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## A flashback of '95

by Jenni Brown

It's a new year and time to move on. The year 1996 holds many new exciting things for the future. As we move into the new year let's take a moment to look back at all the events that occurred in 1995.

The weather in the Youngstown area reached a high of 98 degrees on July 15, and a low of -3 degrees on January 12. The month with the most rainfall was October with 4.95 inches of rain. The most snowfall took place during February when it snowed 12.4 inches.

### Top Five Performers of '95:

1. Jerry Seinfeld
2. Oprah Winfrey
3. Jimmy Smits
4. Marcia Clark & Johnnie Cochran

### 5. The Cast of "Friends"

### Four Worst Shows of '95:

1. the O.J. trial
2. Central Park West
3. SeaQuest
4. Can't Hurry Love, et al.

### The Top Ten Shows of '95:

1. Cybill
2. The Naked Truth
3. Murder One
4. Frasier
5. My So Called Life
6. Seinfeld
7. Late Show with David Letterman
8. T.V. Nation
9. Friends

### Some Events that Occurred in 1995:

- After serving three years in an Indiana prison

on a rape charge, former heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson was released in March.

- YSU Penguins football team was honored by President Clinton at the White House.

- The O.J. trial.  
- Rodney King was arrested on a DUI charge after a one-car accident in the New Castle area

- Phar-Mor President, Mickey Monus, was found guilty of all 109 felony counts. This was the largest corporate fraud and embezzlement in U.S. history.

The amount was \$1.1 billion.  
- Youngstown had 14 more killings than Pittsburgh, a city four times as big.

## A beau with an arrow?

by Tracy Drake

February 14th - the best day for smoochin' lovers, but the worst for "ohhhnly the lohhhnely". Americans swap (no, not spit) 925 million valentines and deliver 84 million roses. So where on earth (or other places) did that scrawny little naked kid with the bows and arrows (Cupid) who flies around on this day come from?

In Roman mythology, Cupid was the son of Venus, the goddess of love. His counterpart in Greek mythology was Eros, the

god of love. Aphrodite, the goddess of love, beauty, and fertility, was his mother



(and Venus's counterpart). The handsome young god

falls in love with the beautiful, but troublesome maiden, Psyche. This story is illustrated in *The Golden Ass*, by Lucius Apuleius.

Cupid is most often depicted as a blindfolded, winged, naked infant. He is also known to be a mischievous boy who shoots arrows at gods and humans to make them fall desperately in love. Though he is armed and dangerous, Cupid is just the person to be flying around "making" love on Valentines Day.

## Test Taking Tips

by Tonya Barnard

This is a great time for needing test tips with semester exams just ending. Did you get sweaty palms? Nervous? Irritable? Insomnia? These are all symptoms of test anxiety. So, I have a few test tips to tell you.

- Don't leave reviewing until the night before a test

- Study when you're feeling your most alert and energetic

- Minimize Distractions and Interruptions

- Don't upset your regular routine by staying up late or getting up early

- The more you go over the material the better you'll do

- After you feel that you know the material

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# To be the white man's brother

by Tracy Drake

August 28, 1963 - An integrated crowd of a quarter of a million stand in the sunshine at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C. A southern black minister stands at the microphone, his words clear and powerful...

*"I have a dream ... that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed - we hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal."*

January 15th we celebrated the birthday of a man. But that is not all. We

remembered a man, his people, their struggle for freedom, and the racial wrongs of a nation. Most people do not take time to think why they do not work or do not attend school every third Monday in January.

*"I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia, sons of former slaves and sons of former slave-owners will be able to sit together at the table of brotherhood."*

Though racism still strongly exists in the nation today, the southern

area of America thirty years ago was completely ignorant. Extremely violent hate crimes were a daily routine in states such as Alabama, Mississippi, and Tennessee. Integrating anything (schools, busses, etc.) was almost impossible. Churches were bombed, black ministers and protesters were arrested, and it seemed as though there was "no light at the end of the tunnel" for the African-American population of America.

*"I have a dream that one day my four little children will live in a society where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character. I have a dream today!"*

But there was a light at the end. The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. fought as hard as any soldier in any war ever did during his short life. Ordained a Baptist minister at age 17, he spent most of his life fighting for the end of segregation among blacks and whites in America. He was arrested, fined, indicted, beat, and stabbed. His house was bombed, and his family was harassed. But nothing stopped him. The quest for racial harmony surpassed any pain any white person could ever put him through. No matter what harm came to him and his people, he maintained, through his powerful oration, the need for non-violent protesting. He traveled to India to understand Mathama Gandhi's (the man who vied for India's independence from Great Britain) principle of non-violent persuasion. King challenged every prejudiced



1929 - 1968

*"I want to be the white man's brother, not his brother-in-law."*

American alive. He challenged his own people to stand up for their rights. King's incessant devotion to gaining the proper place for blacks in society made him one of the greatest heroes ever to walk on American soil.

April 3, 1968 - Martin Luther King, Jr. gives an ironic, final speech at the Mason Temple in Memphis, Tennessee...

*"...We've got some difficult days ahead, but it really doesn't matter who we are now. Because I've been to the mountaintop. And I don't mind. Like anybody, I would like to live a long life. ...But I'm not concerned about that now. I just want to do God's will. And He's allowed me to go up to the mountain. And I've looked over. And I've seen the promised land. I may not get there with you. But I want you to know tonight, that we, as a people, will get to the promised land. And I'm happy tonight. I'm not worried about anything. ...Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord..."*

The following day, April 4, 1968 - The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King is assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee by James Earl Ray.

It was the tragic loss of the greatest civil rights leader in the nation, but his dream lives on...

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# Horoscopes for the month of February

by Theresa Frazier

**Aries:** Your life will take an amazing turn this month. Someone special you have had your eye on the month winks back. Go for it because he/she is the one. However, avoid overspending and lacking in your studies.

Lucky Days: 14th and 19th

**Virgo:** Hold on to your heart as you may be led astray. If you hold out the right one will come around by the end of the month. You will prosper shortly.

Lucky Days: 1st and 9th

**Cancer:** Blue is the color for you this month. Try not to let the shade dominate your wardrobe,

life looks brighter by the 18th.

Lucky Days: 4th and 22nd

**Aquarius:** Like the water sign you are, tell your significant other to go jump in a lake. Problems now will only multiply later. Adopt a new hobby to occupy time.

Lucky Days: 7th and 17th

**Capricorn:** Be good to others this month and expect it to come back. You are the star of an event important to you.

Lucky Days: 2nd and 27th

**Taurus:** Join a bowling league for that is where are to find your true

love. This month, be sure to nourish your body for the upcoming winter.

Lucky Days: 11th and 26th

**Sagittarius:** Don't get pushed around by others, hold your head high and stand up straight this month. Try not to get so easily embarrassed.

Lucky Days: 13th and 14th

**Pisces:** Listen to your favorite music, take a bath, and relax this month. Since the year is beginning you have been stressed out. Take notice love is in the air.

