The school parking lot also known as the “SPL” is the social site for high school students. I do not exactly know when people started hanging out there, but it is the place to be on summer evenings. Last summer I found myself there almost every night. Now, you may ask me, “Zach, is that all you and your friends do?” I would say, “No, it’s what everyone does.”

I often wonder why out of all the places we can go in our free time; we go back to the school parking lot. No one likes going to the “SPL”, but no one has anything else to do. People our age should be doing fun activities. I can’t think of any though because hanging out at the “SPL” has destroyed my imagination. What are we going to tell our kids when they ask us what we did in high school? “Well Clancy, when I was in high school we hung out at the school parking lot.” Sometimes I would rather stay home and play Xbox in my Elmo snuggie. I could even watch a good movie. But after the boredom of my teenage life gets to me I end up starting the Accord and leaving my house and going to the “SPL” anyway.

But, let me tell you this. There have been a lot of great times at the “SPL”. Here is an example of a typical night. When I pull in, there are groups of people scattered all over the place. The social classes hold precedence in this exciting place. I run into a lot of people at the “SPL”. The junior girls are present with voices exceeding the sound barrier. There are the senior cheerleaders who are loud at times. There's Lauren Figura and her crew coming back from doing underwater basket weaving trying to gain the attention of the crowd. I’m usually with Ben, Landon, or Abbey. Joel Giffin is there. Dalton Showalter and his rich car are there. Tanner and Dalton Freeman and their mischievous selves are there. Tyler Lunsford and Tommy Stewart are there in their trucks. Colby may be there flying around on a longboard, and there’s Matt Mamone coming back from work, stopping to say hello. However, the chances of seeing Matt at the “SPL” in the winter is slim since his tires can’t get him out of the lot.

When I get out of my car, I find people to talk to and engage in conversation. I may wonder back and forth between groups socializing in exaggerated fashion. More people arrive as the night goes on. At the “SPL” we all participate in fast driving. As we are about to turn in we say, “Hey maybe if I hit 88mph I can go back to 1955.” Mostly people just sit around and talk. But, it may be time to run to a fast food joint for cheap food and fun. People always bring food back to the school and eat it. When we are done eating our meat-loaded griller, we make sure to throw our trash on the ground, usually under someone’s tires. Sooner or later the police drive by to check on us.

Well, look at the time. Some want to go to Wal-Mart and carry on the “SPL” traditions, others just go home. So, that is a typical night at the “SPL”. It’s pretty exciting, right? We hope to see you there.
The St. Clairsville volleyball team has started out the season strong with a current record of 11-6. The team has already played many hard teams such as Indian Creek. The Red Devil Dispatch sat down with senior Brigee Mick about what she thinks about the season.

RDD: Is your volleyball team considered as a family?

Brigee: “Yes. We win together, lose together, spend every day together, and are really close. We can talk to each other and fix things without getting into fights.”

RDD: What are the team’s weaknesses?

Brigee: “Sometimes we start out slow and let balls drop.”

RDD: What are the team’s strengths?

Brigee: “We are all really strong offensive players and work together as a team. We don’t have any conflicts.”

RDD: With the season nearly over, do you think the team has improved any at all?

Brigee: “Yes, we have had some tough losses that really prove how we have grown and are able to play with the best teams in the Valley.”

RDD: Being a senior, what advice would you give for future generations of volleyball players?

Brigee: “Stick together as a team and don’t let anybody else affect how you play.”

Good luck to the Lady Devils for the rest of their season.
The next game the Lady Devils play Buckeye Local at home on September 30, junior varsity starts at 5:30.

Red Devils Still on Top

By: Gracie Furbee

The Red Devil Football team were at it again on Friday beating Martins Ferry 35-14, earning a 15th straight regular season win. The first half consisted of back and forth scoring by both teams ending in a 14 all tie at halftime. Jaylor Brown, the Red Devils star running back, ended the game with over 200 yards rushing and four touchdowns putting the Devils over the top in the second half of the game. Other stand out players of the game were Malik Gummer with a 58 yard touchdown and Mike Monteroso with a key pass to J.C. Coleman for a 31 yard gain and a key first down leading to another Brown touchdown. The Red Devils will return home to face off against Indian Creek on Friday evening.
Golf season is in full “swing,” and St. Clairsville’s high school golf team is prepared to rise up to last year’s standards and beat out competition throughout the valley.

