

# THE QUAKER

A HIGH SCHOOL TRADITION FOR 86 YEARS

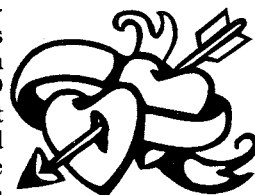
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## 1999 Quaker Sweetheart Court



*Back row: Angela Rank, Stephanie Helms, Susan Tkatch, Melody Kolich. Front row: Julie Manis, Jenn Grubaugh, Amber Mansour*

Salem's annual winter homecoming festivities took place last weekend with the presentation of the 1999 Sweetheart Court. The court included: Jenn Grubagh and escort Brian Bush, Stephanie Helms and escort Justin McMahon, Susan Tkatch and escort Joe Clutter, Julie Manis and escort Mike DeBarr, Angela Rank and escort Bo Rottenborn, Amber Mansour and escort Mike Beck, and Melody Kolich with escort Brian Bailey. The queen (unknown at time of printing) was crowned during halftime of the Salem-Canfield basketball game. Entertainment at the dance immediately following the game was provided by Mirage Sound and Light Productions. Congratulations to our new Quaker Sweetheart and all members of her court!



### Annual NHS Blood Drive

will be held March 25 at the First Christian Church. Listen to announcements for further information.

**Give the gift of life!**



*German club recently celebrated the German holiday of Karneval, which is like Mardi Gras. Pictured here are club members enjoying the festivities.*

## The origin of Valentine's Day

Heidi Talbot

The "Feast of Lupercalia," our modern Valentine's Day, was celebrated February 14 and 15. It was a feast to honor Juno who was the Queen of all the gods and goddesses. She was the goddess of women and marriage. It was important that she would bless the events of the festival.

The celebration had many events. The most important of these events was the lottery. The lottery was a system of paring children up for the remainder of the festival. The lottery was operated by a boy picking a girl's name out of a vase. The drawing of names would continue until all the children were paired. The couples would dance and play together for the remainder of the celebration. Sometimes couples would last a year. It was not even unusual for them to fall in love and get married later on.

In our modern celebrations, we differ from their traditions. We see Valentine's Day as a time to show those close to us that they are loved. We express this emotion by buying them gifts such as flowers and candy. We have resorted to a more materialistic type of celebration. It brings up the question, what will our future traditions be?



## Quaker web site

Jeremy Sternagle

Students in a start-up page for the computer lab. Students in a computer programming class now have the opportunity to update the school's web site, with thanks in part to Mr. McShane and computer programming teacher, Mr. Gill.

When Mr. Gill was approached by our principal to update the school's web site and make it better – the word 'better' just serves as an understatement as to what Mr. Gill and his students have done with the web page. Located at [www.access-k12.org/sale/sale.htm](http://www.access-k12.org/sale/sale.htm), the web site features information on high school clubs and activities, updated high school sports scores and records for all teams, and also information on all of Salem's public schools. There's a wealth of information and everybody in the school should make an attempt to check it out if they haven't already – because the site also serves as

a start-up page for the computer lab.

Mr. Gill is pleased with what his semester classes have done so far, "Class is going well. Each semester we try to refine the web site and make it better." He also said that when his students took his class, a majority of them didn't know how to update a web site – but most of them would learn pretty quick. But that doesn't mean anybody can take the class, "Algebra 2 does definitely seem to help as a prerequisite," said Gill. The students in his class get graded on individual projects, quality, creativity, and yes... sometimes even tests.



Students in Mr. Gill's class

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## Club News



Janis Rogers

### National Honor Society

The National Honor Society has participated in many recent events. Members donated money to sponsor a family at Christmas. With the \$125 raised, they were able to buy each boy 2 outfits and some toys. Stephanie Woods donated a turkey to the family. Many bags of coats, tops, pants and accessories were filled for the Salvation Army clothing drive. In addition, students who were on the honor roll were recognized with candy and movie tickets to the Salem Twin Cinema last nine weeks.

### German Club

On February 12 German Club went on a ski trip to Peek 'n' Peak. On February 16 German club celebrated Karneval for which students made masks.

### Spanish Club

Along with the German club, Spanish Club went to Peek 'n' Peak for a ski trip on February 12.

### Academic Challenge

Academic Challenge will be going to the County Bowl on February 22 and 24.

# NEWS

## A shady forecast

Heidi Talbot

Like many of our holidays, Groundhog Day is a Roman tradition. The legend was passed on to the Germans during the Roman invasions. The Romans referred to this day as Candlemas Day. It was celebrated on the second day of February like it is today. The Roman legend states that if any animal came out from their underground hibernation on Candlemas Day, with the sun out, there would be six more weeks of winter.

In the early 1880's some residents from Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania celebrated Candlemas Day by searching for a groundhog in the woods. A local newspaper editor later named this group the Groundhog Club. The club called a hilltop near town "Gobbler's



Knob," and said that from this hilltop, Punxsutawney Phil could predict the weather. The first official weather forecast was on February 2, 1887. This event made Phil and "Gobbler's Knob" famous throughout the world.

As this event gained news coverage, more people became interested in the legend. In July of 1966, the people of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania decided to open Gobbler's Knob to the public. In 1986, Punxsutawney Phil and some members of the Groundhog Club ventured to Washington D.C. to visit Ronald Reagan. There are still thousands of people who make the annual journey to see what Phil's prediction will be for the year. The prediction for 1999 is that there will be an early spring because Phil didn't see his shadow.

## The world of science

Jeremy Sternagle

Are miracles possible? If you ask Clint Hallam, he would give you a definite 'yes.'

In a 13-hour operation performed by an international team of surgeons, New Zealand businessman Clint Hallam was a recent recipient of the world's first ever hand transplant on December 16, 1998. Just a little over two weeks ago, Hallam began to gain use of the new hand, "the strength in my muscles is still a little bit restricted...the movement is a bit restricted." And while doctors predict it will take up to 18 months for Hallam to gain 100 percent of the new hand - there's also a chance he may never gain complete control of the hand. But that doesn't stop Hallam from maintaining his confidence, "sensation is just about to arrive to the



fingertips," he told reporters with a smile. The operation cost \$53,000.

