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*The New England College of Optometry
Boston, Massachusetts*



Dear Class of 2009,

Congratulations! On behalf of the faculty, administration and staff of The New England College of Optometry, it is my honor to welcome you as the newest members of the profession of optometry.

Each of you has worked extremely hard to get where you are today and you have earned every accolade that comes your way. You have made personal and financial sacrifices to study at our College and you have met every challenge. You are now well-trained doctors with the skills, knowledge and dedication required to provide outstanding health care for your patients.

You now join more than 3,500 other distinguished optometrists who are alumni of this wonderful institution and have formed lifelong relationships with The New England College of Optometry. We now welcome you as alumni, hope and trust that you will always consider us your professional home.

May your future be filled with happiness and success.

Elizabeth Chen
President, The New England College of Optometry

The Optometric Oath

With full deliberation I freely and solemnly pledge that: I will practice the art and science of optometry faithfully and conscientiously, and to the fullest scope of my competence. I will uphold and honorably promote by example and action the highest standards, ethics and ideals of my chosen profession and the honor of the degree, Doctor of Optometry, which has been granted me.

I will provide professional care for those who seek my services, with concern, with compassion and with due regard for their human rights and dignity.

I will place the treatment of those who seek my care above personal gain and strive to see that none shall lack for proper care.

I will hold as privileged and inviolable all information entrusted to me in confidence by my patients.

I will advise my patients fully and honestly of all which may serve to restore, maintain or enhance their vision and general health.

I will strive continuously to broaden my knowledge and skills so that my patients may benefit from all new and efficacious means to enhance the care of human vision.

I will share information cordially and unselfishly with my fellow optometrists and other professionals for the benefit of patients and the advancement of human knowledge and welfare. I will do my utmost to serve my community, my country and humankind as a citizen as well as an optometrist.

I hereby commit myself to be steadfast in the performance of this my solemn oath and obligation.

*Doctor of
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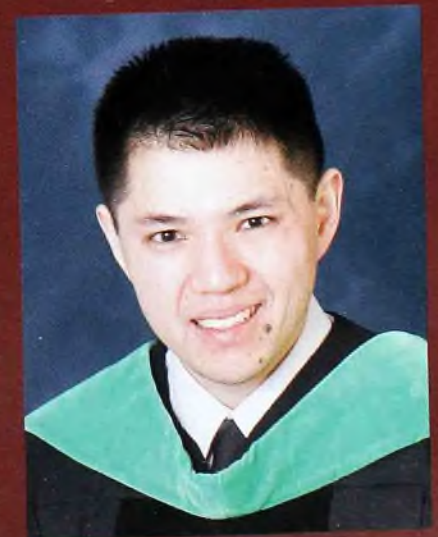
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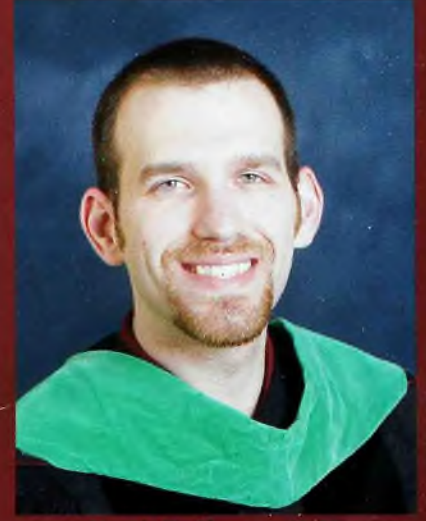
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- Mark DiLoreto, O.D.*
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- Raminder Gill, O.D.*
- Bridget Hulihan, O.D.*
- Jeremiah Labree, O.D.*
- Ann Lukose, O.D.*
- Anna Opydo, O.D.*
- Anjali Pathak, O.D.*
- Mark Pyle, O.D.*
- Anthony Zieja, O.D.*

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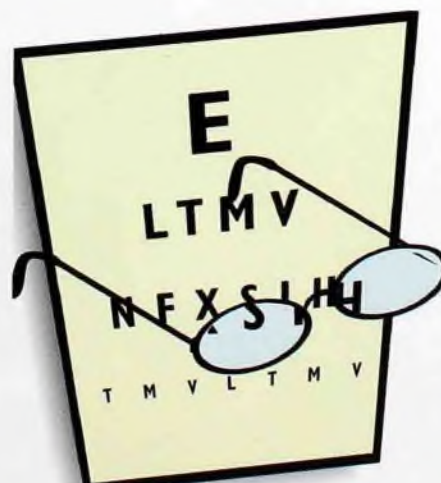
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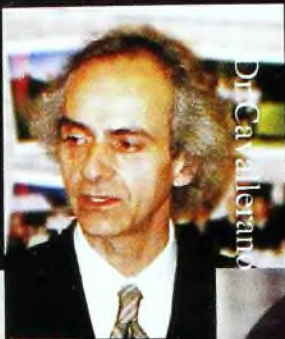
*from The New England College of
Optometry Alumni Association*

Welcome to our profession!





Dr. Chu



Dr. Ca valteram



Dr. Carlson



Dr. Denial



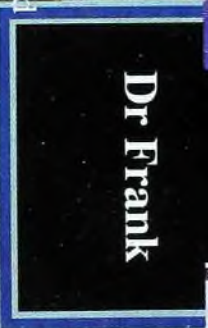
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Dr. Parra



Dr. DeJesus



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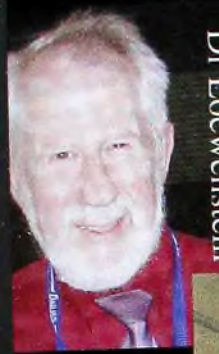


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Dr. Loewenstein



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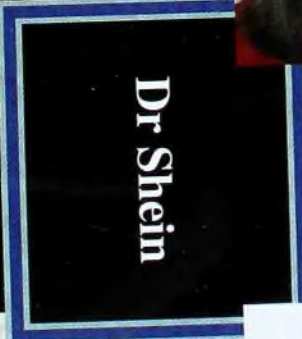
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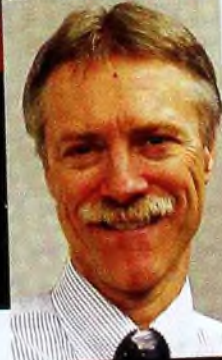
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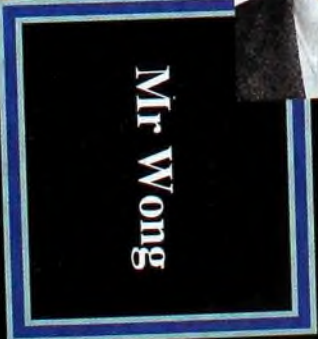
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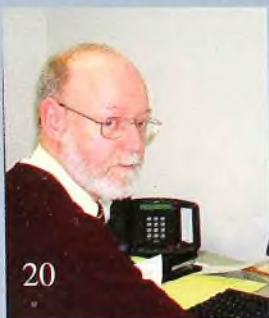


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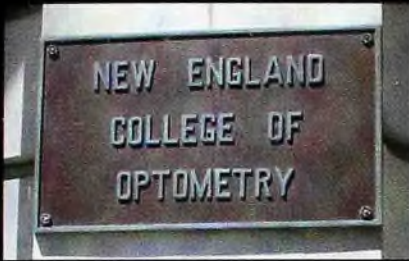


Dr. Zorn

Staff



Our School ...