Lucky Days: 6th and 20th

**Scorpio:** Join a club or donate to a favorite charity to brighten your spirits,

you will in one way be rewarded.

Lucky Days: 11th and 23rd

**Gemini:** Your life will be taking a different turn this month, you will find happiness in something you never suspected that you would do.

Lucky Days: 8th and 21st

**Leo:** Don't hold back this month. Go out and see the world and be in for adventure.

Lucky Days: 10th and 17th

**Libra:** An old friend will reappear this month. Welcome it & learn to work out your differences. Accept responsibilities for your actions.

Lucky Days: 4th and 12th

**Test tips cont. from pg. 1**

together with friends and review

**Objective test:**

Do all questions; Read all answers and choices; Time yourself; Watch for qualifiers (always, never, most, etc.); Check your work

**Problem test:**

Make notes; Work problems one step at a time; Do all that you can; Be organized and check work

**Essay test:**

Read all questions before starting; Answer the easiest questions first; Understand the question; Get to the point; Allow room to expand; Check your work

**Matching test:**

Check all options for each item before making any choices; Do the easi-

est ones first; Reduce the number of choices

**Multiple choice:**

Read entire phrase with each choice; Start with the easiest ones; Complete all that you can

**Fill-in-the-blank:**

Easiest ones first; Look for multiple lines; Read all the way through

**Short answer:**

Look for key words; Be as specific as possible; Always proofread

There will always be tests in your life work hard and you'll do fine. If you ever get sweaty palms, nervousness, irritability, or sleeplessness when it comes time for a test, exam, or even a quiz just remember to take your time and don't panic.

**Quaker's Proposal on Student Expression**  
 We, the staff of *The Quaker*, hereby acknowledge our responsibility to provide informative and entertaining reading.

We guarantee to keep our readers informed of various events and issues of concern to the students, staff, and parents of Salem Senior High School. *The Quaker* reserves the right to censor articles.

The principal has the final say on censoring an article.

To make *The Quaker* a credible newspaper, we will aim for accuracy and objectivity.

We must also respect the rights of others while we gather and present news. We are not permitted to invade a person's right to privacy.

It is also our duty to make prompt corrections when necessary.

Since *The Quaker* is a forum, we encourage input from our readers in the form of stories, essays, letters, etc.

# Concerns

## To attend, or not to attend?

by Lisa Hardin

Attendance is important if you are trying for a good grade point average. Absence from a class is absence from the mind. Everyday is a different day. The materials used and the subjects spoke about, vary everyday. This is not necessarily stating that you can not perform well or have a good G.P.A. if you are absent. Students can do well if they maintain good attendance, but some students do as well or even better as those who have a good attendance. Some have the ability to do well during a unit in a class while still be-

ing absent. However, most need to be consistently in class to avoid falling behind.

For instance a student could be absent for a long period of time say for a medical reason, such as surgery. Maybe in his or her mind, they feel the work just cannot be completed and the student just doesn't understand the material that is being studied. This student would need a tutor or a friend to help them through the work.

On the other hand, some students are able to be absent and fig-

ure out what is going on and are able to jump right in when returned back to school.

Then there are some students that have to do a little research, going over materials, and reviewing notes.

Your mind works for your grades. You have to be willing to do the work yourself.

Your health also plays a big role in your performance at school. If you are sick, your mind does not function properly. You need as much rest as possible. You know what your mind and body are capable

of handling, and how much of a load you are going to have to face.

Research shows that people affect the mind in a significantly. If your teachers and peers come off as you can't do something, then in your mind you do not want to even bother. It is not hard to keep up in class, but once you fall behind it feels like forever to accomplish where you would like to be.

Being at school everyday helps with staying ahead. If you are one that does not like to do a whole lot of homework, get to school.

## Peer pressure-Does it exist?

by Sara Caplinger

What is peer pressure? Some would say it is pressuring one into doing something they do not want to do. So why do people give in to it? To be accepted! Then there are those who believe the same as I do, peer pressure is an excuse, a cop out. It is an easy way to get out of trouble. If your friends are your friends why would they want you to do something you do not believe in doing. If your friends pressure you, knowing you're not interested, who would want friends like that? Friends should stand

by you in all the decisions you make. Mr. Viencek's view on peer pressure was, "I always stress to my students the significance of the individual. Each person is the most important person in the world. That is one of the most vital lessons of life."

Some of the things peer pressure is used as an excuse for are drugs, alcohol, sex, the way people dress, the list can go on. Why do people join gangs? Do they think it is cool? No, it is because either friends have joined the gang or they

have no friends. How about all those people who hate sports, but yet they are still participating in them. Why? I guess peer pressure may exist, but to weak-minded individuals, ones who are afraid to stand alone. I feel sorry for those who fall into peer pressure.

Peer pressure can also greatly transform people. Mr. Martinelli agrees, "Peer pressure is harmful; students lose themselves while trying to fit in and be that superstar." You have to look like this,

dress like that, hang out with them. Come on who wants to deal with it? Take a look at the hip hop, super gorgeous teen model on the cover of *Young Modern* magazine. I would love to be her. I can grow the hair, buy the clothes, walk her walk wear cover girl make up, but I will never be that model. Get self confidence, think for your-self, and do something that has never been done before. "If one tries to be independent they are sometimes looked upon as being different," Mr. Rabell commented. As Arby's would say, "Different is good."

## Concerns

### A small world

by Janet Metts and Shawna Smith

The Salem Senior High School, as well as many other schools, is made up of students with different backgrounds.

Whether it may be rich or poor, educated or uneducated, we each hold our own unique personality. Society judges the human race by its physical appearance instead of the inner personality. It has come down to ridicule, tormenting, and teasing. Even though we are all human beings somehow some- how we still are treated unfairly. If we all try to see people for who they are and not what they are, society would not be so judgmental. Then maybe the vicious cycle would end. We need to become more familiar with the students that surround us. After all it's a small world. To start getting familiar with the students around us, here are two students to get to know.

Scott Dotson a Senior here at SHS is an A-B student. His favorite courses of study are, government, family living, and English. His goal in life his

to become a disc jockey or to work with computers. He enjoys rap music, alternative and heavy metal. Dotson feels that some students treat him with respect, but says "it still needs work."

Another student here at SHS is Cindy Harrold. She is 21, and also enjoys school. Her favorite thing about school is meeting new people, choir, and working with sign language. She has 2 brothers and 2 sisters. In Harrold's spare time she likes to work on her personal computer.

If Harrold could change one thing about the world she would have more feasible buildings. Harrold also wishes more people would help other people in time of need.

Let us open our social lives and become more familiar with our surroundings. Having friends and family members to support us with our goals may help us achieve them faster and or easier. Achieving our goals also means a better career in life, and more achievement.