Also, in an unrelated matter, research scientists believe they may have found where the AIDS virus originated from: chimpanzees. Says AIDS expert Dr. Kevin DeCock, "If we understood how the chimp has dealt with this infection over time, that could have implications for human medicine." The research scientists presented this marvelous new discovery Sunday, January 31, at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, showing that they have proof that the chimp has spread the virus on three separate occasions to people in Africa.

## Stay tuned

The first week of March, March 1-5, is Foreign Language Week. Students will be giving daily weather reports on the announcements in French, Spanish, and German.

## The Quaker Proposal on Student Expression

*We, the staff of The Quaker, hereby acknowledge our responsibility to provide informative and entertaining reading pertaining to the students, staff, and parents of Salem Senior High School.*

*To make The Quaker a credible newspaper we will aim for accuracy and objectivity, with the truth being our ultimate goal. It is also our duty to make prompt corrections when necessary. However, 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.*

*The Quaker staff encourages input from our readers in the form of stories, essays, letters, etc.*

## Bulletin Board

ACT/SAT dates to remember:

	Test date	Registration deadline
SAT	March 20	February 12; February 24 late
	May 1	March 26; April 7 late
ACT	April 10	March 5; March 19 late

*Juniors are strongly advised to take these tests as soon as possible, if they haven't already done so!*

**College-bound seniors:** Remember to complete your Federal Application for Free Student Aid (FAFSA) forms as soon as possible. See your counselor if you do not already have a FAFSA form.

**Sophomores:** A field trip to Alliance to check out the vocational programs is scheduled for February 24.

**Hello, Dolly** will be performed March 26 & 27. See Mrs. Jeckavitch or cast members to reserve your tickets.

**AP Exams:** Any senior is eligible to take these tests in order to earn college credit, placement and/or exemption. The tests offered range from art to foreign languages to computer science and everything in between. See Mrs. Esposito if interested.

# OPINION

## Cafeteria Capers

### Tradition of the trays

Cory Blankenship

Most days at lunch seniors are treated to not having to take up their trays because freshmen seem to take them up. Is that such a bad thing? Not in my opinion.

Freshmen are like the rookies of the high school and should be subject to a little harassment. Not anything that would scar them emotionally, but just a little rubbing never hurt anybody.

Looking at the past history of Salem High School, freshmen have always been harassed by seniors. When I was a freshman, the seniors made friends of mine carry trays, but not until the bottom tray was ritualistically filled with ketchup. The bottom tray had a few other trays placed on top of it and all the trays were squeezed, creating a fairly large mess. As one of the faculty teaching here told me, when she was a freshman in college, she had to wear a beanie and carry around a pack of chewing gum on the off chance that a senior wanted a piece. She was not alone. All the freshmen had to do this. You see even freshmen at the collegiate level got harassed and they are supposed to be much more mature than we are.

As a senior, I feel that harassing a freshman is just good-natured fun as well as a tradition. Carrying trays is just part of the tradition. Lets see what some of your other senior say about this tray taking.

**George Andres:** I believe it is their obligatory right.

**Bob Woolman:** Carrying trays should be mandatory.

**Trent Tice:** The "Tray Avenger" should mind her own business.

**Ron Vickers:** It will put hair on their chests.

**5B Senior Guys Table:** We did it. They should do it. It is nothing personal; it is just respect for upperclassmen!

As I said before, freshmen should be subject to a little harassment. It is part of a rich history that should be continued. It is not such a terrible thing to carry trays anyway. The freshmen could be forced to wear undersized beanies and other things that could be more embarrassing than just carrying a few trays away from a lunch table. I feel that the freshmen of today will look back when they are seniors and smile in the memory of taking away a seniors tray, as they watch their trays being taken away.

### Trash the tradition

Sarah "The Tray Avenger" Lederle

All year during lunch I have sat in the cafeteria and watched some seniors make freshmen carry their lunch trays to the counter after they'd finished eating. I have always been rather aggravated by this practice and thought that it was somewhat unfair. Why should these seniors (most of them athletically-inclined) with perfectly serviceable legs of their own force the unfortunate underclassmen to be their slaves? When I was a freshman I certainly would not have stood for that kind of patronizing exploitation. I wondered why these freshmen willingly went along with this practice.

When I embarked upon the writing of this article, I had no idea as to the general commotion it would cause. Seems these seniors are very defensive about their little tray buddies and they do not want me to question their actions. It is an issue of respect, the seniors say. The freshmen are low on the food chain and it is their duty to obey their elders. Many seniors carried trays up when they were freshmen, so they feel entitled to get this tray service as a sort of payment for their earlier servility. There are upperclassmen, however, who also feel that it is an unfair practice, on the general principle that all men are created equal, including freshmen. Largely it seems to be the seniors who were subjected to this slavery in their impressionable years who perpetuate it; those of us who refused to put up with the seniors' crap do not tolerate the enslavement of the frosh. Some upperclassmen told me that when they had been asked to perform tray duty they simply refused, with no ill consequences. When I spoke to this year's freshmen some of them told me they had been threatened with implied physical harm, which is hard to fathom. Why would a bunch of senior varsity athletes waste their time pummeling small freshmen?

Among the freshmen themselves, I found a variety of differing opinions. Some of them, fed up with the whole tray thing, have begun to rebel against their tormentors. One freshman table told me it is perfectly all right for the seniors to dominate the underclassmen—just as long as they are not called upon by the seniors to participate in the tray-carrying. Tray-carriers themselves generally said that they capitulated to the seniors to show team loyalty to varsity athletes, and/or to avoid being humiliated by the seniors, who will invariably give the disobedient freshmen some sort of penance to do instead of tray-bearing.

The tray hierarchy is in the time-honored tradition of those who build themselves up to the degradation of others. It is undeniably unfair for the seniors to bully and intimidate the freshmen into doing their chores for them. Even freshmen deserve a fair amount of respect. And why can't these people carry their own trays? They seem to be attempting to build a greater image for themselves by subjecting others to humiliation. Truthfully, this discriminatory imposition on the freshmen is harmless enough, but the rights of others should not in any way be compromised.

