

Photos by Emily Hemphill, Brandon Mowinkel, Stephanie Croston and Doug Carroll/SCI/MT Photo credits, top to bottom, left to right: Kyla Novak, second from left, offers a solo on the Vocal Performance choir's eight-part a capella piece "I Am Glad." Brecken Yoder sings to the crowd during Milford's one act performance of "One Stoplight Town." Meg Hoffschneider, Kate Luebbe and Kobie Kosek perform in Centennial's musical "Mama Mia!" Malcolm students, left to right, Lillian Dalton, Anna Schweitzer, Natalie Shafer and Reegan Bixenmann Dalton act out a scene in a dress rehearsal of the Malcolm production of "Five Chldren And It."

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SPEECH



The 2024 speech team at Centennial High includes, from left, Kaylea Moore, Abby Saunders, Josephine Turnbull, Luke Hoffschneider, Kiera Kinnett, Benjamin Sams and Matthew Hoops.

ABOVE RIGHT: Luke Hoffschneider was the Class C state champion in serious prose.

RIGHT: Kaylea Moore and Luke Hoffschneider represented Centennial at the state speech meet in March.







The 2023-24 speech team at Milford includes, from left: (front row) Abigail Brinkmeyer, Avery Roth, Hannah Wittstruck, Allyson Taylor, Brecken Yoder and Chance Stutzman; and (back row) Ellison Piening, Natalie Nutzman, Zoey Whitford, Alayna Tvrdy, Brenna Jackson and Brynlee Ficke.

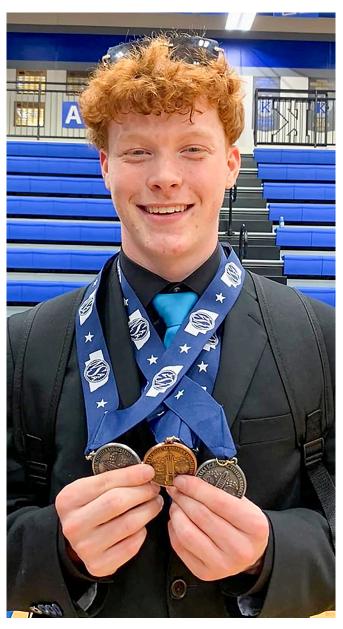




Members of Malcolm's 2024 speech team include, from left: (first row) Lillian Dalton, Dalton Amen, Luci Brockhaus, Karter Kinkaid, Scarlett Battles and Madi Pavlik; (second row) Head Coach Tami Maytum, Gracie Ensrud, Ruby Bostock, Reegan Bixenmann and Billie Streeter; and (third row) Logan Schumacher, Asst. Coach Hana Maddox, Nate Maddox, Bryson Leffers and Asst. Coach Brett Baker.

RIGHT: Dalton Amen, Malcolm's first three-time state medalist, poses wth the medals he won at state speech.

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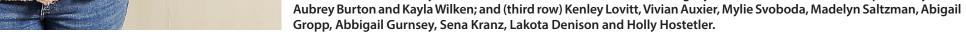




LEFT: Yazmin Ratzlaff of Malcolm was a Scholastic Art Awards Gold Key Recipient. She also had work chosen to display at the state capitol for Youth Art Month.



BELOW: The 2023-24 art club at Milford High includes, from left: (first row) Alexandria Keib, Ella Kranz, Emma Hershberger, Sarah Spahr, Jaxson Clark, Mackenzie Watenpaugh, Ren Jensen, Amber Gurnsey and Shelby Rosburg; (second row) Tasha Anderson, Jaycie Stutzman, Brenna Jackson, Ellison Piening, Aydenn Freeman, Addison Sample, Avery Roth,







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Journalism





LEFT: Members of Centennial's Bronco News team for 2023-24 include, from left: (front row) Matthew Hoops, Trayton Stewart, Dakota Guinn and Zeke Nitz; and (back row) Kayla Grantski and Dalayni Rhodes. Brayden Songster and CJ Wettengel are not pictured.



Emalee Hawley of Centennial qualified for state journalism.