### The root of all evil

by Travis A. Szwedko

All right kiddies it's time to talk about something we've all grown to know and love. We've known about it as far back as we can remember and we'll do just about anything to get it. It gets us what we want and sometimes where we want. Without it we are hopeless, and with it we are spoiled and corrupt. I'm talking about money, the root of all evil. Is it evil? Yes and no, but sometimes it can give us all headaches.

The one thing everybody wants to know is how to get it and when we do, hold on to it. As teen's, it's hard for us to save our cash. First of all, if we have a job, we make an average of \$4.50 an hour, and second, we all like to have fun. As we all know by now, having fun sometimes means spending some cash. Some tips for you "free spenders" are to save your money, don't buy things

you don't need, and think before you buy. Buy only the necessities such as gas for your car.

If you're like me and have a hard time figuring out where your money is going, keep track of what you bought and how much it cost. Trust me, it will save you confusion and aggravation. When your about to spend your money, stop and think about how much hard work went into that pay check.

One of the worst things that can possibly happen is going broke. Don't be afraid to ask your friends or parents to give you a loan. Just don't take too much because it isn't good when your paycheck goes right back to your debtors. Ask if you can pay back in moderation. This way you're both happy.

Save your money, spend wisely and good luck to all.

### My Thesaurus

by Michelle Roberts

Not too long ago, and not too distant away, I sat here in my dwelling, contemplating in regard to what to inscribe, I stumbled upon a elevated abstraction concerning what to scrawl for the paper. Sparkling, I said, "Ah! This is admirable!" But as I initiate to compose, it properly didn't intonate all that phenomenal. It was at that moment I saw it- a diamond in my rough, the wonderment of wonders. Yes, you guessed it: my thesaurus.

Boy, what an enticing evening I had, eruditing, expanding and enhancing, amplifying my vocabulary, my brain pulsating with wisdom. All those consequential, ex-

traordinary words! Disremember parties, overlook hanging out; I had a thesaurus and there was no way that anything could be any increased trifling. I read my mellifluous book; my bible, vanguard to posterior three times, tactility refreshed and poignant. At that moment, I looked underneath at my paper, and I abruptly felt like a queen.

Now, glance at me. I am the ruler of six countries, owner of two hundred luxury lines, president of Venus, television sitcom idol and Employee of the Week at McDonalds. How did all the enchanting events happen? Elementary. It's all because of the thesaurus.

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## Concerns

### Violence and Relationships

by Erica Leach

Sexual violence is a growing problem, but you can greatly reduce your chances of being a victim, as well as help those who are, by knowing the facts. Don't ignore the potential of being a victim until you come face to face with it.

Although Sexual assault is never the victim's fault, there are precautions to take to avoid dangerous situations. **First**, always be assertive. Communicate your needs and expectations. If you find yourself in an uncomfortable situation, make your feelings clear, and don't be afraid to say no. Insist on being treated with respect. **Second**, avoid dangerous places. Stay out of isolated areas. Travel with

friends, and don't let someone take you somewhere you don't want to go. Always let someone know where you are going. This may seem a bit ridiculous, but experts agree that it is common sense, and it could save your life. Look and act alert at all times. Attackers search for easy victims, so being alert and well aware of your surroundings is vitally important. And last, one of the worst things to do is drink. Drinking severely impairs your judgment, and could lead you to make decisions that endanger your safety.

If you are raped, then get to family or

### When color counts

by Beth Arnoto and Amanda Woodyard

It's a big issue that many people would like to ignore, racism. With Martin Luther King Jr. day just occurring the country is almost forced to think about it.

Some people don't even care about it, and don't look at his day for what it really means. They just see Martin Luther King day as another day off of school or work.

To a lot of people Martin Luther King Jr. day means something. He symbolized courage, sacrifice, and suffering of the struggling Negro. He marched for the Civil Rights Movement. He also gave a speech "I have a dream", which he said blacks and whites should become equal and stay equal.

For whatever reason there are many of people who believe that certain races are by birth and nature superior to others. This belief caused problems in the past, and is still causing them today. It's obvious that racism exist in other schools across the country, but does it exist at Salem Senior High? Here's what some people said:

**Amy Forkel**—Yes, because people always have things to say about other races.

**Sara Andres**—For some people.

**Adam Kress**—No.

**Bob Farkas**—No because everyone gets treated equally bad.

**David Flaata**—Yes, sometimes it gets out of hand!

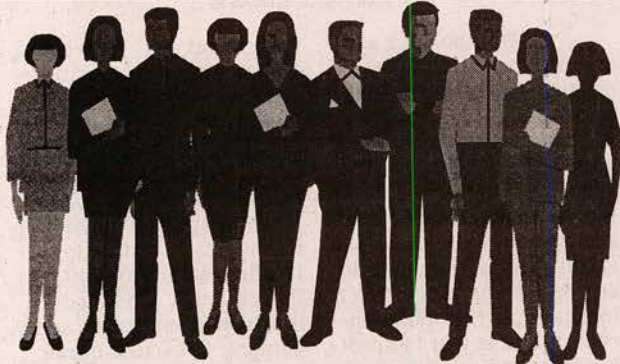
**Travis Krzysztofiak**—Yes, because some folks don't know how to keep their mouths shut when it comes to a person of a different race. They say ignorant racial slurs that just aren't appropriate. We need to find a way to get rid of racism and get on with our lives.

**Mr. Bennett**—Not nearly as much as other schools. At times there are people who say smart remarks.

**Craig Apinis**—Yes.

**Mrs. Cozza**—From my perspective everyone seems to accept everyone for who they are.

**Ruben Dunlap**—Yes, because some people are just plain ignorant.



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# Editorial

## Exam preparation

by Megan Zagotti

Exams, this one little word can be a "nightmare," for some students. Some people say they are the hardest tests you'll ever take in highschool. Others think they are a breeze.

How many of you actually study for exams? I don't mean just the day before either. I mean really study? I never have until this year. I realized these are worth a lot more than regular tests. They are worth at

least three times the amount of regular tests. They are 20% of your grade for the semester. The other eighty percent comes from the first and second nine weeks.

I considered algebra II to be the hardest test for me. Did you know that 10-15% of Mrs. Helen Hayes's students fail their semester exam? That doesn't seem like a lot of people who fail but remember D's aren't counted as

failing. The grading system for our math classes are different too! Here it is. A 100-85, B 84-72, C 71-60, D 59-50, F 49-0. Consider how many students would fail if there wasn't a curve. Some students who have A's might have C's and some students who have C's might have F's.

My point is to take your exams seriously. At least try to study. Believe me, studying will pay

off. You can't just blow them off. It really won't help you to cram the day before. Nine times out of ten you won't remember anything you just studied.

The best part about exams is sleeping in and not coming in until nine o'clock. If you have a 1st, 4th, 5th, or 8th period studyhall you get even more free time!

Well good luck on your final exams.

