

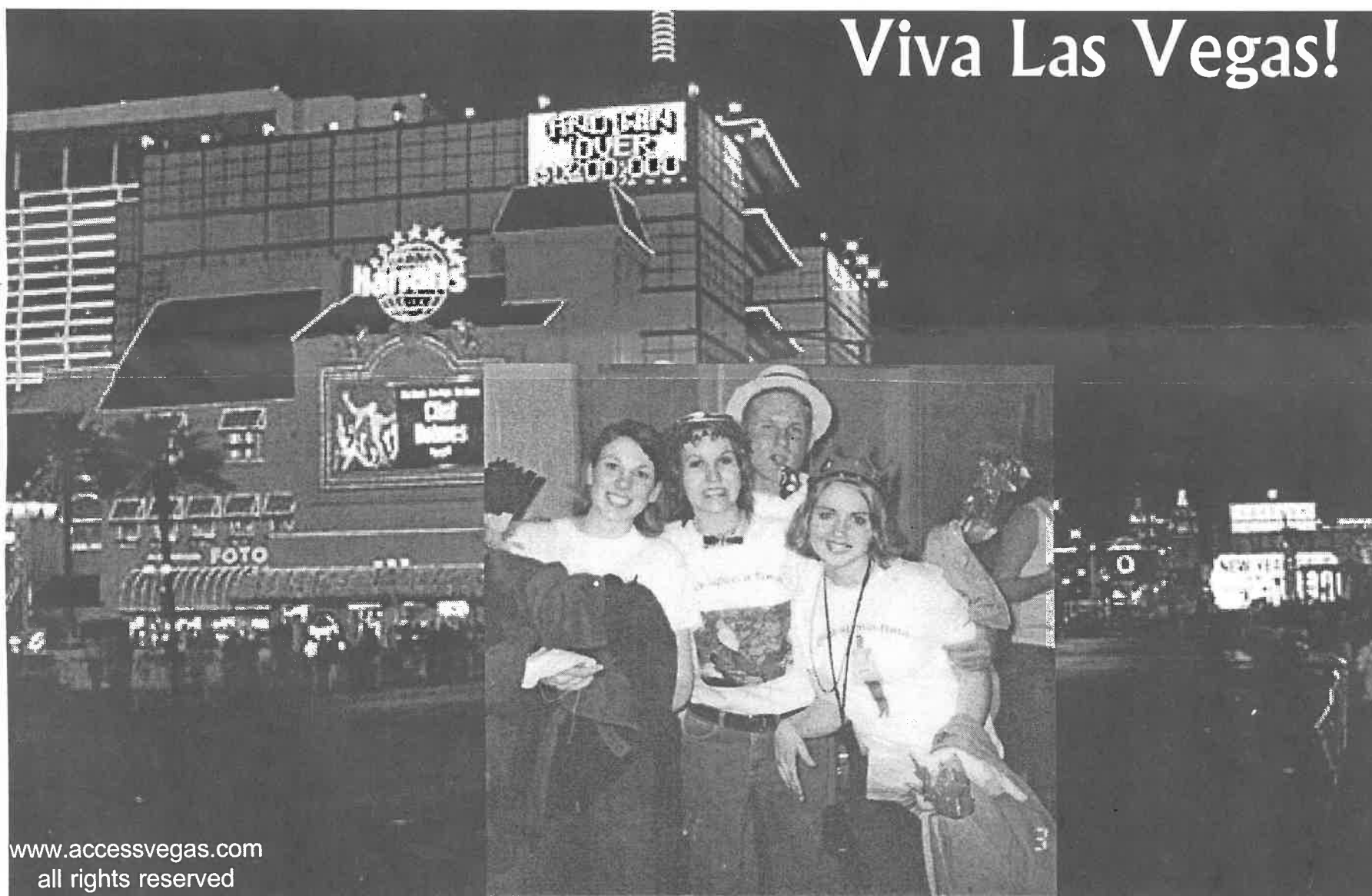
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Surrender Your Masks and Let Your True Identity Out

By BreAnne Hovley

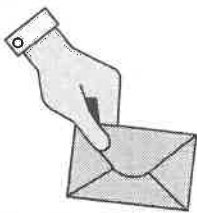
We're all guilty of it. Every single one of us teenagers, and adults too. Yet, most of the time we don't even realize that it is happening. What am I talking about? It is the masks, or fake personalities, that all of us flaunt around. They range from small unimportant masks that don't matter what they hide, to the elaborate masks that tend to overcome a person's life so that others don't even know the "real" them. I wear many masks, so many that I had to have others help me figure them out because I can't pick them out. That is a mask right there for me; not wanting to figure out my personality so that I don't risk the chance of not liking what I find. I use my masks, like others, to hide from the truth, get out of feeling uncomfortable, and when I just plain don't know how to act in a situation. One of my famous personalities would be that I tend to act reserved when I meet new people. Many people assume that I am shy because I don't express myself when I feel uncomfortable in my environment, that is until I do feel comfortable and then I let my true side out (not many have seen it, just ask my girls).

High schooler's typically have the same couple of masks that they wear. For example, the "perfect" girl sometimes isn't all that perfect. Even though she always has her hair done perfectly, makeup always on, the name brand cute clothes on, and appearing to be all together with themselves, she most likely is covering up for actually not being together with her life. A lot of time high schooler's act differently in order to try and "fit in" with the popular kids, only to realize that the personality doesn't fit them and they are better off without the mask and being their own person. Sometimes the class clown puts on a mask to make themselves look like they are the funniest, when really they are not happy at all and trying to please others helps their unhappiness. Then there is the all star athlete who seems to never have a problem in life because on the outside he is acting tough and in charge of the world, while he might be covering for his fear of what lies ahead in his life. The people who often point out all of the mistakes in life are using this disguise to keep others from finding their faults and pointing them out. More or less, this kind of person would be called the hypocrite because they criticize one thing, but they really are doing the same thing or worse behind everyone's backs. Another mask that teenagers wear is the disguise of being in a higher social rank than they really are by wearing name brand clothes, when maybe they can't really afford to be dressing in expensive designer names and driving a nice car.

Relationships can be used to conceal insecurities of a person. Those are the people who date someone just because they are popular or because it makes the other person happy and not themselves. Hiding insecurities for some teenagers is dealt with by acting as if you are angry, mad, or depressed about every single little thing, even when there is no point in feeling that way. Then they go with the "I'm OK" line when asked if they are mad. That is just denying that there is even a problem. I always seem to use that line, just because I don't want people asking me questions regarding what's wrong. I'm one of those people who can not stand to discuss feelings, they just don't flow into my vocabulary very well. A mask for concealing being smart would be to act stupid. Because if you act stupid people won't think your smart and won't bother you or praise you.

Obviously we all have our hidden identities that strive to be revealed but we won't allow, but we also need to realize that in order to find our true identities, the best way is to shed the disguise.

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Por que se Celebra el Dia de San Patricio

Por Claudia Urrea

En el mes de marzo decidi hacer un articulo acerca da San Patricio, para todas aquellas personas que vienen de otro pais que no es los Estados Unidos. Muchos de ustedes se preguntaran porque celebramos cada 17 de marzo el dia de San Patricio, bueno todo esto empezo asi.

San Patricio es el Santo patròn de Irlanda. El 17 de marzo se festeja su honomastico; es un dia para celebrar el ser Irlandè. (Pero ellos dicen que todos sono Irlandeses el dia de San Patricio).

Aunque ustedes no lo crean el color de San Patricio no era verde, sino azul. En el siglo XIX, el verde fuè usado como un simbolo de irlanda. Gracias a la plenitud de lluvia y brisa. La Isla Esmeralda tiene un verdor que perdura el año entero, probablemente esa fuè la inspiraciòn de el color nacional de Irlanda.

San Patricio no era Irlandès sino Britànico, en su dia si no te pones verde entonces tienes que cuidarte de lo demàs porque te pueden pellizcar. Ahora todos sabemo porque celebramos con tanto entusiasmo el dia de San Patricio gracias a la secretaria Raquel Campos que busco la informasion. ¿Estas listo para el año que viene?

TIROTEO EN LA ESCUELA SANTANA EN CALIFORNIA

Por Sarah Johnston

Tradusido Por Claudia Urrea

La violencia es dominante en America, nos hemos convertido virtualmente insorprendentes. Recientemente paso un tiroteo en la escuela Santana en Santee, California que es un suburbio de San Diengo. Un muchacho de nueve grado tomo la vida de dos de sus compañeros y lastimo a 13 mas. Mientras que

esto fue una tragedia, muchos de nosotros nos tomo fuera de guardia y despues nos olvidamos. Para uno de los nuevos estudiantes de Pasco High fue mas difisil olvidar. La estudiante de once grado Amber Nicole West, tambien conosida como la peque Nicole, fue una estudiante en la escuela Santana. La tragedia pego a casa para Nicole, al haber estado en la escuela y rodeada de ese ambiente.

“El tirotero en la escuela Santana fue mas para mi que solo algo que paso. Las palabras no pueden explicar que sorprendente era ver a mi pueblo, mi escuela, y mis amigos hablar de loque vieron, escucharon y de quienes conosieron.” Dijo Nicole sobre escuchar las notisias. “Los mismos padres de familia que estaban en la television pidiendo por la vida de sus hijos que abian sido lastimados, fueron a las mismas juntas de padres que mis papas.”

“Nunca sabes como vas a reaccionar, nunca piensas que puede pasar en tu escuela. Nosotros nunca lo pensamos. Me acuerdo cuando el tiroteo de Columbine paso. Mis amigos y yo estabamos tristes pero tambien agradesiados de haber hido a una buena escuela en la que algo asi nunca pasaria.”

“La realidad no nos pego asta que hable con algunos de mis compañeros. Yo escuche que tan cerca estaban de algunos de los estudiantes que fueron dañados. El tono en sus voces era terrible. Escuche algunos de los padres de mis compañeros llorar lagrimas de felicidad porque sus hijos estaban asalbo y en casa.”