LEFT: The journalism students at Milford High for 2023-24 include, from left: (first row) Mackenzie Watenpaugh and Jaidyn Bell; (second row) Katelyn Jones, Amber Gurnsey, Paige Riley and Sydney Burkey; and (third row) Patience Spargo, Jonathan Kohout, Zackary Parra, Cory Langenberg and Dakota Gomez.

BELOW LEFT: Members of Centennial's Yearbook staff for the 2023-24 edition are, from left: (front row)Rylee Menzee, Trevor Fehlhafer, James Hoffschneider and Karley Naber; and (back row) Emalee Hawley, Kayla Rystrom and Abby Saunders.













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Cast and crew for Centennial's production of "Mamma Mia" include, from left: (first row) Natalie Sams, Ava Fischer, Kate Luebbe, Catelynn Bargen, Luke Hoffschneider, Cooper Stelling and James Hoffschneider; (second row) Matthew Hoops, Emalee Hawley, Ryan Fehlhafer, Kobie Kosek, Meg Hoffschneider, Jake Fehlhafer and Jayden Butzke; (third row) Saige Scheele, Keira Kinnett, Nya Fischer, Hannah Luebbe, Riley Ziegler, Grace Schernikau and Caylie Clouse; (fourth row) Breckyn Hatfield, Chase Pancake, Tyler Opfer, Dakota Boyer, Marley Olson, Abby Saunders, Addison Petzoldt, Hope Galley and Ella Baack; (fifth row) Makalyn Choma, Braelyn Racette, Mackenzie Rempel, Chelsy Hernadez, Jaclynn Prigge, Sophia Benedict, Shyann Smith, Abigaile Walgren, Elle Simmons and Charlee Bronson; and (sixth row) Kate Breitkreutz, Kipton Kosek, Piper Baack, Kenzie Stoll, Molly Bulgrin, Macy Dishman and Amelia Walgren. Benjamin Sams is not pictured.



Seward High presented "The Little Mermaid" as its musical for 2024. Cast and crew include Ariel—Madison Sides; Eric—Isaac VanBeek; Pilot—Benjamin Nottingham; Grimsby— Kretyn Roth; Flounder—Sophia Matthias; Scuttle—Avery Rodocker; Windward—Nicole Kenney; Leeward—Ella Gabriel; King Triton—Jadyn Nelson; Sebastian—Kyla Novak; Aquata and Princess 4—Emma Matulka; Andrina and Princess 2—Addyson Rohde; Arista and Princess 6—Brynlie Robbins; Atina and Princess 1—Samantha Quist; Adella and Princess 5-Lily Brashear; Allana and Princess 3-Grace Matulka; Flotsam-Julya Metschke; Jetsam-Ayda Metschke; Ursula-Ella Mohnike; Chef Louis-Daniel Howell; Maids-Finley Lewis, Maddy Larson, Mila Newton and Brooklyn Hesse; Sailors—Ethan Boggs, Ethan Clodfelter, Tristin Cutshall-Cherry, Daniell Howell, Jacob Kimbrough, Dalton Mobley, Benjamin Nottingham and Crew Potter; Sea creatures and animals—Lily Brashear, Sierra Brauer, Hannah Brown, Emily Bujarski, Mia Cobian, Mariya Corner, Lexi Daniel, Aubry Dodds, Aubrey Hanes, Brooklyn Hesse, Lucy Huntington, Jaina Johnson, Bethany Jurchen, Rebekah Jurchen, Maddy Larson, Finley Lewis, McKenzie Martin, Emma Matulka, Grace Matulka, Caitlin Mayhew, Hayden Minchow, Juliet Moore, Makayla Mumaugh, Mila Newton, Brianna Potratz, Grace Pracheil, Samantha Quist, Brynlie Robbins, Addyson Rohde, Joyah Warren and Abigayil Wunderlich; Gulls—Aubry Dodds, Hayden Minchow, Juliet Moore, Joyah Warren, Brianna Potratz, Makayla Mumaugh, Aubrey Hanes, Lucy Huntington, Emily Bujarski, Mia Cobian, Finley Lewis, Brooklyn Hesse, Addyson Rohde, Brynlie Robbins, Samantha Quist, Lily Brashear, Ella Gabriel, Nicole Kenney, Rebekah Jurchen and Jaina Johnson; Chefs-Ethan Boggs, Tristin Cutshall-Cherry, Ethan Clodfelter, Jacob Kimbrough, Benjamin Nottingham and Crew Potter; Courtiers—Ethan Boggs, Ethan Clodfelter, Daniel Howell, Jacob Kimbrough, Benjamin Nottingham and Crew Potter Crew—Lights: Kayla Albright and Jordan Yates; Spotlights: Ryane Cowan and Sage Prochaska; Sound: Liam Heyen; Stage crew: Sam Kenney, Sarah Kite, Ashley Martin, Sophie Russell, Kendra Sugden and Addy Tuma; Assistant Stage Manager—Piper Souchek; Director—Ben Rickert; Assistant Director—Dory von Kampen; Assistant Director/Student Teacher—Lara Celesky; Accompanist—Julie Schumacher; Percussion—Ross Briggs; Student Choreographers—Avery Rodocker and Sophie Matthias; Tech Class—Camden Baldassano, Hannah Bierbaum, Emme Brauer, Gabriel Cepek, Avery Frisbie, Adelaide Furr, Nicole Kenney, Sophia Matthias, Ella Mohnike, Kretyn Roth, Elena Russell, Piper Souchek and Alijah Utecht.



