting off the year, the Bucks were hoping to make their goal of reeling in the school's first state championship. They didn't meet those goals, but

they had a very successful year, as they were led by junior, Carlos Aguilar. Aguilar broke the Nevada record for goals in a season. The Bucks are only losing two players from this years

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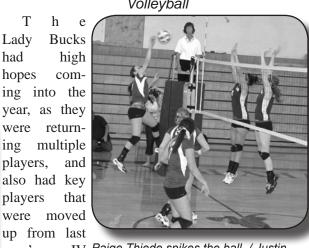
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team as Christian Villagomez and Luis Angel Hernandez played their final game for the blue and gold.

#### Cross Country

The men and women who were on the Lowry High School Cross Country team really ran their hearts out this year. The team had very strong runners this year, both returning from the previous years, and very strong freshmen that helped the team.

Volleyball



JV Paige Thiede spikes the ball ./ Justin Albright • The Brand

Bucks struggled throughout the year, they still worked hard and improved on a daily basis. The

Bucks have very high hopes for next year as they're only losing four players to graduation.

#### Boys Basketball

After winning the school's eighth state championship, the Bucks had high hopes coming into the year, as they were returning the majority of the team from the previous year's state championship team. The Bucks had another marvelous year, as they compiled a 21-7 record. The Bucks reached the Northern Championship game, and also reached the state tournament. Nobody gave the Bucks a chance going into the quarterfinal match up against the Jaguars of Desert Pines, even though the Bucks lost that game, they earned respect all over the state of Nevada. The Bucks have big shoes to fill due to the departures of three year starter, Jesse Studebaker, and two big contributors to the team in Chris Dendary and Tyler Brumm.

#### Wrestling

The most storied wrestling program in the state was at it again this year, as they collected their fifth straight state championship. Michael Billingsley became the schools second 4-time state champion, as he

followed in the footsteps of his cousin, Jace. Cody Anderson and Daniel Pollock capped of their Lowry careers on top, as they both reeled in another



Michael Billingsley tries to pin an op ponent./ Courtesy • Tim Grady

state championship. The Bucks are only losing five seniors from this years squad, so look for them to collect their sixth straight state championship next year.

#### Girls Basketball

After losing multiple players from last year's squad, not many people knew what to expect from this year's team. The Bucks didn't do as well as they had hoped, but they still made it to the playoffs, as they faced off against the eventual state champion,

the Spring Creek Spartans. Look for the Lady Bucks to have a dominant season next year, as they are only losing two players to graduation. The Bucks made a change at the coaching position this offseason, as Chelsea Cabatbat is moving up from the JV team to take the Varsity head coaching position.





Taylor Schwartz grabs the The Lowry base- rebound against Elko./ Jolyn ball team once again Garcia • The Brand

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## Coach of the Year: Ty Lucas

his year, Lowry had many great athletic achievements in many different programs, from a strong domination on the mats in wrestling to the golf team's state championship. The athletes are the ones who

are largely responsible for all this success, but the coaches are the true drive behind the teams.

"The Brand" asked many student-athletes to choose a coach that deserves recognition for their coaching abilities. Based on responses, Tyrrell Lucas as selected as Coach of the Year for his guidance and leadership of the teams he

Lucas has participated in many sports throughout his life including football, base- Coach Ty Lucas./ ball, basketball, and many extreme sports such Courtesy · Winnada as snowboarding and motocross. His experi-

ence and passion for the sports he played is reflected on his coaching of Lowry's varsity softball team, freshman basketball squad, and JV Football team for the past seven seasons. He noted that football has been his favorite due to its different mentality.

"There's something about football that I really enjoy. It has a completely different mentality and is a sport very

unique in itself," said Lucas.

When he started coaching he joined the football coaching staff and was recognized as a knowledgeable and well-rounded coach. He is also very popular with the student body when it comes to his coaching.

"I think he's a really good coach and makes t fun for the kids, he's not always serious but serious when he needs to be." said Robert Stepper, who had Lucas as a coach in JV football.

When asked about what they thought of Lucas many of the athletes had very positive opin-

ions on his coaching skills. "Coach Lucas, in my opinion, is probably one of the coolest coaches for sure," said Marcus Molina, who was coached by Lucas in JV Football.



#### Where are they going?

BY JUSTIN ALBRIGHT

sesse Studebaker is taking his talents to Lewis & Clark State College in Lewistown, Idaho to play on their basketball

Michael Drake is heading to Oregon, as he's going to be a Beaver and attend Oregon State University as he's joining their cheering squad.

ingsley is taking his wrestling skills to the mats at the Air Force Acad- Jesse Studebaker./ Jolyn emy



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### Year in Sports



Tytin Johnson steps up to the plate./ Jolyn Garcia • The Brand

had a stelyear as hey finished with 7-12 record. **Bucks** started the off eason with a couple but quickly improved so much that they had

advantage in the first round of the playoffs. Despite having home field, the Bucks suffered two heartbreaking losses on their own field to end their season. The Bucks are losing five key contributors to this team as Michal Arenas, Jesse Studebaker, Tyler Brumm, Matt Wells, and Daniel Pollock have all worn the blue and gold for the last time.

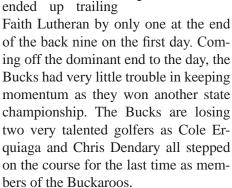
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#### Boys Golf

Coming off the schools 11 state championship, the golf team had high hopes for the year. The boys have had another outstanding year as the Bucks won yet another state championship.

The Bucks had a very dominate year, and it showed in the tournament as on the first day, the Bucks trailed Faith Lutheran by 23 on the first nine, but on the second nine they put their Joseba Criswell heads down and practices his putting game./ Justin Alput in work as they bright • The Brand



#### Softball

Coming off a year that included an appearance in the state championship game which included a heartbreaking loss, and losing nine key players from that squad, the Lady Bucks didn't really know what to expect from this years young team. However, this young squad quickly emerged into one of the best teams in Northern Nevada as they went 26-12, and like the baseball team, also had home field advantage. The Bucks suffered a heartbreaking loss in the playoffs as Fernley hit a walk-off in extra innings to end the Buckaroos season. The Bucks only lose two players though, so look for them to be even more dominant next year.

#### Track

The boy's and girl's of the Lowry track team ran their hearts out this year, as they all had one goal in mind, which was to try and make it to the state tournament. There are 10 members who

have reached that goal as they travdown Silverado. The throwers that made it o state were Sergio Castenaeda, Tay-Martin, and Cody An-

dersen. The

pole vaulters were Rachel Sigurdson. Raven Black and Robert Stepper represented the high jumpers. Auri Criddle, Monique Rodriguez, Alex Schirrick, and Taylor LaTray represented the sprinters. Nobody placed in the top sixth, but they still tried their hardest in every event. Look for the track team to come back strong as they're returning the majority of their team, but are losing Alex Schirrick, Cody Andersen, and Taylor Martin to graduation.