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Escuchar la historia de algien que fue a hesa escuela hace la tragedia todabia mas real. Los reporteros comentaron que pasifica y tranquila la escuela de Santana era. Los padres comentan que si pudo pasar en el pasifico pueblo de Santee entonces puede pasar en cualquier otra parte. Espero que sabiendo la importancia y la ralidad de este ancidente, solo pueda ayudarnos a darnos cuenta de que tanta suerte tenemos de estar seguros. Porque aunque tu no conoscas el pueblo, la escuela ho los estudiantes, para Nicole ella pudo haber estado en la escula de Santana tanfasil como en Paco High.

Nicole continua disiendo “Me siento con mucha suerte al no haber estado hay y de que ninguno de mis amigos

Aussie Animals HOP Into our Hearts

By Christine Nelson

Australia is a land of many natural wonders, not the least of which is its incredibly diverse selection of wildlife.

One of the most beloved of Australia's unusual creatures is the cuddly little koala bear. Actually, the koala isn't a bear. It's a marsupial. Marsupials are a species of animal that carry their young in a pouch on their body. Koalas, when they leave the pouch, will often spend some time riding on their mother's back. Koalas live in trees most of their lives and feed on the leaves of the eucalyptus.

Kangaroos are another well-known marsupial of Australia. Here's a fun fact—a baby kangaroo is called a "joey." Kangaroos move by hopping on their hind legs, and they can travel up to 30 feet in a single hop. They fight, too, by kicking out with their hind legs or punching with their front paws.

If Bugs Bunny ever traveled to Australia, he would have to watch out—his nemesis the Tasmanian Devil. Contrary to popular belief, Tasmanian Devils are real animals, and they are carnivores. They also have a very short temper.

The duck-billed platypus is an Australian animal that has defied scientific definition ever since it was discovered. It's covered with fur, like a mammal, and yet it lays eggs and has a bill like a duck. Platypusses live in water.

Emus also inhabit Australia. Emus are large, flightless birds that look a lot like ostriches. Here, in the Tri-Cities, there are several emu farms. Emu oil is supposedly a great health/beauty product.

There are hundreds of unusual species that populate the outback of Australia. They are just about everywhere—from the koalas in the eucalyptus trees to the little poison spiders under the toilet seats.

Prancing In The Outback

By Jami Woodward

The Australian Outback is like no other land across the face of the earth. You might even say it's a different world, filled with brilliant blue skies, kangaroos galore, giant mounds of termites, and members of your very own Survivor 2. The Outback is located right in the heart of Australia, which is a big island just southeast from Asia and is surrounded by the Pacific and Indian Ocean.

This Australian territory is not your everyday stroll through Sherwood Forest, like we see on Robin Hood. It's more like the fire swamp from Princess Bride, with inconspicuous lightning sand, rodents of unusual size, and flame spurts shooting every which way known to man. Well, it's actually probably right in between those two fictional forests, with just enough unknown animals to scare you to death, but beautiful sights to see that make the whole journey worth your while. This terrain is four wheel drive territory—no little girly cars allowed.

The variety of animals to see in the Australian Outback is amazing, with animals so rare you've probably never even heard of them. For instance, such animals as goannas, bustards, and frogmouths, are some of the crazy types you might find while prancing through the Outback. These creatures inhabit the area and find homes among the beautiful environment.

In the Australian Outback, there is a mountain-sized rock called Ayers Rock. This large, monster of a stone is considered to be a place of spirituality by the native people. Other people just think it is odd that the rock is centered in the middle of very flat land, with nothing around it. The rock sounds pretty cool and would make for a great excuse to take a trip to Australia.

If you are interested in the Australian Outback, watch Survivor 2 at 8:00pm on Thursdays. This reality show actually takes place in the Outback and could give you a good perspective on what it's like there. Though the crocodiles may be fierce and the weather may get hot, it would definitely be a fun vacation spot.

~Keeping Up On~ Current Affairs

By Christina Farris

In Sydney Australia, the biggest tourist spot, the hot topics are very controversial. Their political outlook gets heated, as the riots continue, and Sydney employers become angry with new requests on pay raises. Not to mention a new Health concern sweeping there country by storm.

The Prime Minister has accused the opposition of making up a plan on pension indexation. The Papua New Guinea Soldiers say they will drop their demand for the prime ministers resignation, if he goes to Papua New Guinea headquarters and receives a petition. Soldiers rioted in PNG (Papua New Guinea). What happened is that defense force members have been rioting and attacking people at meetings between soldiers representatives and the government.

In other parts of the news, Employers of Australia are saying they can't compensate the new pay raise. They agree that low paid workers deserve more money. But employers argued they couldn't afford more than \$10.00 a week in raise. This matter is still in negotiation.

A new drugs council member was named recently. Prime Minister John Howard, announced himself as the eighteenth member of the Drugs Council. He will be advising on drugs policy for the next three years.

Moving to foreign current events, Ryan results are still uncertain. The results of the Ryan Federal by-election in Queensland still hang in the balance. And will until further notice. NATO secretary-general George Robertson says the alliance will step up efforts to starve out the Albanian fighters in Macedonian.

The Australian Dental Association says a lack in common wealth funding has left oral care as the biggest health concern in the country. This will continue to be the biggest health concern until people can make enough money to pay for oral care regularly.

The current events in Australia seem to be heating up. As the weather gets even hotter, so does the news. So if you wish to visit Australia some time soon. Or in the future be sure to check out what's going on. So you yourself don't end up in a sticky situation.

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Take A Random Glimpse At The LAND DOWN UNDER

By Meagan Hines

G'Day mates! Australia, the land down under, is a country/continent with many interesting facts, as well as an incredible history:

- Sydney, Australia's largest city, was developed primarily as a penal colony in 1788. The British would send their unwanted criminals and deportees here, and the city was left only to these felons for next 60 years.
- An inner city area of Sydney is called "Woolloomooloo." Quite funny.
- Australian's speak English, but they have their own special words and phrases called "Strine." Some examples of Strine are "dag" (nerd), "maccas" (McDonalds), "chook" (chicken), and "dunny" (toilet).
- 18.6 million people live in Australia.
- The water in Australian toilets, or dunnies if you will, flushes the opposite way that the water flushes here in America.
- Only 42% of the women in Australia work outside of the home
- More than 20% of Australians were born overseas and came to the continent to live. Over 40% have parents who were born overseas and moved to the country.
- Australia has the largest coral reef in the world called the "Great Barrier Reef."
- Some native Australian animals are the Antechinus, Long-Nosed Bandicoot, Bat, Black Snake (Red-bellied), Cassowary, Cockatoo, Crocodile (Saltwater), Echidna, Emu, Frilled Lizard, Kangaroo, Koala, Kookaburra, Penguin (Fairy), Platypus, Possums, Bushtail, Feathertail Glider, Leadbeater's, Pygmy, Ringtail, Sugar Glider, Tawny Frogmouth, Wallaby, and Wombat.
- Until Europeans came to Australia, there were no hooved animals. None whatsoever.
- 7 of the 700 hundred known species of birds on the continent have become extinct. 19 of the know species of mammals have as well, including the Tasmanian tiger.
- Australia is known as the "land down under" because it is located on the other side of the hemisphere.
- A huge portion of land is fenced off across Australia. This was constructed to keep out the dingoes, that were suspected of eating pets, livestock, and small children.

Australia's Past: *Progressing From a Continent of Convicts*

By Kim Gonzales

The first real inhabitants of Australia were the aboriginal people who migrated from some unknown point in Asia to Australia between 60,000 and 50,000 years ago and quickly covered the continent.

Captain Cook was an English sea captain who sailed the Endeavor in 1770. He went through the Great Barrier Reef, which is more than 1,243 miles. He mapped the southern, eastern and northern shores of Australia.

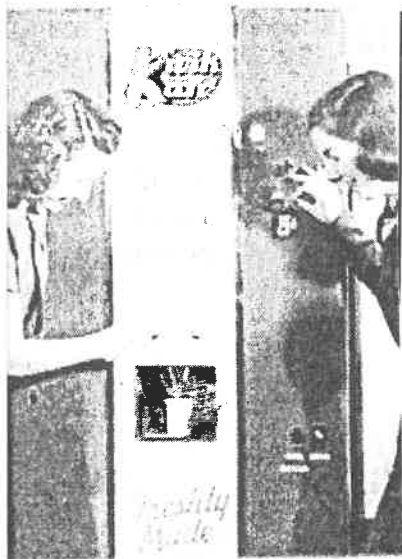
Seventeen years later the English fleet sailed to Australia carrying 800 convicts and 200 soldiers with Captain Arthur Phillip. Normally the convicts would have been taken to America but the U.S. had already declared its freedom. Since Australia had already been mapped out by Captain Cook and was uninhabited by everyone but the Aborigines, they decided to go there.

After a few years, the penal colony expanded and people began to build new settlements on Van Dieman's land (which was later named Tasmania) and on the northeastern coast of Australia. In 1814, Matthew Flinders named this land "Australia". Explorers began crossing west to fully map the country. They established more cities including the major cities Adelaide, Melbourne, and Perth. Britain stopped sending convicts to New South Wales in 1840 and to Western Australia in 1868. During the 1850's the population rocketed due to a couple things. First there was a gold rush and everyone wanted to get a mine and get rich. Another major contributing factor is that there was a lot of land west of Sydney so people wanted to get farmland.

In 1901, the very first day of the twentieth century, the six colonies in Australia came together to form the Commonwealth of Australia. Australia still pays respect to the British king of queen, as the British monarch is the Head of State, represented by a Governor General, but Australia is an independent country.