Performance



Performing "Ariadne's Thread," the one act play at Centennial in 2023 were, from left: (first row) Ryan Fehlhafer, Ella Baack, Josephine Butzke, Tyler Opfer, Kiera Kinnett, Meg Hoffschneider, Grace Schernikau, Riley Ziegler and Kobie Kosek; (second row) Cooper Stelling, Madisyn Schufeldt, Zaden Murphey, Jayden Butzke, Emmett Crawford, Abby Saunders, Hope Galley, Catelynn Bargen, Saige Scheele and Natalie Sams; (third row) Ryan Richters, Torian Ibarra, Nya Fischer, Hannah Luebbe, Emalee Hawley, Ava Fischer, Kate Luebbe, Matthew Hoops, Liberty Tomjack, Addison Petzoldt, Sarah Payne and Dakota Boyer; and (fourth row) Jake Fehlhafer, James Hoffschneider, Parker Dishman, Ryan Fehlhafer and Jackson Wellman.



Cast and crew for "One Stoplight Town," the one act play at Milford High in 2023, include, from left: (first row) Ayla Salistean, Elsa Schweitzer, Holly Hostetler, Brynlee Ficke, Emma Hershberger, Elliana Montgomery, Addyson Riley and Sally Burkey; (second row) Ellison Piening, Natalie Nutzman, Veronika Johns, Addison Sample, Allyson Taylor, Avery Roth, Chance Stutzman, Layla Elstun and Kisa Schauer; (third row) Tyler McCullough, Seraphina Wilkins, Arieanna Koehler, Abbigail Gurnsey, Allie Gerdes, Avery Langenfeld, Lakota Denison, Sena Kranz and Caitlin Riley; and (fourth row) Stephen Vance, Zackary Parra, Brecken Yoder, Abigail Brinkmeyer, Daegan Torwirt, Alayna Tvrdy, Ella Kranz and Zoey Whitford.



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"I Never Saw Another Butterfly" by Celeste Raspanti and performed in 2023 by Seward High School includes cast and crew members Raja Englanderova—Holly Venetis; Honza— Camden Baldassano; Nazi soldiers—Kretyn Roth, Tristin Cutshall-Cherry; Irena Synkova—Julya Metschke; Renka, Irena's assistant—Emma Matulka; Mother (Anna)—Jaina Johnson; Pavel, Raja's brother—Jadyn Nelson; Father (Joseph)—Ethan Boggs; Vera, Raja's aunt—Nicole Kenney; Irca—Ella Gabriel; Rabbi—Isaac VanBeek; Children—Adleigh Popple, Daniel Howell, Emily Bujarski, Maddy Larson; Crew—Nixon Seegebarth, Cailon Mason, Hannah Brown, Kayla Albright, Liam Heyen, Sage Prochaska, Jordan Yates



Malcolm High School's one-act play ""Five Children and It" was the Class A state runner-up.





