

# **Kasson Mantorville High School**

**January 2009**

## **Student of the Month**

**Sam Buchl**

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The January Student of the Month is Sam Buchl. Sam is the son of John and Linda Buchl of Kasson.

Academically, Sam has achieved a 3.993 grade point average over his high school career which has also earned him high honor roll status.

In school, Sam has been involved in numerous activities including Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), Student Council (Vice President), Concert Choir (President), Men's Octet, American Field Service (trip to Spain this past summer), soccer, Speech, Knowledge Bowl, Science Olympiad, and National Honor Society.

Outside of school Sam has been a volunteer with the Mayo Clinic's Young Volunteer Program, and a piano accompaniment at church. Sam also works part-time during the summer as a Lifeguard at the Kasson pool and also working as an office assistant during the school year at Weichert Realtors, Buckingham Associates.

In his free time, Sam likes to hang out with his friends, jog with friends, read, write, and listen to music, and play the piano.

One philosophy that Sam believes has helped him be successful in and out of school is by Gandhi, "You must be the change you wish to see in the world." Sam states that Gandhi inspires him to be active in his community so he can gain skills to change the world and make it a better place in the future.

After graduation Sam plans on attending a four-year university and majoring in International Law and Spanish.