Historical Timeline

- 1901 - Australia's population is 1,795,873
- 1902 - Women vote for Australian Parliament, and three women stand for Election
- 1914 - August, Australia enters World War I
- 1929 - The Great Depression hits Australia
- 1930 - Phar Lap wins the Melbourne Cup
- 1932 - Sydney Harbour Bridge opens
- 1935 - Australia's population is 6,629,839
- 1939 - Prime Minister Robert Menzies declares war on Germany
- 1945 - World War II ends, and Ben Chifley is Prime Minister of Australia
- 1956 - The Summer Olympic Games are held in Melbourne
- 1973 - Sydney Opera House opens
- 1994 - Sydney wins the right to host the summer Olympic Games for the year 2000.



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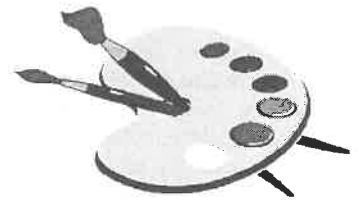
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ARTISTS COME FORTH TO SHOW THEIR STUFF

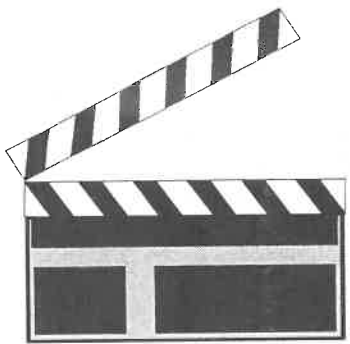


By Christina Craig

There are so many artists around the school, and their skills and abilities are wide ranging. Picking just a couple would be hard to do, so for those of you that have this wonderful talent you all are extraordinary.

Tara Burns and Emily Grimshaw are two that stand out. Both have artistic abilities, and if anyone is interested in seeing their creations, they are posted in the wall in portable 112. Their work was at first inspired by a quest for a German tutor, but has turned into a magical world of fun and adventure. Ms. Hollick (Frau Hollick, for all of you German-speaking students), allows the girls to display them.

Before Tara and Emily became the partners in crime that they are today, Tara had two semesters of painting and drawing, with Ms. Baker, and has enjoyed her artistic nature today she was a little girl. Emily has no memory of having taken any art classes, but she too has enjoyed being artistic since she was a little girl. The two have done many projects, such as a Santa Clause for one of their friends, a Mardi Gras mask, "We gave it to Eric Levitt, he said he would cherish it forever," said Tara Burns. "We enjoyed creating each and every one." Said Emily Grimshaw.



PASCO HIGH GRADUATE SHINES BRIGHT AS A STAR



By Mecque' Whitcomb

Not many can say that they have been acting for 16 years, and plan to move to a big city to pursue a career in theater performance. Many of you may be thinking that you don't know anyone who has big plans like this. Well, PHS alumni Heather Kinion has been in 10 high school productions including Anne of Green Gables, Fame and Oklahoma, and countless others, ranging from Missoula Children's theater to the Richland Players. After high school Heather went to Central Missouri State University, where she majored in theater performance, she also was a great asset to their drama department. She graduated a few months early, and now she is back in Pasco substitute teaching. She was also responsible for the winter musical Grease, and for the upcoming play A Midsummer Night's Dream. Heather chose to come back to the Pasco because, "I can be closer to my family, and if I got an acting job right away I wouldn't have the time or the money to come back home."

Heather finds it awfully weird to walk down the hall, and have a mailbox in the office, rather than a locker. She thinks that it's strange to be called Ms. Kinion, because people don't realize that she really isn't that old. As for now, Heather is working hard on the upcoming play opening in May. "I am happy that I was able to cast each role with a person who is very capable of playing it. It can be hard to cast all the speaking parts with people that are capable of carrying out that speaking part." Heather is also working on a play that she is starring in called the Heiress, which is on April 1, &2, and 6&7 at the Richland Players Theater.

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Fun Websites Help to Pass the Time

By Ryan Orozco

What to do, what to do... how about surf the web? It's the latest craze these days, but once you get connected where do you go? What do you do? There are endless possibilities, but when you just have a few minutes and want to do a little surfing here is a review on a couple of websites that may provide to be entertaining.

The first choice of many people is game sites. The only problem with this is that many of the gaming websites require you to sign up, and possibly pay money. Well, that is way too time consuming and no one wants to pay money when you can play games for free right? Now where would we find free arcade games on the net, Freearcade.com sounds good. And it is too, although it has very, very simple games with not a lot of detail in them they are still fun to play. Then there is Pogo.com, which has better quality games, (under "Get A Life Arcade") such as Tube Runner and Tank Hunter, but the other games on the sight you have to sign up to play. Another website you may want to check out is BrainBlitz.com which looks very promising. And who would turn down their chance to be in the hot seat on Who Wants To Be A Millionaire? Well Abc.com is the site to be because it lets you play Millionaire in the comfort of your own home (with Flash 4 of course).

Then there are the places you go when you need a good

laugh. Often times in high school your self esteem may be running a little low and you need a pump up, well these following websites are just for you.

There is Ratemypicture.com, which would have more appropriately be named, Ratemypictureimhidious.com. Another sight is Hotornot.com, which has even more desperate people's pictures on it. And what would be a paragraph about sorry people be without mention of a mullet website? You might want to check out Mulletjoe.com and play the mullet games like

Mullet-Tac-Toe and Mullet Memory. Another must is Ugypeople.com, but beware because these people are abnormally ugly and will probably freak you

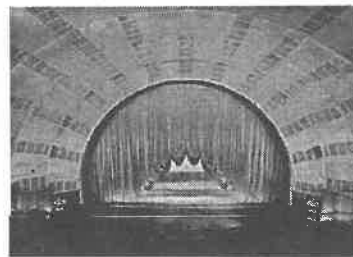
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Then there is Bored.com, which has just about everything entertaining on the web. If you like sports you can try any of the Cnnsi.com (Sports Illustrated), ESPN.com, Football.com, NBA.com anything like that. There is no excuse not to do your math homework anymore because now there is a Calculator.com (let it do it for you). Nike.com is also a pretty good sight to just browse around on

Which is Best Cali or NYC?

By Sydney Patrick

If there were a battle between the east and the west, it's true that the east would be able to claim New York City, but us westerners have California as our claim to fame. There are a couple different cities you can choose from in California, it all depends on how you look at it. There's Hollywood for the aspiring actress's and actors, and the there is LA for the real movie stars and Bay Watch of course, no matter what they are both smitten. However, there is only one city in New York that can compete with what we've got, and that's NYC. The two cities that never sleep, where people go to make it big, each outweighed by the other in different areas. Here are some different perks to both New York City and California, both t even out in the end.



New York City

Theaters, Broadway
Apple
NYU
David Letterman
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Hillary Clinton

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Hollywood
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Disney Land
GoldenGate Bridge
Rodeo Drive
Trolleys
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VeniceBeach
Brad Pitt

College Arts Options Abound

By Christine Nelson

Throughout the four years of high school, many students discover that they have talents they never knew existed. Some can act. Some can sing. Some can spin off a 20-minute drum solo. When it's time to leave for college, students can have the opportunity to further explore and develop these talents.

There are some very good schools of music in the U.S. Some of the most well known college music programs include: Vandercook College of Music in Chicago, Berklee College of Music in Boston, and the Manhattan School of Music in New York. There is also a Conservatory

of Music of Puerto Rico in San Juan, PR, for those who would like to study outside of the U.S.

More locally, Whitworth College in Spokane has a good music program, as does Whitman College in Walla Walla.

Drama opportunities also abound. The American Musical and Dramatic Academy (AMDA) places posters in the school with cards that students can fill out in order to get more information. There are also several fine arts schools in London—some of which are well over a hundred years old.

Cornish College of the Arts in Washington is well-known for having a number of excellent programs, including Dance, Drama, Costume Design and many others.

Columbia Basin College also has some good arts programs. One of their jazz choirs puts out a CD every year, and some of the plays they put on have won awards at drama festivals. CBC would be a good place to begin to learn many of the basics of anything from set designing to orchestra conducting.

Whatever the talent may be, there is a college that can help develop and improve it. So—break a leg!

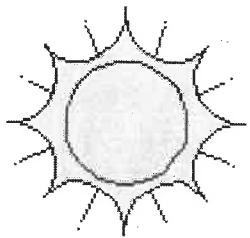
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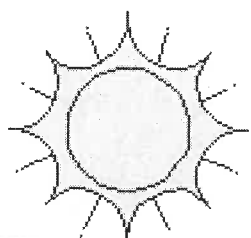
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DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN....?

By Emily Sullivan

Ahhhhh. . . Spring Break. The perfect week to wake up half way through the day, putting off every single thought of school work (for us seniors, the project that entitles our diploma to make it in our hand.) Yet, the only thing that is on our mind is the sun that is shining and the beautiful hours that we can waste just lounging around enjoying the time off from hearing the flag salute and the annoying yelling in the hallways. Even if some of us aren't as lucky as our fellow classmates that get to venture to the hot beaches and salty seas, we are just as happy to watch the fake old soap operas that we haven't watched for years and can still follow the story line. We can get away with doing absolutely nothing, yet that takes a little bit of skill because that means that you must work at not doing anything. Yay, it is approaching so quickly that I have to remind myself that it hasn't came yet and that tomorrow, in fact I do have to wake up before noon, actually before seven (on the good days) and drive the same route to the same school for the same classes that I have been attending all year long. Thank goodness for this week that we are allowed to forget the many responsibilities that will pounce on us the moment we re-enter PHS and can enjoy the time either in our house or at some beautiful resort on the beach.

The weather is starting to turn and the sun is starting to come out for longer periods than just to show it's face. It is time for Spring Break, the much-anticipated week that students glorify and anxiously await. Many students are looking forward to this spring break, as others wish it was a previous one. Here are some Pasco High Students' past Spring Break memories:

Tyler Kelly: I don't have any past memories, but hopefully after this Spring Break I will!

Brad Boler: I took a trip to the cabin with the boys and I will never forget the many crazy memories, if y'all even knew!