### *Sun Fantasy*

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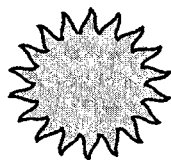
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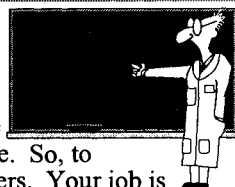
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# OPINION

## And you thought you knew them...



Rachael Protzman

Okay, here's the deal. They know we do it. You sit in class and ponder over what they're really like, what they did before they were teachers and what their deepest, darkest secrets are. So, to make things a little interesting in class, we gathered some information on your favorite teachers. Your job is to see how well you really know them by taking the quiz. Good Luck!

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. Mrs. Dohar              | A. Was instrumental in achieving girls' right to earn Varsity S Letters – also coached the girls basketball team. |
| 2. Mrs. Cozza              | B. Taught Mr. Mehno and Mr. Janofa how to cook when he/she taught home ec.  |
| 3. Mrs. Marhefka           | C. Has numerous rodeo titles, including All-Around and Rookie of the Year.  |
| 4. Mrs. Wrask              | D. Enjoys playing "Take Me out to the Ball Game" on the harmonica.  |
| 5. Mrs. Johnson            | E. Met and had a picture taken with O.J. Simpson.   |
| 6. Miss Kring (Mrs. Strum) | F. Moonlights as a hostess at 422.  |
| 7. Mr. McShane             | G. Has a deviated septum.   |
| 8. Mrs. Kress              | H. Likes to wood-carve birds.   |
| 9. Mr. Haskins             | I. Collected 10 varsity letters.  |
| 10. Ms. Lockney            | J. Fit 20 high school students into a Volkswagen Beetle Bug as well as another 20 into a phone booth.             |
| 11. Mrs. Haddad            | K. Used to race his/her '71 oldsmobile 422 with a 445 and a turbo jet.  |
| 12. Mr. Readshaw           | L. Suffers from Johnny Marzetti withdrawal.   |
| 13. Mrs. Wenderoth         | M. Licensed animal technician – also drives a tractor and bails hay in the summer.                                |
| 14. Ms. Carmello           | N. Races cars at Nelson's Ledges, as well as at Oregon and Florida.   |
| 15. Mrs. Esposito          | O. Jumped railroad cars for fun.  |
| 16. Ms. DeShields          | P. Once got his/her tongue stuck on a flagpole.   |
| 17. Mrs. Bailey            | Q. Can open a door handle with his/her foot.  |
| 18. Mrs. Dye               | R. Wiggles one eyebrow and ears.  |
| 19. Mr. Kirkland           | S. Worked as a laborer, looter, mud mill operator, jam cutter and coal handler.                                   |
| 20. Mr. Esposito           | T. Loaned his/her batting helmet to Pierce Brosnan.   |

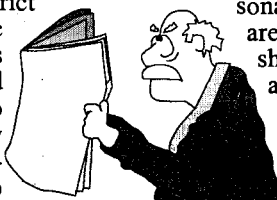
Answers can be found on page 6. A special thanks to all teachers who contributed and to those of you who did not, just what exactly are you trying to hide?

## A Uniform Decision

Megan Stockman

Ever think of what it would be like if our school wore uniforms? Well according to some reports it is a way to reduce gangs and violence in the school system. According to others, it is just wishful thinking for the future of schools. There are many pros and cons to each side of the argument. After reading up on the issue, this is what I found...

Long Beach California was the first district in the country to adopt mandatory public school uniforms. They used them in grades kindergarten through eighth and were found to be highly successful. But according to this study, this school is one of the few schools praising the new change. According to their statistics, there was a 51% drop in physical fights, a 34% drop in assaults and batteries, a 50% drop in weapons offenses, and a 32% drop in suspensions from the 93-94 school year to the 94-95 year. But was this change solely brought about by adding uniforms or was it because stricter rules were applied? Who knows? Other schools have then caught on to this new system of dress. In Glendale California five elementary schools have adopted this system. It has also been adopted in certain New York, Virginia, Louisiana, and



Maryland school districts.

Are uniforms all they're cracked up to be? According to other sources, it just caused more chaos in the school system. Many parents and students were very upset with this idea the board was pressuring on them. There was an abundance of web sites and replies just trashing the idea. Many of them said that it denies students the right to personal identity and self-expression. They believe they are regimental, militaristic, and faceless. Students should be encouraged to make their own decisions and experiment with their personalities. The opponents also noted that the Constitution guarantees the right of life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness, while the Supreme Court has ruled in favor of the rights of individuals to self-expression.

While both sides make valid points, the decision is truly up to each school. As for this school, who knows what the future holds for it. Maybe within the next few years, every school in the world will be wearing these new uniforms. Maybe uniforms will be banned everywhere in the world. For now let's just dress as individuals with our own sense of style and fashion. Who knows what the clothes industry has in hold for our future....

# OPINION

## Shot Through the Heart



Megan Stockman

Well it's that time of year again. The only time of year when a guy can wear a diaper and be considered cute. That's right, Cupid is on the prowl and looking for people to shoot. Cupid has always played a role in the celebration of Valentine's Day and love. He is known as a mischievous, winged child, whose arrows would run through the hearts of his victims causing them to fall in love. In ancient Greece he was known as Eros, the young son of Aphrodite, the goddess of love. But to the Romans he was known as Cupid. And today he is known as one of the most common symbols of Valentine's Day. Although the day has come and gone, I was curious to know who the students were swooning over. Here is what they said:

If Cupid could shoot an arrow at someone to make them fall in love with you, who would he shoot it at?