#### Swimming

This year's swim team had an outstanding year this year. There was a lot of good energy in the practices, and 13 members went to the state meet. The Bucks traveled to Carson for state, and everyone improved on their times as the season came to a close. Senior, Tori Echeverria took 7th place in the back stroke. Senior Matt Ruehl placed 5th in the 100 meter breast stroke. All of the relay teams took 7th. The Bucks are maintaining the core of this year's team for next season, but five seniors have swam their last lap as Ruehl, Echeverria, Jeremiah Mastrejuan, Trystan Blouir, and Iva Mendoza are all graduating.



Beau Billingsley gets a quick start off the blocks./ Jolyn Garcia • The Brand







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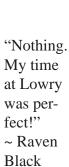
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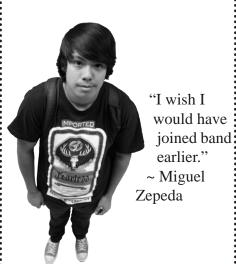
# By Mickey Donovan



What one thing would you: change about your time at Lowry?

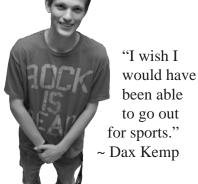




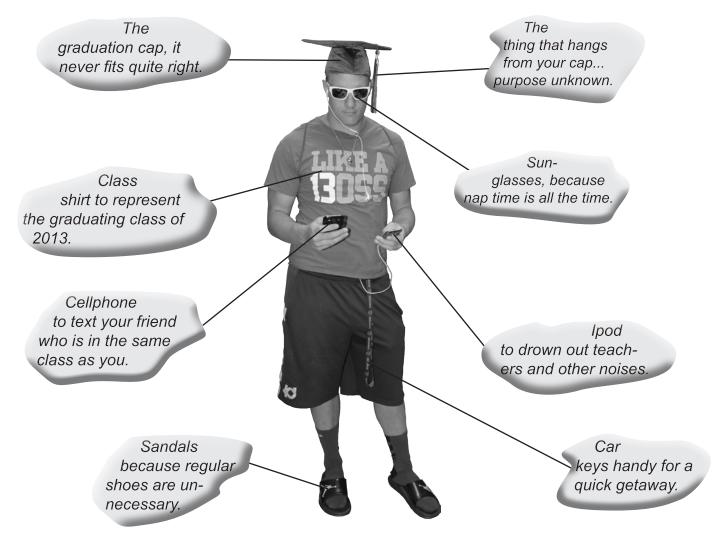


"I would have liked to have been in cheer longer or have earned better grades for a higher





### THE IDEAL SELIOR Bv Jolvn Garcia





#### Seniors share their memories By Taylor LaTray

fter 12 long years of education and four even longer years of high school, the class of 2013 is finally graduating. Some of the seniors generously shared their best and worst memories of their se-

nior year.



Yoana Chavez./ Courtesy • Winnada

"My favorite memory of high school was being sophomore class president because our class became more open with each other. It was also a life learning experience," said

Yoana Chavez.

"I was skipping class with a friend him while he was Courtesy • Winnada

and while I was outside the art building a janitor reported me and Kristy Bell came out screaming and tore me a new one, it was just a funny memory to look Torrey Herrera./ back on," Dusty Hamilton.

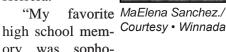
"The whole swing choir went to Las Vegas! We found out one of us talks in his sleep. We ended up messing with Dusty Hamilton./



said Courtesy • Winnada



asleep the whole night. Funny stuff. We found out that he would dance if we gave him fudge in his sleep, haha," said Torrey Herrera.



ory was sophomore year lunch. My friends and I would pull pranks on people. They were not the best pranks, but they had us laughing," said MaElena Sanchez.

"My favorite high school memories were all dropping it like it's hot with my girls at the high school dances," said Elizabeth Castillo.

Vance



#### Where are they now? By Josh Shaver

here are some of the graduates of 2012 and what are they doing now? Jordan Rinas went to CSI. He is working on his associates. He is working on his Bachelors degree in secondary education in social sciences and over the summer he is trying to add k-12 physical education on his degree. Rinas is also manager for the basketball team is currently ranked nationally. With doing all that he is looking finish with a 3.0 GPA.

Betsy Guerrero after high school last year decided to go play volleyball at Lassen Junior College. Her team got new coaches from the University



Betsy Guerrero./ Courtesy · Winnada

of Nevada Reno for this coming season. She is really looking forward to this season and is looking to play somewhere after she finishes up at Lassen. She is taking general classes and also business classes to get her associates in business transfer

continue that at a four year school. She isn't sure where she wants to go after she is finished at Lassen but is willing to go anywhere to further her education.

from the class of 2012 decided to go and attend Gonzaga University. She absolutely loved it at Gonzaga her first year. She is in a nursing program Melanie Vance./ and a member of Courtesy · Winthe kennel club. She goes to every home

Melanie



basketball game and couldn't be more proud to support the Zags. She maintained a GPA of a 3.7 and met some awesome people. Melanie is very excited to go back next year.

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## Class at 2013 - Plans for your future ...