The varsity team, made up of Seth Vannoy, Nathan Teater, Michael Eaton, Dalton Showalter, and Joel Giffin, already has the Buckeye 8 win under their belts, and has high hopes for the rest of the season.

At the OVAC Tournament on September 10, while St. C placed third, Seth Vannoy’s score of 75 gave him second place in the AAAA Class. Vannoy in particular has big expectations this year, as he was the Buckeye 8 Individual Champion, and part of last year’s state-bound golf team.

The team is also under new leadership this year, as Coach Oberdick was replaced by Joe Jeffries and Melanie Eaton.

With several important matches in the near future, the team members will have to give their best effort in order to beat tough area competitors such as East Liverpool and Madonna.

Freshman Ryan Petrozzi stated, “The team is having a great year, and us underclassmen have a lot to live up to in order to carry out St. C’s outstanding golf legacy.”

Soccer season is in full swing, and the St. Clairsville Boys Soccer Team had a great win against Harrison Central on Monday, September 16, 2013! The game was a shutout with a score of 7-0! Junior Zach Oliver scored two goals and Seniors Taylor Wissmann and Ty Boone both scored twice for the Devils! Freshman Jordan Vincent scored one goal to help with the win! The soccer has a record of 7-2-1. Good luck Devils for the rest of the season and keep the wins coming!
The St. Clairsville Girls and Boys Cross Country team both ran at the Bob Reall Lancaster Invitational on Saturday 21st. The course was muddy but that didn’t stop the teams from running hard. The girls’ top finisher was Junior Joanna Vincenzo with a time of 23:05. Page Gellner completed with a time of 23:52. Mikayla Westlake finished with a time of 24:01. Sam Harrison crossed the finish line with a time of 24:28. Following was Hanna Vera with a time of 26:06 and Lauren Morgan with a time of 26:58. The girls’ Junior Varsity race was run by Marissa Rizzo with a time of 26:41 and Lexie Robinson with a time with 27:16. We wish the Lady Devils good luck with their upcoming races!

On the boys’ side Freshman Kevin Simpson was the top finisher for the Devils with a time of 18:26. Following was Logan McCort with a time of 18:49, Alex Timko with a time of 19:08, Chandler Kilburn with a time of 20:39, Alexander Trouten with a time of 20:41, and James Davenport with a time of 21:34! The boys finished 17th overall in the team standings! Absent from this meet were Chris Baker, Nick Simpson, and Robbie Fish. Good luck to the Devils and run hard!

Soccer, school, and sociability all wrapped up in one? That’s right Brianna Sowers, senior at St. Clairsville High School, has all of these qualities. So, how does she balance all these unique traits at once? We at RDD sat down with her to find out.

RDD: How would you describe your personality?
BS: I would describe myself as sarcastic, witty, and ambitious.

RDD: How would others describe your personality?
BS: Others would describe my personality as sarcastic, dry, helpful, and caring.

RDD: What are some similarities between senior year and freshman year?
BS: I think senior year I was more willing to embrace everything that’s happening. However, I think it’s the same for freshman year because I see the same people.

RDD: What do you plan on doing after high school?
BS: I want to be anesthesiologist.

RDD: Why did you choose this career?
BS: They have the ability to control your body function with medicine.

RDD: Why Soccer?
BS: I like how you never know what can happen and how every situation can be different.

RDD: What’s your biggest fear?
BS: Failure and feet.

RDD: Who’s your role model in life?
BS: My brothers because both of them were balancing sports and education.

RDD: Fanny pack or satchel?
BS: Satchel all the way.

RBD: What’s your best quality?
BS: My dry sense of humor.

RDD: What’s your worst quality?
BS: How opinionated and stubborn I am.

Brianna Sowers may have a dry sense of humor but after this interview, turns out she is interesting to talk to and nice. I wish you the best of luck on your future.

The Mud Race

By: Sam Harrison

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No Gray Days with Mr. Dray

By: Caitlyn Delbrugge and Lynzy Kimmel

This year at Saint Clairsville High School we have a new graphic design teacher and assistant wrestling coach, Mr. Dray. Even though most students don’t know him very well or even at all, he’s an interesting guy to get to know.

RDD- Why did you want to become a teacher?

Mr. Dray- “I wanted to become a teacher because I wanted to help others learn skills and abilities that I’m passionate about and that would help students in their future.”

RDD- What are some hobbies you do in your spare time?