Brandon Benson: Last spring break me and the SP's and SPG's hung out tons . . . too much to say, just tons of fun.

Carla Dickman: Last spring break was definitely filled with excitement. Emily, Tracy, B, and I got chased by a crazy farmer and we got lost practically in Spokane, but we lived, although the guy was crazy . . . it was soooo scary.

Nick Perez: Dang. I don't have any spring break memories, usually I use the time to catch up on my sleep.

Jeremy Bond: Dang. My cabin speaks for itself! The late night swims in the lake while it was snowing . . . that is just one of the crazy memories. There are too many to name.

Jake Galstad: Let me think, well since Pasco isn't the greatest place to spend a spring break because there isn't a single thing to do ever, I don't have a spring break memory.

Tyler Shook and Chris O'Neill: We went to Hawaii last summer and kicked it in a club with Cuba Gooding Jr. while he was down there shooting for his new movie Pearl Harbor and met the famous 605 girls.

Anthony Guillen: I went to Texas and met family I never knew existed.

Amanda Foust: A few years ago my family toured the Northwest and I got really car sick - - driving and driving forever

Will Kanehl: I don't have any because they all sucked, but this one is going to be great. Not sure what I'm doing yet, but it is going to be crazy.

Kyli Urbach: I hated it last year, I went to a high-school rodeo in Nevada and my horse went psycho. I got bucked off and stepped on. Not fun.

Lafonda Jackson: Last spring break I was in Seattle and some guy almost shot us with a gun because my sister and him were arguing. It was pretty cool, he was all mad, but the only thing was he was 4'11". We were like, "do you want us to step on you first?"

Raul Garcia: I came back from Cancun and I almost got in a wreck, but I'm ok.

Steven Jenks: I went camping at Tucannon three years ago, Bryan Bradley took a U-Haul truck up there and we slept in the back with propane heaters.

Joe Scales: I haven't done anything exciting, very boring life, but this one is gonna be a good one.

Skyler R. D. Allen: Last spring break, Raul and I were waiting in the Taco Bell drive through, kicking a soccer ball and a midget with a cowboy hat rode by on a tri cycle, giving me the finger.

Kevin Fort: Egging Paul Gross's house with Hans and Mike.

Caleb Stromstad: I have no memories, sorry, I'm boring.

Kailene King: Going to D.C., hanging with the family, then coming back to hang out with my girls.

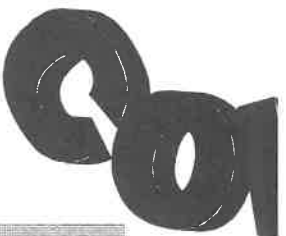
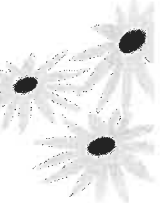
Mark Dixon: Went clubbin' with all my boys

Veronica Daniel: Bonding with the family at Disneyland, we went last year and we're going again this year.

Tanner Savage: I can't get into any particulars, but it's not spring break without a giant haystack, a wheel chair, and a video camera.



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KIDS HIT THE ROAD FOR SPRING BREAK FUN

By Ryan Orozco

This spring break is going to be awesome. People are packing their bags and taking off from the Tri-Cities, finding cool places and wondrous adventures along the way, or visiting their families. At this point anything other than slaving the day in school while the skies are clear and the weather warming up.

Shondra Carpenter- She is going to Mt. Rainer to go camping with Danelle, Debra, and all of our friends.

John Buettner- Will be at the baseball field, probably in the six hole, (shortstop) probably by himself, and is also going to sleep in the clubhouse.

Roger Hales- Is going to Bellingham by himself and is going to meet up with his older sister and go skiing at Mt. Baker.

Joel Madrigal- He's gonna be down in Cancun partying with college girls.

Theresa Larson- She is going back East with her family to visit her favorite cousin Lindsey and the rest of her family.

Andrew Sanders- Is headed to Vancouver for his spring break. He is going shopping and is going to spend his mom's money. He is also going to visit family and friends.

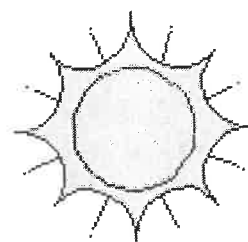
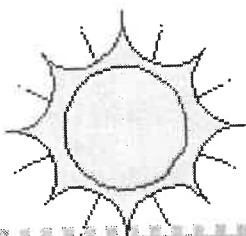
Joel Kramer- He's heading to a cabin near White Pass with his family and friends. He's going to be doing some fishing and snowboarding.

Angel Christiano- She is heading to Idaho for spring break. There she is going to spend a week at a trainers house, a trainer for horses she explains. She is going because she loves riding horses and chasing cows. There is a big adrenaline rush when you are riding on a horse going 40 miles per hour after a speeding heifer.

John Colwell- Is going down to California this spring break. He's gonna check out San Francisco and Reno, along with doing a little sight seeing and visiting Alcatraz and the Golden Gate Bridge.

Carlos Tamez- Will be down visiting his cousin Daniel and the rest of his family down in Arizona this Spring break. He and his family are going to drive, and he is happy to be getting away from the Tri-Cities.

THE BREAK



PHS STUDENTS DREAM OF PARADISE

By Tyler Shook and Kim Gonzales

Spring Break is a time to get away from school and the hassles that come with it, and it is just around the corner. Students at PHS were asked about their favorite place they would want to go for Spring Break. Here is what our students at PHS had to say.

Kayla Dodson- Hawaii

Gabe Gutierrez- Hayden Lake, Idaho. "Ask my White friends."

Lance Kostoff- Boise, Idaho "because there are lots of ladies."

Nick Gonzales- Double Click, Virginia.

Heather Hanson- "Camp Britney."

Chris Wells- I want to go back to our old farm in Oregon because I miss my cattle.

Amy Shimek- My bed.....to sleep.

Kaury Balcom- Where ever MTV Spring Break is.

Shelby Ramirez- Hawaii or the Bahamas.

Haley Patrick- Caribbean.

Jeremy Bonderman- My cabin.

Kim Gonzales- Back home.

Pauly Anderson- I would really like to go back where I came from even though I'm not to sure where that is. I would really like to go back there.

Sheena Nunamaker- Hawaii.

Kevin Fort- Cancun.

Joe Scales- Hooters in Cali.

Caleb Stromstad- Cancun or Mazatlan.

LaFonda Jackson- Go bar hoppin in Spain with men from Liverpool, England.

Raul Garcia- Mexico "Reynosa."

11 **Steven Jenks**- going to Alaska for a full week of fishing and hunting.

Hannah Foster- Cancun or stay home to sleep and party all night.

Mark Dixon- being with six girls from Pasco High.

Kailene King- MTV Spring Break, Daytona Beach.

Vanessa Hileman- Bahamas

Dominique Guerrero- to be in Cancun with Sisqo.

Veronica Daniels- go to Hawaii and lay out on the beach.

Tyler Kelly- surfing at Huntington beach.

Hans Esterhueizen- Kick Richland's butt.

Christine Tucker- go to Cancun and party the whole time with my best bud Becca Satter.

Jess Schmalljohn- go to Hawaii and get a tan.

C.J. Black- Heading off to Hawaii and meet the girl of my dreams.

Marzjon Cash- to be on a beach with a hot guy.

Brandon Benson- Take a trip to Cancun with Heather for a couple weeks.

Chad Anderson- to spend the week in Jamaica with Holly Mattson. Dang she's hot!!

Nick Perez- Cancun with the ladies.

Brian Dilley- kick it on the white sand beaches of the Caribbean-- oh wait, that's what I'm doing.

Skylar Allen- lying on the beaches of Jamaica with my beautiful girl.

Dave Shimek- kickin it on a deserted beach somewhere with a few sophomore girls who don't fake and bake or need six minute abs, or maybe just with Breanne Hovley.

John Elfring- go to Arizona State College to hangout with my brother.

Jon Chapman- hot women on a hot beach with just me.

Nicole West- Cancun- I am all about Jerry Springer spring break.

Nick Black- I would go some place where the beer flows like wine, where the women flock like the salmon to the island of Capistrano, I'm talking about a little place called ASPEN!!

Kyle Kania- Go to a hidden beach only me and my guy friends, and then all of a sudden there's beautiful babes walking around in bikinis and asking us if we want massages and stuff and then all of a sudden there's a midget on a tri-cycle in a cowboy hat and Gene Simmons from Kiss along with a hot dog stand.

Even though many of these will not happen, keep dreaming ya'll.



TOP 10

Spring Break Suggestions

By Keisha Leiby

Alright here are the TOP 10 things to do during spring break.....

10) Go to school... oh wait.

9) Sleep in. It's your week off for cryin' out loud!

8) Graph skin from your butt onto your face, as Jami and Sarah, said and see if people really will call you a buttface.

7) Bored? Whip out your old Barbies and GI Joes. They're always fun!

6) Play hide-n-go seek with you younger siblings. They hide and you seek...somewhere else.

5) Learn how to cook some GOOD Mac & cheese.

4) Go to Africa and when you get there, please bring me back a giraffe, elephant, 2 monkeys, and a duck.

3) Read the Dictionary I heard it makes you smarter

2) Invent something that will do your homework for you... and when you do call me at 555-5555

..... and the top thing to do during spring break is

1) Go to school, sit and wait. You just might get that A.C. parking spot you've been waiting for all year!!



Yale Supports Porn n' Chicken

By Holly Mattson

Yale, Harvard, and Brown are all Ivy League schools familiar to any high school student in the United States. Words, or ideas, such as, "upper class," "prestige," "over-achievers," and, "clean-cut" young men and women come to mind in reference to such schools. Yet, many forget to acknowledge the level of creativity and ability these students have in "thinking outside of the box," for instead we think, "stiff, no-fun, study all night," broads. Think again.