**Jaci Drake**(11) – Mr. Spack – Now there's a real man!  
**Aaron Helmick**(12) – I can't say, her friends would get mad.  
**Ryan Gross**(11)- Katie Ventresco???  
**Jeff Weiss**(12) – Sarah Eynon.  
**Courtney Dunlap**(10) – Matte DeJane and Chris Ayers.  
**Sean Argentino**(10)- Leigh Peterson.  
**Olivia Kelly**(10) – Shawn Plegge.  
**Johnny Keener**(11) – Danielle Haslow, because she's the most beautiful woman in the world.  
**Mitch Elder**(11) – All the guys at lunch.  
**Dan Tomidajewicz**(10) – Tina Libb.  
**Dom McGhee**(9) – Sarah Panzott.  
**Jayma Wells**(10) – Jessica Cosgrove.  
**Elisabeth Spack**(10)- Stephanie Godfrey.  
**Suzanne Stratton**(11) – Nate.  
**Drew Palmer**(9) – Stephanie Godfrey and Brandy Smith.  
**Danielle Haslow, Jenn Palmer, and Tiffany Mosher**(12) – Steiner (Stecker Bean)  
**Matt Bush**(10) – Jen Grubaugh.  
**Bubba Csepke**(10) – Brian Cushman. I want to be more than his sister! (Sorry Cush, but it was funny.)  
**Jess Cosgrove**(10) – Mr. Shivers.



**Josiah Williams**(9) – Tricia Tice.  
**Kelly Straub**(12) – Some unknown curly headed frosh.  
**Kim Simon**(9) – Anyone!  
**Luke Simon**(12) – SHANE "THE MANN" HUGHES.  
**Stephanie Godfrey**(12) – Dave Mathews- He is God!  
**Cush and Judd Crowgey**(10) – ANGIE RANK.  
**Aileen Vogel**(11) – Scott Treleven.  
**Travis Mong**(9) – Tiffany Mosher.  
**Ogre (Andy McVay)**(9) – Me want Straub!  
**Laura Jeckavitch**(10) – A guy who isn't a player!  
**Jess Ravelli**(10) – I agree with Laura!!  
**Kristen Marshall**(11) – "JOE"  
**Erica Klemann**(12) – Mr. Andres.  
**Tracy Stapf**(11) – Brad Harbor, a.k.a. Tiger Woods.  
**Sarah Eynon**(11) – Mr. Musaccio and the mystery man on the moon.  
**Mrs. Wilms** – Cupid hit the one for me 37 years ago.  
**Ria Werner**(11) – Ryan Hibbard, ha ha Kel Place!  
**Kellie Place**(11) – Ry Hibster (Hibby to me).  
**James Wilson**(9) – Stephanie Godfrey.  
**Jason Greenamyre**(9) – 6'2" #42.  
**Sophomore girls B lunch table**(11) – "Superbubs" and her food!  
**Sarah Panzott**(11) – Mr. Mucci.  
**Liz Karlis**(11)- Well, let me think...maybe Danny Miller – Oh wait, I don't have to wish!  
**Stacy Yanek**(10) - BIG AL!!

## Don't 'cha Love it when...



1. Bo stops imitating Rod for five seconds?
2. Mr. Musacchio is your sub?
3. Mr. Trough actually messes up a calculus problem?
4. The groundhog does not see his shadow?
5. You can brainwash a freshman into taking your trays up?
6. You're a senior on May 30, 1999?
7. You hear you don't have to make up school snow days and everyone else does?
8. A chair drops and there's actually an "Aaaaaa!?" (Come on freshmen, get with it!)
9. There's a brawl over freshmen ownership at lunch?
10. A big test gets postponed five days?

Answers to teacher quiz (page 5): 1-J, 2-N, 3-M, 4-H, 5-G, 6-C, 7-S, 8-R, 9-E, 10-F, 11-O, 12-I, 13-P, 14-B, 15-A, 16-K, 17-Q, 18-L, 19-D, 20-T.

## Opinion of the Month

I feel that the level of maturity greatly increases from age 15 to age 17 (at least in females, anyway).

# FEATURE

## Up close and personnel Quaker Couples

### The Jeckavitches, Espositos, and Headlands

Lisa Butch



Typically, one never has the chance to meet their teacher's spouse or even know if they have one. But with a few educators in the school, you may have their husband or wife for class. So, with Valentine's Day's recent passing, the personnel featured this month will be the married couples within the school, the Jeckavitches, Espositos, and Headlands.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeckavitch first met while in college, Mrs. Jeckavitch was attending Edinboro University, and Mr. Jeckavitch was enrolled at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. They have been together and teaching here at Salem High School for twenty-one years. In the summertime, they enjoy going to the beach together, and all year around they enjoy going out to dinner and attending sporting events, plays and concerts.

Mrs. Jeckavitch is the choir director, while Mr. Jeckavitch is an instructor for OWE, and former band director.

The Jeckavitches have three children, Laura, 15



and eleven year old twins Steven and Mark. Along with their children, they have a large dog Phantom.

The Espositos have been together twenty-seven years and teaching together for twenty-four. They first met because Mr. Esposito's grandparents lived across the street from Mrs. Esposito.

Mr. Esposito grew up in Queens, NY and attended Archbishop Molloy High School and Mount Union College. Mrs. Esposito is a Salem alumna and attended Kent State University.

The Espositos both teach English; Mrs. Esposito teaches sophomore and senior English, while Mr. Esposito is the junior English teacher.

The Espositos enjoy traveling together and have one cat, Daisy, after a character in *The Great Gatsby*. Mrs. Esposito is also the advisor to the Academic Challenge team.

The final couple, the Headlands, met as students at a college basketball game featuring Malone College and Taylor University. Mr. Headland was attending Malone and Mrs. Headland was at Taylor.

The Headlands have been together thirty-four years and have been employed at Salem for sixteen years. Mr. Headland teaches DH and work-study, while Mrs.



Headland is the secretary for the Salem Trade Extension School, the vocational students, and the guidance department.

The Headlands have two children, Daniel, 29, and Stephanie, 27, who is also a teacher at Minerva Middle School.

While spending time together, the Headlands enjoy taking road trips, watching high school athletic events, being entertained by their children and friends, and just hangin' out. Mr. Headland also enjoys playing softball and football and has been the girl's softball coach for ten years and has coached football for fifteen. Mrs. Headland enjoys volunteering at the hospital gift shop, going to craft shows, watching old movies, and trying to learn how to use computers.

With all the couples working together each day for an average of twenty years, one would think they would tire of seeing each other every day, but they all claim they never do.