Mr. Dray- “I watch movies, animate, golf, cook, and play guitar.”

RDD- What is your favorite type of music?

Mr. Dray- “Blue grass.”

 RDD- What is your favorite food?

Mr. Dray- “Anything potato with cheese and bacon.”

RDD- If you had one super power what would it be?

Mr. Dray- “To be able to read minds.”

RDD- What would you say your biggest fear is and why?

Mr. Dray- “Failing because I don’t like letting others down.”

RDD- Did you play any sports in high school/college?

Mr. Dray- “I wrestled since I was four years old and I ran cross country my senior year.”

Some people say laughter is the best medicine, but Mr. Dray not only knows computers and wrestling but can also prescribe a good joke to make you laugh. Mr. Dray will be an asset to our teaching staff and the Red Devil Dispatch would like to welcome Mr. Dray to St. Clairsville High School!
Homecoming Woes

By: Allie Hamilton

Homecoming. It can either be the best night ever, or it could be the worst. The outcome of your night all depends on you. Some girls go all out for Homecoming, and if two girls get the same dress, be prepared for World War III.

I find all this stress over one night ridiculous. It honestly isn't as important as people make it out to be. Remember, it happens every year. My Freshman and Sophomore Homecomings were bad experiences because I stressed way too much over them. I didn't let myself have fun. After two bad Homecomings in a row, one would think that I wouldn't force myself to go to these sweaty, hormone-induced dances. Yet, I am going to two this year. I only go because I want to make the best of high school and, if the student body has read my tweets, I can't seem to do that in class.

All said and done, Homecoming is a good time, but only if you let yourself have fun. I have learned that the hard way, through crying about how "sad" I am. In all seriousness, do not freak out about Homecoming. It's not worth the stress in the end.

Homecoming 101

By: Caitlyn Delbrugge

It's almost that time; Homecoming is just around the corner. It's not the time to stress out though. Make homecoming 2013 one you will never forget. When finding a date, try to go with someone who you are sure to have a great time with! Don't be afraid to ask: this goes for both guys and girls. If you can't find anyone to go with from St. Clairsville, ask a friend from another school. If neither of those plans work out, go alone or with a group of friends. No one will make fun of you for not having a date.

If it is your first year going to homecoming, expect your legs, feet, and throat to hurt for the next couple days. Homecoming is full of nonstop dancing and singing at the top of your lungs. If you don't know how to dance, don't let that stop you from enjoying the evening: just have fun and be yourself. It could be the best ever. However, finding something to do after the dance can be a struggle.

Going to a party is not the only choice you have. Get a group of friends together and go bowling or have a fire. Homecoming may seem stressful, but in the end it will be one of the best nights of your life. Remember to have fun and be safe!
No Pressure, Upperclassmen

By: Mickenzi Hughes

This particular story goes out to the upperclassmen. A lot of things have been on every student’s mind, with the beginning of the school year, but one thing has been unsettling for me personally: college. I know college is an important topic to discuss, but I was not expecting the big seven letter word to be brought up within the first week of junior year.

Of course, at the mention of college, I wanted to jump up and run right out of the classroom. I don’t think anything can really prepare any student for the mental thought process of realizing how close they are to finishing off high school and taking that giant step. For some people, that first step is a giant clumsy trip into the real world. If you’re like me, college is definitely not an ideal topic for someone who has no idea what they want to do with their life. I mean, I get it, it’s important to get an early start, but it was the first week of school and I was already signing up for the almighty PSAT.

Before even consulting a teacher about how to sign up or when the ACT/SAT testing dates are, I was completely clueless on how to go about these tests. I definitely suggest speaking up and asking questions beforehand to get it out of the way and to make life easier on yourself in the long run. If you’re curious as to when some of the test dates are now, I have included below a list of sign up dates and testing days to help you out. Best of luck to the upperclassmen and enjoy your last years of high school.

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Farewell Class of 2014!

By: Amber Funkhouser

Well school is back in session yet again. We have new kids who are known as Freshman, and we have kids who are just about done with their high school career, known as Seniors. The Senior class is who I directed my attention toward.

I interviewed three Seniors and, I asked them the same question: "What is it like knowing you will never have another first week of school?" I was surprised with the answers I received.

Allie Coe said "It’s bittersweet, but I’m excited to start college next year and experience new things."

Robby Fish said “Well, it’s not really a big deal, because most of us have four years of college to worry about. Most of us just want it to be over.”