Class	of cois - 1 com	Algoria	Lange Comment
Maria Paguada	Co to college in Car Dogge	Amondo Dodoon	Co to the Ohympia
	Go to college in Las Vegas. In spring go to Milan Institute for Cos-		Go to the Olympics. Millionaire/Rock Star.
Lana / Loura S	metology or Paul Mitchell's and party.		Attend OSU, major in Exercise and sports
Macy Alvarez	Move to Reno and start working at a	C	science and cheer for OSU and work for
	dental office as an assistant.		NCA.
Thomas Ames		Joshua Dufurrena	
Cody Andersen	Go to Boise, live with sister, go to college,	Colleen Dunlap	Go to UNR for a year and try to receive
	or stay here, go to GBC and work to help		a type one ROTC scholarship. If not I
	out my parents and repay them for every- thing they have done for me.		will enlist in the Air Force and then go to college. At the same time I will continue
Ioshua Arhonies	Going to the mines.		learning self defense for preparation for
	Attend EOU to play football and figure out what I'm going to		military service.
	do with my life.	Joleen Dunlap	
Jennifer Barajas			I'm going to the U of U after having the summer of my life!
	To move to Reno and go to TMCC.	Cole Erquiaga	I plan to attend college in Carlsbad, Ca. and get a degree in bus
	Finish CAN classes and go further in nursing.		ness, and golf management.
Taylor Begay	Move to Denver and go to school for Physical Therapy/Sports	Marc Esquivel	
$\sigma$ . $\circ$ $\sigma$	Medicine.	O S.T.	lege, go to law school, then run the world. =)
Lanner Bell	I plan to go work at the sa <mark>me mi</mark> ne as my dad and mak <mark>e</mark> good	Carli Evatz	
Chanaga Data	money. To move to Elko with my boyfriend and pursue a degree in Medi-		science. Eventually I will get my doctor of veterinary medicine degree.
Cheyenne Betz	cine.	Irma Fernandez	Plans not submitted.
Michael Billinaslev	Wrestle at the United States Air Force Academy while earning a		United States Marine Corps.
Munuei Duingsie y	degree in management.		To become a Marine.
Raven Black	I pla <mark>n on m</mark> oving away to go to school		M <mark>ove to R</mark> eno and attend TMCC. After
	either in Boise or Denver.	DOMINATE	1 year there, move to Sacramento and
Sydney Blankenship	Go to TMCC for my basics then off to the		attend Sac State Baby!
	Mackay School of Mines for my mining	Rebecca Flanders	
Trystan Blouir	engineering degree.		taxidermy license, be a taxidermist here In Winnemucca part-
	Go t <mark>o college, get m</mark> y degree, the <mark>n start</mark>		time. Go to Carson city law enforcement academy, become a
Talar Parthon an	rackin' in that doe. M.I.T. and become a softwa <mark>re engineer.</mark>	Kiana Flores	part-time game Warden
	Plans not submitted.		Go to CSI meet a lot of people and have a great time. Attending Lassen for baseball and after two years going to eith
	Diesel school, work 3 or 2 years then leave	Jucii I omio y	UNR or Oregon to be a duck.
Coloy Dioong	this town.	David Galeana	
Tyler Brumm	Go to U of U and go Pre-med.	AIKER	ing my complete and total contempt of the planet Earth as a
Devon Buckner	Help <mark>my mom get away from my</mark> step-father and get her on her		whole.
8.1 13	feet in a place here in Winnemucca.	Jessica Garcia	Staying here and take basic classes at GBC and then move to
	Hopefully going into the Army.		Oregon.
Matthew Cameron	I plan to work for a couple years in construction where I just started, then go get two years of criminal justice, before becoming a police officer.	Maddison Gilbert	I plan to attend college in Wyoming.Pursuing a degree in Equin health and nutrition, while continuing on with my rodeo career.
Michael Cardenas	Sleep all day, party all night. Go to GBC. Honestly, I don't	Sarah Gillespie	
	know. My life is like a "pay-as-you-go" cell phone!	Marie Control	and go to school. Eventually I will get my
Edith Castaneda	I will move to Arizona and be a cosmetologist.		Ph.D. in psychology.
Mary Castaneda	I will UNR in the fall and major in Pre-law, then after getting	Trey Gomez	
	my pre-law degree, I plan to hopefully attend Stanford Law		sage therapy.
	School and get my Masters in Law.	Juan Gonzalez	After I finish <mark>my E</mark> MT classes I want to
	Move to Vegas and become a Show Girl.	Qui anna Carratti ann	become a paramedic.
100	Move to Vegas to start a basic job until  I save enough money to become a voice	A <mark>ria</mark> nna Grantham	Plan to attend TMCC and p <mark>ursue a career</mark> in culinary arts and teaching, also plan to get c <mark>razy ove</mark> r the sur
	actor in Florida.		mer.
	Get a job and try not to be bored in life.	Iustice Grieve	Plans not submitted.
	I plan on taking some Dental courses,		Get a job and save up money, then I want to move back to Cali
	get my core basics, work, and then go to	3	fornia and go to college. Then move back and get a high paying
	UNR. =)		job here in Winnemucca.
	To be the very best, like no one ever was.	Erick Gutierrez	Study graphic design with hopes to start my own clothing line
Daisy Clark	Well, considering the fact my super		one day. If all else fails I'll be a welder and work in a mine.
	powers are no longer, I'm gonna have to be a waitress to save up	Dusty Hamilton	Work for a year save up money and move to Reno. Then attend
	money to finish my degree. I'm hoping my powers will come back	9:((:a( :6	college to be a nutritionist.
Abusham Clausen	though. I was almost as cool as Tony Stark.		Plans not submitted.
Abraham Clayson	I plan <mark>on finishi</mark> ng my motorcycle and then going to college for computer technologies.	чаушт <b>н</b> аг <b>неш</b>	Attend the U of U and major in Pre-Law and minor Political Science.
Jordyn Coutts		Joshua Henderson	Go to GBC and UNR, then join the
	my goal of working in a dental office and being able to support	Joshuu Stoliuoisolii	Navy.
	myself and my family.	Luis Angel Hernandez	Work and save up to get ready to leave to
	Going to college and live in Arizona to	2 0	Coos Bay and get a welding and fabrica-
	marry a hot tan Arizona man.		tion diploma there.
	Plans not submitted.	Natali Hernandez	Plans not submitted.
Maria Cruz	Moving to California and go to Harbor	Monica Herrera	Go to college and in vacation I would be
of 65 -	College or UCL.	- A	in Mexico.
	Plans not submitted.	Torrey Herrera	Mechanical Engineer/ International man
	Attend UNR and study pre-med.	gach gaill	of mystery
DonVito DeGrazia	To stumble into every office of a CEO until I find a Christian Grey!	Jack Hill	Get my basic classes done at GBC to figure out what I want to do. Possibly get a teaching degree.
	untu 1 juu a Curistan Grey: Criminal Justice online college, then FBI	JayLen Hinkle	
	or NCIS.	Dusty Holley	Plans not submitted.
	After graduation I plan on going on several vacations, one with	Veronica Hutchings	Go to college for film, photography, and acting. Then get famou
	my family L another with my boyfriend. After Summer I plan	0	and never come back to Winnemucca.

and never come back to Winnemucca.

Alexander Jackson.......Going to ASU and major in civil Engineering, serve a 2 yr LDS

mission, get married to a beautiful and wonderful girl, help

people through my career, but most importantly, I just want to be

Savannah Ingram......Plans not submitted.

my family L another with my boyfriend. After Summer I plan

hopes of one day becoming a pediatrician.

Christopher Dendary...... Go to UNR and then become a Golf professional.