# FEATURE

## The Final Chapter

*The final chapter in a short story by Nick Swetye*

*Out of control, the power is leading Jake down a path of insanity. The discovery of his mother's child not being his father's is the event that will spark a series of horrid visions bringing Jake to his knees.*

Jake sat in study hall, alone. He had papers out on his desk, and his math book open but he'd not studied and wasn't planning on doing it either. He just sat there staring at his pencil thinking of his mother and hating his once beloved *power*. Each time that morning that Jake looked at someone he'd received a vision, not a happy vision but one of hardship or hatred. The *power* that once had offered him such wonderful prizes was now a baneful malady. The screams in his ears were loud now. He squeezed his eyes shut to block out the sound but they were too deafening to ignore.

He looked up. The teacher, Mr. Gromwell, sat there in his chair and watched hawk-like over his class, and Jake saw Gromwell's pain: he took his job so seriously; it was the only one he had. A younger teacher, some college grad, had replaced him. Gromwell had a lot of years

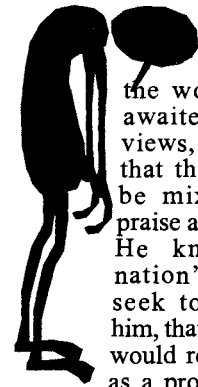
at Shakersberg High School and he had a sort of tenure that said he would work at the school until the age of retirement, but the school didn't want him anymore. They couldn't fire him, so they gave him a study hall, seven periods of it, and two periods he checked the parking lot to make sure nobody was messing with anyone else's cars. The school basically told him to retire. The old man was lonely. His only joy in life, to teach, stripped away by the school that had long been his only companion.

Jake looked away, his teacher's loneliness too depressing to concentrate on. He looked to his left. Janelle Washington sat there, head down in her arms, black curls dangling over the edge of her desk. It seemed as if she were covering her skin, but she could not hide her heritage. Jake tried not to stare, tried hard not to concentrate on her but his eyes were fixed. And he saw her hate. She was an adopted child, and whether her parents were sick or just demented they were where Janelle's problems began. They beat her viciously, told her that she was worthless, that no little black girls could have friends in Shakersberg be-

cause they just didn't fit in here. The adoption agency ignored her complaints, and she hated them. He saw how the students at school treated her, but he didn't need the *power* to see that. The remarks they made about her culture and her family, about her history. She was African, but she was still human. No different from any other woman except the fact of her color.

Jake tore his wet eyes away only to focus in on another story, then another, and another. His eyes flooded tears in torrents down his face, but there was no one to comfort him. No one could hide from him the truth of their sorrows. Reality could not be stripped away. He had no way to release himself from the terrible images of peoples' lives, and so he wrote. He sat down and began to record all of the things he had seen, the sorrow, and hatred, and pain. When finished he had five volumes recording the truths of the world. He began with the lives of people. Then he unveiled the secrets of nations, of mankind's place in the universe, of the purpose of life, and he concluded with the terrible truth of all truths- the one question that all of mankind has asked from the first moment they realized their mortality - the existence of God Himself.

Forty years later he finished his encyclopedia of truths and with the money he had saved up with the help of the *power* he sent his books to the presses. He published his works under the name of Caleb, the messenger, and his book was sent 'round



the world. He awaited his reviews, knowing that they would be mixed with praise and hatred. He knew that nation's would seek to destroy him, that scientists would regard him as a prophet, that

philosophers would change their methods. But perhaps the most radical would be in the church, each and every religion would feel the impact of what his book had said. The fifth volume would arise as a new chapter in mankind's search for immortality. At least that's what Jake thought as his fifty-ninth birthday rolled around. That day was the day he learned that his life's work had been for naught. That man was not meant to know. To all but a few of the chosen members of our race this book of truth would be a mass of blank pages, for it is God's own will and testament that his creations' minds be protected from that which they cannot possibly fathom. In all of history there have been few men who have felt the *power*: Adam and Eve after eating the apple rose to god-like wisdom; those forgotten souls who through pure meditation have secluded themselves from the needs of the living to survive for decades in caves without food, water, and shelter; and those who have touched the pages of the Tome, who felt the power of its pages. And thus brings an end to Jacob Racz's tale of the truth mankind so vainly seeks but can never obtain.

### College Corner Architecture

**Ball State University**  
Muncie, Indiana  
GPA- 3.0  
SAT- 1050  
ACT- 23  
Tuition- \$13,632  
1-800-482-BSU  
www.bsu.edu

**Syracuse University**  
Syracuse, New York  
GPA-3.3  
SAT- 540-640M, 530-630V  
(315) 443-3611  
Tuition- \$17,550  
www.syr.edu