The answer that surprised me the most was Nathan Heath’s. "I think it’s going to suck, because I don’t want it to be over. I made so many friends and made a lot of great memories."

Most of the Seniors will miss Saint Clairsville High, but then again some are ready to move on, and have a new start.
Props to the Jr. Fair Kids

By: Sarah Holstclaw

Whether your niche is athletics, academics, or almost any other extra curricular, I commend you for your hard work and dedication. However, I have to tell that you have it easy. Every day you get a new opportunity to prove what you’re made of. Whether it’s a new test, opponent, practice or book to read the point is that it is new. If you don’t do well one week you get another chance, and another one, and another one. I can tell you from personal experience that Junior Fair kids work just as hard all year long for a single chance during one week.

This week is the 2013 Fair. To you the fair just may be an overpriced funnel cake and lemonade, rides, and game prizes but if you walk down one more hill it’s a whole different world. The Jr. Fair organizations such as 4-H, FFA, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts provide numerous opportunities to compete, grow, and have fun during the county fair. The Belmont County Fair was held during the first week of September. During that week there are Livestock weigh in, shows, and sales, royalty crowning, square dances and many more activities. You may be wondering why, what’s the point of all this hard work? Maybe, for a blue ribbon, trophy, or premium? No, it’s so much more than that. It might even be selfish but there is something so rewarding about starting and finishes a project knowing that you were the variable that allowed it to grow and become this ribbon and trophy earning result. That’s a something to be respected. It is too often that teachers and peers look down on Jr. Fair kids for missing a week of school to “horse around” at the fair. True, it is fun to be at the fair but those kids work just as hard as they play and they deserve more than they receive. I encourage you all to attend your local fairs next summer and really ponder just how diligent the kids horsing around are.
**People Degrading America**  
By: Allie Hamilton  

Certain couples disgust me. For example, those couples that are pressed up against a locker making out between classes. There is nothing I hate more than PDA because it's gross and makes you look trashy. Couples seriously do not need to have their mouths connected at all times. There is a point when it is too much. Maybe holding hands and a peck on the cheek is ok, but it doesn't have to be a hardcore make out session twenty-four hours a day. No one wants to be around those couples who are constantly in violation of affection rules either. I am physically sick of seeing couples making out and hanging on each other in the halls, at marching band practice, just everywhere. I may vomit if I see PDA one more time. Please, for the sake of everyone, stop with the PDA!
So, whoop-di-do, school has started. As a senior, I just want to graduate and get out of this place that gets as hot as a sauna. But that’s not the biggest complaint; it’s the freshman. An anonymous upperclassman even stated “They’re mindless drones in the hallway.” So, I speak for all the seniors and upperclassmen by saying the freshman are probably the most annoying part of the school year. Now, here’s a list of things that freshman do that annoy us upperclassmen. So, freshman, take this advice. In three years you will be in my place and say, “Freshman are so annoying!” So don’t take this personally.

First, do you not know how to walk? Ninety-five percent of all you freshman tend to enjoy walking in packs down both the stairs and hallway. You go down the right side, not the left! It makes it hard for the rest of us to go anywhere and irritates everyone.

Second, the yelling! Remember in elementary school when they taught us about indoor voices? Yeah, start using them. You’re giving us a headache.

Third, quit bumping into us and not caring! It just makes us angry; if we can apologize to you, then you could at least mumble an apology, okay? Also, you aren’t late to class when there are still people for you to plow into in the hallways. Once there is no one in the hallway, you’re late.

Fourth, is it really necessary to take selfies in the middle of the hallway? No one wants to see you walking to class on Instagram! It just makes you look ridiculous.

Fifth and probably the most annoying thing is the fact that you all seem to think that you’re better than all of us upperclassmen. Here’s the cold hard truth: you’re at the bottom of the totem pole. In a few years you’ll be at the top, but for now you’re the lowest of the low. We all had to pay our dues to get up here, and now so do you!
Hilarious Hashtags

By: Allie Hamilton

#EmojisInRealLife

#BanOneDirectionFansFromTwitter

#RapLikeLilWayne

#IfObamaHadWrittenTheConstitution

#CoolBandsMadeUncool

#ReplaceASongNameWithTwerk

#RejectedYankeeCandles

#FailedChildrensBookTitles

#Geek Pickup Lines

Pictures Courtesy of Google.com
Dear Penelope,

I have problems getting along with girls, and I’m always involved in drama. What can I do to get out of the drama, and get along better?

