



## Cycling Club



The wheels go round and round. Greg van Amerongen, 10, waves at the camera while pushing towards the finish. van Amerongen was one of the club's most active members.

Cycling Club was a fun and relaxing way to stay in shape. It was all about self-challenge.

"Cycling Club is a more or less informal way for students to ride bikes and enjoy themselves during the school year" said **Mr. Michael Gutekunst**, adviser.

With members ranging from as few as six, to as many as twenty students, meetings would be with **Gutekunst** on Fridays to decide on the cycling plans for the weekends.



No one gets past the cyclists. The members of cycling club showed off their tough demeanor and awesome bikes. Safety always came first, and helmets were always worn.

The rides usually took place on Saturday or Sunday afternoons. The members liked that the club was truly what they made it. It could be as competitive or noncompetitive as one wanted.

Cycling Club could be found usually on the Loveland Bike Trail, specifically because of its size and that it is safe for riders. One of the main activities of the club was the Calvin Challenge.

It took place in May near Dayton, Ohio and was a twelve-hour bike ride that tested endurance. The winner was the one who rides the furthest in a given time span.

The club was only able to go on one ride due to scheduling conflicts. On the ride, the six cyclists went north for ten to twenty-five miles. "It's all about challenging yourself," said **Greg van Amerongen, 10**.



**Mr. Michael Gutekunst**, club adviser, grins while passing through the farm country. "Just like any exercise it [cycling] can make you feel better about yourself," said **Gutekunst**.



## Winter Drumline



**Harrison Weiss, 11**, performs at the Student vs. Faculty game. **Weiss** has been a member of Winter Drumline for three years. His job was to beat the drums the best he could.

Have you ever wondered what that beat of the drums was after school when you were roaming the halls? If you made your way to the commons you would find out that it was Winter Drumline.

The Winter Drumline was an after school activity which practiced over nine hours a week!

"The practices may be long, but the people that are there, playing their instruments along side yours, make the time fly," said **Matt Teegarden, 9**.

They compete locally and nationally in two different circuits, local and national/world. The musicians of Winter Drumline started their season in late November, and went all the way until the World Championships in April.

While you are laying in bed on a Saturday and

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Sunday morning, they are already awake, getting ready to compete. Anyone can join Winter Drumline with a simple audition. The Winter Drumline got two new directors, **Ben Schulcz** and **John Corson**, who have contributed to the team greatly.

"Never underestimate the power of a mental run through," said **Schulcz**.

Winter Drumline has competed three times and are ranked 4th in the world! Their biggest competition is the WGI World Championships on April 14th and 15th. There will be over 160 groups competing in this event.

If you ask any of the Winter Drumline members, they would all say their favorite part is being with friends, and competing.

"Drumline, to me, is like water...I can't survive without it!" said **Scott Kruger, 9**.



Boom goes the drum. Aaron Lee, 10, Chris Demuth, 12, and Grant Buckingham, 11, pounded on their drums. Winter Drumline performances always had a storyline to go along with the music to help the audience get more out of the music.



Concentration is the key to Winter Drumline and a good performance. It took a lot of work to make sure each member of Winter Drumline was on beat. Winter Drumline was always prepared for their competitions.