Anna Schweitzer (Piper), acts out a scene in a dress rehearsal earlier this year of the Malcom High production of "Five Chldren And It."

Go Bluejays!

Malcolm senior Dalton Amen (Psammead) acts out a scene in a dress rehearsal earlier this year of the Malcom production of "Five Chldren And It."

Jt's Showtime!





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Participating in show choir at Milford in 2023-24 are, from left: (first row) Chance Stutzman, Ellison Piening, Brecken Yoder, Sally Burkey, Kisa Schauer, Allyson Taylor and Veronika Johns; (second row) Sena Kranz, Alyxa Barreto, Avery Roth, Zackary Parra, Krisianna Riley and Natalie Nutzman; and (third row) Lakota Denison, Layla Whitford, Holly Hostetler, Daegan Torwirt, Alayna Tvrdy and Zoey Whitford.







Centennial's Show Choir for 2023-24 includes, from left: (first row) Matthew Hoops, Kate Luebbe, Ava Fischer and Jake Fehlhafer;(second row) Luke Hoffschneider, Natalie Sams, Caylie Clouse, Grace Schernikau, Catelynn Bargen, Naomi Wilson, Saige Scheele and Cooper Stelling; (third row) Kobie Kosek, Ella Baack, Hannah Luebbe, Jaclynn Priggen and Riley Ziegler; (fourth row) Ryan Fehlhafer, Keira Kinnett, Nya Fischer and Jayden Butzke; and (fifth row)Addison Petzoldt, Meg Hoffschneider and Hope Galley. Benjamin





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Kyla Novak, second from left, offers a solo on the Vocal Performance choir's eight-part a capella piece "I Am Glad" on Oct. 23.



The Mixed Choir performs at Seward High School's Opening Night Oct. 23. The choir included both men and women who performed "For the Beauty of the Earth" and "Anyway" under the direction of Ben Rickert. The concert included small group performances and a dipper

The 2023-24 Jazz Choir at Seward High includes Domenic Artigas, Hannah Bierbaum, Easton Else, Jonathan Jurchen, Derek Kouma, Emma Matulka, Julya Metschke, Ella Mohnike, Sjoen Munk, Jadyn Nelson, Miles Nolan, Benjamin Nottingham, Kyla Novak, Addyson Rohde, Kretyn Roth, Sage Ruzicka, Chloe Simmonds and Isaac VanBeek.