# FEATURE



## Things to ponder



### Pop Philosophy

Along with the wit and wisdom of rock & roll, this month's column features an added challenge—match the following quotes to the song titles. (Some may be used twice.)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) They say we're young and we don't know, we won't find out until we grow.</li> <li>2) People are strange when you're a stranger, faces look ugly when you're alone.</li> <li>3) Been around the world and found that only stupid people are breeding.</li> <li>4) Do you believe in rock and roll, can music save your mortal soul?</li> <li>5) Now I must say more than ever, things won't ever change.</li> <li>6) See the hair on my chest.</li> <li>7) Once I was afraid, I was petrified. Kept thinkin' I could never live without you by my side. But then I spent so many nights thinkin' how you did me wrong, and I grew strong, and I learned how to carry on.</li> <li>8) And when all the brokenhearted people living in the world agree, there will be an answer, let it be.</li> <li>9) Feel the beat from the tambourine.</li> <li>10) If you love her you must send her somewhere where she's never been before.</li> <li>11) You gotta fight for your right to party.</li> <li>12) A man must break his back to earn his day of leisure, will he still believe it when he's dead?</li> <li>13) Gee I think you're swell, and you really do me well. You're my pride and joy etcetera.</li> <li>14) All the towns look the same to me, their movies and their factories.</li> <li>15) Paranoia strikes deep.</li> <li>16) You can't always get what you want.</li> <li>17) Sometimes I feel like I've been tied to the whipping post.</li> <li>18) All you touch and all you see is all your life will ever be.</li> <li>19) Nothin' ain't worth nothin', but it's free.</li> <li>20) I feel so broken, I wanna go home.</li> <li>21) All lies are jest, still a man hears what he wants to hear and disregards the rest.</li> <li>22) You don't care if it's wrong or if it's right.</li> <li>23) Ain't that America, land of the free? Little pink houses for you and me.</li> <li>24) I kicked the right ones out, and let the wrong ones in. Had an angel of mercy to see me through all my sins.</li> <li>25) Lose your dreams and you will lose your mind.</li> <li>26) Strummin' my pain with his fingers, singing my life with his words, killing me softly with his song.</li> <li>27) The piano sounds like a carnival, and the microphone smells like a beer. They sit at the bar and put bread in my jar and say "Man, what are you doing here?"</li> <li>28) And the three men I admire most, the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost, they caught the last train for the coast.</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>29) Fear is the lock, and laughter the key, to your heart.</li> <li>30) We're happy, we're not dirty we're not mean. We love everybody, but we do as we please.</li> <li>31) You were bred for humanity and sold to society. One day you wake up in the present day, a million generations removed from expectations and being who you really want to be.</li> <li>32) Think of me what you will, I've got a little space to fill.</li> <li>33) There is a road, no simple highway, between the dawn and the dark of night. And if you go, no one may follow. That path is for your steps alone.</li> </ol><br><ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Tom Petty, "You Don't Know How It Feels"</li> <li>b) Don McLean, "American Pie"</li> <li>c) Rolling Stones, "Ruby Tuesday"</li> <li>d) Rolling Stones, "You Can't Always Get What You Want"</li> <li>e) Dexy's Midnight Runners, "Come On Eileen"</li> <li>f) Mungo Jerry, "In the Summertime"</li> <li>g) Pink Floyd, "Breathe in the air"</li> <li>h) Aerosmith, "Amazing"</li> <li>i) The Doors, "Strange Days"</li> <li>j) Simon &amp; Garfunkel, "The Boxer"</li> <li>k) Simon &amp; Garfunkel, "Homeward Bound"</li> <li>l) Jethro Tull, "Skating Away on the Thin Ice of a New Day"</li> <li>m) Billy Joel, "Piano Man"</li> <li>n) Janis Joplin, "Me &amp; Bobby McGee"</li> <li>o) Sonny &amp; Cher, "I Got You, Babe"</li> <li>p) The Police, "Roxanne"</li> <li>q) The Beatles, "Girl"</li> <li>r) The Beatles, "Let It Be"</li> <li>s) The Beastie Boys, "Fight for your right"</li> <li>t) ABBA, "Dancing Queen"</li> <li>u) The Village People, "Macho Man"</li> <li>v) Gloria Gaynor, "I Will Survive"</li> <li>w) Buffalo Springfield, "For What It's Worth"</li> <li>x) Grateful Dead, "Ripple"</li> <li>y) The Mamas and the Papas, "Words of Love"</li> <li>z) John Mellencamp, "Little pink houses"</li> <li>aa) Harvey Danger, "Flagpole Sitta"</li> <li>bb) Crosby, Stills &amp; Nash, "Suite: Judy Blue Eyes"</li> <li>cc) The Turtles, "Eleanor"</li> <li>dd) Roberta Flack, "Killing Me Softly"</li> <li>ee) The Beach Boys, "Sloop John B"</li> <li>ff) Allman Brothers Band,</li> </ol> |
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**Answers:** 1)o; 2)i; 3)aa; 4)b; 5)e; 6)u; 7)v; 8)r; 9)t; 10)y; 11)s; 12)q; 13)cc; 14)k; 15)w; 16)d; 17)ff; 18)g; 19)n; 20)ee; 21)j; 22)p; 23)z; 24)h; 25)c; 26)dd; 27)m; 28)b; 29)bb; 30)f; 31)l; 32)a; 33)x

# FOCUS

## Black History Month

Suzie Mason

The month of February is always associated with such familiar images as the groundhog who predicts the weather for the next six weeks and Cupid who flies around and spreads love with his arrows. But more importantly, it's packed with important anniversaries and remembrances – especially for African-Americans. Celebrations of the African-American heritage and achievement began in 1926, launched by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, referred to as “the father of black history.” Originally only a week long starting the second week of February, the time to mark the considerable contributions of African-Americans became a month-long event in 1976.

The history of African-Americans was one of struggle. Between 1619 and 1926, they were classified as a race that had not made any contributions towards the furthering of human civilization. With this thought in peoples' minds, Dr. Woodson led a search for the truth of the African-American history and create what was then referred to as “Negro History Week.” Many programs, including lectures, exhibitions, banquets, and cultural activities are presented throughout the entire month. The intent of Negro History Week was not only to increase the knowledge of black history in black communities but also to spread the issue to American society as a whole.

So remember, Black History Month should not be directed at African-Americans exclusively. All members of the nation are affected by black history because it's a part of American history which should be celebrated by everyone.



## Sitting Down for What You Believe In

Leigh Peterson

Imagine slumping into the seat of a bus after an excruciating day at school. You're exhausted, and it feels good to sit and relax on the way home. Imagine a man who approaches you and demands that you give him your seat, forcing you to stand for the long ride. Would you stand? What if you had no choice?

During the 1950's, African-Americans didn't have a choice. If a white passenger asked for a seat on a bus occupied by a black person, the black passenger moved to a seat further back or stood. One night in 1955, a black seamstress on her way home from work refused to give up her seat to a white man and was arrested. Rosa Parks' arrest infuriated black members of the community. Civil rights activists like Martin Luther King Jr., black ministers, and lawyers came together and began the Montgomery

Bus Boycott, one of the first steps in the long journey towards desegregation. During the boycott, the majority of the black community refused to take the bus. Neighbors, friends, and even strangers arranged for rides and carpools. A year later, the Supreme Court ruled that African-Americans should no longer be forced to give up their bus seats to white passengers.

Rosa Parks was one of the first sparks in a fire that swept the south, restructuring society forever. She has been called the mother of the civil rights movement. In recent years Rosa Parks received three awards for her brave actions: the Martin Luther King Jr. nonviolent peace prize, the Spingarn medal, and the Eleanor Roosevelt Woman of Courage Award.