Anna DeSilva......Plans not submitted.

on moving to Phoenix AZ. with my boyfriend & begin college in

## Class of 2013 - Plans for your future...

O CONTA	O.K
the best Father/Husband	I can be.
	Stay here for 2 years, then move to Utah and do cool Med school
Kelsey Jaure	stuff, I guessGo to college to get my degree to be a vet tech. I'm looking at Car-
Derek Jaynes	rington College. Plans not submitted.
Ashlee Jenkins	
Hannah Johnson Jennae Johnson	Go to the Marine Corps. Plans not submitted.
Lane Jones	I plan to finally live my life.
	Attend the UNR and get my bachelors in marketing.
Lesley Keever Carli Keller	Milan Institute of Cosmetology, Reno,
Dax Kemp	NV. I will throw my hat in the air and hope not to lose it, then party
Laren Kenison	hardy till 4 in the morning Marines for 4-20 years, then come back to Winnemucca, then do
	whatever I'd like I'm going to save up some money then pursue my dream of becom-
	ing a pro golfer or go to a college and get my engineering degree.
	I plan on going to college to become a nurse. Attending UNLV and studying Business.
	I plan on going to UNR and majoring in Psychology. I will
Piata Kull	continue on to council all of the crazies in the world!I plan on attending UNR in the fall, hopefully finding a career
	I'm passionate about, and enjoying my life however it turns out.
Bailey Laird	
Jade Lapıra	I am internin <mark>g at an e</mark> nvironmental lab during the summer. In the fall, I will at-
	tend UNR and study health science and
Thomas Carrahoo	sports medicine. Work for Newmont mine or go to college
Thomas Larrabee	or design tattoos.
Sammantha LaTray	Attend GBC to obtain a degree in Busi-
	ness Management and Technology, and see where life takes me from there.
Donald LeGrand	Go to college, Marry Julia.
Skyler Lemm	
T. J. Lenhardt	Going to GBC for construction Electrical systems and then go to the mining industry.
	Become a Forensic Psychologist and work in the Supreme Court.
	Go to Paul Mitchell with my sista! Most likely work. I had dreams when I was young, then I took
juuquin Kourigo Lopez	the Real World to the dreams.
Alexander Lovelace	Take the EMT class until I turn 21 then go to Reno and do the
Osiris Covola	KAT-2 program it's train your dogs with the sheriffsGo to college in Las Vegas.
	Go to Burning Man then join the Air force.
Narinder Singh Mall	Attend UNR and get my degrees in Business Administration and
Taylor Martin	Computer Science and Engineering. Go to Cal State in L.A.
	Marry Sean Whitlock, become a doctor of osteopathy and have a
	blast with life. Laugh loud, live to the fullest and love without
Ransom Mathis	regrets. Plans not submitted.
	3 things: Military, move out of this town, Music Producer (go to
Joydan Macham	college for it.)
јогиан жеспат	Go to Dodge City Community College for two years and then transfer to a University probably in California to further be part
Fernando Mendoza	of the Los Angeles police department. 1st go <mark>al- party al</mark> l summer. 2nd goal- Attend GBC in Elko and
	study to become an electrician. 3rd goal- Get a mansion.
Eva Mercado	Go to college and become an ultrasound technician and x-ray technician.
Christopher Miller	
	Move to Arizona and go to GCU to study
Madeline Mitch	Business ManagementUNR to major in business.
	ONR to major in business Attending college in both Idaho and
1	Texas to become a cardiac surgeon. After
	completing college I plan on returning to  Nevada to start my own practice, run for
	Nevada to start my own practice, run for Miss Rodeo America and become a suc-
	cessful runway model.
Brenda Montanez Adriana Morfin	Plans not submitted. Going to college for Dental Hygiene

Adriana Morfin......Going to college for Dental Hygiene.

Chocolate man.

Benjamin Munk................... Get a job and get money for college and a mission for my church.

Jesse Murchison......Go to CSI for two years, then transfer to University and become

Jacinta Muratore............. Work on my parents' farm then move up to Washington.

beauty school and work. Burnell Northrup...... To go to GBC for a year or two and then go to a four year college. go to a jour year courge.

Sarah Palmer...... I will attend Seattle Pacific University and major in Pre-med. doctor! Cristhian Perez......Go to GBC in Elko and study to be an Electrician and party. Guillermo Perez Jr..... I plan to stay here and get my lower college classes done at GBC. beauty school in Reno, and live with my girls Angelica and Tiff. Michael Quilici.......Go to TMCC for construction management. Marisela Ramirez......Attending GBC for two years then go off to UNR. Jovana Ramos...... Go to beauty school, then go to college for business and then own my own beauty salon and travel the world. Maria Ramos...... To get my bachelors degree in Elementary teaching (preschool or kindergarten) and move to California. Morgan Rasmussen...... Take a year off. Megan Rehberg...... I plan to go to college and start a parttime job. Brady Riley......I'm heading to Ohio to pursue my life dream of becoming a professional beautician.
Kelton Robbins......Become a superhero. Viviana Rojas.....Stay here and work, then after look into cosmetology schools. Jose Luis Romero......I want to be an astronaut and travel to Mars. friend, Maddie Mitch! Angelica Salvador......Going to school to study Criminal Justice so I can become a cop. MaElena Sanchez...... Attend UNLV and later become a nutri-Alexandra Schirrick...... Attend UNR and major in Nursing. Austin Schultz......US Army. Richard Shemp.....Live in the Playboy Mansion. Mayelie Silva......Plans not submitted. Heather Steinhauer......Plans not submitted. Jesse Studebaker......Go to Hawaii, jump off cliffs and bungee jump! Swim with sharks. Paige Thiede.....Plans not submitted. Brandon Tomey...... Universal Heavyweight Astronaut Boxer. Donovon Tuck......Plans not submitted. Todd Turner......I don't know I guess get a job, be a musician and be happy. David Ugarte-Rodriguez.....Plans not submitted. Cristian Viera.....Plans not submitted. Omar Villa...... I plan on becoming an EMT and transferring to Elko to make their EMS group better than HGH. Christian Villagomez.....Not die. Martha Vizcarra......Plans not submitted. Tyler Von Aspern...... Plan on going to Hollywood to become a dancer. Aaryan Wadsworth...... I plan to work and then go to college after I take a semester off from school. I am going to go to college to become a veterinarian or a doctor. Kristopher Wagner.....Be an anime and magna expert. Madison Paige Waldie....... will be attending BSU for nursing after spending my summer in Europe and on numerous exciting adventures & activities with my best friend, Cortney. Hide yo

kids, hide yo wives.

Whitney Nicole Waller......Attend CSI and earn my doctorates in
Radiology.

Chandra Waner.....Go to GBC for 2 years. Then go to the Art
Institute in Las Vegas.

Cortni Welch.......Go to college at Boise State University and become a detective!

Matthew Wells......My plans are very clear. I will attend GBC in Elko for the Elec

and other vile creatures.

Samantha Yates......Go to the Navy and become an Operations specialist.

Pablo Zavala......Become an electrician and in the future open my own car audio shop.

Miguel Zepeda.....Have a lot of babies =) and drum for the rest of my life.

Freddie Ziemer.....Going to Alaska.

# -STUDENT The Brand, Lowry High School

## Senior Buckaroo Round Up

#### Jesse Murchison

lived in Winnemucca? A: Since I was in fourth grade, so about eight or

nine years. Q: How your Lowry experience?