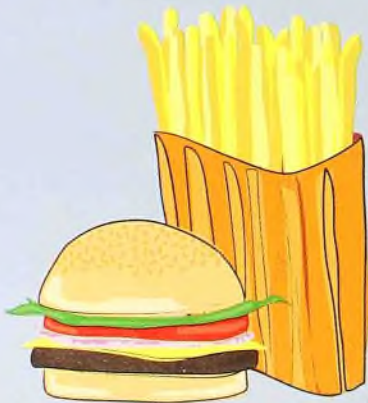


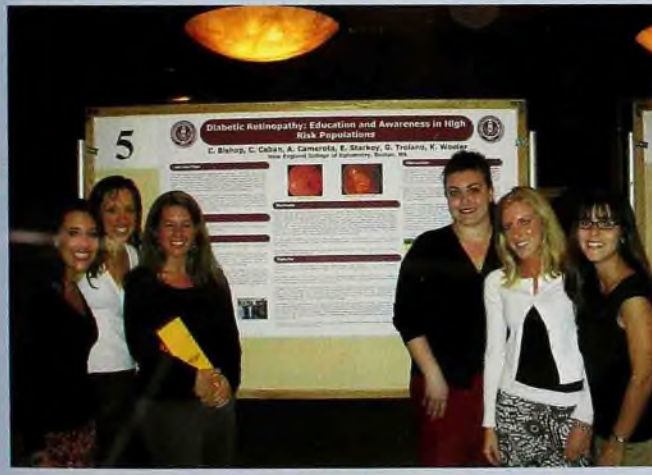
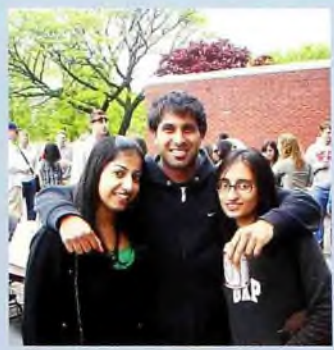
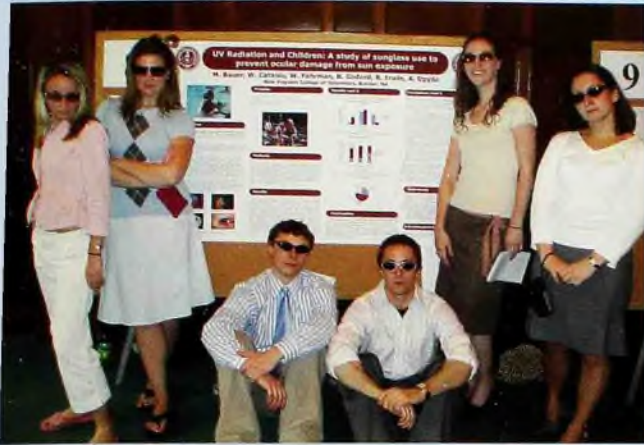


BOSTON SPORTS TEAMS



BBQs !!!







NECO



Olympics

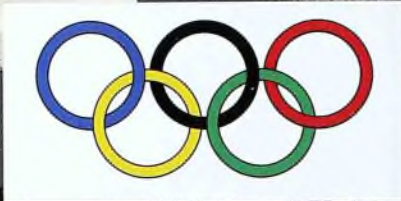


2007



2007 NECOlympic CHAMPIONS!!!





NECO Olympics





2008 Edition



HALLOWEEN







White Coat

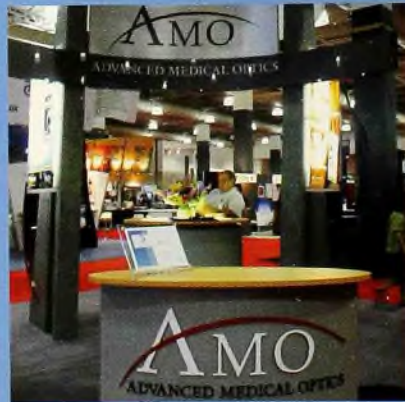


Ceremony





AOA Conference





Friends and Memories ...

















Eye Ball









El Salvador 2007



On August 11, 2007, a team of 3rd year NECO students embarked on a mission to provide eye care to the underserved population of El Salvador. Here lies an account of their adventures...

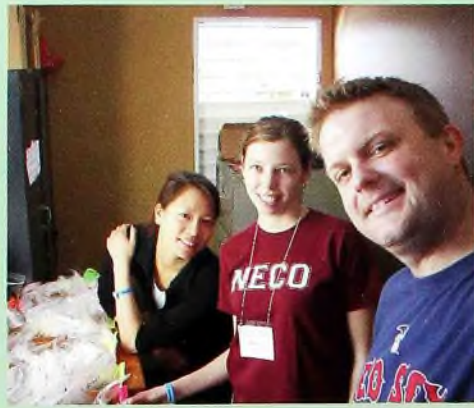












VOSH 2008

San Pedro de Macoris,
Dominican Republic



On March 8, 2008, sixteen optometry students and four optometrists departed Boston for a ten day mission trip to the Dominican Republic. As members of the VOSH program at the New England College of Optometry (NECO), these students volunteered countless hours fundraising and preparing for the long awaited trip abroad. Thousands of glasses were packed, eye medicines collected, and hand held equipment gathered as we prepared to travel to an area in desperate need of health services. Destined for the Bateys of San Pedro de Macoris to serve workers of the nearby sugarcane plantations, the group set out to deliver quality eye care to people who rarely, if ever had seen a doctor.

The student VOSH program at NECO consists of about 75 active members ranging from first to third year optometry students. Each year, a group of third year students are selected based on prior service hours in fundraising, glasses organization, and community screenings. All members invited on the trip have dedicated numerous hours volunteering their time providing eye care to the greater Boston areas. VOSH members participate in Lions club screenings, monthly Sharewood Screenings, as well as other various vision screenings in Boston. Additionally, students spend much of their time raising money to pay for the annual trip abroad. Some of the major fundraising events this year included the VOSH Grad School Mixer, Alcon Night, the VOSH walkathon, parking fundraisers, as well as monthly bake sales. Students worked from first year to accumulate enough hours to be eligible for the trip in their third year.





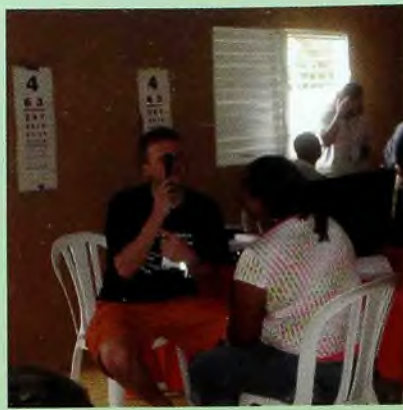
In coordination with the Batey Relief Alliance (BRA), a non-profit organization which was established 10 years ago to help extinguish the disparities in healthcare & education present in the Bateys of the Dominican, the group saw about 1450 patients ranging in age from less than a year old to 107 years old.