Seward High students in a choir in 2023-24 include Brittney Adams, Kayla Albright, Angellina Allen, Sofie Allen, Domenic Artigas, Emma Bachman, Caden Benedict, Hannah Bierbaum, Caidyn Blakely, Ethan Boggs, Lily Brashear, Sierra Brauer, Callie Breece, David Brisbane, Korbin Brisbane, Audrey Broadwell, Hannah Brown, Felicia Brumley, Emily Bujarski, Lilly Case, Emma Christensen, Aamira Christian, Ethan Clodfelter, Mia Cobian, Natalie Coffin, Hannah Colfack, Kristi Corner, Mariya Corner, Ryane Cowan, Abbigail Craig, Katelyn Crook, Zackaria Cushing, Grove Dalton IV, Robbie Dalton, Lexi Daniel, Jaylee Delaney, Maclayne Dlouhy, Aubry Dodds, Parker Douglass, Easton Else, Dietrich Erks, Ceden Fleischman, Emma Frihauf, Avery Frisbie, Josephine Furr, Ella Gabriel, Jaidyn Gerson, Brecken Grady, Lucian Gunn, Kylie Hackbart, Aubrey Hanes, Jesse Hemsath, Brooklyn Hesse, Dylan Hochstein, Daniel Howell, Brayden Huls, Lucille Huntington, Aireonna Huntsman, Caleb Jackson, Molly Janssen-Schaffer, McKenna Job, Cayden Johnson, Jaina Johnson, Kylee Josoff, Bethany Jurchen, Jonathan Jurchen, Rebekah Jurchen, Breana Kearney, Nicole Kenney, Samuel Kenney, Jacob Kimbrough, Shyenne Kirby, Sarah Kite, Ella Kossow, Derek Kouma, Devon Kouma, Jackson Kreifels, Rachel Kreifels, Lillian Kronaizl, Adison Langan, Maddelyn Larson, Izayah Lavicky, Savannah Leazer, Finley Lewis, Kennedy Limback, Lawson Luebbe, Isabella Marker, Amalia Marroquin, Ashley Martin, McKenzie Martin, Mario Martinez, Sophia Matthias, Emma Matulka, Grace Matulka, Brecken Matzke, Caitlin Mayhew, Torrence Mayo, Ayda Metschke, Julya Metschke, Reagan Meyer, Hayden Minchow, Dalton Mobley, Ella Mohnike, Isabelle Moore, Juliet Moore, Makayla Mumaugh, Sjoen Munk, Jadyn Nelson, Romello Nelson, Mila Newton, Miles Nolan, Benjamin Nottingham, Kyla Novak, Madison Patsch, Kaleigh Penas, Gabe Pomajzl, Brianna Potratz, Crew Potter, Gracie Pracheil, Samantha Quist, Hudson Rasmussen, Lydia Rasmussen, William Ratkovec, Noah Remington, Haleigh Rempel, Brynlie Robbins, Gabriella Robidoux, Avery Rodocker, Addyson Rohde, Kretyn Roth, Sophie Russell, Sage Ruzicka, Payton Samek, Dailyn Schauer, Jalen Schultz, Madison Sides, Chloe Simmonds, Kira Smith, Mia Smith, Brooklyn Stanek, Joslin Stockwell, Addilyn Sugden, Kendra Sugden, Abigail Svik, Nora Swanson, McKenzie Terry, Jessa Thomas, Kassandra Tieken, Addyson Tuma, Isaac VanBeek, Addisyn Venekamp, Landan Waegli, Landan Waegli, Nicholas Waegli, Savannah Wagner, Joyah Warren, Tristen Wassinger, Marcus Weiland, Barrett Wiesen and Regan Wiesen.



small group performances and a dinner.

BELOW: Malcolm musicians selected for the Concordia National Honor Choir were, from left: (front row) Aria Ferguson, Illianna Burgess, Anna Schweitzer, Scarlett Battles, Luci Brockhaus, Reegan Bixenmann, Apryl Knisley, Madi Pavlik and Mady Wall; and (back row) Natalie Shafer, Mikiah Witzel, Nate Maddox, Alex Paider, Thomas Lewis, Bryson Leffers, Harrison Paider and Clara Ladman.

All State Honor Choir selections from Malcolm are Madi

Pavlik and Alex Paider.





LEFT: Trailblazer Conference Honor Choir selections from Malcolm were, from left: (front row) Anna Schweitzer, Scarlett Battles, Natalie Shafer, Madi Pavlik and Cydnee Loos; and (back row) Bryson Leffers, Owin Little, Thomas Lewis, Alex Paider and Nate Maddox.