A: Interesting, satisfying, bad and good.

Q: Do you have any College plans, if not then elaborate on other plans? A: I'm attending CSI and then transferring to a University.

Q: What will be one thing you miss about Lowry? A: The Black Panthers.

Q: If you're leaving Winnemucca where will you go? If not, what do you plan on doing here? A: Twin Falls, Idaho

Q: Do you have any idea who will receive

Q: How long have you the Valedictorian honor this year?

A: Carli Evatz

Q: What kind of exciting summer plans do you have?

Taking care of some tickets, going to my court dates, and hanging out with my friends.

Describe yourself in one word.

A: Interesting. Q: Would you describe yourself as academic athletic?

A: A little bit of both. Q: What is your dream

in life?

A: To make a living off of music.

Q: What is your favorite thing about Lowry? A: The people in it.

#### Kelton Robbins

Q: How long have you Q: If you're leaving lived in Winnemucca? A: My whole life.

: How was your experi-Lowry ence?

A: It was wonderful, I've had great friends and great relationships, and I wouldn't go back and change for anything.

Q: Do you have any College plans, if not then elaborate on other plans?

A: Not yet, but I do plan on attending college. Right after high school

I'm going on a mission for my church which will take two years and then I'll focus on college.

Q: What will be one thing you miss about Lowry?

A: Friendship and how easy it is, it's basically care free.

Winnemucca where will you go? If not, what do you plan on doing here?

> A: I plan on being here this summer and then moving to Utah with my brother. Q: Do you

have any idea who will receive Valedictorian honor this year?

A: I hope its Matt Rhuel because he's my best friend.

Q: What kind of exciting summer plans do you have?

A: Work, work, work, and more work.

Q: Who will you miss from the classes below you?

A: There's this one guy who's super cool, red hair, and his name is Wyatt Les-

#### Alexis Kranovich

How long have you lived in Winnemucca?

A: Forever.

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Q: How was your Lowry experience? A: It was alright but

I'm definitely ready for high school to be over. Q: Do you have

College

plans, if not then elaborate on other plans? A: I will attend UNR and study psychology.

Q: What will be one thing you miss about Lowry? A: The people who

make my day better. Q: If you're leaving Winnemucca where will you go? If not, what do you plan on

doing here? A: To Reno.

Q: Do you have any idea who will receive the Valedictorian honor this year?

A: Carli Evatz or Riata Kull.

Q: What kind of exciting summer plans do you have?

Lots of road trips and friends. O: Who will

> you miss from the classes below you? A: Carly Bell, Maeve

"Jonesy", and Wyatt. Q: Describe yourself in

Donovan,

one word. A: Mysterious. Q: Would you describe yourself as academic or

athletic?

A: Academic. Q: What is your

dream in life?

A: To be a counselor.



#### Class Clowns keep us laughing BY OMAR GUERRERO

all know that one person who, just by being themselves, can make us laugh until we cry. They are the people who can put a wide smile on your face just by doing something or even just talking. They are the class clowns.

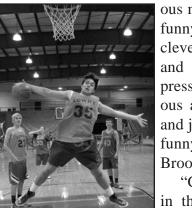
When you think of someone who is funny, Nate Eldodt entertains his Alec Mayo will probably tice./Ron Espinola• The Brand nitely fits for junior come to mind. Everyone

and just how funny they can be.

"He makes fun of his sister a lot, who is Maddie Mayo, and it's pretty funny because he is always really mean to her and it's just funny. He doesn't take anything serious and he makes super seri-



Alec Mayo teaches Beau Billingsley how to wrestle./Ron Espinola • The Brand



teammates at basketball prac-

ous moments really funny. He's very clever, quick witted and his facial expressions are hilarious and his laughs and jokes are pretty funny," said Eric Brooks.

"Get your juice in the hood," said

This story defi-Nate Eldodt. He's

knows the kinds of things he does the type of person who just by being himself gets a laugh out of

> "I'm just a big hairy living American machine. I don't do anything funny, you know I just live my life and people find comedy in it," said Eldodt.

> Another class clown is freshman Clay Erquiaga who everyone can get along with and can just be humorous without even saying a

> "I think I'm funny because I'm able to twist any situation no matter how tragic or sad and make it kind of funny. You know, bring humor to every one's life, I bring humor to everybody," said Erquiaga.

"Clay's funny because he can't

pronounce "TH" right and is easy to prank," said Jacob Hales.

Clay is one funny guy who is big into movies and television shows and can rehearse a scene word for word without any effort and it's pretty cool.

These class clowns are all funny in their own ways. To be funny, it comes natural to them. They don't have to try to make someone laugh, they just do.

## Advice Column BY RYLEE MATHIS

essica S. asks, "Rylee, my summers are usually so boring, what can I do make this summer bet-

Well Jessica, the only thing you really can do is enjoy yourself. Hang out with friends, swim as much as you can, plan get-togethers and what not, explore your surroundings, take a road trip- maybe a couple, and just live it up. You're not always going to have three months to do whatever you please.

Josh L. asks, "Rylee, I need money, but I don't want to work during summer, what do I do?"

Like many things, Josh, being a teenager is about compromise. Get a part time job, that way you get money and you can still spend time with friends.

Denise W. asks, "So my sister wants me to spend the entire of month of June and possibly most of July with her. She's in college and I miss her and everything, but what if I get sick of her? I don't think I could handle telling her that. What should

I feel you, Denise. You're probably like me and you like the space between you and your siblings who've moved away. It probably won't her as much as you think if you just tell her you can't spend all summer with her. Choose one, June or July, and tell her you need to spend the other month with your friends or the rest of your family. She'll understand.

Juan G. asks, "Rylee is it okay for guys to wear mandals?"

No. Never. But most of them do it anyways, so let your freak flag fly,

Jenny T. asks, "Rylee, how do I stay in touch with the friends I'm not so close with over the summer?"

Well Jenny if you wanted to be close with them, you probably would be by now. But the best thing you can do is exchange numbers or add each other on Facebook and try to talk on the regular. Don't be a hermit all summer.





## High school isn't real life

high school relationship is a disaster in the making. Unless the two persons involved in the relationship are mature, trustworthy, and devoted; the relationship will quickly fall apart

and potentially scar one or both persons involved.

In most cases a high school relationship gives an inaccurate experience of how most real relationships

can be. In high school you experience disloyalty and drama more often than adults. Drama is a killer, and although you may think you're happy, I can almost ensure there is someone somewhere who will make you happier. You should not feel as if you must devote yourself to this high school companion, just because you're lonely, or whatever the reasons may be.

In high school, many adolescents meet their first love, and they feel like they must make it work with this person. In reality they're changing their own course of life to meet the other person's in hopes to make a future together. These adolescents never experience the real world or other people, they settle. Not only do they settle, but the two feel they

must mesh with each other and their dreams, their goals begin to diminish and rather than wanting to continue with their passion in life, now want to be together over all else.