In the April 2001 *Premiere* Magazine, journalist Amy Sohn opened many individual's eyes to, "The Staxxx," or more commonly known amongst Yalies, the stacks in the Sterling Memorial Library. This nickname refers to both the most poppin' sex spot on campus, as well as the pornography video inspired by student's interest in the library. Four senior men who attend Yale began production in December, and interest in their video was first shown through an article in *The New York Times*, late January. The men have said people fully support their idea and video through wanting to help with the financing, and Hollywood agencies are attempting to get the men to let them be the distributors. Students around campus throw themselves into the scene, literally, asking to be a part of Yale history. Two girls volunteered, and shot a scene, (which they later recalled,) and another scene between one of the campus couples has been

reeled in as well.

The creators all refer, in interview, to themselves only by their porn pseudonyms: Zeke Silver Cohen, Dallas Everhard, Baby Gristle, and Sweet Jimmy the Benevolent Pimp. The group originally got together weekly at meetings they called, "Porn n' Chicken." They sit around, drink beer, and watch porn. This group was inspired first by Graduate Employees and Students Organization, (GESO,) when they were on a strike for better wages in 1996. The group

has grown, as many students around campus show interest in being invited to this get-together. Yale is not the only participators of such groups. The University of Pennsylvania have meetings now called, "Porn n' Kosher

Chicken," in 1986 Brown was charged with a sex scandal, soliciting locals, and movie producers of all sorts have been cultivated in Ivy League schools.

Although this task is very surprising to many, it is still supported. Yale's administration board are all aware, but feel the independent task and idea that students should be given the chance to grow and develop. They predict it is not your run-of-the-mill porn. The porn will have a plot, and good dialogue. They describe the video as a romantic story of a freshman who discovers she enjoys sex in all aspects of Yale life, eventually finding a mate.

"...pornography video inspired by student's interest in the library."

"Puffy" Found Not Guilty In NYC Nightclub Incident

By Emily Sullivan

A jury acquitted Sean "Puffy" Combs on all charges against him Friday evening, the 16th, bringing to an end a 15-month ordeal that began after a shooting in a New York nightclub. Jennifer Lopez and Puff Daddy escaped injury in the early morning hours when shots rang out at a New York nightclub. One victim was grazed in the shoulder, he reportedly walked away from the scene without medical treatment, there was also two other victims (one woman who was shot in the face and another man with a shoulder wound) were reportedly in stable condition in New York's St. Claire hospital.

Rapper whose real name is Jamal Barrow, had been formally indicted by a Manhattan jury on charges of attempted murder for his alleged shooting at the New York City club. Prosecutors say that Barrow and the early men were armed, after traveling in

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Sean "Puffy" Combs

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row shot three bystanders at Club New York in morning of December 27. Combs and two other rested and charged with criminal possession of a the car he and his girlfriend, Jennifer Lopez were was pulled over by police while allegedly fleeing

the scene and a gun was discovered near the front passenger seat. Combs acquittal on criminal charges stemming from the Club New York shootings should mean the end of hundreds of millions worth of civil suits against him, his civil lawyer predicted Monday. "We want to let the dust settle and then make the motion to dismiss," attorney Luke Pittoni said. "Theres absolutely no merit (to the lawsuits)." But if necessary, Pittoni and Combs are ready to go to court to fight the suits, the lawyer said.

Shooting victims Natania Reuben, Julius Jones, and Robert Thompson have each filed multimillion-dollar lawsuits against Combs, as has his driver, Wardel Fenderson, and the owner of Club New York, Michael Bergos. The three victim's dont accuse Combs of shooting them, but they do blame him for indirectly causing their injuries through his alleged involvement in the argument that sparked the gunplay.

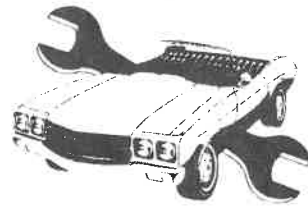
Rapper Jamal "Shyne" Barrow was convicted of two counts of assault as well as reckless endangerment and gun possession. But he was cleared of the most serious charge he was facing, attempted murder.

A triumphant shout went up in a packed, heavily guarded courtroom as the jury foreperson read the words "not guilty" five times for Combs. As the verdict was read, Combs rocked back and forth with emotion, shook his head in relief and finally gave a wide, relaxed grin. His lawyer Johnnie Cochran called the acquittal "exhilarating," and said the defense "made the right decision" in not calling Lopez to the stand.

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School Sucks

By Sarah Johnston

School is so ridiculous. It's ludicrous, preposterous, and outlandish and I've had enough. Although it may sound like I'm suffering from acute Senioritis, such is not the case. I have just finally learned the truth. That school, although purposeful in its intentions, is not only the hell of my life but worthless. Education is important, I do not argue with that idea. But come one, don't you learn your most valuable lessons from lifeexperience? Lets go out and do something with our youth! But I spent mine sitting in a desk, day after day, after day. My teachers are nice, my classmates are generous, and my grades are...well decent. But my high school years were really spent by learning skills to master a specific class, less than skills about an actual subject matter. Every day that my stupid alarm clock wakes me up from blissful sleep, it gets a little worse. I automatically calculate the days left until a weekend, or a break, or graduation even. The tedious work is mounting, the monotonous homework continues and everyday it's just building. So everyday that you see me, that is in fact the worst day of my life. And what have I learned? Besides words like tedious and monotonous, not much. Oh I'm not depressed, besides my zealous distaste for school that is. But I'm on the verge of turning 18 and three months shy of graduation, which is quite the quandary to be in. I've been ready to move on this entire year, but here I go running in circles and chasing my tail if you will, running in circles, spitting into the wind. I never even learn how to use proper analogies!

I don't want college stress, I don't want 20 page essays, I don't want history tests once a week and I certainly don't want senior project bull honky. I don't care if it's a juvenile and unrealistic desire, I just don't want to go to school and I'd do just about anything to make my dream a reality. I want to cast off my clothes and ride on a homemade raft and live off the fish I catch and stare at the clouds all day. I'd rather be a gypsy in Oklahoma, or a fish thrower or a window washer or a janitor in Nantucket. Get me out of high school and get me out of Pasco or my little head and the high school knowledge the fills it is just going topop like a giant lemon. Can lemons pop? I'm not sure, maybe I write a conclusive report about the poppageof lemons. Add it to my workload; I'm not doing anything else useful with my time. I want to swing from the branches in the Amazon, or teach small African children how to play hopscotch. I want to ride a moped across the country or see the World's largest frying pan. Because to be brutally honest, the thought of three more months of my hum drum life at Pasco High makes me want to vomit all over. Which is in a way appealing, because that would indicate sickness which indicates days off from school...

Prom Is A Good Time For Love

By Jami Woodward

Prom is approaching
Girls are getting antsy
To be asked by some hottie
And dress up all fancy
One month to go
Seems so far away
Those without dates
Get nervous and pray
That some boy will ask them
Make dreams come true
Otherwise they'll be sittin'
home that night
Just lookin' and feelin' like a
fool
But if you are lucky
And snatch up a man
It's time to buy a dress and
shoes
And get a nice fake tan
For girls, proms a big deal
Boys just don't care
They get ready in minutes
While girls spend hours on
their hair
With the tickets and dinner
It runs up a high bill
Before the dance even starts,
boys are saying
"Get this hoe up outta my grill"
(compliments of Tanner)
They whine and complain
For spending so much money
But after the dance is over
They want more than just
sugar and honey
So boys, be nice and creative
When you think about askin'
her
And girls, keep yours hopes up
for Dave Shimek
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Bachelor
Now let me tell you
Prom is gonna be great
So if you're lookin' for love
Brianne Eakman needs a date
She's single, she's happenin'
She's one of a kind
Go ahead and give her a call
I'm sure she won't mind
Her digits are in the book
Just give her a call
And ask her to this year's
Most elegant ball

The Profound Ponderings of Sarah and Jami

By Jami Woodward and Sarah Johnston

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Pasco High Names Hall of Fame Inductees 2001

By BreAnne Hovley

It's that time of year again; the Hall of Fame has added a few more names and pictures to the wall. This year there were six inductees ranging from graduates of the class of 1935, to the class of 1974. First off is Dee Sartor Bower. Bower graduated from PHS in the class of 1974 as a noteworthy student. She was very active in the music program here, and was vote "Most Talented" along with Homecoming and Prom princess. At the age of 19 Bower began a career in broadcasting as a "weather girl" for one of the Pasco television stations in order to pay for her college tuition. This field interested her and she became convinced that a career in broadcasting was what she wanted to pursue. Currently Bower is an anchorwoman for New Channel 7, in Boise, Idaho where she lives with her husband, Terry, and their two children. Home-made to Go, The Complete Guide to Co-op Cooking, is the book that she is the co-author of, which deals with showing busy families how to make the most of their time and resources. Bower serves on a number of non-profit advisory boards, because volunteer work is very important to her. Some of the boards are the Salvation Army, the Literacy Lab, Ballet Idaho, and the Idaho Wellness Center. She also volunteers many hours for the local LOVE INC ministry, a program that provides direct volunteer service to people in need. The Girls Scouts have honored Bower with a Woman of Today and Tomorrow award, and the March of Dimes awarded her as a White Rose recipient. Some of her professional awards include her recognition for her reporting from the Society of Professional Journalists, Idaho Press Club, and the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

John D. Parkhurst graduated in the class of 1935 and was an active leader for a cleaner environment, specifically water, before the environmental concerns were nationally known. He joined the public Health Service and served as a lieutenant there during World War II, making beach areas in California safe from mosquitoes and malaria where troops trained for D- Day invasion. In 1965 Parkhurst was appointed to the Federal Water Pollution Control

Advisory Board by President Lyndon Johnson, and was also on the advisory panel of the National Water Commission. He was active in California Water and Pollution Control Association, serving as Director from 1963 to 1965. The American Public works Association named him one of the "Top Ten Public Works Men of the Year." Parkhurst was president of the Water Environmental Federation in 1973-74. He won the Federation's Charles Alvin Emerson Award in 1979 for "Outstanding Service in the Collection and Treatment of Waste water." He served as the Chief Engineer and General Manager of the County Sanitation District of Los Angeles. He authored and co-authored over seventy technical articles and papers on water pollution research and served as an international consultant on the issue of water pollution and its impact on the environment.