Dear Cady Heron,

I hate to sound cliché here, but you really do have the power to get yourself out of this situation. Stand up for yourself! If you can’t get along with that particular group, then just get out of it. Distance yourself from people who drag you down. I’ve had issues in the past with negativity from others, and by just getting away from them, it’s made me a lot happier. Find another group who you fit in with. It’s your high school experience, why waste it on people who kill your optimism?

Dear Penelope,

If I have a boyfriend, do you think it’s still okay to hang out with other guys as friends?

Dear Best Friends for Never,

Ahh, the inevitable rules of relationships. First, your man crush Monday should realize that if you’re really as committed to him as you say, then of course you’re not going to leave him for one of your other guy friends. I’ve always had guy friends, and I think it’s fine to have them in a relationship- as long as you stay faithful to your BF. If your boyfriend gets upset about it, then calmly explain that you are just friends, you’d never dream of cheating on him, and all that other stuff guys love to hear.

Dear Penelope,

Recently, a mayor of a small Alaskan town had been attacked by a dog and received severe wounds. What is so interesting about this story? Well, the Mayor of this town is a 14 year old cat.

Now, if anything proves that Americans are doomed, it was that last sentence. If we cannot differentiate between leadership and a four legged mammal, we are clearly running for extinction.

I must admit, that when I read the article online, I found it cute and amusing. Then I wondered, who did this cat run against? Hopefully, no human received fewer votes than a cat! If so, he should just run for Senate next year.

This cat was actually elected 15 years ago and has the name Stubbs. (He lives at a store, with his owner being the person who owns the store, or his real owner just decided that it was a Goodwill drop off for animals.) What amazes me even more is that Stubbs’ Facebook page has more than 22,000 likes. If he is liked by that many people, why don’t we just ship him off to Syria? Also, with this much publicity, why hasn’t TLC made a deal with this animal?

Overall, the cat is recovering and hoping to address the new issues when he returns to office.
Color Me Sweet: Crunch-A-Bunch Cupcakes

By: Larissa Perkins

Ingredients:
- 3 tablespoons of butter or margarine
- 1 package (10 oz, about 40) Regular Marshmallows or 4 cups of Miniature Marshmallows
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- ½ teaspoon strawberry extract
- 6 cups Kellogg’s Rice Krispies cereal
- Canned Frosting or Decorating Gel
- Assorted sprinkles or candies

Directions:
1. Line twelve 2 ½ inch muffin pan cups with paper or foil bake liners or place 12 silicone cupcake molds on baking sheet. Set aside.
2. With adult help, in large saucepan, melt butter over low heat. Add marshmallows and stir until completely melted. Remove from the heat. Stir in the vanilla and strawberry extract.
3. Add Kellogg’s Rice Krispies cereal. Stir until well coated.
4. Evenly divide warm mixture into prepared cupcake molds. Using buttered hands, gently press into molds, leaving tops slightly rounded.
5. Decorate with frosting, sprinkles, and/or candies. Serve immediately or store uncovered in refrigerator for up to 12 hours. Remove from refrigerator one hour before serving.

Note: for best results, use fresh marshmallows.

1 jar (7 oz) marshmallow crème can be substituted for marshmallows. Diet, reduced calorie or tub margarine is not recommended.

Simple Snacks

By: Brooke Robinson

Ingredients:
- 1 container of KRAFT EASY MAC
- 1 Tablespoon salsa
- 1 teaspoon sour cream

Instructions:
Heat KRAFT EASY MAC as directed on package. Stir in salsa; top with sour cream.

Tips:
Sprinkle with sliced green onions, sliced black olives or chopped fresh tomatoes.
Tech Talk

By: Brandon Meier

With St.Clairsville schools’ new bring your own technology (BYOT) policy in act, students can now bring their own laptops, tablets, and other devices to take notes and use for educational purposes. If you want to use these resources to help, but don't have the hardware to do so, here are 3 things you may want to consider.

First on our list of school friendly devices is the Microsoft-Surface. This tablet alternative to a laptop runs at a price of $349.99 and has 32 GB’s of storage capacity. If this seems like a lacking amount, don't worry. You can plug a flash drive into the USB port to gain more memory. As you can tell from the picture above, you can also buy a keyboard adapter to make it as much of a computer as possible. With it only being 1.5 pounds, it will not strain your back when inserted into your book bag.