High school relationships are about settling with unhappiness. Not that all high school relationships are filled with disloyalty and discontent, some may honestly be perfect. Whether or not you relationship seems 'perfect" to you, you still have so much more to experience and there is more to life than just high school.

However, in order to know what real love is, people must look outside high school to meet people from different areas, then they may find their true soul mate. If you truly wish to experience all that life has to offer you will move on from your high school experiences and meet new people and take part in more experiences. Once you take advantage of life you will be fully at ease and able to settle down with your one true sweetheart that you may stumble across on your journey. Or maybe your love will be that one high school romance, but, you will never sincerely know unless you first let go and experience more in life.



### Senior Do's and Don'ts

By Wyatt Lester

Do read this whole column.

Don't chat with your friends in advisory right now...read this.

Do try to survive the readings of the odd literature selected, or the homework that is absolutely horrendous.

Don't try to say that last line in your head in a British accent.

Do say it out-loud instead so everyone can enjoy.

Don't eat school lunch.

Do eat greasy foods that you crave. That's right, ruin yourself.

Don't try to base your life off of a TV show. Don't live someone else's life.

Do work hard and eat right. I'm talking Kellogg's right. #realtalk

Don't get mad, get glad. Yeah I just used a hash tag.

Do believe me that I'm doing this for my fellow graduates. Such as Jesse "Murch" Murchison, Kelton Robbins, Matt Rhuel, Trystan "Twinkie" Blouir, and pretty much everyone in the senior class.

Do go enjoy your lunch period and eat plentifully.

Don't go out and misuse your cash at expensive places.

Do go enjoy KFC and Long John Silvers for your hunger pains. It's food for kings.

Don't expect me to lend you money. I mean Oy Vey! I can't even break even for my mini fridge in my room!

Do start learning how to barter because the whole gold will save us when the dollar inflates! thing isn't going well. So how's that going for you now Cash for Gold? Mmhmm.

Don't be upset that gold went down; at least we don't have those annoying cash for gold commercials anymore. Also its OK, Winnemucca knows how to bounce back.

Do something! Somebody do something! Isn't anyone else weirded out by North Korea?

Don't fight back, just send them a bunch of boxes filled with unassembled bikes and toys and they'll submit to their horrible OCD to put things together.

Do try to get rid of this paper because it is covered in super glue and the glue is about to dry, 3-2-1.....

Don't believe that last line.

## Summer: 24 Reason Why By Leticia Gomez

- It's warm.
  2. I can get my tan on for free.
- 3. There's no school.
- 4. I get to wear shorts!
- 5. I get to vacation with out any worry about any make up work and all that lame stuff.
- 6. I don't have to spend eight hours of my day in classrooms learning things that may or may not help me in life one day.
- 7. I can sleep in.
- 8. I can stay up late with out having to get up at a ridiculous hour the next day.
- 9. I don't have to attend school.
- 10. Water parks are open.

11. No homework.

- 12. It doesn't snow, obviously.
- 13. Every day feels like the weekend.
- 14. No school.
- 15. No teachers.
- 16. The new season of "Pretty Little Liars" starts, June 11.
- 17. I can leave Winnemucca for weeks.
- 18. I won't have to style my hair everyday so it might grow.
- 19. I get to go boating.
- 20. I can go camping.
- 21. I don't have to listen to pointless lectures.
- 22. BBQs all the time.
- 23. There are no intimidating thug children around every corner.
- 24. In general summer is just the best.



## ls Wikipedia a bad source f information? BY WESTON IRONS

when I'm given an assignment that needs research, teachers don't like students using Wikipedia. They claim that Wikipedia's information is unreliable and outdated because it can be edited by the public. What they don't know is Wikipedia's information is very reliable.

hroughout my school career,

First off, although anyone can edit information on Wikipedia it first must be approved by one of Wikipedia's administrators. They check to see if the information is valid, before putting this edition on site. So the information will most of the time be true. Another reason why Wikipedia is great is because it is 100 percent free and gives students a wide array of knowledge and gives them any information they may need. When you search some type of question or subject into Google most of the time the first result is a Wikipedia page. So if teachers don't allow the use of this site they are eliminating information that students may need to finish their research papers. Personally, I use Wikipedia for a majority of my research, and

many other students do as well. Information I have used from Wikipedia has never been wrong. Of course it has its share of mistakes because the page has not yet been updated, but there is not a single site on the web that is 100% accurate with its information. I have found Wikipedia the most reliable.

This is why Wikipedia is a credible source and good source for students to get their information. It has helped me a lot through my high school career and has also served the same purpose for millions of students worldwide.



## Why do teachers assign so much home-

work?

By Brody Goucher

ondays are the worst day of the week, when I wake up and realize I have school again and have to be tortured again for another five days with homework and teachers.

Honestly, I think school would be a better learning atmosphere if students did not get homework. If you think about it, students go to school seven hours a day and then they have to go home and do homework for another two hours.

If teachers simply gave notes for

about 10 to 15 minutes and then gave students an assignment that could be finished by the end of class, then we would not have a problem. When most teachers take the entire class to do notes and then assign a huge assignment; it just frustrates the students.

If homework were not assigned, many students would not get overloaded and would be able to focus more on school while they were in it instead of worrying about the hours of homework after school.







## Open Your eyes: Enjoy your life by Justin Albright

If there's one thing that I've learned in the past couple weeks, it's that life is short. The Every 15 Minutes presentation at Lowry made me realize how short life actually is. Everything can come crashing down in just a blink of an eye. So, why not enjoy your life?

When I say enjoy your life, I'm not talking about going out and getting drunk or doing drugs. I'm talking about taking a step back and realizing how blessed you actually are in your young life. I recently read somewhere that if you have food in your fridge, clothes on your back, a roof over your head and a place to sleep you are richer than 75% of the world. Now, I don't know how accurate that actually is, but still, that's pretty astonishing.

Life would be so much easier if people honestly only cared about themselves instead of constantly worrying about someone else's problem. We all say we don't care about what people think, but that's a lie. As a society, we crave positive opinions from our peers. Everything we do in life is to impress someone, whether it is parents, friends, the opposite sex, or just someone that you strongly dislike. Everything we do in life is to impress someone.

Family; I've been fortunate enough to be blessed with an amazing family and so have the majority of the people reading this. Yet, some people think that they have the worst parents in the world just because they won't let them go out on a Friday night, or when their parents ground them for committing a transgression. That's their job; they're supposed to make sure that you're safe because a parent's biggest fear is to lose a child. I realize that those of you may not have the best parents in the world, but still, they are still your parents and they still deserve your respect.