Paul Whitemarsh graduated from the class of 1965 where he was involved in student government and football, basketball, AAU swimming, and serving as classroom ASB representative at PHS. He attended

Eastern Washing College after high school where he graduated with a Bachelors of Arts in Education, and a minor in physical education and psychology. While at ESU he spent four years on the swimming and water polo teams. Whitemarsh served an Army ROTC commitment after graduation, where he then returned to Pasco and worked as a recreational supervisor of the City of Pasco. From 1972-1988, he was active in and provided leadership for the Tri-City Special Olympic programs that annually benefits many in our community. He is a member of numerous local, state, and national committees and boards that benefit our area. The Cable Bridge Run, Columbia Cup Boys and Girls Basketball Tournaments and Volleyball Tournament, the Kiddies Parade, and an 80 team AAU basketball tournament all have been helped developed by Whitemarsh. HE has received 13 different awards ranging from Creative Program Award to Outstanding Program Award from the WA Recreation and Park Association. The Washington State High School Cross Country Championships were brought here with the help of Whitemarsh in 1988, where it has become an annual event. In 1990 he was made one of the Pasco Invite's dedicatees. Presently he is the Recreation Service Manager for the City of Pasco where he has worked for 29 years.

Tony
Dedmond
class of
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Howard
Boothe
Class of
1967



Paul
Whitemarsh
Class of
1965

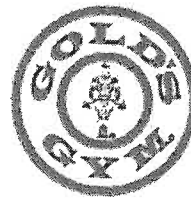
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Class of 1974

By Keisha Leiby

Every year the PHS leadership class goes through the same process of elimination to narrow down nominees for the Hall of Fame. Each person picked is based on the qualities of their contribution to the community, and to the school. They also had to graduate from Pasco High. Six candidates were chosen for this year's 2001 Hall of Fame.

Howard Boothe graduated from the class of 1967. He was an active student who played intramural basketball, and also wrestled. Mr. Booth is the co-founder of Pasco Court Kids. He helped start the Pasco Little League program, and he donated time, money, and hard work to help the community. Boothe's contribution has resulted in the Pasco Little League fields named after him. Mr. Boothe's time and participation in this community still continues today.

Tony Dedmond is a graduate of class of 1968. Tony was a student athlete for three years during his time here at Pasco High. He was the senior class president, a member of the Key Club, a member of the letterman's club, captain of the track team, and a senior prom prince. After graduation, Mr. Dedmond attended West Point, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering in 1972. Mr. Dedmond served in the Army for the next 23 years.

Mary Jane Lewis graduated from the class of 1941. Ms. Lewis was a very active student at Pasco High School. She was editor of the yearbook her senior year. After graduation, Ms. Lewis graduated from Washington State University. She moved to New York where she served as a social worker. When Mary returned to the Tri-Cities she began her career with the Tri-City Herald, where she now serves on the editorial board, and wrote many articles about gardening. Mary is very involved in keeping Franklin County going. She donates her time to the County Historical Society. Mary also is actively involved in the Allied Arts Festival.

RANDOM PEOPLE FILE: NICK WRIGHT

By Mecque' Whitcomb

When asked about his favorite pastime, freshmen Nick Wright explained that, "my best friend Bob Barber and I have a comedy routine." Other than his comedy routine, Nick also enjoys playing golf, he is on the JV team and has been golfing for three years. "I shoot on average about a 40," joked Nick. If you went to watch the ever-popular musical Grease, Nick made his first appearance in a musical as Doody. Director Heather Kinion commented "Nick is great because he was so enthusiastic about the play no matter what stupid thing I asked him to do." He also added that the squeaky voice wasn't on accident.

His favorite movie is October Sky, and he loves listening to oldies music. Nick's favorite quote is "a girl looks the same in the dark." As soon as he gets his license, Nick will be driving a blue and white 1973 International Travel All, and he happens to think that his car is the sweetest car in the world. His favorite food is burgers and French fries, so he loves eating at Red Robin because of the bottomless fries.

Nick considers Ashton Rodgers, Dave Barber, and Kyle Fielding to be his role models. In the future, Nick wants to go to BYU and become a lawyer.



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Students Learn the Result of Drinking and Driving

By Kyle Lamb

Every fifteen minutes is a program to show kids the reality of drinking and driving. Twenty students volunteered to be dead for a day and have police officers go to their parents' house and explain to them that their child was killed in an alcohol-related accident. Students were interviewed to see how it affected them and what they thought about the program.

Brad Boler-It was a great experience. It's too bad everyone doesn't get to be a part of the death squad. It's a real powerful message and it gets across in a big way.

Anita Arambula-It gives you great information about drunk driving but I think they should do it when you are a sophomore when you first get your license because by the time you're a senior you are already drinking.

Candace Gibbons-It makes you realize the reality of what drinking and driving can do to you. It was very affective.

Kayla Dodson-It makes you think twice about partying and making dumb choices and that something like that could happen to our close friends. They really got the message across and Brad looked real scary when he did his devil face.

Johnny Fairley-It was a good wake up call for people who drive drunk. I saw a lot of people cry that I thought never would.

Caleb Stromstad-It made me realize how serious drinking and driving is and you can't just think it won't happen to me because it can.

Gabe Guittierez- I had an idea of what was going to happen when I signed up for it but when I actually went through with the whole thing it really gave me a reality check.

Raul Garcia- I didn't realize that young kids could be affected by drinking and driving. It's really sad how young kids die because there should be a reason for you to die and it shouldn't be because of drinking and driving.

Lafonda Jackson-It was a great experience. It's too bad everyone doesn't get to be a part of the death squad. It's a real powerful message and it gets across in a big way. I guess Brad and me think alike.

Nick Gonzales-It seemed to me like people were dying every fifteen minutes.

Amy Shimek-Every fifteen minutes is a great program. I believe the point of it is in the right place that is trying to teach young people that drinking underage is wrong and harmful to you and others. Alcohol related accidents happen too often and can easily be prevented, and this programs hopes to get that point across to teenagers. I think it is a valid and useful program.

Brandon Kania-It's a really neat experience and it makes you realize how important life is, but I think they should have the police and the coroner go to every house instead of just a few.

Ben Davis- I think it was something people needed to see.

Tanner Savage-It's good to have but it helps the people who are killed more than anybody else.

David Hansen- I think they use sob stories to get kids thinking about the consequences of drinking and driving.

Charlie Smith-It was pretty cool and something everybody needs to see.

Car of the Issue: An "A" In Civics at Pasco High

By Brandon Herres

It's no secret that the "Honda Hot Rods" are the rage in car customizing today. Senior Raul Garcia has extensively customized his 1993 Honda Civic from the time he bought it. "When I bought the car it was completely stock," said Raul. He has done most of the modifications himself. It sports 16-inch wheels and a rear spoiler, but a closer look will reveal more modifications. It has custom headlights, taillights, and side markers. If you ever hear it running it doesn't sound stock either with the help of a Magnaflo Exhaust System.

Under the hood is the infamous V-TEC engine with an aftermarket intake and a K&N Filter. The suspension is hardly like that of a stock Civic. With the help of Ebiach springs and shocks and a front stabilizer the car handles like a Porsche 911. Raul admits that he races the car on the street and it is hard to beat. The four-cylinder racers used to be a joke to the V-8 world, but they get faster every year. A lot of money goes into making import hot rods faster and cool looking. The craze has established itself with the amount of Japanese and European cars showing up at the Saturday Drag Races.



One outside of the import hot rod world would find it hard to reason with spending so much money on a car, but Raul still isn't done. He is saving up to buy a carbon-fiber dash and a front body kit. Most of owning an import is to make it look cool and it isn't easy to look good. I have seen many Civics, Accords, Mitsubishis, and Toyotas that have been over-done. Imagine your grandma's baby blue Toyota Camry with a two-foot high spoiler and gold rims, wouldn't you be sick? Just like anything there is the good and the bad. The attractive aspect of Raul Garcia's Honda Civic is that it has been very tastefully done.

It seems that after the cost of gas went up, the small car got more attractive. Raul's car gets 30 miles per gallon on top of everything else.

Compare that to a V-8 Camaro that may be a little faster but only gets 10 miles per gallon. Between the two I'd take the Civic.



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Softball Girls Seek Unity to Gain Success

By Mecque' Whitcomb

Softball is off to a great start this year. According to Amy Andelin, "Our goal for the season is to play as a team and to the best of our ability." Senior Carla Dickman added, "We have to get used to each other still and once that happens, the team unity will show by the wins we put up on our record." Their first game was last weekend and they lost to Skyview 2-1. Coach Klei commented "There is no question that our team is going to be successful this year." When asked about the upcoming season, Junior Tracy Spier was positive in saying that the team "is planning on going as far as we can as a team, and if that means state, bring it on!" Jenny Neibel said that the team is working hard each day to become better. Amy Andelin added that some of the team's strengths are hard work, having fun, and giving it their all on and off the field, their weakness is communication.

"The seniors set a good work ethic, they know how to handle themselves on and off the field because they have the experience that our team needs," commented Tracy Spier. So go out and support your lady bulldogs.



TIMEOUT

KOSTOFF'S COMEBACK BRINGS STRENGTH TO THE SOCCER TEAM

By Kyle Lamb

Lance Kostoff is the soccer athlete of the issue. Lance started playing soccer when he was five years old and continued to be a star in the sport until he quit when he was thirteen because of difficulties with his coach. He started off playing for a Pasco Parks and Rec. team, then moved on to a select team, and later to a premier team where he helped his team win a state championship. After a six-year absence from the sport, Lance is back and playing the way he always has. He says, "I decided to come out this year because all the times I was sitting in jail, I had a lot of time to think and I decided that I wanted to go out for a sport in the spring. It has changed my life because no I stay away from that sticky icky icky."