## Senior proficiency test tips

Senior Class Student Council members were asked to survey their fellow classmates regarding the 1996 Senior Proficiency Exams. Mr. McShane, had asked these officers to survey seniors to come up with ideas to encourage students to take the proficiency exams seriously. The school system would like to set 80% passing rate for the senior class. This should not be difficult to attain since they have already passed the 9th grade proficiency and 80% of the seniors should be able to pass the senior proficiency exams.

Senior proficiency exams are required by the state of Ohio. These scores are compared to other schools within Ohio. Mr. McShane and school administrators hope senior students will take them seriously and actually do their very best. It is a reflection of our school system and community.

Suggestions student council members have submitted to Mr. McShane to date are:

**Emily Mlinarcik's** survey results:

1. Free slushies for every student who passes
2. Pizza party for everyone who passes
3. \$25 for each person who passes with honor status
4. One free tardy for every section passed
5. Free yearbook for people who pass with honor status
6. If we exceed our passing percentage goal, we can MOSH at dances for 15 minutes

**Erin Fritz's** survey results:

1. If all parts of the test are passed the student does not have to take final exams, except if their grade will increase because of the exam grade
2. For each part passed a student will receive \$15
3. Free Senior Skip Day without penalty if we reach the passing goal of \_\_\_\_%

**Mike Kolich's** survey results were:

1. Give Money if we reach our established goal
2. Day off school if percentage passed equals established goal
3. Free Lunch for all seniors if we reach established goals
4. Day off before exams if we reach established goals
5. A dance provided by the school if we reached established goals
6. A motivational speaker/retreat day if we reach established goals
7. Free candy if goals are reached
8. Pizza Hut Pizza Party for those who passed.

**Ryan Ferreri's** survey findings included:

1. Taco Bell gift certificate for those who passed
2. Bag of Tootsie Rolls for those who passed.
3. If you get honors in an exam (example math) you don't have to take that final exam (except Calculus)
4. Run the days like exam days
5. Big picnic at the park/country club during school day for people who pass

**Chad Keating** suggestions are:

1. Increase the amount of money for honor recipients
2. Awards be given to those who earn honors
3. An assembly (for fun) if the percentage goal is reached
4. If goals are reached, reinstate the Pep Assembly because we haven't had any

**Kyl Dinsio's** surveys revealed:

1. Money for everyone who passes, not just honors
2. A bag of tootsie rolls for each person passing
3. Napkins in the cafeteria (cafeteria stopped giving napkins with meals)
4. NO final exams for seniors in subjects they pass unless the senior student wants to take them
5. Only come to school to take proficiencies and then go home
6. Free donuts on the exam days
7. No FINAL exams for seniors in subject areas they pass

## Editorial

# Hello out there!

by Katie Frank

Have you ever looked up into the night sky, at the stars, and said to yourself, "Hello? Anybody out there?"

People have questioned the existence of alien life for eons; probably since they could think. Only in the past fifty years, however, have they been popular. The interest in UFO's sparked in July, 1947, when an alleged UFO crashed on a ranch outside the city of Roswell, New Mexico. The Army moved in, shipped the debris away, and no one has seen it since. But, because of the incident, aliens, or EBE's, have become a fascination (by the way, EBE stands for extraterrestrial biological entity, in case you're wondering). Long before they were the topic of nearly half the shows on the Fox network, aliens were once pretty obsolete. Now, they're found everywhere from comic books to cartoons; from movies (Close Encounters of the Third Kind, ET, Alien Nation, StarGate) to television (The Outer Limits, Lost in Space, Mork and Mindy, StarTrek and all its knock-offs).

Going back to you staring at the stars, have you ever followed up on your own talking-to-yourself-statement by saying, "If there are beings out there in space, how in the world are we suppose to communicate with them?" (At this point you begin to think of what you would say if you met an alien, ideas ranging from "Hello." to "My God, I didn't think you were that ugly!")

The Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence, or SETI, is one of many organizations who are trying to prove the existence of aliens by attempting to catch radio waves from space, and seeing if they are from our little friends. The Parker Radio Telescope, set up in Puerto Rico, has a 1,000 foot diameter dish and roughly 28 million channels. The only problem is, because of the distance between earth and the nearest galaxy, it will take many years to receive a message. so, at least for the time being, we'll have to wait.

Now its late, and you're heading inside, you speak to yourself one last time "Why does it seem like no one is really concerned about researching these things?"

Truth is, there isn't alot of research being done, but that doesn't mean no one's investigating. The Air Force's Project Blue Book was one of the very first to analyze and study UFO's (although at the time, the Air Force insisted that the project never existed... that is, until it was terminated in 1969). Other organizations that are now working are the Center of UFO Studies, or CUFOS, and the J. Allen Hynek Center of UFO Studies. I set out and contacted Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton to ask them what were their feelings about UFO's, and if they actually were (as one UFO book I'm reading states) involved in hiding the debris from the Roswell crash. They stated to me, quite strongly and

very quickly, "We have no information to give out." They continued by saying that I could fax them, but "as for UFO's, no.", then hung up. (Hmmm...mighty suspicious there, don't you think?)

But just because the Air Force denied me of information didn't mean I couldn't get opinions from anyone else. So, armed with only my trusty pen and tattered Journalism notebook, I set off on my quest down the halls of SHS, persistently asking the question, "Do you believe in aliens?" The results go as following:

**Heather Englert,12-** Yes.

**Robin Booth,11-** Yes, I believe there may be life on other planets. And I believe I may have seen some strange humans that may pass as aliens. For example, Brad Witherstine.

**Aarika Denton,10-** Yes, because Katie Smith is one.

**Jen Finley,9-** Yes, I saw one in my closet.

**Stacey Shuman,10-** Yes.

**Matt Doyle,9-** Yes, because it's ignorant to think we are alone in the universe.

**Mr. Martinelli-** Yes, the earth is such a minute part of the universe.

**Miss Carmello-** How can you even ask me that? I work here everyday amongst them!

**Brian Mancuso,11-** Yes, it would be ignorant to believe otherwise.

**Sarah Schramm,12-** Yes, because Jason Hubbard told me he was an alien in a past life form.

**Jason Hubbard,12-** Yes- I got the 'Star Wars' trilogy for Christmas.

**Allison Burtnett,11-** Yes, you can see them if you watch 'Unsolved Mysteries'. I did.

**Beth Cole,9-** Yes, because Ben Field said he saw a UFO across the street from my house.

**Jen Fawcett,10-** Yes! My name is Zord and I've come to take over the universe!

**Greg Huzyak,9-** I'm sure, just as sure as any quarterback that has ever been rocked by Greg Lloyd, that he (Lloyd) is a wild, destructive alien himself.

**Mandi Peterman,10-** Yes. If people can believe in God, I don't see why it's so hard for them to believe in something so obviously out there.