People traveled from surrounding bateys to be seen and arrived as early as 5:30 am in hopes of getting a ticket to gain entrance into the gate! Tents were set up outside as hundreds of people waited each day to be seen. Most days the group worked tirelessly from about 9 am to 7 pm, breaking only for a quick lunch. We were able to provide prescription glasses in the form of single vision or bifocals to almost everyone. In addition to prescription glasses, virtually every person received a pair of sunglasses to protect their eyes from the intense sunlight that is characteristic of that area. Antibiotics, allergy medications, steroids, and artificial tears were given as needed. A six-month to year long supply of glaucoma drops was dispensed to every glaucoma patient. Referral services were also done for those people with dense cataracts, sight-threatening pterygia, or high blood pressure.



The student VOSH mission to the Dominican Republic 2008 proved to be a great success. Through team work and dedication, the group was able to accomplish the goal of providing quality eye care to those that needed it the most. For all, it was an unforgettable experience and the clinical skills and knowledge gained in this setting will transcend into our professional careers. As the trip touched our lives in different ways, one thing is certain, the experiences had and memories made in the Dominican Republic 2008 will be carried with us for a lifetime.





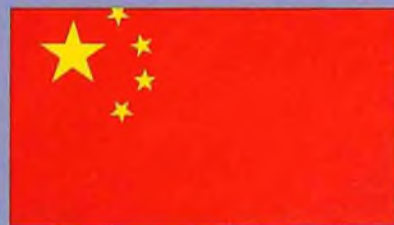








Wenzhou China



Dedications!!!



Desiree' Danced

You never lost your sense of wonder,
Nor your lifelong desire to be a doctor.
You found Boston was way off in the distance,
But you never settled for the path of least resistance.
You wore your brave face when we left for home,
And in time you chased away the fear and the sadness,
You focused on your dream of becoming a doctor.

Whenever one door closed you found one more open!

You studied and studied and then you studied some more,
Then gave it your best and found that your best was good enough.
You fought through some rough times and some ill times,
But you never faltered from your goal of becoming a doctor.

You frequently reached out to us,
For advice, for celebrations, or just to talk.

You found that your fathers "glass half full" positive attitude worked,

And in your mother, you found a best friend forever.

You gave faith a fighting chance and found
Gods Love didnt leave you empty handed.
He watched over you and gave you the ability to learn and practice,
You took those tools and showed that you could help others.

Now your journey is over and your dream has come true,
You can take great pride in becoming a doctor of optometry!
Because when you had the choice to sit it out or dance.
You Danced! Yes, You Danced!

Doctor Desiree Kaebisch, we are very very proud of you!

Love, Mom & Dad

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We Love You!

You have approached life from the time you were little with goals and ambition. Your passion for dance transcended to academics. From Valedictorian, Viola Rand School, Presidential scholar and honor student at both Leonard Middle School (you knew you wanted to become a doctor) and John Bapst Memorial High School to deans list @ the University of Maine. Your hard work and dedication has led you to fulfill your ultimate dream at the New England College of Optometry.

Congratulations
Dr. Jennifer Robichaud!

Love, Mom, Dad and Andrew





2009

Congratulations

On your

Graduation!



ANDREW CHAN

We are so proud of you

Mom & Dad & Amanda

Your eye is the lamp of your body. Luke 11:34 NLT.



4 years old attitude and wild hair!



In Alaska with Dan, 2008



First week in Boston, Sept, 2005

*Upon your graduation,
hold your memories in one hand,
but leave the other open...
for your life is just beginning,
and the world that awaits you is endless.*

*You are so brave, and you
have made us all so very proud!
Congratulations Rachel!!!
Love always, from your family*



Dr. Rachel Irwin



Meritza,

We admire your hard work, energy, determination & character. You met the challenge and proved you can do anything you set your mind to. We love you & wish you a wonderful career in optometry. We are very proud of all you have accomplished. Your patients will realize that you are sincere and care about their well being. Congratulations!!!

Love,

Scott, The Rondons, Kluges, Rutmans,
Mendels & Radas



Whit,

Even though you're a serious doctor now, we know you'll always have your silly side too 😊. We've had so much fun spending your last semester with you in Baltimore and hope you don't forget us now that you're so important. Congratulations on being done with all of your hard work, we're proud of you!

Love,

Amy, Horto, and Lindsay



Congratulations, Haley! Love, Mom and Dad.

Throughout your life you've always had the heart and determination to do great things...



Congratulations Dr. Ramsey!

Love, Your Family

Congratulations, Kelly!



It is through your determination and diligence that you have reached yet another goal.

We are proud of you and wish you continued success!

Love and God bless,

Mom, Dad, Trisha & Family



Dear Devina,

There was never any doubt in our minds that you would be who you are today. Wish you success and all the happiness in the coming years. We are so very proud of you and love you dearly.

Love,

Mom & Dad & Ankur



Dear Elesha,

I could not have asked for a better sister. You put up with me when I was little, played with me, and even wrote me stories. Looking back on pictures, sometimes I don't know how you did it, but you did and I thank you for that. Your perseverance has brought you here, and it along with your kindness and compassion will take you anywhere you want to go.