The second device that you may want to consider is the Toshiba - Satellite Ultrabook. This thin laptop has a 14 inch display and 500 GB of memory. This little baby has an Intel Core i3 processor that can take any school work that you give it. Also, with it being pretty small, it can fit in almost any backpack. This little power box will drop your savings by $491.98.

Last on our list is a laptop that some people would not consider buying for school, but I say, “Why not?” The MSI-15.6 inch laptop isn’t just for school though; you can play some mad video games as well. With 3GB of dedicated graphics and a 1TB hard drive disk, this may be as good as canned bread. If you think that this would become a detriment to your studying because you just want to finish that last quest in Skyrim, then I suggest not getting it. The only bad thing is the price. With it being $1,399.99, you may have to sell a kidney.

Boom! Tanks!

By: James Davenport

“Boom! Tanks!” by Code Master, is a fun little game on the App store. The basic premise of this game is to build your own tank and use it for one-on-one battles with AI controlled tanks. It is enjoyable and entertaining to play, but after a while it becomes repetitive and boring. Also you cannot really build the tank to your fighting style. All you do is just buy a tank and upgrade everything; there are no real specializations you can choose. It is a good game to keep you entertained for a little while. But that is ok as it is free, simply download it and play until it gets boring then delete it. Beware! As it tries to get you to pay real money to buy in-game money and other trivial items and I advise you just ignore it as it would be a waste of money. I would suggest this game if you need some temporary entertainment. Overall this app is very enjoyable at first, but in the long run I give it a 3/10. I give the very creative name a -7/10.
There's an App For That

Is There an App for That?

By: Lukas Kazmirski

Wikia Game Guides app is a good way for gamers to find different ways of gameplay for tons of different games online. This app is free with no ads and it's very easy to use. This app works by allowing gamers to have quick shortcuts to certain games Wikias. Simply open it up and add the shortcuts to the games you play. Once you have all the games you want, you can access the corresponding wikias in an easy and organized way and you can search the wikia or skim through an alphabetical list of categories involving every aspect of the game. Cheats, walkthroughs, and tips all at your thumbs. I recommend this app to any gamers out there.

Google Translate, the app is an excellent way for anyone to have access to almost any language, to learn, or just to use at a resource. With this app, you can translate any language into another language at will. You can attempt to speak the translation out loud or at least half the available languages have the digital speak option, where the device can speak it for you. I recommend this app for anyone having trouble with a foreign language class or as a resource when on vacation in a different country. The only drawback of this app would likely be that it requires internet access for translation. However, everything you translate is filed and shown below the translator so you don't have to translate it again.

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Top Ten

Best and Worst Ways to Ask Someone to Homecoming

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Homecoming Expectations...

Girls’ Perspective

By: Sam Harrison and Lynzy Kimmel

Let’s face it girls, we have it way harder than the boys do for getting ready for homecoming! We stress about everything and anything that has to do with homecoming. We have to worry about whether we will be asked to homecoming and if we do get asked, how he will ask. We hope he won’t ask us by text!

We ask ourselves all different questions about our date: Will he get us flowers? What kind of flowers? Will he dance with me the whole night or leave me alone on the dance floor? Will he pick us up in a nice car? Will he shake our father’s hand? Will he treat us like a princess?

After stressing about a getting a date, we stress about getting a dress. We worry that we will never find the perfect dress and when we find the perfect dress we hope no one else has it!

We all agree that finding the right shoes is harder than finding the perfect dress. We have to find the perfect color to match our dress, the heel has to be just the right size because we do not want to tower over our date, and we have to find the right style of shoe!

To most girls their favorite part of getting ready is getting their hair done! We get to choose the prettiest hairstyle and let the hair stylist work their magic! You may think there is no stress with finding a hairstyle, but you are wrong! What if it rains? What if I get an updo and it falls out? What if someone has the exact same hairstyle?

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Guy’s Perspective

By: Zach Musilli

Well, gentlemen, it’s time for homecoming. While the girls are out getting their hair fried and dyed, we get to watch college football.