**Mr. McShane-** Yes, they have Green Cards.

The results, I have to say, were pretty surprising. I found it interesting that of the seventeen people I paneled, all of them were believers. This means, A, we have a pretty open-minded student body at SHS, or B, I didn't reach enough people; a 'no' answer would of been fun to examine. Also, allot of people took my question pretty lightly, and a few refused to comment. I myself am a die-hard believer, and agree totally with the comments above. To quote form the series "The X-Files", "... why are those, like yourself, who believe in the existence of extraterrestrial life on this earth not persuaded by all the evidence to the contrary?" 'Because all the evidence to the contrary is not entirely persuasive.'



# News

## National Good Teen Day

by Beth Arnoto and Jim Treharn

"When you look for the good in man, you'll always find it." -*Abraham Lincoln*. This is the motto for this **National Good Teen Day**, January 16, 1996.

Good Teen Day was created by Mr. Robert Viencek, Salem Senior High School English Teacher in 1991.

This year's **National Good Teen Day** Recognition and Awards Assembly was held Friday January 12, 1996 at the Salem High School Auditorium.

Speakers and guests included the following:

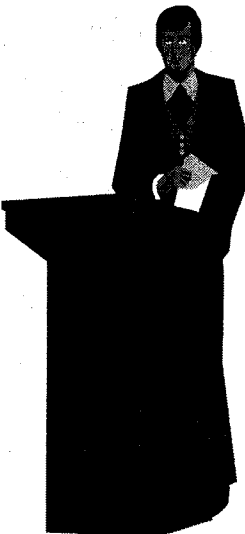
**Lori Thayer**, chairman of **National Good Teen Day** Essay Contest, and presented the English awards  
**Gary Bulski**, judge of National Good Teen Day Art Show, and presented the art awards.

Students who recieved the awards were,

**Essay winners,**  
**Grade 9, first place** Eric Hodgson, **second place** Chad Copacia, **third place**

Angela Rank, and **fourth place** Jennifer Dean.

**Grade 10- first place** Lisa Eckert, **second place** Betsy Wrask, **third place** Jessica Smith, and Jennifer Lippiatt.



**Grade 11- first place** Joe Houshour, **second place** Libby Figley, **third place** Darrell Walton, and **fourth place** Missy Powell.

**Grade 12- first place** Christine Tkatch, **second place** Nicholas Irizarry, **third place** Nicki Kleman, and **fourth place** Richard Beight.

**Art show winners**  
**Top 4-** Courtney Simpson and Crystal Kurple.

**Top 10-** Kelly Edmund, Kristie Hodgson, Sarah Chaffee, Chris Hernstrom, and Robb Wilson.

**Top 35-** Robb Wilson, April DeMar, Deanne Brown, Melody Kolich, Trisha May, Beth Arnoto, Sarah Frank, Rene Loutzenhizer, Dan Polshaw, Samantha Hovanic, Crystal Kurple, and Michelle Bowman.

## 1996 School Calendar

### February

16—Inservice Day—No School  
 19—President's Day—No School

### March

22—End of 3rd Nine Weeks  
 28—Parent-Teacher Conference (Evening)  
 29—Parent-Teacher (Morning)—No School

### April

01—Spring Recess—April 08—No School  
 09—Classes Resume

### May

03—Junior/Senior Prom  
 27—Memorial Day—No School  
 31—Last Day for Seniors

### June

02—Graduation  
 05—Last Day of School for Students



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## News

### 12th grade proficiency test

by Beth Arnoto

During the week of Feb. 5th thru the 9th, the seniors will be taking the 12th grade proficiency tests. The schedule will go as follows...

**Monday, February 5, 8:00-9:14 a.m. Writing**

**Tuesday, February 6, 8:00-9:14 a.m. Reading**

**Wednesday, February 7, 8:00-9:14 a.m. Math**

**Thursday, February 8, 8:00-9:14 a.m. Citizenship**

**Friday, February 9, 8:00-9:14 a.m. Science**

Seniors will report to first period for attendance each day then go directly to the appropriate testing room. Seniors are to report

to the rooms by last names as follows...

**A-F Room 188  
G-L Room 132  
M-Z Auditorium**

Each student should bring at least two #2 (sharpened) pencils, a calculator (see a list of acceptable calculators from your counselor), if you have any questions see your counselor.

During this week the schedule for periods will be...

Mon., Feb. 5, Wed., Feb. 7, and Fri., Feb. 9, 1-8 (follow the normal schedule)

Tues., Feb. 6, and Thurs., Feb. 8, periods 3, 4, 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8.

### Financial aid

by Beth Arnoto

Financial aid is a big question for many seniors at this time of year. Most

people cannot afford to go to college without some kind of help from loans, grants, or scholarships. Now is the time to apply for financial aid. The earlier you apply the better the chance you have of getting most of the money you need. Colleges don't really have any deadlines for the applications to be turned in, but as the year goes on the money runs out.

People can receive grants for many different reasons. If someone has a

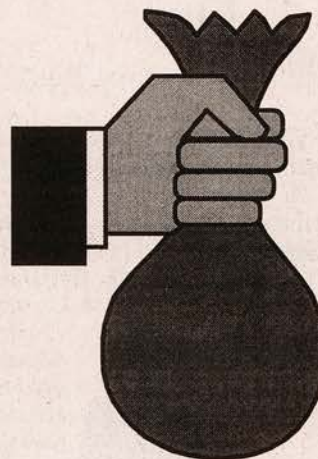
perfect attendance record all through high school they may be eligible for a grant.

A lot of people receive scholarships for a sport they play in high school.

Many people believe that they can't go to the college of their choice because they can't afford it. But what they don't realize is that the majority of the students who

go to college use financial aid. For example, Ohio Northern has about 90% of their students getting financial aid.

So if you have any questions or comments on financial aid, loans, or scholarships see your counselor as soon as possible.



#### Interact

Advisor: Anna Hutson

Trip to Cavs game in Cleveland

#### Spanish Club

Advisor: Ruth Marhefka

Ski trip on Feb. 16 to Peak and Peak

#### French Club

Advisor: Sandra Arter

Valentines Day flower sale Feb. 7, 8, & 9

# SHS Club Activities

# Entertainment

## Clothes, what exactly is "in"?

by April Ramsayer

Do you ever get the impression that everyone is staring at you when you walk down the hall? I bet you have no clue why. Well, from what I see and hear, it is your clothes. Is there a certain way that everyone should dress? There are several people in this school who have the same clothes as others. They look really stupid, especially if they wear it the same day as everyone else. They look as though they are trying to be like each other. Why not be yourself?

There are so many different styles in this school, who's to say which

one is right? Who has the right to say which one is wrong? Some people only dress to impress other people. I know that sometimes I do. We often learn that no matter what we wear, there is always somebody out there to make fun of it. Just remember that there is also someone out there who likes it. I hope that person would be yourself, that is the only person that should like the clothes you wear. Clothes seem to make a big impression on people. Let's say that you are new in this school. People are going to judge you by the way you are dressed. If you wear

what a certain clique wears, then you will probably become friends with that clique. It just doesn't make much sense.