I love you,
Shane



"You must be the change you want to see in the world."
- Gandhi, Mahatma

"It is a miracle that curiosity survives formal education."
- Einstein, Albert

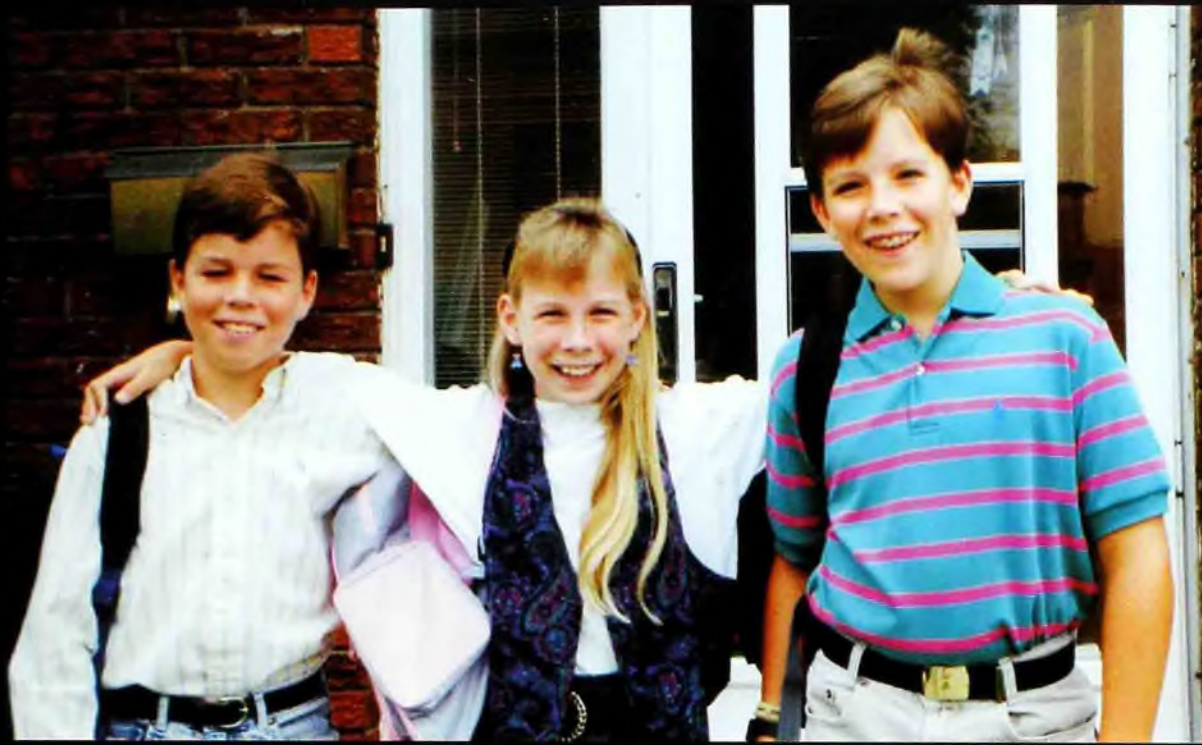


Elesha,

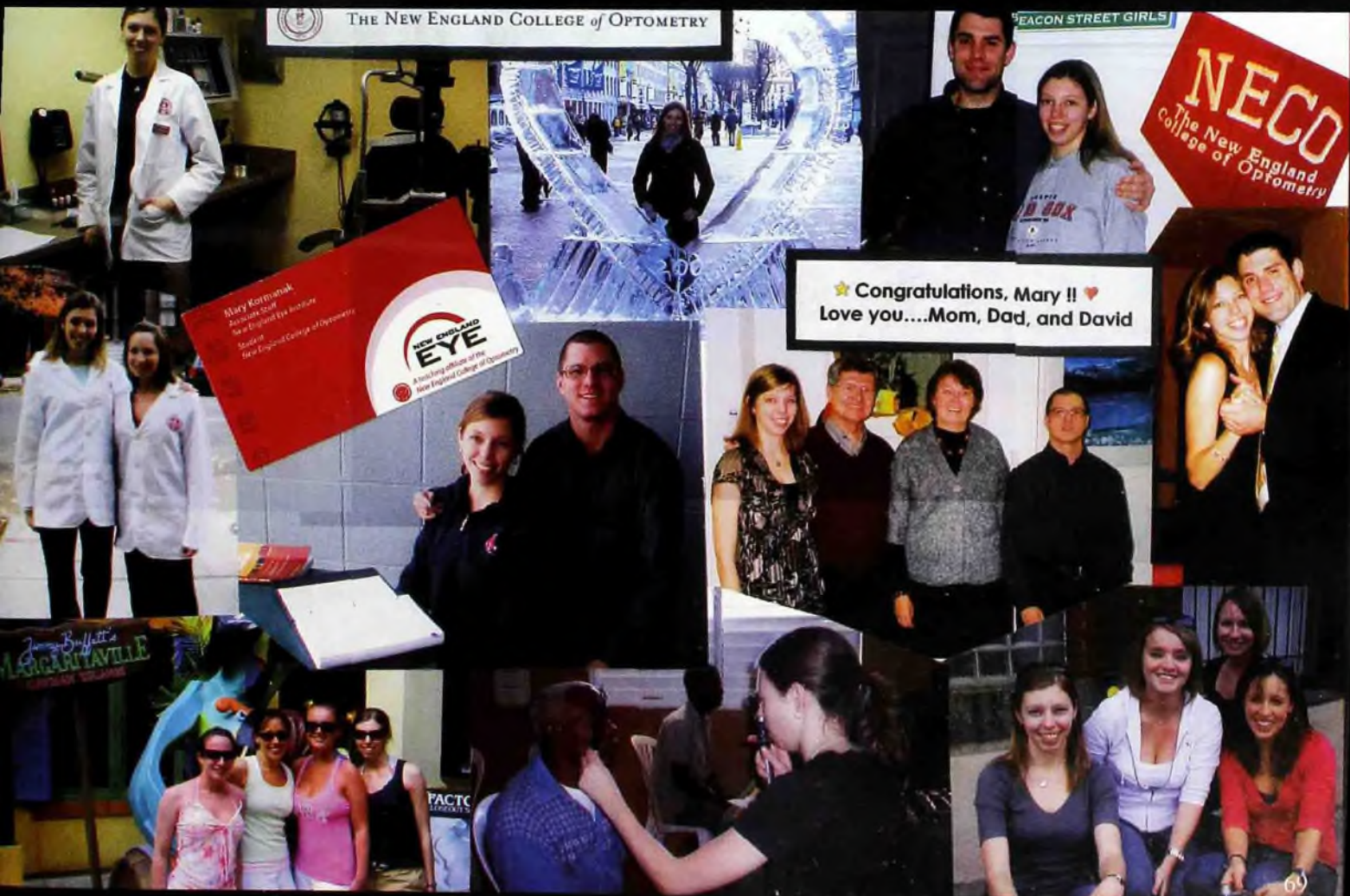
You have always filled our hearts with joy, our heads with wonder, and our lives with color. With your determination and passion, courage and your beautiful smile, we knew you would accomplish what you set out to do. You are truly a gift from God. We are so proud of you, and congratulate you on your successes.

We love you,
Mom and Dad





"Nice of you to show your older brothers the way to go!
 Congratulations to Dr. Erin Bowser, Dr. Ryan Bowser and
 the future Dr. Colin Bowser and Dr. Susie Bowser.
 Lots of love Mom and Dad. x0x0x0."



Mary Kormanak
 Assistant Staff
 New England Eye Institute
 Student
 New England College of Optometry

★ Congratulations, Mary !!
 Love you....Mom, Dad, and David

NECO
 The New England
 College of Optometry

Jimmy Buffett's
MARGARITAVILLE
 Margarita Bar

FACTS
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Throughout her life Camille has brought us much love and joy, along with a sense of pride with all of her accomplishments.

With her hard work and discipline, Camille has achieved her greatest success at NECO.

It has been rewarding to see how much fulfilling her dream has meant not only to us, but to herself.

Congratulations Camille, we love you very much.

Love, Mom and Dad



To Our Shannon

You did it!
With your list of many accomplishments already behind you, you are now adding your graduation from OPTOMETRY SCHOOL -NECO!

Your forever focus is greatly admired and has brought you an abundance of personal success.

Your family cant say in words just how extremely proud we are of you, so we will just have to show you!

You are amazing!

All our love,
Dad, Mom & Brandon



It seems like just yesterday when this picture was taken. What a wonderful adventure it has been sharing your life with you. Now, here you are, all grown up and taking your place as the mild Dr. Helman in our family. We are so proud of you! Congratulations!