## Freedom for All

Emily Gibson

Harriet Tubman helped many people in her life. She knew what it was like to be a slave and after she escaped she had to help other slaves to freedom. Tubman took part-time jobs to save enough money for her first mission. The first mission was personally important to her. She went to Baltimore and freed her sister and her two children. In all, she made at least 15 trips and saved over 200 slaves.

Harriet Tubman was never caught helping these fugitives. She thought of everything, even sedatives for crying babies. She planned for food, clothing, train tickets, and forged passes. She felt what she was doing was very important and she even threatened to shoot someone when they were having second thoughts about escaping.

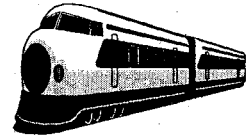
On these journeys back to the north, they traveled at night stopping at homes and churches that later became known as the Underground Railroad. These churches began to collect money for these secret missions to help save the lives of slaves.

When Civil War hit, Tubman was there to help the Union army as a nurse, cook and a scout. She received commendations from numerous Union officers who greatly appreciated her help. Harriet Tubman, a black woman, was a welcome site in any military camp. Despite all she had done, she never received her own veteran's benefits.

Tubman was often called Moses by slaves because she was freeing the slaves in the same way that Moses had led the Israelites to freedom in the Bible. She not only helped free slaves in her life, but she also helped raise money for schools, former slaves, destitute children, and she assisted the sick and disabled. When Tubman was near the end of her life, she helped to establish a home for elderly people.

Harriet Tubman passed away in 1913, in the “Harriet Tubman Home for Aged and Indigent Colored People.” Though she is gone her memory will live forever and the lives of the people she had helped would never be the same. Her freeing the slaves and her efforts to help people in general affected the lives of generations.

Source: [www.bigmoments.com/blackhistory/](http://www.bigmoments.com/blackhistory/)



# FOCUS

## The Life of A Legend

Emily Gibson



"Our Aim must never be to defeat or humiliate the white man, but to win his friendship and understanding, and thereby create a society in which all men will be able to live together as brothers." These are the words of one of the world's best-known advocates for the Civil Rights movement Martin Luther King Jr. He was born on January 15, 1929, in Atlanta, Georgia. He was raised in the Baptist religion. His father and grandfather were both Reverends and King followed in their footsteps. He was involved in many protests for Civil Rights and he was arrested many times for standing up for what he believed to be right. He gained national recognition during a bus boycott in Montgomery. Rosa Parks had refused to give up her seat on the bus to a white man and was arrested. King stood up for her and would not give up until he had freed her from jail. He did not even give up after his house had been bombed and he and other boycott leaders were convicted of conspiring to interfere with the bus company's operations. Despite all of the attempts to stop the movement, in December of 1956, the buses in Montgomery were desegregated.

In the spring of 1963 King and his followers held huge demonstrations in Birmingham, Alabama where the police officers were known widely for their anti-black attitudes. There were many conflicts between demonstrators and police officers using police dogs and fire hoses.

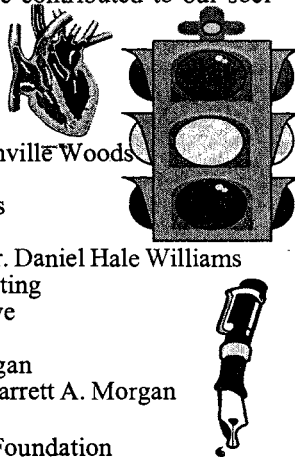
### African-American Inventions

Leigh Peterson

Since the civil rights movement of the 1950's, we have come a long way towards a society where all people are treated equally. In spite of the progress the world has made, racism can still be found in abundance. It's hard to imagine why someone would deny a whole race of people the respect they deserve because of the color of their skin, especially when that race is responsible for so many advancements in our way of life. Here are just a few of the things African-Americans have contributed to our society.

the lawn sprinkler – J.S. Smith  
the egg beater – W. Johnson  
the lantern – M.C. Harney  
the steam boiler/radiator – Granville Woods  
the elevator – Alexander Miles  
the fountain pen – W. B. Purvis  
window cleaner – A. L. Lewis  
the first open heart surgery – Dr. Daniel Hale Williams  
the cigarette roller – J. A. Sweeting  
the pencil sharpener – J. L. Love  
galoshes – A. L. Rickman  
the gas mask – Garrett A. Morgan  
the automatic traffic signal – Garrett A. Morgan

Source: Many Races Cultural Foundation



In a march on August 28, 1963, approximately 250,000 people gathered in Washington D.C. to see King. He addressed the marchers while on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial and delivered a speech that will forever remain a strong symbol of the Civil Rights movement. He gave the "I Have a Dream" speech that day.

In 1964 King was named Time's "Man of the Year", and in December of 1964 he received the Nobel Peace Prize. Many people looked up to him and admired his courage. There were also the people who believed what he was doing was wrong and that he was for "black power." King was assaulted in 1966 in the Chicago area during an unsuccessful attempt to bring non-violent techniques to northern protesters.

King was not only being challenged by problems with African Americans but also with national political leaders. He was being investigated constantly by FBI agent, J. Edgar Hoover. His efforts grew stronger in 1967 as racial violence became more prominent.

On April 4, 1968, the world suffered a severe loss. Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated while he was in Memphis. Our country suffered greatly because of his death. If he would have had the chance to live his entire life, he might have been able to make even bigger changes in the minds of racist people.

"Let us not be satisfied until that day when nobody will shout 'White Power!' - when nobody will shout 'Black Power!' - but everybody will talk about God's power and Human Power."

Sources: <http://www.seattletimes.com/mlk/man/MLKtimeline.html>  
<http://www.netnoir.com/spotlight/mlk/mlkbio.stm>

### A Piece of History

Suzie Mason

Ohio was a leader in the abolitionist movement before the Civil War and had much to do with the Underground Railroad. African-American escapes could not have continued without firm and resourceful aid from cooperative white people. The Reverend Charles Torrey first conceived the idea of an "underground railroad." Salem was a "station" on the Underground Railroad, which gave food and shelter to many fugitive slaves and sent them on their way to Canada and freedom. Salem was also widely known as the western headquarters of the Anti-Slavery Society. There are many houses in Salem still standing that have the underground railroad stations in them. It's outstanding how our community is so affiliated with America's history.