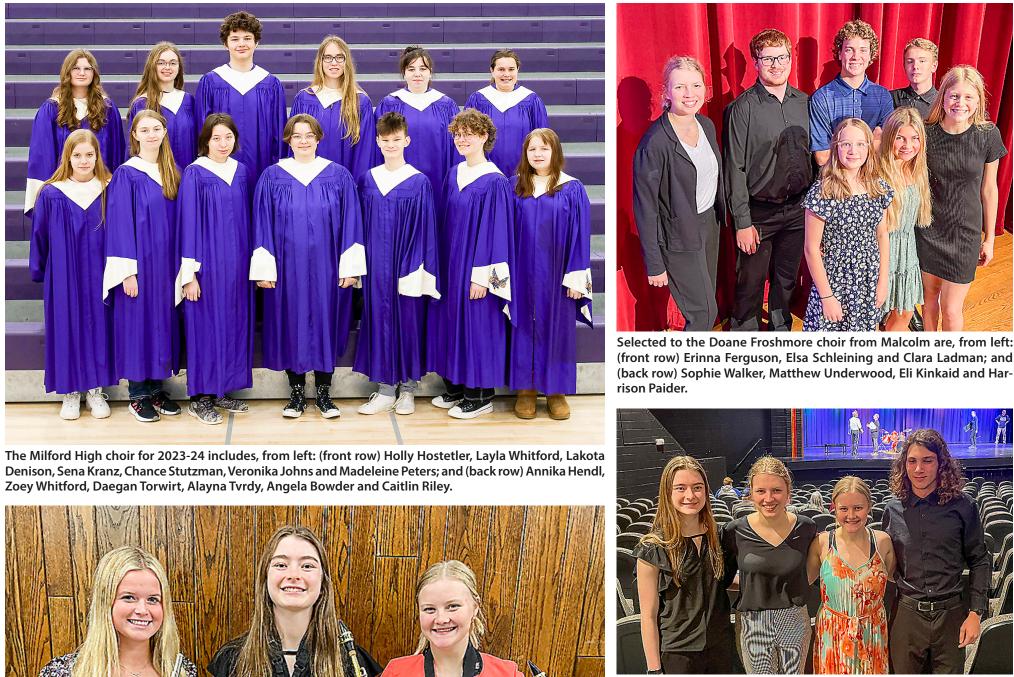




The 2023-24 Show Choir at Seward High School includes Kayla Albright, Caden Benedict, Hannah Bierbaum, Gabriel Blum, Ethan Boggs, Audrey Broadwell, Easton Else, Connor Erks, Alexander Foulk, Ella Gabriel, Brecken Grady, Aubrey Hanes, Brooklyn Hesse, Daniel Howell, Maya Hubach, Lucille Huntington, Jonathan Jurchen, Rebekah Jurchen, Nicole Kenney, Samuel Kenney, Jacob Kimbrough, Lillian Kronaizl, Maddelyn Larson, Izayah Lavicky, Finley Lewis, Lawson Luebbe, Amalia Marroquin, Sophia Matthias, Emma Matulka, Grace Matulka, Brecken Matzke, Torrence Mayo, Ayda Metschke, Julya Metschke, Hayden Minchow, Dalton Mobley, Jadyn Nelson, Benjamin Nottingham, Samantha Quist, Brynlie Robbins, Avery Rodocker, Addyson Rohde, Kretyn Roth, Sage Ruzicka, Jalen Schultz, Nixon Seegebarth, Madison Sides, Piper Souchek, Isaac VanBeek, Joyah Warren, Barrett Wiesen, Natalie Wintz and Jordan Yates.



The entire Malcolm High choir also performs as its show choir.





All-state band selections from Malcolm are Grace Ensrud, Rachel Lannin, **Thomas Lewis and Sophie Walker.**

LEFT: Representing Malcolm at the Doane University Fall Festival of Winds were, from left, Jessica Sandell, Rachel Lannin and Grace Ensrud. Hunter Meyers and Anna Schweitzer were also selected but were sick the day of the festival.

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Jazz band members at Milford High include, from left: (first row) Avery Roth, Kalyn Schutz, Sally Burkey, Allyson Taylor, Abigail Brinkmeyer and Maizie Kolb; (second row) Corydon Langenberg, Zane Myers, Zackary Parra, Sara Spahr, Kinley Petch and Zephyr Mowinkel; (third row) Ellison Piening, Jonathan Kohout, Zach Pearson, Avery Carter, Gavin Dunlap, Natalie Nutzman and Director Phil Goddard; (fourth row) Kellan Kubicek, Conner Kohout, Jack Stahl, Gavin Piening, Gage Dunlap and Nick Watenpaugh; and (fifth row) Rylan Hollist and Graydon Meredith-Walker.