Clothes express the way people are feeling that day. If you wake up in the morning on time and prepared for the day, you are going to dress nice and have time to even brush your hair. If you wake up late and are barely remembering to brush your teeth, then you will probably throw on the first thing that pops up in your dirty clothes basket.

The way you look, seems to have a big effect on the way people react toward you, today. I can totally understand why everyone always is wanting to fight everyone. People can really spoil a perfect hair day. To you, you might be the hottest one in school, but when people are putting you down, you honestly don't feel so confident. So, clothes, are they really worth all the pain and confusion. Don't forget to mention the money that you put into them.

Make your own decision, and wear whatever makes you comfortable.

## What will they do for ratings?

By Jennifer Weingart

The week of March 13 ratings on the "Jenny Jones" show skyrocketed. Jonathan Schmitz shot Scott Amedure after going on the "Jenny Jones" show and finding out Amedure was his secret admirer. Three days later Schmitz went to Amedures house with a twelve-gauge shot gun. In two blasts, Scott Amedure was dead. Later, Schmitz turned himself in and pleaded not guilty to charges of first degree murder. Producers have said each guest was informed that the admirer could be either male or female. But, as it turned out they were all men.

After the "trial of the century" Kato and other figures from the Simpson trial have done talkshows. O.J. himself was set to do a interview on NBC, but at the

last minute canceled at advice from his lawyers.

As of now there are about 20 talkshows. From "Jerry Springer" to "Jenny Jones" the list goes on. The FOX network doesn't run soaps during the day it runs talk shows. A new trend that is beginning to develop is, actor/actress or musician turning to talk. Some prime examples of this are; Gabrielle Carteris, Tempest Bledsoe and Carnie Wilson. I don't think Gabrielle and Tempest are cut out for the job. They did much better acting then they are doing hosting their own shows. Carnie is the one exception, who I think isn't doing too badly.

How far will some of these shows go, just to get the ratings? *Montel Williams* publisist Ron Sato

said, "we don't do shows for the ratings." A publicist for *Ricki Lake* commented, "we do shows people can relate to."

It doesn't matter to some shows if they end a friendship, marriage or relationship period. As long as it brings in the ratings they don't care. What about the people who go on the shows and get their lives ruined? Then a therapist comes on, who is looking to sell some books, comes on and all the problems magically disappear. I don't think so. According to Ron Sato, "we make sure our guests are O.K. before they go on, and after. We are the only show to do that. We have a licensed psychologist who is on the faculty of Columbia University who talks to our guests. The *Ricki Lake* show refers their

guests for counseling depending on the individual case.

I don't think all talk shows are bad, because all shows aren't. But, I do think talk shows need to re-evaluate the kinds of shows they do and how their guests will be affected.

On the other side of this, there are some shows out there that are just the opposite. Some shows don't pull out all the stops just for a quick jump up in the ratings. *Oprah* is a good example. She is number one in the ratings by a huge margin. Critic Barbara Lippert thinks the reason for her success is, "she has an instinctive ability to make people feel comfortable."

In the end the choice is up to you. Do you watch a show? Or, do you change the channel?

# Entertainment

## Internet for the idiot

by Jadey Berger

I am excited by the technological superhighway. So, being the giving person I am, I want to share. I have discovered that in this school. There are computer whizzes that sit in front of the hypnotizing screens in the library during their study halls. Most of the people completely comfortable on the computers are younger a lot are freshman.

On the other hand, there are also complete computer idiots that sit there typing notes that are similar to the ones passed in fifth grade, most of the people in this category are older, juniors and seniors. Some of these people do not even realize that if they add @access.ohio.gov to the end of their address they can receive mail from anywhere.

Then there is the third type of person, the person who doesn't even take advantage of the computer at all. Hello? You have the world available to you and it is sitting in your school library and it is free! The government may never offer you such a deal the whole rest of your life. Are you afraid of the computer? Fear not, computers are your friends.

Lesson one: moving beyond e-mail. \*When at the menu select 5, or internet hit return. \*At the next menu select 4, or RCWIS Rutgers Campus Wide Information Center. \*Hit the return key, do not type the word like it says. \*At the next menu type 24 you do not need to arrow all the way down the menu until you get to the selection.

\*You have now entered something called Yahoo. There are several major headings in yahoo such as entertainment. You can select one of these which would take you to another menu where things are further broken down. You can search through menus until you find something of interest. Or where it says search you can type in something specific and immediately you will be connected with all sites that deal with that subject.

For example I typed in *Primus* (as in the band). There are 19 different places that mention *Primus*. There are brief descriptions on each and I enter on the one that sounds interesting. Sites are homepages, or information someone gathers on their

own. Homepages usually contain sites that the person has found and you can explore them without having to do the searching yourself.

The other place to go is Web crawler it works pretty much the same. When you come to the third menu type 22 instead of 24.

The only problem is that we can't view pictures, but the technology is free so I can't complain too much. Without the computer opportunities the school provides I myself would still be a computer neandral, stuck in the bleak and boring computer world of word processing. I am encouraging everyone to take advantage of the opportunities they are offered. It is silly not to.

## Music and Suicide (Hand in hand?)

by Jesse Vingle

Kurt Cobain died almost two years ago. Jim Morrison and Jimi Hendrix died a long time ago, before most of us were even conceived. They were all 27 years old. Just this year, Jerry Garcia and Shannon Hoon of Blind Melon all bit the dust.

Wasted life, one and all. Countless other people in the music business have died over the years, wasting their lives away on drugs and alcohol. Sure, I like their music, I may even own many of their CDs, but I simply find it hard

to respect someone who overdoses on drugs and ends up dying of complications or paints their garage ceiling with the contents of their head.

What is it about the music industry that drives so many musicians to untimely death at a young age, through the use of drugs and the like? How come many of them feel they serve no purpose in this world, and thusly take their own lives?

In my opinion, when someone dies because they inject too much of an

illegal or mind-altering substance into their bodies, it's the same as suicide. The coward's way out. The easy way out. Suicide is not really a respectable way to go. Sure, I like the music, but they killed themselves. I'll buy the CD, but I could truly care less about anyone who takes their own life.

Many of you are saying that ODing isn't the same as blowing your brains out, but think again. If you put a loaded gun to your head and pull the trigger, chances are good

you're dead. If you inject heroin into your body in unhealthy amounts and your heart stops, chances are good you're dead. If you take some mind-altering substance and fling yourself from the top of a tall building in a vain attempt at flight, chances are good you're dead.

Russian Roulette. If you live the first time, consider yourself lucky. Next time may not be that easy. And if you become a famous rock star, drink Pepsi and eat M&M's. Sure, you'll get fat, but you won't get dead.