Love,
Mom & Dad

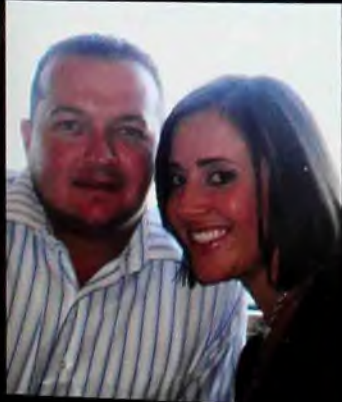
My Dear Anhty,

Look like you are thinking about your future. What will I be? Well, you have achieved your goal, your dream comes true. Be a Doctor. Your 8 years in college are paid off. Mom and I are so happy and so proud of you. These are the words from your brother: "You are a great sister. You will be a great aunt, Im always there for you." Our congratulations. Good job.

Love you,
Mom, Dad, Lan.

Elesha,

These four years have been exciting and a wonderful adventure for us. Thank you. Now, you are graduating and I am so excited for you. You have worked so very hard, sacrificed, and were determined to achieve your dream. You did it! I am so very proud of you. You are an inspiration to me. I have seen what it takes to accomplish what you have and that is why not everyone can do it. Feel very proud of this achievement, and as you look to the future, there's no doubt in the minds and hearts of those who know you that your life will be filled with many more successes! Congratulations and celebrate!



I love you forever and follow the river.

Love your husband,
Greg



Congratulations Dr. Erin Bowser

I have spent the last 4 years in absolute awe of your dedication and hard work. The amount of effort and skill you put into not only school but everything you do is a true reflection of what an amazing person you really are. I am just so proud of you.

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined."

Love Mike

Arinder Basra

My sweet loving daughter, Arinder.
Congratulations from the bottom of my heart. All of us are so proud of you, not only being successful in your studies, but in pursuing your goals and dreams with determined efforts. We are also proud of you for being a perfect loving daughter, who has always been there to help out when needed. Welcome back home! We are waiting to greet you after accomplishing your goal to be a doctor. Once again, congratulations, my sweetheart.
With lots of warm wishes, Your Mom.

My Dear American and Canadian Dr. Arinder Basra,
Congratulations on your big achievement goal.
I am really proud of you, you did it! I am so happy! Congratulations again.
I love you so much. God bless you and I am wishing you good luck.
Lots of love from your papa, Harjinder.

Congrats Ashu Didi.
Finally After seven years, done. Yaay!! Cant wait to see you back home.
I love you so much.
Love, your little brother Rohit.

Congrats Didi!!
Your finally done school!
Time flew by so fast, feels like just yest, u started uni..okay not really but time did fly. haha.
Anyways welcome back!!..love kiran.

Congratulations our little sweet grand daughter Ashu. Your grandparents are really proud of you for becoming the greatest doctor. Our wishes are always with you, and we always love you very much. God bless you.
With lots of love, your grandparents (Jaswant S, Harbhajan K Farmah)

Congratulations, Collin!

With determination and dedication you have achieved an exceptional milestone. We are very proud of you and are confident that you will have much success in your professional career. Your future looks so bright that you're "gonna need shades!"

We love you!

Mom, Steve, Mollie, Kris, Keith, Megan, Keith, Jodi, Ashley, Brady, Clark, NaTosha, Brooklyn, Katie and Greg

Dr. Matthew Chavoustie

Congratulations on your achievement through hard work, dedication and many sacrifices.

We are so very proud of you.

Love, Dad, Mom, Mike, Genevieve, Maxime, Kari, and Paul

Marcy, from the day you were conceived you have made us smile with joy. We could have never imagined the trip we would take with you. Your first school was Tiny Tunas where you learned to swim at 4 months. By the time you were two you started your path to scholastic excellence at Avery Coonley, Maercker, Westview, Hinsdale Central, Illinois Wesleyan, and now you have finished at New England College of Optometry. On this path you visited Honduras, Mexico, France, Italy, El Salvador, sharing you with others a diverse peoples and few will ever understand. swimming O.D. you have



Ecuador, and China many gifts and obtaining knowledge of cultures that know or From your first class to your excelled; we're proud of how well you did in school. Most-of-all, we are proud of the gifted and giving young woman you have become. You are the first Doctor in a long line of spirited and intelligent Brocks and Kysers, an accomplishment which should make you proud of yourself and thankful to your heritage. Many will call you "Doctor" out of respect; we call you "Our Baby" out of our everlasting love for you.

Mom and Dad - Linda and Michael Kyser



Megan,

It was a long, hard road, but we could not be any prouder. Not only for all your accomplishments but for the person you have become.

Congratulations
Dr. Megan Smith, OD.



Dear Hongbin,

Congratulations for graduating. Best wishes for your future career.

Edward, Eric, Hongyi,
Mom and Dad

Love,
Mom,
Dad
and Nic



*Congratulations
Anna!!!
YOU DID IT!!!
We're so proud of
Your hard work!!
WE LOVE YOU!
Dad, Mom,
Julia and Maria*



CONGRATULATIONS SARA!

Continued good wishes and best of everything always!

We love you :)
xoxox Mom, Dad, Amy & Rocco



Well done on your hard work and accomplishment. We are proud of you. Now that you have become a bona fide Optometrist, you will have the privilege to write our eyeglass prescriptions for the rest of our lives. Follow your dreams and may successes follow you always

Congrats Shilpi!

-From the Mehta & Bhadra Family

Congratulations Class of 2009 ! On Your Excellent Achievement



Wishing You
Health, Wealth, Happiness
And
Time to Enjoy Them All

Susan and Bill Lowe

Whitney Fahrman,

Youngest of the four, we all
watched you grow into the
wonderful new doctor you
have become!!!!

We love you!!!

Pop
Dad
Mom
Doug
Greg
Deanna

Kristin Ann Glavine

*Your determination to get where you
are today is awesome.*

I Love You

Mom

*Congratulations OD 2009
We Did It !!!*

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Arizona Senator John McCain wins the Republican nomination for president and names Alaska Governor Sarah Palin as his running mate. Palin is the Republican Party's first female nominee for vice president.



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Waves of Change



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Politics in pop culture

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Democratic Senator Joe Biden of Delaware becomes the 47th vice president of the United States. A member of the Senate since 1973, Biden brings long-time Washington experience to the Obama administration.

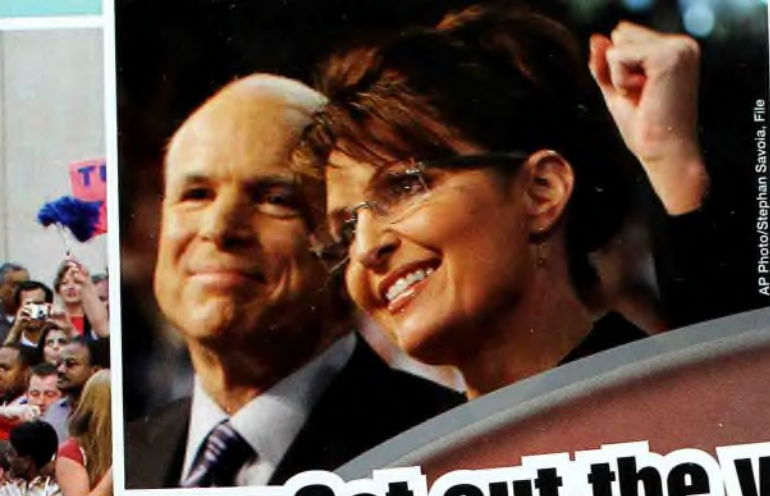


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Get out the vote!