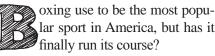
If you've been watching the news lately, you've realized that in Oklahoma, there are families trying to wake up to the fact that they'll never see their children again. Just imagine waking up one day, and not being able to see your family ever again. With all of the tragedies this nation has had in the past couple months, it's just yet another reminder on how quickly everything can be taken away.

What would you do if today was your last day? If tomorrow wasn't promised, what would you give for today? Every single one of you that are reading this should just take a step back and reflect on what you've done with your life and how fortunate we have all been. This could be the last thing that you may ever read, if that's the case, would you be proud of what you all have done so far in life? If not, change it.

Life is short; you never know when death will come knocking on your door. We all need to just take a step back and just realize how good we have it, and tell the people you love that you love them every single day because you never know when you, or the person may be taken away.



## Should we pull the plug on boxing? BY BRODY GOUCHER



With football emerging as America's most popular sport and basketball and baseball right behind it, boxing has slowly been declining and has not been popular since Mike Tyson and his run in 1986.

Many people would say that it is an American tradition, but how can it be an American tradition when fewer and fewer people are following it? Boxing is no longer even in the top five most popular sports in America with football, basketball, baseball, soccer, hockey, golf and even tennis beating it in most viewed.

Although you could say MMA is just as dangerous, if not more dangerous then boxing but MMA is also much more popular and does not have as many deaths because it is a younger

Boxing has also contributed to more deaths than any other sport, even MMA, football and rugby. Just about every boxer leaves the sport with some kind of mental or physical injury according to bleacherreport.com.

Why should we continue a sport that has such low viewer turnout that is just throwing away peoples lives and trashing them mentally and physically?

People say any sport has risks, but in reality boxing has the most deaths out of any and when was the last time someone actually died playing football or basketball in the last five years? The last person to die playing professional football during a game was running out for a pass and collapsed of a heart attack. Deaths in MMA are even uncommon, the last one was Thomas Herrion and he died in 2008. Boxing averages a massive ten deaths a year and 90 percent of boxers leave the sport with sustained brain damage according to ask-

Boxing is a dying tradition and it's just not worth it to continue the sport on



#### Running away with greatness BY OMAR GUERRERO

ebron James, at this stage in his career is a four-time MVP, twotime Olympic gold medalist, and his most proud achievement; an NBA Champion. When you look at James' game it's practically flawless. He rebounds great, runs the floor with so much strength and quickness, his defense is phenomenal, his passes are incredible, his athleticism is unheard of for a man his size, his ability to shoot the three, and not to mention take it to the rim is amaz-

Lebron has all these different components that make him the player he is. When you have so many talents and maintain them each time you step on the court, you are going to live on long after your career is finished. Lebron is in the position to leave the game as arguably the greatest player in NBA history. This season James averaged 24.4 points per game, 7.8 rebounds, and 6.8 assists.

James was the youngest player in NBA history to reach 20,000 career points, yet he is not selfish at all while

also having 5,000 assists. Each player has their own unique take on the game and approaches it in their own way. Kobe is more of a shooter scoring type of player much like Michael Jordan. Lebron is more similar to a Magic Johnson type player in the way he gets all of his teammates involved, yet makes the big plays at the right moments. Lebron has all the intangibles in someone you want on your team. He's not just a scorer; but a player who loves the defensive side of the ball, moves the offense and is



## Things to ponder By CARLY BELL

sn't it weird that we have never seen our faces, unless it's in a refection or

If it were the medieval ages, who would your parents set you up to marry?

How would you handle yourself if you swallowed your tongue?

Who are you?

What if your imaginary friend were actually a ghost, and when you stopped believing in him, they disappeared to someone who would talk to them?

A world without McDonald's.....

When a male is elected president, his wife is called the First Lady. What would a lady's husband be called if she were elected President?

If there's a zombie apocalypse and everyone becomes a zombie, can we not eat each other and build a peaceful zombie

Why doesn't Nascar mix it up and go the other way for once?

If we French kiss, what do French people do?

What do messages look like when they are flying through the air?

What if you're actually dying right now and what you are seeing is the flashbacks of your life?

If you had x-ray vision, but closed your eyes, could you still see?

What would the U.S. be like if Abraham Lincoln never got shot?

What if pigs can fly, they just choose to keep that superpower a secret?

Where's the Chap Stick?

Why is red, red?

Can you smell a temperature?

Did that really just happen?

How did diseases even come to be? Don't you get them from one person? So where did that person get them from. Where did it all originate?

If you're in a vehicle going the speed of light, what happens when you turn on the headlights?

If you can't drink and drive, why do you need a driver's license to buy liquor, and why do bars have parking lots?

How does the guy who drives the snowplow get to work in the mornings?

If 7-11 is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, why are there locks on the doors?

a natural born leader who can command the game at anytime. James views his four MVP titles as an all-around team effort not just an individual award, that's a team player.

James isn't looking to play a good game, he's looking to completely dominate leaving the opposing team embarrassed. James wears a band on his wrist every night that says "I Promise," he

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## Teachers and students recognized at year end assembly

BY BRODY GOUCHER

he last assembly of the year has finally been wrapped up and as it leaves so do many of Lowry's teachers including Mrs. Marlene Killion, Mr. Randal Daniels, Mr. By-



Members of Teen Court are recognized./ Brody Goucher • The Brand

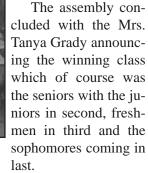
ron Jeppson and Mr. Thomas Newland.

The assembly started out with Mrs. Debbie Watts coming up and recognizing many teachers including all of the

teachers who are leaving as well as those who have won awards such as Mrs. Amie Godinez and Mr. Ron Beck.

Next Mrs. Watts left the floor and Winslide show started highlighting all Students stand for National An-

well as random people in the hallways and classrooms. Many students and teachers started to tear up and the gym was silent.



as football, soccer and basketball as

The end of the year sembly both sad and



are mov-

ing on to their lives and finally leaving high school after four long years and every few years a teacher leaves, but it is also a time of celebration for teachers and students.



of Lowry's sports such them./Brody Goucher • The Brand

#### Thousands awarded at scholarship night BY LETICIA GOMEZ

uesday March 14 2013 Lowry high school held their scholarship night for the Class of 2013 seniors. Here are some of the students who received scholarships. A complete list is available on "The Brand" website.