Homecoming is really fun, but it may seem like a hassle. It takes no time for us to get ready so we can spend most of the day doing what we want. All we really have to do is pay for the meal and possibly drive to the restaurant. The girls take care of everything else. It’s their night to look pretty and dance on us. When you arrive to the dance your date will be gone, unless she’s your girlfriend and if that’s the case I feel bad for you. Once the dancing gets under way it’s like playing musical chairs with girls, and I don’t think your “soul mate” would like that. But anyway be ready for hip pain and sweating. You will also see a lot of twerking this year since girls seem to have some type of obsession with Miley Cyrus. More fun for us guys I suppose.

The dancing is a lot of fun. You have to be quick when a song ends so you can find another girl to dance with. It’s not like prom where you dance with the same girl for eighty-nine songs.

When the dance finally ends, you usually go to someone’s house and have a sweet party right? No, you usually end up going to someone’s house and falling asleep. I highly advise you guys to find a fun place to go. Be sure to look out for yourself on that.

The next morning you feel like you’ve been hit by a train. When you get home you have the rest of the day to relax and watch more football. Take some Advil and lie on your couch and ice your aching joints. Have fun at homecoming it’s a lot better than prom.
New Movie Releases

By: Brandon Meier

If you happened to miss these next few movies in theaters, don’t worry because you are in luck. These movies have just been released and are highly recommended by myself.

First is one of my favorite zombie movies of all time. If you guessed *Warm Bodies*, you could not be more wrong. Being released on September 17, 2013 is the highly acclaimed *World War Z*. No, the Z does not stand for Zygotes. This action packed film will have you on the edge of your seat with the different locations, scenarios and characters. I would give this movie a 9/10.

Second on the list is a movie who comic book fans loved. Yes, it is *Iron Man 3*. Being released on September 24, 2013, you might want to save up and go for the Blu-Ray format instead. With the first and second films being spectacular, I figured that this would be a great choice to see. Critics always say that the first movie is the best, but this one gives the first one a fight. This also receives a 9/10.

Lastly was the new Sci-Fi action movie *Pacific Rim*. It is going to be released on October 15, 2013. Though this reminded me of the *Transformers* movie series, I found it quite original. With huge robots, fights, and aliens, what could be bad about this experience? Nothing. With a good plot, special effects, and acting, this movie deserves this list with a 8/10.

Jobs (Left) and Kutcher (Right).
Courtesy of esquire.com

JOBS Was the Boss
By: Alex Madzia

We have him to thank for many things that we take for granted; without him, our lives would be very different. Every person, young or old, knows his name, and yet few know about the life of the man who was Steve Jobs. Ashton Kutcher stars in the new film *JOBS*, which depicts the life, struggles, and triumphs of this modern day icon.

For anyone interested in seeing the movie, it would be helpful to have some background knowledge of Jobs, as the movie isn’t quite clear in that respect. Another thing to note is Jobs’ personality, which is unbearable, yet at the same time, enthralling. This sounds confusing (and it is), but don’t let it stop you from enjoying the film. One of my favorite parts was seeing people of the time stare in amazement at computers that we would consider junk. Also, young people will be amazed by how little technology there was at the time, and older viewers will have a glimpse from their earlier days. I recommend that everyone sees this movie to learn about the fascinating life of Steve Jobs.

Rating: 8.5/10

Jobs (Left) and Kutcher (Right).
Courtesy of abcnews.com
For the week of August 26th 2013 I’ve eaten the food provided by AVI, our current school lunch provider. I’ll say that I’m impressed by the improvement in our cafeteria. The lines have begun to move faster and less people block the lines. The food has gotten better in the sense that I don’t feel like I’m in the mess hall back at camp. It’s not dried out, or so oily that the U.S. wants to invade the plate. Watch out for rib sandwich day, best day in my opinion. It’s not that ground up paste on a bun from last year, but a real rib sandwich. The pizza isn’t made of cardboard anymore either. I would say that it’s a close second in my favorites this year. Now you are all probably thinking, “well, why should I listen to you?” I’ll tell you now that I know food. I come from a family that lives for good places to eat. If you don’t like the food, don’t buy it. I’m not going to force you to, but I recommend that you see for yourself.