Campaign volunteers

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First-time voters

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Obama's grassroots organization and innovative Web campaign is credited with inspiring young and first-time voters to participate heavily in the election.



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AP Photo/Jae C. Hong

The values, fashion and personal vitality of the Obama family resonate with Americans. Public interest in the first family rivals that of the interest in the Kennedy family in the 1960s.





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Barack Obama makes history as the first African-American to win the presidency of the United States. The former Illinois senator promises an era of change that captures the imagination of voters nationwide.

Electoral Votes

Obama	365
McCain	173



New York Times

Obama Wins



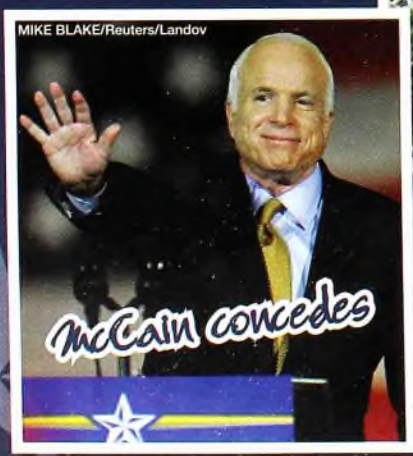
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McCain/Palin run a strong campaign, winning 22 states. But they are defeated 53 vs. 46 percent in the general election and by a substantial margin in the Electoral College.



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Celebrations around the world



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Obama's Cabinet nominations

In January 2009, president-elect Obama attends the ultimate power lunch in the White House, meeting and getting advice from President Bush as well as former Presidents George H. W. Bush, Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter.

Getting prepared for office



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The inaugural parade



Souvenirs

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During the inauguration ceremony, Malia Obama captures the moment from a unique point of view.

Inauguration 1-20-09



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Barack Obama is sworn in as the 44th president of the United States before millions in Washington, D.C. Obama's inaugural address calls for a "new era of responsibility" in the face of economic decline and a pledge to choose "hope over fear."

"We have chosen hope over fear..."



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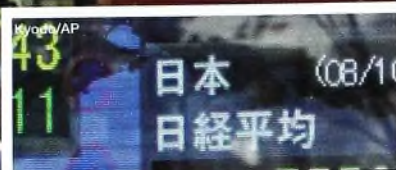




Stocks plummet as years of excess in the U.S. housing market and lax supervision of financial institutions contribute to the greatest economic crisis since the Great Depression.



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Unemployment rate hits 16-year high in January 2009

Economic Crisis

With buying power declining in the consumer marketplace, companies nationwide are forced to lay off workers. The national unemployment rate hits 7.2 percent in December and is rising steadily. The hardest hit states are Michigan, Rhode Island, California and South Carolina.

World News



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Specialty coffee sales drop

Credit cards

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Housing Foreclosures

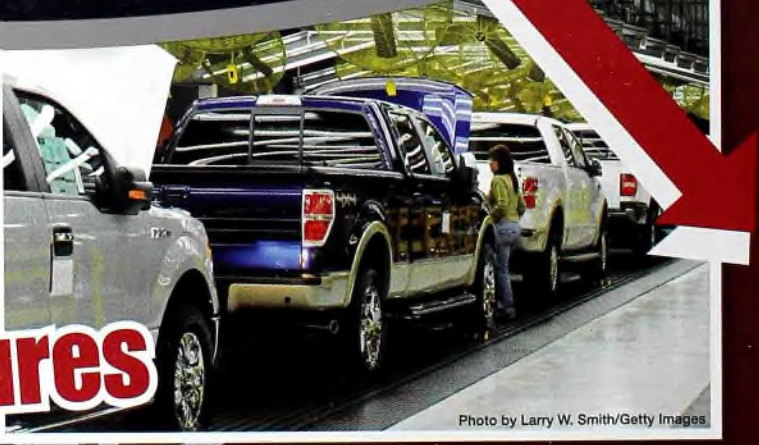


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Detroit's struggling "Big Three" automakers, General Motors, Ford and Chrysler, request and are eventually offered a bailout package of just over \$17 billion in December.

GOING OUT OF BUSINESS

MIKE SEGAR/Reuters/Landov



Many retailers are forced to file for bankruptcy or go out of business after being unable to rebound from the harsh economy and a very disappointing fourth quarter of 2008.



Teens work part-time

Gas prices up and down

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The world's "hot spots" center around the Middle East. Israel mounts a major offensive against Hamas in Gaza, the United States continues to oppose the Taliban in Afghanistan and insurgents in Iraq, and in August, Russia attacks its southern neighbor, Georgia, in a dispute over western influence in the area.



Support our Troops

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"Miracle on the Hudson"

GARY HERSHORN/Reuters/Landov



In January 2009, after both engines fail due to ingesting birds, US Airways Flight 1549 ditches in New York's Hudson River. All 155 passengers and crew members are saved, thanks to the skill and courage of pilot Chesley B. "Sully" Sullenberger.





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Reusable bags

Changing our World



Environmentally conscious consumers use items such as reusable cloth shopping bags and Klean Kanteen water bottles that don't leak harmful chemicals like BPA.

PRIUS

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HYBRID SYNERGY DRIVE



What is your carbon footprint?

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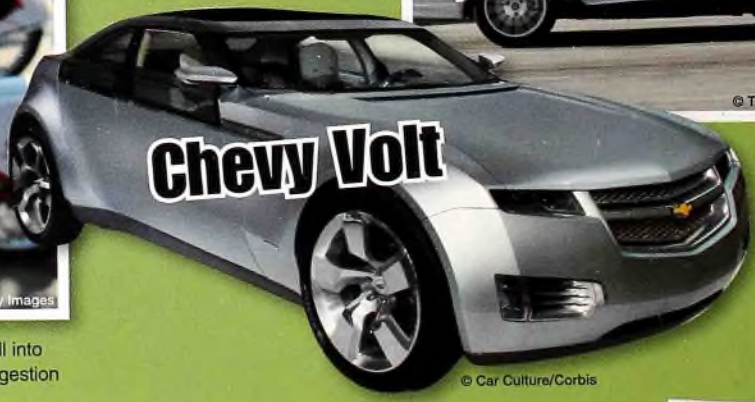


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Tight money and high gas prices push auto manufacturers to investigate super fuel-efficient and electric cars. The Chevrolet Volt is an early contender and the tiny "Smart" car is already on American roads.



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Chevy Volt

© Car Culture/Corbis

Public bicycle sharing systems, already popular in Europe, roll into American cities like Washington, D.C., to help fight traffic congestion and reduce pollution.



CLEAN ENERGY

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◀ In September, Google and General Electric partner to develop clean technologies. Modernizing the national electric grid to enable wider deployment of wind, solar and geothermal energy will be an early priority.



Courtesy of Apple, Inc.



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Youth Volunteering Youth Volunteering Youth Volunteering



Photo: The Brazosport Facts, Dani Dalstra



◀ The green cleaning movement gains momentum nationally as environmentally safe non-toxic cleaning products are used in many homes, as well as state and city institutions.