Andersen Cody

- LHS Lettermens
- Lewis-Clark State College

Arenas, Michal

- Eastern Oregon University (Academic)
- Robert Z. Hawkins

- Tom Ormachea Memorial
- LHS Lettermens

Billingsley Michael

- Air Force Academy
- **Drexel University**
- NIAA TOP 10 Student Athletes
- Ydiano Trust
- Northern Nevada Outdoors
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Castaneda Blankenship Sydney

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Blouir Trystan

- LHS Lettermens
- Clyde Andress Memorial

Brumm Tyler

- Caroll College
- W.W. Harmon
- Tom Ormachea Memorial
- LHS Lettermens



Michael Billingsley (left) accepts his scholarship to the Air Force Academy./ Rylee Mathis • The Brand

Mary

- Rainbow Girls
- Idahoan Foods
- University of Nevada Scholars

Chavez Yoana

Margaret H. Peraldo

Covarrubias



Tim Burroughs received over \$88,000./ Rylee Mathis • The Brand



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The best summer songs

ho do you most like hearing on the radio? Are they world famous or underground? Whoever it may be, they give your hearing senses a good feeling that just sounds right. There are too many artists in the world to name, but

we have that one that stands out to us,

By OMAR GUERRERO

along with that one song as well. In the summer of 2012 Carly Rae Jepsen's "Call Me Maybe" topped the charts and was a worldwide sensation as we all know. Number two on the list was "Payphone" by Maroon 5, who over the years, has always had great music. Finally at number three was

> "Somebody That I Used To Know" by Gotye.

> In 2011 the number one summer jam was, "Give Me Everything" by Pitbull who is a worldcelebrity wide and known for making billboard hits. Number two was the very popular "Party Rock

Anthem" by the very outgoing group, LMFAO. At number three came Adele's "Rolling In The Deep" which brought Adele to the stardom she's at today.

Kid Cudi at Santa

Clara University ./

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tos/riverajaime

Going back three years to 2010 the top summer jam was "California Girls" by Katy Perry who is a global icon. "Airplanes" by B.o.B came in

second, followed by "OMG" by Usher, who knows how to get to the top of pop charts. Music has changed a lot since

then and so have people. Not everyone likes the same type of music, everyone has their own taste and outlook on it.

In July upcoming summer, Skylar Grey will release "Don't

Pusha T of Clipse at the Pitchfork Music her new album Festival./Courtesy • Look Erik Abderhalden Down," which

will include the single "Dance Without You." Also released in July the album, "X," by Chris Brown that includes the hit single "Fine China." Another hiphop artist, Pusha T will release his new album, "My Name Is My Name," with the single featuring Kanye West and Chief Keef "Numbers on the Boards."

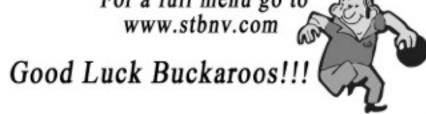
There are the right places and times for a specific song. If you just got into a breakup with your partner, T Swift is the way to go. If you are upset at your boyfriend, women can seem to relate to Pink. If you just want kick back with your friends some Kid Cudi, Kendrick Lamar, and ASAP Rocky all have good songs to listen to. If you want to get a workout in, some rock or heavy metal will suit your needs. If you're just feeling happy and want music that will fit into that "Hey Ya," by Andre 3000 will never get old.

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Enjoy the time you have with your cell phone games because you will inevitably get bored and tired of playing them, and eventually deleting them, along with your friendship and precious memories. Savor every single high score as if it will be your last.

This summer, if you're ever having a hard time making good decisions, think "What Would Jessie Do?" Then, do the op-

My bones feel weak; I think that's why my hair has been falling out.

Instead of going to college I'll just join a sovereign nation. It's fool proof.

Much of the time I should be spending washing my hands is spent examining my

Up with bubbles, down with air.

So cats are pretty much the universal symbol for stinky things.

Put your toes in your shoes.

One time it was summer and I was filled with joy and energy, then it turned into school again and I was once again full of pain and sorrow. This is recollection of the

I think that that humans are the least prejudice organisms in the whole world and this is a key component in what separates us from other animals. Or something.

Lead your team to victory by brushing your teeth. Can't win a game on bad breath,

My brain juices aren't flowing mayne.

You will probably learn to be nice once you get what you deserve, but even then, you'll be mean I'm sure.

When deciding what hue ink to use for your quill, choose blue.

I wish that sea turtles made a noise so I could pretend to be a sea turtle with out needing to lay down on the ground.

Release the ferrets!

This edition of Jessie's Journal is dedicated to Alex Schirrick. Where ever you go, who ever you're going to be, your pottery skills and knitting abilities will carry you



wo teachers here at Lowry High School, Mr. Beck and Mrs. Godinez, will both receive awards for being good teachers and being a great help to all of the Lowry students.

Mr. Ron Beck has been a teacher here at Lowry 23 years and is a history teacher here at Lowry. Beck is a very informative teacher and teaches students about a time before ours as well as current events.

"Its a great honor to receive this award and it helps Amie Godinez./
Courtesy • Winvalidate what you're doing which is making a differ-nada ence," said Beck.

Beck's favorite part about teaching here at Lowry is doing what he

has always wanted to do. "I was able to become a history teacher, which is something I've always wanted to do, and also coach football, so dreams do come true,"

> Mrs. Amie Godinez is also a recipient of the Teacher of the Year Award. She has been a teacher at Lowry for 21 years and teaches Spanish I-IV. She teaches students a language that they will use in real world situation

Godinez loves to see students using what they have learned in class.

"After teaching 21 years, the biggest thing that a Ron Beck./ Cour- student can do is take something that we have learned in class and use it in the real world," said Godinez.

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## Taylor's top 6 celebs By Taylor LaTray

en, the eye candy who play the perfect characters for the ladies and who men envy due their easy way with the ladies. #ManCandy

Monday trends on Instagram every Monday with both sexes posting pictures of their top crushes.

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- 1. Matt Bomer
- 2. Tom Hardy
- Channing Tatum
- 4. Josh Duhamel
- 5. Zac Efron
- 6. Ryan Reynolds



Matt Bomer./Courtesv • www.usanetwork.com

The #WomanCrushWednesday accompanying a picture of a woman on instagram has been trending ev-

ery Wednesday since instagram began and these are the top ladies we all envy and guys all admire.

- 1. Ariana Grande
- 2. Jessica Alba
- 3. Mila Kunis

Mon-Fri: 4:00 am-6:30 pm

Saturday: 5:00 am-1:00 pm

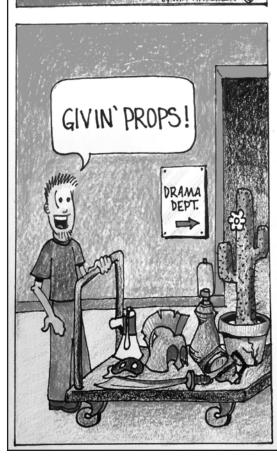
Sunday: 5:00 am-1:00 pm

- 4. Reese Witherspoon
- 5. Vanessa Hudgens
- 6. Carrie Underwood

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Ariana Grande attends premiere of "The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 2"./Apega • Abaca Press/MCT





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