# Entertainment

## Poetry Corner

by Theresa Frazier

### Brite and blue a land of new by Chris Plunkett

*I dream of life that may come true, I dream of land brite and blue, the land I dream of is solid to the sight, and hollow to the touch. I am always dreaming new, and dreaming too much.*

*In my fair land I do as I want in this land I dance with the rain, the snow even underwater with a fish biting on my toe, and every where you look in my dream land it's quite a show.*

*I wear the richest of clothing and dance with the prettiest of maidens. I dream that no one is stronger, no one is smarter, and no one looks as good in foul weather.*

*I can see these things in my mind brite and blue, but the land I dream of is solid to the sight and hollow to the touch. In my world I am famous and everyone knows*

*me, I'm always waiting for what my fans will show me.*

*An at the end of most dreams I meet a lovely Maiden, we dance a while, and all the while we dance she falls deep in love with me. After the dance has finished I can't think of anything more so I must start new, always new. A land brite and blue.*

*Yes I must admit now that this world is untrue. But it passes and others come and pass as well, and at the end of one I must start again in a land of new, brite and blue.*

### Shore of Light by Chris Plunkett

*The bashing of water upon the shore, a new light. Wind a knocking on the beach floor, growth and development occur.*

*Foam rises with each breath of the ocean shore, breaking and splat-*

*tering occur. No light, no age, nothing more.*

### August Night by Chris Plunkett

*The night speaks it, and August is upon him like the word death bed.*

### Untitled by Theresa Frazier

*Stalking in the night praying like a demon, the skin pale, his eyes cold. The tension revealed, feelings of stress. Restless anger, the cool breeze, his hair blowing freely, and staring not seeing anything. Shadows lingering as the bodies dance under the demons melting flesh. Our eyes meet, the final vanishing point, staring silent seeing completely through. Every thought every feeling finally released, I grasp his hand and touch his face realizing everything would*

*soon be over only known in memory.*

*One final kiss and his eyes close falling onto the earth. I lie beside him knowing this is what he wanted. The blood constant, his face still pale and cold with sweat. The breath now gone as my final tear is shed realizing how easy the life can be taken from the body.*

### Untitled by Liz Russel

*"There is nothing as sad to see as a young pessimist" someone said once. I wonder why. Why should we be optimists? We are inheriting a planet on the verge of self destruction there is poverty, homelessness, hunger, violence, hatred, and other atrocities. At this rate, the future is a mess. So what is there to be optimistic about?*

## "Bob" and what he means to you

by Jadey Berger

A guy named "Bob" is giving you a bad name. He is the reason we are labeled generation X. "Bob" has founded a cult religion called the SubGenius. "Bob's" name is actually J.R. Dobbs, but he prefers "Bob". Dobbs' religion is based completely on slacking, the art of slack, how to be slacker. Slacker Reverend Dr. GregTone Overdrive says, in reference to the SubGenius, "Can YOU afford to ignore the living enigmatic, weird-type mystery-thingy...?" They believe Slack is the future.

These slackers, members of the slacker based religion and members of society proud to be part

of generation X, do not seem to really believe in anything. The element of a religion founded on nothingness is part of the point, it makes its followers feel as if they are tricking the world. The greatest religious creed I found in all the SubGenius information I saw was stated in the form of a question, "Has "BEING" made your life start falling apart?" This quote was under the main heading (on the internet) of Step One on the Path of Enlightenment. This slacker movement really annoyed me because they talk in riddles and hazy terms. The religion, like its members, is about talking and existing.

But never, under any circumstances, actually doing.

For example, in this quack of a religion you can become (not strive because that would be non-slacking) a high priest or priestess. All this means is that you get something they mysteriously call THAT CARD. THAT CARD is, as I understand it, a permission slip from "Bob" Dobbs to do whatever you want, you have a title, and the other slackers hail you and tell you that you are cool.

In the official "Bob" slack pamphlet they call it the, "explosive new futurereligion Beyond science..." it may, "raise your intelligence, transform your

life, improve your health, and luck, and end financial woes!!"

"Bob" Dobbs said in 1961, "You'd pay to know what you really think." Sounds like a great prophet and religious leader to me.

The slacker religion SubGenius has been called the Zen of stupidity and the most No Way new age religion. Beware of this bogus religion and these inactive slackers. They may descend on you and want you to support them. The SubGenius' main goal is to condone "superior degeneracy" and tell you, you are above everyone else. That part, at least, does not sound too bad.

# Sports

## Faces in the crowd

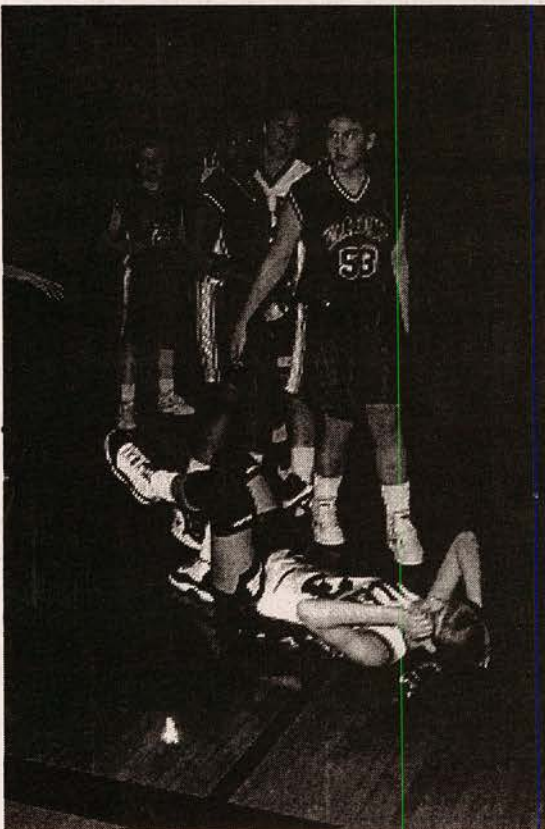
by Jason Humphreys and Crystal McCoy

Name: Ryan Zocolo  
 Nickname: Zoc  
 Grade: 12  
 Sports: Soccer, basketball  
 Letters: 6  
 Favorite food: Pasta  
 Favorite color: Blue  
 Ambition: Play college basketball  
 Favorite song: "One Sweet Day"  
 Favorite teacher: Mr. Bennett  
 Favorite group: Boyz 2 Men  
 Embarrassing moment in sports: Air balled a foul shot in Church league

Name: Meghan Conrad  
 Nickname: Megs  
 Grade: 12  
 Sports: Softball, volleyball  
 Letters: 4  
 Favorite food: Pasta  
 Favorite Color: Green  
 Ambition: Physicians Assistant  
 Favorite song: "Name"  
 Favorite teacher: Mr. Bennett  
 Favorite group: Goo Goo Dolls  
 Embarrassing moment in sports: Shot at the wrong basket in Church league.