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◀ Brad Pitt launches the "Make It Right" project to build 150 green-sensitive new homes in the New Orleans Lower 9th Ward, which was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. Pitt contributes \$5 million to the project.



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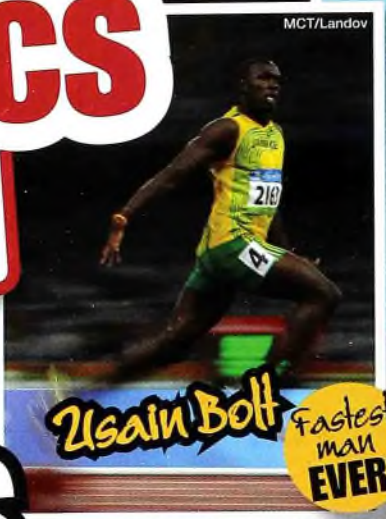
National Day of Service

◀ President-elect Obama asks all Americans to volunteer their time on the 2009 Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, January 19, and to continue throughout the year. More than 12,000 service projects take place across the country.

MA ZHANCHENG/Xinhua/Landov

Summer Olympics

The Beijing 2008 Summer Olympics showcase some of the most amazing performances in Olympic history.



Usain Bolt Fastest man EVER!



▲ American swimmer Michael Phelps makes Olympic history with eight gold medals. Phelps sets three world records in his five individual wins.

Sports



The Olympic Opening Ceremony



Cristiano Ronaldo



Tiger Woods



Karen Jones



Red Wings Win 2008 Stanley Cup

World Series



▲ The Philadelphia Phillies win their second World Series with a five game victory over the Tampa Bay Rays. The fifth game takes three days to complete after a rain delay.



▶ The Chinese gymnasts take the team title, but Americans Shawn Johnson (floor exercise) and Nastia Liukin (all-around) take individual gold medals for the U.S.

Gymnastics



AP Photo/Rob Carr/Entertainment



Brock Lesnar

FRANCIS SPECKER/Landov



Venus and Serena Williams

AP Photo/Anja Niedringhagen



Heisman Trophy winner Sam Bradford

JOHN ANGELILLO/UPI/Landov



BCS National Championship MVP Tim Tebow

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Padraig Harrington

MANDI WRIGHT/Detroit Free Press/MCT/Landov



Super Bowl XLIII

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Boston Celtics 2008 NBA Champs

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▶ MVP Santonio Holmes makes a tip-toe catch in the corner of the end zone with 35 seconds remaining to lead the Pittsburgh Steelers past the Arizona Cardinals 27-23 in Super Bowl XLIII.

▶ Jimmie Johnson captures the NASCAR Sprint Cup championship for the third straight year in his famous #48 Lowe's Chevrolet Impala SS.





▶ Stephenie Meyer's runaway best-seller, *Twilight*, becomes a hit movie starring Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart as Edward and Bella.



Tina Fey



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Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist

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Entertainment



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Reality TV

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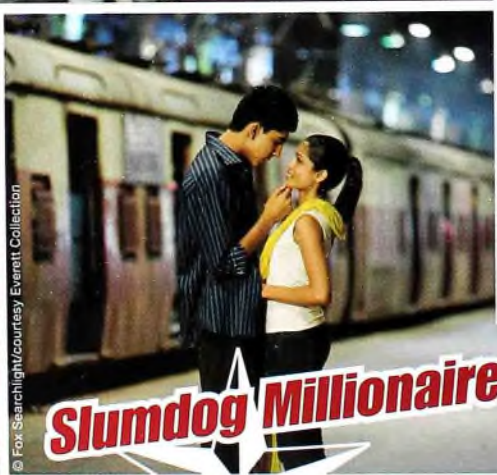
Grey's Anatomy

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Slumdog Millionaire

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The Curious Case of Benjamin Button

Slumdog Millionaire, a surprise entry from India about teen life in Mumbai, and Brad Pitt's *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*, about a man who ages backwards, monopolize Academy Award nominations with a combined total of 23.



MTV spins off the reality show *The Hills*, following Laguna Beach star Lauren Conrad and her friends to Los Angeles.

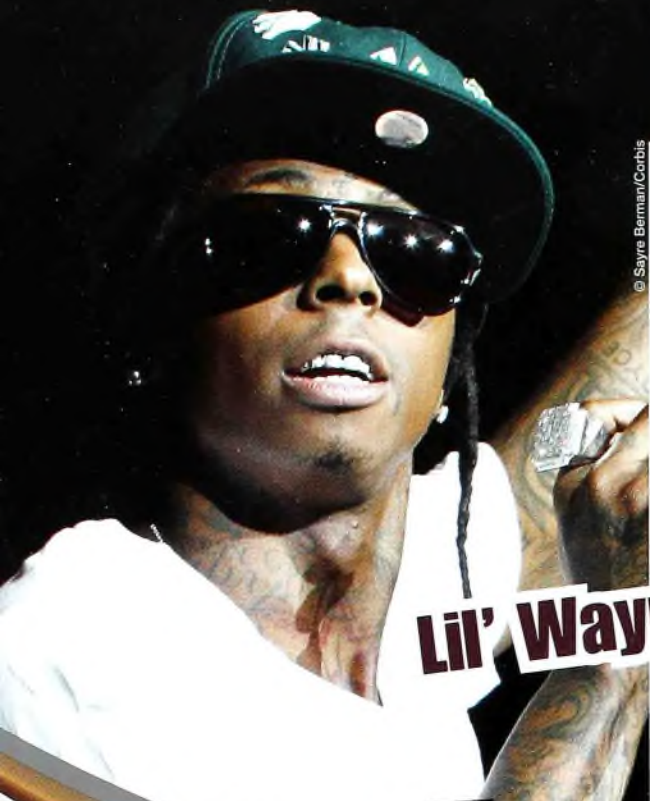


Australian Heath Ledger, in his last film role as the Joker in the Batman epic *The Dark Knight*, wins a posthumous Golden Globe for Best Supporting Actor in a Drama.

Paul Blart: Mall Cop

Bedtime Stories

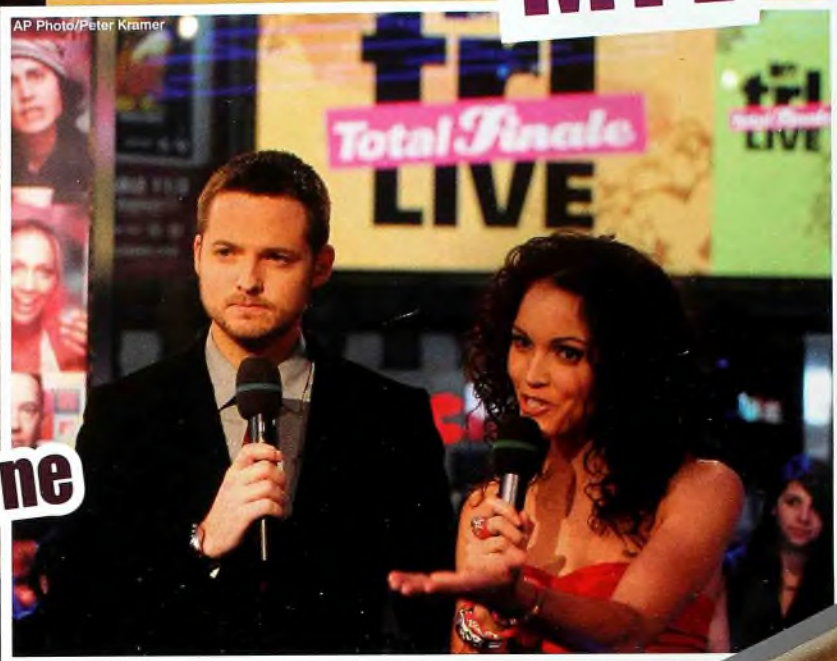




Lil' Wayne

▶ Rapper Lil' Wayne takes home four Grammys, including Rap Album of the Year for *Tha Carter III* and Best Rap Song.