Not Fat Kid Caliber Food
By: Doug Reinbold

Upcoming Events

Homecoming Football Game Against Harrison Central– October 4
Homecoming– October 5
2 Hour Delay– October 7
No School, Columbus Day– October 14
End of the 9 Weeks– October 18
1. CD Player Day
2. Balloons Around the World Day
3. Virus Appreciation Day
4. Homecoming National Frapee Day
5. Homecoming World Teacher Day
6. Mad Hatter Day Techies Day
7. World Smile Day National Dessert Day
8. Face Your Fears Day Cake Decorating Day
9. Moldy Cheese Day Hagfish Day
10. National Angel Food Cake Day No Beard Day
11. Take Your Teddy Bear to Work Day Chocolate Cupcake Day
12. Moment of Frustration Day Evaluate Your Life Day
13. English Language Day
14. Columbus Day National Pumpkin Cheesecake Day
15. Cake Decorating Day
16. Hagfish Day
17. Chocolate Cupcake Day
18. No Beard Day
19. Sweetest Day
20. Information Overload Day National Pumpkin Cheesecake Day
22. National Nut Day
23. Mole Day
24. Tv Talk Show Host Day Punk for a Day Day
25. Punk for a Day Day Sourest Day
26. Howl at the Moon Day
27. Navy Day
28. Plush Animal Lovers Day
29. Hermit Day National Frankenstein Day Internet Day
30. National Candy Corn Day Create a Great Funeral Day
31. Halloween Increase Your Psychic Powers Day
32. Internet Day
No Faults for Green

By: Sam Harrison

A book that has been called “Luminous” by “Entertainment Weekly,” a #1 New York Times bestseller, and has been published in ten different languages.

*Fault in Our Stars* by John Green is a wonderful love story between two cancer patients: Augustus Waters and Hazel Lancaster. Hazel and Augustus’ love story begins when they meet at a Cancer Kid Support Group. They share a love for books, especially the novel *An Imperial Affliction* by Peter Van Houten.

Augustus uses his “cancer perk” to travel with Hazel to Amsterdam to meet Mr. Van Houten. On this great trip, Hazel’s feelings grow for Augustus.

In this heart wrenching story, Hazel and Augustus must face challenges and learn to handle them. *Fault in Our Stars* is a must read for anyone looking for a unique love story. It’s the St. Clairsville Book Club’s first read of the 2013-2014 school year.

Give us a *Kiss*, Ted Dekker!

By: Anna Davies

When people hear the title *Kiss*, they think romance. Fear not, I’m here to clear that up. *Kiss* by Ted Dekker is packed with suspense, action, and jaw-dropping moments.

This is Dekker’s first collaboration with fellow thriller author Erin Healy. Healy’s knack for creating characters with strong personalities is a welcome addition.

The story focuses on Shauna, a woman with an abusive home and a sudden bout of amnesia. She was in a possibly intentional car wreck, and following a money laundering case that could ruin a huge corporation. Then throw in house arrest for a drug crime she didn’t commit. Her only help is a cynical journalist and a secretive housekeeper.

My one issue with the book is the pacing. The first 50 pages are focused on developing the story. While this isn’t a bad quality, the plot has several side plots. Those are also explained, prolonging the wait for more exciting parts.

There is romance, but it’s a side plot to bring the story together. I love Ted Dekker’s books because of his ability to draw a bunch of ideas into one huge story. So give *Kiss* a shot. It’s worth it.

Rating: 4.5 out of 5.
Horoscope

Aries
March 21-April 20
A change is coming and you need to accept it. The quicker you accept it the better the future will be.

Taurus
April 21-May 20
Make the best of this month, the conditions are perfect just sit back and enjoy every free moment you have.

Gemini
May 21-June 20
You want at least ten big things done this month make a to do list and do it all in 10 days.

Cancer
June 21-July 22
Losing your temper solves nothing. Don’t see ill events as crisis. There’s a lot going on is all.

Leo
July 23-Aug 22
Take things as they come. When things go slow don’t rush, keep it in low gear.

Virgo
Aug 23-Sep 22
Try your best to broaden your perspective of life. What is it that your really looking for?

Libra
Sep 23-Oct 23
This is ideal time to take action, make a change in your life that you’ve been wanting for awhile.

Scorpio
Oct 24-Nov 22
Avoid getting in the middle of a power struggle. And don’t worry about problems that don’t exist

Sagittarius
Nov 23-Dec 22
Organize your thoughts, don’t be afraid to take action and do the right thing.

Capricorn
Dec 23-Jan 19
Stop trying to impress somebody and find a little time to your self this month, don’t be so competitive.

Aquarius
Jan 20-Feb 18
It’s up to you to do as you please. You have a lot of freedom, take advantage of it.

Pices
Feb 19-20 March
Your in for an enjoyable future, be sure to take your opportunity when it comes around.