Name: Jim Morrison  
 Nickname: DOOR  
 Grade: 12  
 Sports: Football, Wrestling, Track  
 Letters: 7  
 Fav. Food: Fat-Free Bologna Sandwich, wrapped in foil to preserve freshness  
 Fav. Color: Green  
 Ambition: Go to college and play football  
 Fav. Song: Devil Went Down to Georgia  
 Fav. Teacher: Mr. Viencek  
 Fav. Group: Charlie Daniels Band  
 Embarrassing moment in sport: Running in the last heat in track

Name: Chad Keating  
 Nickname: Donnie  
 Grade: 12  
 Sports: Basketball, Baseball  
 Letters: 3  
 Fav. Food: Slushy  
 Fav. Color: Green  
 Ambition: Go to college, become Non-surgical Pediatrician  
 Fav. Song: Stairway to Heaven  
 Fav. Teacher: Mr. Trough  
 Fav. Group: Clay Walker  
 Embarrassing moment in sport: Loosing warm-up pants in first basketball game junior year.



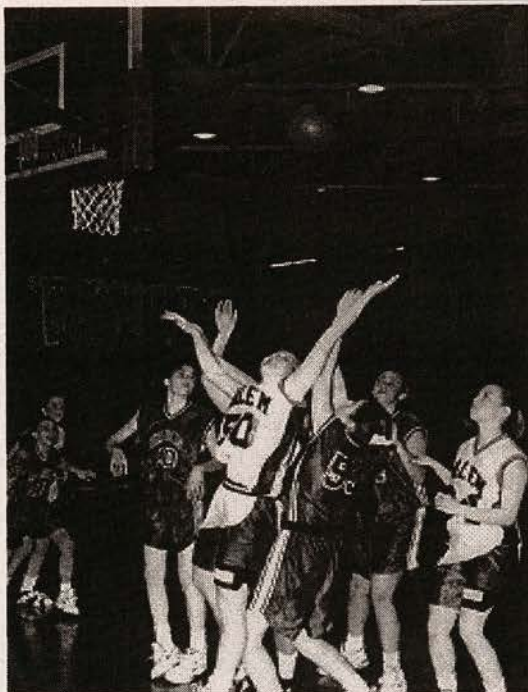
## SHS Girls looking into the MAC

by Jason Humphreys

Salem is currently 1-2 in the MAC with a crushing win over Niles and suffering tough losses to Poland and Canfield. Their over all record is 4-5. At the Salem Holiday classic the girls finished 1-1 with a win over Minerva and a loss to West Branch. Salem still has a chance to get a piece of the MAC title if they

can win the remaining MAC games. They could even take the whole thing with some help from the other MAC teams knocking each other out of the spot. Co-Captain Emily Mlinarcik added, "We really started to work harder over Christmas break. Things should start to look better as we enter the second half of the season."

**Sports**



**Athletic scholarships and eligibility**

by Crystal McCoy and Jason Humphreys

It's the 1990's. You don't have to be a football or basketball star to receive an athletic scholarship, but it sure does help.

Students are awarded many scholarships each year, academic and athletic. But, one problem is overall grades. Sure, you don't seem to care about grades your freshman year, but down the road you will.

In order to go to college, you need to graduate from high school, have a decent grade-point average, and score at least a 17 on the ACT. Even after that, it'll cost alot of money, but a scholarship can help.

After receiving the scholarship, most

people think that the hard part is over. But really it's just begun. A scholarship isn't just a free ride to college. It takes alot of hard work and time to hang onto an academic scholarship. Athletic scholarships are just as hard to hang onto, if not harder. You have to dedicate your time to the team so that you can be your best. At the same time, you have to give your full attention to your studies so that you can remain eligible and not let your team down in any way.

And always remember that it is easier to lose a scholarship, than it is to receive one. You need decent grades and alot of determination to succeed.

**Super Bowl Facts**

by Ross Coffee

This coming Sunday, the Dallas Cowboys will play the Pittsburgh Steelers in Super Bowl XXX, in Tempe, Arizona.

The Super Bowl was first held in 1967 between the winners of the NFL and AFL championships. Since 1970, it has been contested by the winners of the National and American Conferences of the NFL. The most wins is five by the San Francisco 49ers in 1981,84,88,89,95. There are other significant numbers as well that relate to the Super Bowl.

8- Dallas Cowboys have the most appearances in the Super Bowl.

6- Don Shula has the most appearances by a coach.

55- Is the most points scored in a Super Bowl, by the San

Francisco 49ers against Denver

5- Is the most touchdowns thrown, by Joe Montana, San Francisco 49ers.

3- Is the most touchdowns scored by, Roger Craig and Jerry Rice, San Francisco 49ers.

204- Is the most yards gained rushing is by, Timmy Smith, of the Washington Redskins.

357- Is the most yards gained passing by Joe Montana, San Francisco 49ers.

257- Is the most yards receiving by, Jerry Rice, San Francisco 49ers.

31- Most Completions thrown, by Jim Kelly, Buffalo Bills.

88- Highest completion percent by, Phil Simms, NY Giants.

11- Most receptions by, Dan Ross, and Jerry Rice, San Francisco 49ers.



## Sports

### Half Way Through

by Todd McLaughlin

The boys varsity basketball team is having a up and down season with a record of 6-7 and 2-3 in the conference. They're more than half way through the season. the Quakers suffered the loss of senior standout, Josh Hendershott, with a broken collarbone in the Ursuline game. Despite losing Hendershott, the Quakers went on to win the game with a shot at the buzzer. "The team has responded well with the loss of Hendershott," coach Longanecker commented.

Another hero was born as powerful conference foe Canfield made their way down into Quaker country. It was the traditional dog-fight between both teams with Quakers coming out on top. The Quakers got big

nights from seniors Adam Kress and Ryan Zocolo. Adam Kress was the hero that night poured in 32 points. It was a night to remember.

"We played excellent defense and got good minutes from Rich Pieren, Matt Palmer, and Rick Straub," Longanecker said. "Our team has really came together and we've got good help off the bench," commented senior, Chad Keating. "We're being patient on offense and playing excellent defense," added Keating. "We're looking to jump right into the rest of the season right where we left off," Keating also added.

The Quakers are in action this Friday and Saturday. Friday night they visit Niles for an MAC matchup against the Dragons. Saturday they are at home against Dover.



left: Ed Alesi

right: Jim Morrison



Coach Stewart speaks to a tired player

### Pin to win

by Ross Coffee

The Salem Wrestling team is off to a 2-5-1 start this year with wins over Alliance and Orville. The Quakers lost to West Branch, Massillon, Mayfield, Hubbard, Jackson Milton, and tied Ashtabula Edgewood.

Coach Hernan says, "It seems like the first year coaching a new team there are a lot of bad breaks and everything seems to be against us. I think when we beat Orville that really helped our team

spirit. Now it seems like the losses have put us in the dumps. We're still seeing a lot of nice performances out of everybody, especially from Josh Mendez, Jim Morrison, Nick Bourne, Tom Brant and Wayne Benner. We're not wrestling as well as we should be. I fell when sectionals come around, 'we'll be doing fine", said senior Jim Morrison. Junior wrestler, Tony Colian says, "We really need to watch our weight and stay focused."