MTV



▶ Due to low ratings, MTV's flagship show *Total Request Live* shuts down in November after a 10-year run.

Music



Jordyn Sparks

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Bon Jovi

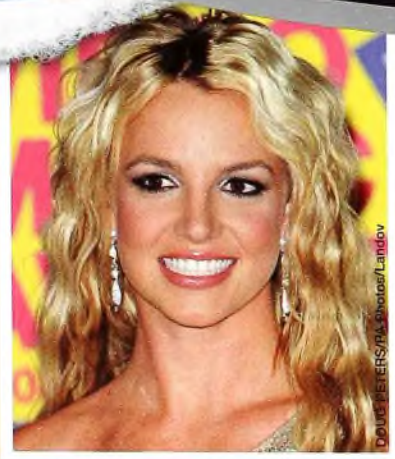
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Leona Lewis

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Fall Out Boy

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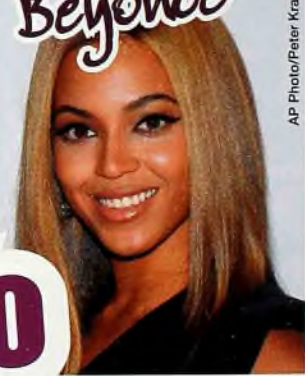
▶ R&B singer/songwriter Ne-Yo brings out his third album, *Year of the Gentleman*, which debuts on the *Billboard* 200 at No. 2. The album garners six Grammy nominations.



Ne-Yo

Beyonce

AP Photo/Peter Kramer



▶ Britney Spears rebounds from years of personal challenges with her fifth No. 1 album, *Circus*. She becomes the only act in Nielsen SoundScan history to have four albums that debut with 500,000 or more copies sold.



▶ The video for Will.i.am's song "Yes We Can" garners more than 1.3 million hits on YouTube and becomes an anthem for young voters during the presidential campaign.

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Classic Rock

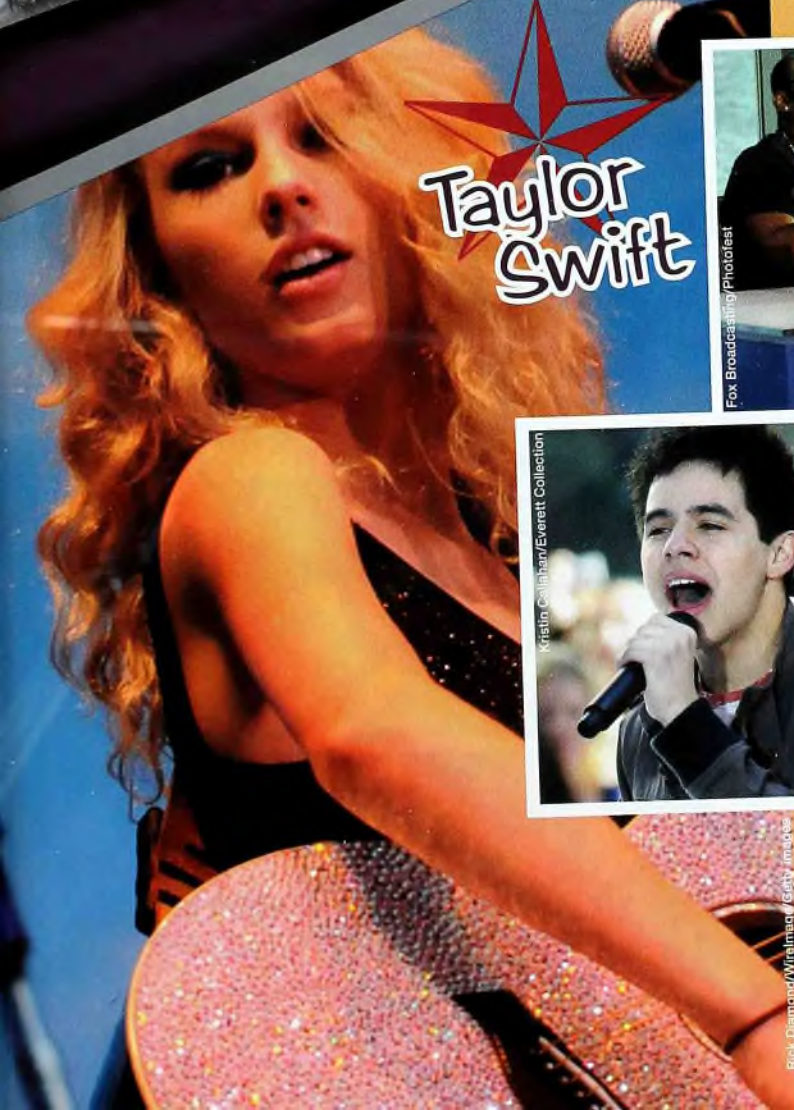


Alicia Keys

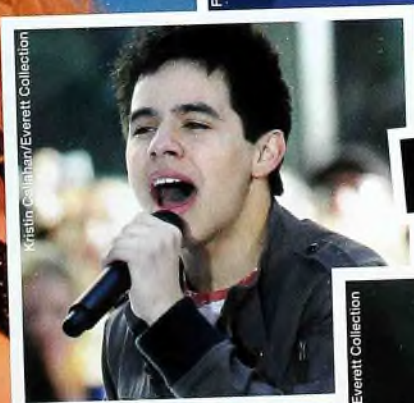
Jonas Brothers

Pink

▶ Fox's *American Idol* adds a fourth judge to the popular show. Grammy-nominated songwriter Kara DioGuardi joins regular panelists Randy Jackson, Paula Abdul and Simon Cowell.



Taylor Swift



David vs. David



▶ Rocker David Cook, with 58 percent of the fan votes, beats balladeer David Archuleta in the 2008 finals of Fox's *American Idol*.

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◀ Texting becomes the new writing. Teens everywhere learn to double-thumb miniature keyboards and invent a new language of abbreviations and signs.



Social Networking



Digital TV

▶ The nation converts to all-digital TV in 2009. The Department of Commerce offers government coupons to make the conversion more affordable.

Lifestyle

Slippers to wear every day



Argyle & Plaid



THE CANADIAN PRESS/Andrew Vaughan/AP



Designer Purses & Shoes



Big Sunglasses

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▶ Top style trends this year include baggy pants, oversized sunglasses, designer purses, black nail polish and plaids.

Black Nail Polish



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