Members of Centennial's Jazz band are, from left: (front row) Ella Black, Kate Luebbe and Natalie Sams; and (back row) Naomi Wilson, Matthew Hoops, James Hoffschneider, Payton Cradick and Teagan Stahr. Benjamin Sams is not pictured.

named to the Wayne State College Honor Band.



The Centennial High band for 2023-24 includes, from left: (first row) Kayla Rystrom, Ella Black, Kate Luebbe, Natalie Sams and Madisyn Schufeldt; (second row) Chase Pankoke, Naomi Wilson, Matthew Hoops, James Hoffschneider, Payton Cradick, Teagan Stahr and James Miller; and (third row) Breckyn Hatfield, Quinnlin Reyle, Terin Donohoe and Christoper Potter-Crum. Benjamin Sams is not pictured.



The 2023-24 Milford High band includes, from left: (first row) Krisianna Riley, Morgan Havlat, Alayna Tvrdy, Sally Burkey, Aydenn Freeman, Allyson Taylor, Abbigail Gurnsey, Arieanna Koehler, Sarah Reynolds, Brynlee Ficke and Hannah Wittstruck; (second row) Allie Gerdes, Avery Langenfeld, Kylie Jakub, Maeli Kubicek, Jakob Woita, Sydney Hill, Riley Ross, Layla Elstun, Abigail Brinkmeyer, Madelyn Saltzman, Katelyn Jones and Haylee Nicholson; (third row) Phil Goddard, Nevaeh Spurling, Electa Restau, Kalyn Schutz, Adyson Kroese, Sanora Soper, Brooke Henriksen, Joslyn Wolf, Alyssa Brown, Ava Rediger, Brooklyn Stutzman, Lexi Riley, Kira Schweitzer and Heath Bacon; (fourth row) Zachary Parra, Cash Dickinson, Delaney Carraher, Sarah Spahr, Chloe Pierce, Garrett Freeman, Jailey Roth, Libertie Reil, Liliana Rakow, Kinley Petsch, Zephyr Mowinkel, Zane Meyer and Barron Roth; (fifth row) Brett Bousquet, John Stahl, Jonathan Kohout, Ellison Piening, Harper McCullough, Neliyah Yoder, Staccia Johnson, Trayton Nelson, Boen Schweitzer, Zebedee Reil, Jim Burkey and Jax Hansen; (sixth row) Maysen TenHulzen, Tyler McCullough, Jordan Fischer, Quinn Zegers, Avery Carter, Zachary Pearson, Lilly Kenning, Brenna Jackson, Colby Klug, Gavin Dunlap and Landon Roth; (seventh row) Avery Roth, Kellan Kubicek, Thomas Belleau, Logan Tejral, Conner Kohout, Jack Stahl, Gavin Piening, Gage Dunlap, Colby Rautenburg, Gus Crabtree, Sylus Rakow and Maizie Kolb; (eighth row) Scott Klinginsmith, Brecken Yoder, Conner Adams, Caleb Kempf, Nick Wanetka, Cory Langenberg, Natalie Nutzman, Sadie Fisher, Cora Klopfenstien, Rylan Hollist and Dalton Munson; (ninth row) Jacob Fischer, Graydon Meredith-Walker, Chance Stutzman and Joshua Brinkmeyer; and (10th row) Broderick Roth, Garrett Schoen, Kasen Petsch, Austin Cox and Adan Rakow.







in the UNK Honor Band in January.

Grace Ensrud, left, and Rachel Lannin of Malcolm played

Members of the Seward High band encourage audience participation during 99 Red Balloons, part of the band's 2023 marching show.





Drum majors Izzie Peetz, left, and Hannah Bierbaum show the awards the Seward High marching band won in a competition at Waverly Sept. 23.

Thanks to everyone who helped make this section possible – yearbook sponsors and photographers for tracking down photos, administrative assistants for helping with names and students for participating in these different activities. We apologize if anyone was missed. It was not intentional.

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The Seward High band performs at Waverly during a march-

The Seward High marching band presented an exhibition of its 2023 show, Kaleidoscope, Aug. 4 to culminate its week of band camp. The band performed at halftime of SHS's home football games and competed in marching competitions.

