

Making Time For Everything: Marissa Gephert Getting it all done

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Marissa Gephert, a dedicated senior, busy with in school and out of school activities. Part of Kneading for the needy, student council, and Finer things club Gephert is also a student mentor and an editor-in-chief in Yearbook, Gephert makes time for everything.

Dancing is not the only athletic thing Gephert can do, although she started dance at the age of 3, she has since explored other things. Another thing she enjoyed doing for a long time was swim, as she was a part of the swim team at her country club every summer until seventh grade.

“I was never very good at swimming so as dance picked up I decided to stop swim,” Gephert said.

Although dancing has been a huge commitment for Gephert, she never forgets to enjoy other things as well. Having fun with her friends in clubs like Kneading for the needy, Finer Things and Student Council, Gephert has been able to manage her time between school activities and dance.

“I love being a part of Kneading for the Needy, because we get to help the less fortunate, and I love any opportunity to help someone and this club is the perfect way to do it,” Gephert said.

Although she loves helping others, the Finer Things club is Gephert’s favorite. During their time together they bring food and every meeting has a theme that corresponds with the season.

“It’s a very relaxing and is a great space to hang out with my friends, not only that but we

are able to bond of sharing common interests as well,” Gephert said.

Student council and Student Mentoring was a great way to help Gephert get more involved in the school. Student mentor gave her a way to introduce the freshman to the school and meet new people. During this time she was also able to help more shy people become more confident.

Being able to help the freshman around school was very rewarding and a great way to get back into the school year,” Gephert Said.

Even though Yearbook is not a club, it has been the highlight of Gephert’s high school career. Being an editor comes with more work and responsibility, having to design and edit pages takes up a lot of Gephert’s time. Yearbook not only creates a list of people and things that have happened throughout the year but it also creates memories that people are able to carry with them forever.

“I wouldn’t trade my experience for the world. What I love about being in the yearbook is getting to be so connected with the school. We have to know everything going on and practically everyone in the school, so it’s always interesting,” Gephert said.

Leaving little time for anything else after her in school and out of school commitment. Gephert always makes time to do her homework, study, and make sure she gets good grades.

“My academic interests have been all over the place. I really enjoy every subject, except math. I thought that English and History was more my thing, but during sophomore year

biology class I realized that I loved science as well,” Gephert said.

Vesatile and thoughtful, Gephert does so many things with such little time, and never forgets to enjoy the little things.

“Marissa is an absolute delight to have in the yearbook,” Mrs. Granata, Journalism Teacher at OLHS said, “She is one of the hardest working, most organized students I have ever had.”



Gephert visited her aunt in the spring in DC, and spotted some cherry blossom trees.

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Proud senior, Gephert has accomplished so much in her time in highschool. This is one of her senior photos.

“I’m so excited to start a new chapter in my life and wouldn’t trade my highschool experience for anything.” Gephert said.

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Showing off her flexibility, Gephert loves to dance. Through this she is able to express herself and relax.

“I love Ballet so much and although I’m sad to leave. I can’t wait to dance in College” Gephert said.

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