Lance scored the only goal in Pasco's 2-1 loss to Eisenhower on Saturday. He is excited to be back on the field and has high expectations for this year's team. "I think we have a really good team this year, once we get all of our players back. Skyler was a big loss, but I think we have a lot of guys that can step it up this year. Hopefully we will get a state championship if we can keep all of our players healthy and on the team."

Kostoff is the type of player who expects nothing but the best out of himself and out of his team, and that will pave the way for the rest of the guys who are out there playing with him. He has always been a great athlete and a hard competitor in every sport he has ever played. Not only is Lance excited to be back playing again but the other players on the team are equally happy about his return to soccer. Senior Raul Garcia commented by saying, "Lance is really aggressive on the ball and on the guys he plays against, but he needs to calm down on the haircuts. He is crazy and I love that yup yup!"

Many people are happy to see Lance playing again, as well they should be, because as long as you watch Lance Kostoff play, not only are you going to see a great athlete but you will also be entertained.



Lance Kostoff, athlete of the issue.
(Photo by Holly Mattson)

Team Unity Shows Promise With Varsity Baseball

By Holly Mattson

The baseball season started off promising as the Varsity team won both opening games at the Jamboree. Handford and Othello brought on a challenge that Pasco was quick to overcome, and overrule. Jeremy Bonderman, pitcher and third baseman, comments on the games, saying, "The first games were good because we killed both teams we played. Our biggest strength is that all of our players are back and we have a shot at State."

All the boys seem to have high hopes for this year's team. Unified in thought, they all look ahead to an exciting future that they believe holds taking the Big 9 in order to push onto state. They are not only unified in thoughts and hopes, but feel they work very well together as a team, also. Cody Smith, centerfield, says, "The team looks pretty good this year. We should go pretty far, for we have a lot of good talent. We have a lot of good

leadership from seniors, and upcoming kids as well. Nick Gonzales, catcher, predicts, "We will be extremely competitive. We have a good team with great unity."

This is a team sport that highlights individual's strengths as well. Some of the strengths they hold as a team include, as Caleb Stromstad concludes, "Strong pitchers, a good coaching staff, and a strong team overall." Cody also adds, "Our hitting is good, and we have a lot of returning players." Bonderman feels, "Our biggest strength is hav-

ing all of our players back." Again, everyone recognizes the individual stars, although not by each other; they speak highly of themselves. Caleb Stromstad says one of their strengths is, "Bondo...and myself." Nick Gonzales comments, "The biggest strength to the team is me." They all seem to support each other though, which is apparent on and off the field.

In order to have the most successful season hoped for, they must overcome their weaknesses. Cody Smith believes, "We need to tighten up

on defense; nothing a little bit of practice can't help. We're good enough to play with any team. Gonzales stated, "Our weakness is that we don't have Jackson back." Jeremy supports Smith, saying, "Our weaknesses are fielding and defense." Caleb jokingly adds, "The center fielder is definitely the weakness."

They're looking towards a tough game against Richland this year, but as stated earlier, practice will hopefully pull them together for a victory. Cody Smith concludes, "I think we should finish good this year."

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By Nicole Gibbons

Boys golf is off to a great start this year. They placed 1st in two out of three of their invites. They have beat all the Spokane teams, teams from Idaho, and most teams in the Northwest. Jordan Madison said they haven't lost a varsity tournament yet, and they hope to continue doing that. The team has a great record and has only failed to finish first one time, where they came in second against Southridge. Dave Barber stated, "I think we're going to win state. No, I don't think, I know we're going to win state." We'll be rooting for you boys.

The girls' team is doing well, too. They won their jamboree, and placed fifth in the West Richland Invite. They are doing well, almost better than expected. They had a jamboree on the 19th at Sun Willows, in which Mecque Whitcomb and Robin Clarke got fourth in their division. The whole team did really well, and they hope to get better as the season goes on.

Both the girls and boys teams are doing well, so go out and get some exercise by walking around the golf course with them.

With a Young Team, Track Looks to Rebuild This Season

By Tyler Shook

Spring sports are under way now and track is running full steam ahead. Both boys and girls teams are looking forward to this season. They are confident that they will have a strong team and are practicing really hard to stay true to that statement. Both the boys and girls teams have their weak spots, but they both have their strong ones too. The guy's team is looking a little young but hopefully Doug Vincent, who took second in state last year in the javelin and Scott Horning, will pave the way for the youngsters. Mr. Fuller, the guys head track coach, commented, "We are going to get better. We are really young this year. I look at this year as more of a rebuilding year. We have Doug Vincent and Scott Horning who both went to state last year." Scott, who is a senior, went to state in the hurdles and in the triple jump last year and hopes to repeat his appearance. The guys 4x4 also went to state last year and are looking pretty strong this year again. Kevin Fort, who runs the 100 meter and long jump said, "We should be really good this year. Having Doug back is a key point to our team. He should really help out in the team points."

Mr. Antonavich heads the girl's team and hopes to make them strong and get some to state. Nicole Elliott, who is only a sophomore, runs the 300 hurdles, the 100 hurdles and the 4x4. She is hoping to make it to state in the 4x4 and in the 300 hurdles. The 4x4 team is made up of Michelle Elliott, and Rachel Ellison, and they aren't sure who the fourth one will be. The girls are looking strong right now and hope to take the team to state.



Brady Neergaard runs during track practice.

(Photo by Keisha Leiby)

Boys and Girls TENNIS Own the Courts



By Sydney Patrick

Boys' tennis played their first match against Kennewick and killed their opponents 6-

1. The boys team has really started to come together as they have already picked their three singles, but still working to form their doubles. The boys went up against Kennewick with butterflies in their stomachs, but quickly became relaxed and focused on their game doing what they do best. From a team outlook, Nam Troung feels, "Our teamwork is excellent and we can guarantee you two wins this season if not more." The boys' tennis team feels they have

Moses Lake in the bag, and that they will come out strong against Southridge. Andrey Avetisyan, who is the number three for singles as of right now comments, "We had an easy match against Kennewick, and had a lot of fun doing it." Andrey says that the team can only try it's best against tough teams they will encounter this season. He says that all they will have to do is stay relaxed and do what they can.

Girls' tennis also came out

and owned the court as they outplayed Kennewick as well. Coach Dong says that they are still trying to get the Varsity team together, and placing girls in the right spots. The girl's team has two returning leaders from last year, Van Nguyen and Shelby Ramirez. The coaches are still looking for their number two and number three doubles. The overall outlook for the team is looking good as the team carries a good attitude during practices, while also enduring the intense activity. Junior, Hannah Foster says that they have a young team, but that they are looking better everyday. Their toughest competition this season should be Richland as they have a top player who is nationally ranked, yet the team feels that once they get put together and positions set, they can work harder together to do well against tough teams.

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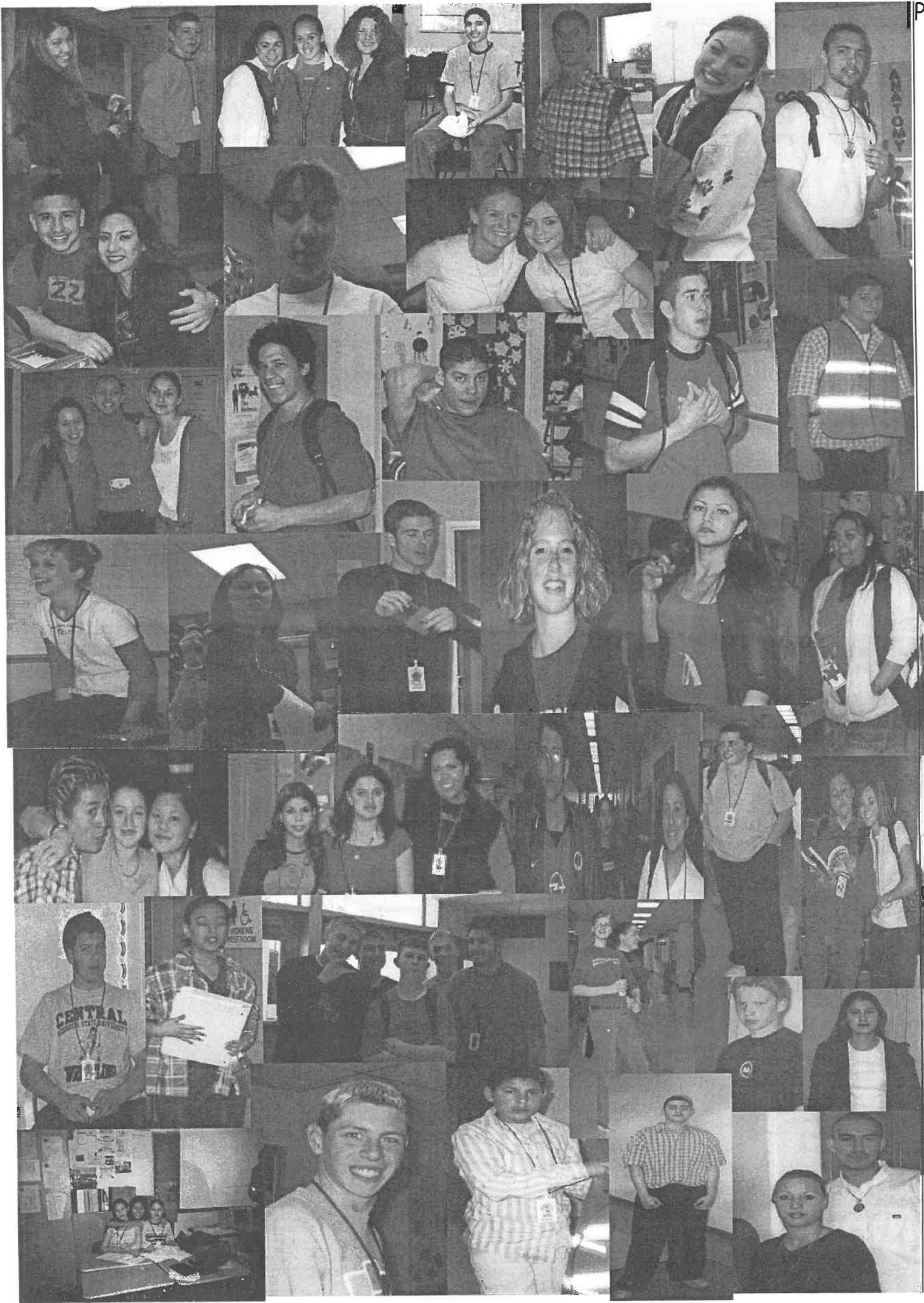
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Prom Queen Dream Changes Over Time

By Christine Nelson

Every person, at some point in their life, discovers that there are some things that they will never be. For me, the crushing revelation came early when I realized that I could not grow up to be a horse. In the course of my eventful life I have encountered a reality that is disgustingly indifferent to the fact that I want to be Irish or a fairy, or both. Don't get me wrong; I'm a proud believer in the dreams-can-come-true theory but there are some things that just won't happen no matter how many surgeries I have.

I may also never be Prom Queen. And this belief used to put a serious damper on my spirits.

Picture me my freshman year at my first Homecoming Assembly: there I was, sitting in the bleachers, my hair frizzy and my self-esteem at a serious low. About eight of my prettiest, most popular classmates smoothed their pretty dresses and flipped their pretty hair back over their shoulders. Two names were called, they smiled and hugged each other, and the newly crowned royalty took their places in the "court" in the center of the gym.

And oh, how I wanted to be down there with them. I wanted a pretty crown. I wanted to be kissed by a cute football player. Most of all, I wanted to know that I was worth something.

Usually, I felt okay about myself. I didn't really think I was that great but I was good enough. Then, another royalty crowning rolled around, and I would go back to being depressed for a day.

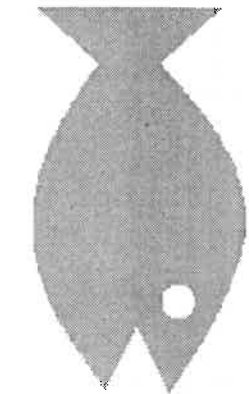
Are you struggling with this? I did for a long time. And then, one day, something happened.

Remember that reality we talked about earlier? It slapped me upside the head. I realized several things that I had previously ignored. I have a family that loves me—we get a little goofy sometimes, but they really love me and really care about me. I have good friends—they may not be great in quantity but their quality is unsurpassed. They love me too. And I have a God who loves me very, very much—no matter how many times I test His patience.

And I don't need a crown to define my self-worth.

I don't intend to insult the Homecoming Prom royalty thing. It's tradition. Many times, the students who get the crowns deserve them. But if you're up in the stands, don't be depressed. You are special. You are a cool person. Maybe you don't have a whole family and you don't have a lot of friends. But you're still a unique, worthwhile creation. Yeah, yeah, I know I sound like a Hallmark card, but trust me on this one.

Only one Prom assembly to go before I graduate. Sure, it'd be nice to be down there, smoothing my pretty dress and flipping my still frizzy, but now curly, hair. I'm not counting on it, however. I'll just take my traditional spot in the bleachers and cheer for the friends who get to walk the aisle. Then I'll turn to the good friend next to me and smile.



Environmentalists Too Late to Save the Salmon

By Brandon Herres

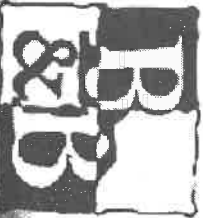
The Columbia River Salmon is not an endangered species by any count it is extinct. It is less than one percent of its original population. The dams aren't going anywhere so the salmon are surely extinct. Sure the buffalo made a comeback, but the only thing that ever prevented its comeback was the people shooting at it. The salmon have a tougher struggle.

Gill nets are an unfair and illegal way to catch fish. That is unless you are on an Indian Reservation where it is legal to use the nets and catch the endangered fish. So thousands of Salmon are caught because the government must respect the Indians' rights. Environmentalists argue with the Bonneville Power Administration that the Columbia must be kept flowing so the ideal living temperatures for the salmon can be kept. As a result the farmers are shorted on water because the fish need a certain temperature to live. So the government mess up the entire farming economy to keep the environmentalists happy about the salmon. The salmon are able to live in cold enough water so they can later be caught by gill nets before they can breed.

The fate of the salmon is caught in a tangled web of bureaucracy. And we all know how slow the government resolves an issue with so many sides to it. By the time a resolution is reach the Columbia salmon will be in the ranks of the dodo bird. What I am trying say is that environmentalist and tree hugging Seattlites need to lay off the Snake River Dam issue. I noticed that they were a lot less vocal on tearing out the dams when the price of power went up. The dams are needed to keep Eastern Washington Farmers in business. When returning salmon encounter a dam, only ten percent of those salmon make it past the dam and only ten percent of that make it past the next dam. So what would be learned if the dams on the Snake are removed if the are 5 more dams before the ocean?

I am sure the removal of the dams would be an environmentally sound gesture towards saving the salmon, but it would take more than a gesture to bring back the salmon after a century of being over fished and killed at the dams. The only way to bring back the salmon would be to take out all of our dams on all of our rivers. That would mean no more farming, no more electricity, no more northwest trade, but hey we would have a bunch of salmon to show for all of that effort.

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It Makes No Sense to Judge Others

By Christina Craig

Walking home from school the other day I overheard these little kids talking, which were in third or fourth grade. They were talking about a new kid in their class. They were saying comments like; he is a nerd, and that he could not be their friend because he was a total reject. How do they know this stuff, they are only eight or nine years old. So I asked my nephew, who happens to be around the same age, if he was judged. In answering my question, he blew me out of the water. He said that "yah" he was judged, because he is a different color, and that kind of ticked me off. How can you judge some one if they are a different color? Granted it happens all of the time, but this is in elementary school. Continuing he told me that he has judged people too. He did not go into great detail, but that still bothers me.

For those of you that are wondering where they are getting this attitude from, how many of you have younger brothers or sisters that you say things around? Saying things like, "Oh I don't like him because he is a jock," or, "She is a total nerd and I never would consider being friends with her." We are not judges in a courtroom. It is not our place to judge anyone or anything.

If someone sits down and tries to think of a solution for this problem, it would be really hard to do. First, you would have to make some sort of law that no one could judge anyone anymore, which is impossible. So in all actuality there is no solution because there is no way some one could get every one to quit judging a person. You will still hear it walking down the hallways in your local school and I think that it is a sad thing to think.

New Website Misses the Point on Freedom of Speech

By Holly Mattson

An editorial back or so, I wrote about the power of freedom of speech. Again, each of us is given this right. I do not protest in anyway the expressing of one's opinion, if in fact the opinion is backed up by substantial evidence, and can in some way give a new perception to a common idea. When I heard of a website that stated people's feelings against other members of their school, intrigued I had a friend email me the address. As I began to gain a deeper understanding of what this entailed, I became angered. I respect those that created the page, and I respect those who it speaks of. I am not writing this in order to protect the good name of my friends, nor am I doing this to ridicule anyone for speaking their mind. But, I do not agree with the manner in which anyone has expressed themselves, both "sides" alike.

What an appropriate page for this article to be placed on. Through a page such as the one created against kids considered, "popular," or listed under the clever title, "Hall of Dumba**es," one begins to instigate feelings of hatred, fear, and builds walls between people who ultimately are known to be accepting of most people. I have always looked up to groups that hold a certain air of individuality about them, due to the way in which this does create a sense of belonging when accepted by them. What angers me about this whole business, is the anger it is producing in so many others. To fight a battle amongst your peers, being on the Internet is not a big surprise considering our generation. The page is seemingly clever, and is artistically done, so one should think the creator would claim their fame. Again, I do not disagree with expressing oneself, but if one does wish to publicly state a view, sign your name. Own up to your feelings, for perhaps you have instigated in someone a true desire to understand your point-of-view, and now you have robbed that person of the chance to ever understand fully.

Which brings me to the point that not clarifying, or fully developing an opinion is potentially very dangerous. Misunderstandings of perceptions against a large group of individuals creates feelings that some parties are acting self-righteous, and are almost ignorant of that which they are speaking of. When talking about "cliques," or popularity, one must realize: it is not the group itself that deems each individual popular, but is instead those who label such individuals. Obviously you are popular, so to speak, amongst your own friends for you hang out with those who like you, who you like, and those you have things in common with. There will always be someone who respects, or admires certain group traits. Everyone needs to examine his or her own groups, and realize, someone else looks up to "me". I guarantee even if the number of admirers is small, one person may still be affected.

This site has seemingly created a battle, "sides" have been taken, and the way in which both sides have reacted makes many wonder if any of us are really ready to graduate and act like adults in the real world. Everyone will have their opinions, and every single person you ever encounter will have an opinion of YOU, good or bad. It is interesting how no one can define what love is, but can be explained by what love is not. 1 Corinthians 13 describes love as being: patient, kind, not envious, boastful, or proud. It is not rude, self-seeking, easily angered, and keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil, but instead rejoices with truth, and it protects, trusts, hopes and perseveres. It never fails, nor ceases, and because of this we all can understand each other through such a connection. Whether you are religious or not, you must recognize that these concepts are all societal values that help shape the way humans behave. The way in which people are acting is showing in no way love, and instead is cultivating hate.

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children and it was during the children's sermon that our regular Pastor chose to pray for her. It is common in our church to lay hands on the individual we're praying for, and usually when this happens we all just touch the person next to us, and this creates a chain somewhat. The children were eager to show their love by touch, and every individual little finger wanted to touch her. Like those polarized in this article, the children have not yet learned we are all connected.

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