# ENTERTAINMENT

## Leno vs. Letterman "A Contest of Comics"

Jessica Weingart

If you are not a late-night person you may have never experienced the laugh-inducing hour and a half of fun on both CBS and WFMJ networks known as "*Late Night with David Letterman*," and, "*The Tonight Show*." Though your viewing might not show it, you are probably somewhat familiar with these accomplished comedians and their lives. A little more insight into Jay Leno and David Letterman may help you understand what makes these two men tick.

Jay Leno, born James Douglas Muir Leno, has been a successful comedian for longer than most of us have been alive. Not long after graduating from Emerson College did Jay really become involved in comedy. The Andover, Massachusetts native got his first club gig at a strip joint in Boston where he was pelted with cigarettes because the audience wanted to see a stripper instead of a comedian (talk about suffering for your art). He also did more than 300 appearances during his first years as a stand up comic and became the person who spent the most time on planes (in the U.S.). Jay's first appearance on the Johnny Carson show was March of 1977 as a guest, and for the next ten years he was a regular- guest hosting the Johnny Carson show sometimes and making numerous appearances on other talk shows. He officially took over the show in 1992. Jay has also made numerous appearances on almost 30 movies and TV shows and he has a new book out called *Leading With My Chin*. His family includes his wife Mavis and an older brother Pat.

David Michael Letterman is a native of Indianapolis. After college at Ball State (Muncie, IN) he worked as a TV announcer and on a radio talk show from 1970 to 1975. Dave seemed to really enter the comedy circuit when he moved to Los Angeles in the next few years. He did stand-up at The Comedy Store Club while trying to sell scripts for sitcoms to television networks. Dave wrote for and appeared in a summer comedy called "*The Peeping Times*" (1977) and he also was a cast member of the Mary Tyler Moore variety show called "*Mary*" (1978). During 1978 he also started to appear as a guest on the Johnny Carson show. Just like Leno, Dave also did some guest host work with Mr. Carson. In 1980 he even had his own morning comedy/variety show on NBC called *the David Letterman Show*, which had a very short stint. In '82 "*Late Night with David Letterman*" premiered after "*The Tonight Show*" and met with much success. NBC did not offer Dave Johnny Carson's spot after he retired, so Letterman moved his show to CBS in 1993, where you can now see it weeknights at 11:30. Dave's family his parents Joe and Dorothy Letterman.

The world of late night television has certainly been shaped and changed by these two comics over the years. All of the accomplishments of Letterman and Leno unquestionably make them two of the foremost late night legends of the 20 century.



## A site for sore eyes

Jessica Weingart



Those of you who are faithful and observant readers of *The Quaker* know that pretty much in every issue you can find an "information from [www.\\_\\_\\_\\_\\_.com](http://www._____.com)." As a journalism student, I can tell you how hard it is sometimes to have a limited amount of time to write and research an article. Often while researching I have come across an interesting web site that I have not been able to access just because I have been in a time crunch. This handy profile of interesting web sites can be used by anyone who is looking for a good time and some interesting facts.

Remember those cards we used to get in junior high that revealed the celebrities with whom we share a birthday? Now [www.famousbirthday.com](http://www.famousbirthday.com) provides for hours of amusement. Aside from the year long listing of celebrity birthdays (you will end up looking for at least 20 of your closest friends before you go on to anything else), this site displays free birthday coupons, birthday trivia, and you can send someone a birthday card. It may not sound like much amusement, but this site does deliver.

If computer graphics interest you or if you have ever seen the WB drama, "*Felicity*," [www.noelcrane.com](http://www.noelcrane.com) is well worth a look. To the non "*Felicity*" viewer, the site may not make much sense, but you do not have to watch the show to appreciate a really neat typographical poem and some other interesting pictures and stuff on the site. Once you access the site you will have to click on the greeting to access the main "skyline" menu. On the skyline menu you will want to click on "Design Projects" for the typographical poem or "Crane Faces" for the other pictures. The poem makes up for the site's lack of "user friendliness," but if you did not like the site at all, all you have to do is go to a section where you can grade it and state your opinion.

You may have heard on the news recently about a breakthrough in medical science. Matthew Scott had the first hand transplant (in the U.S) on January 24, and [www.handtransplant.com](http://www.handtransplant.com) captures many of the wonders of this historical, medical event. There is information about the patient, information about the actual transplant, 3-D diagrams of the transplant, links to news stories and press conferences, and (just when you thought it could not get any better) pictures during the surgery (trust me, these are not for those with a weak stomach). Even if you do not like science and are against all things educational once the school day is over, this is a really interesting and enlightening site which helps open the door for many people to better understand our world.

The information superhighway is certainly a relevant and very useful tool for research, but (barring the internet addictions we always hear about) it can also be a fun and interesting outlet for those with some spare time on their hands. Happy surfing!

# ENTERTAINMENT

## Bravo gets experienced

Adam Shoop

Few musicians have had such impact on the world of music as Jimi Hendrix, and D.A. Pennebaker's new film, *Searching for Jimi Hendrix*, proves just that.

In *Searching for Jimi Hendrix*, filmmakers D.A. Pennebaker and Chris Hegedus create a documentary that embraces a diverse group of musicians influenced by Hendrix such as Los Lobos, Chuck D., and Cassandra Wilson. These artists were interviewed as to how Jimi affected their lives, and also perform recorded versions of Hendrix' songs alongside artists Laurie Anderson, and Charlie Musslewhite.

The film was originally planned to be accompanied by a soundtrack, but due to complications with the release date from the record label, it has been dropped. *Searching for Jimi Hendrix* was originally aired February 12 on the Bravo channel, but subsequent showings are being run.

## Marching to the beat of a different drummer

Adam Shoop

Henry David Thoreau was born in Concord, Massachusetts on July 12, 1817, and died there peacefully on May 6, 1862. He was educated at Harvard (1833-37) where he developed his love for Greek and Roman poetry, Oriental philosophy, and botany. He earned his living doing odd jobs, teaching school, and making lead pencils. He spent little time working at these though; having few wants, he made free time his greatest wealth. He loved nature, and his constant preoccupation was exploring the woods and ponds making detailed observations of plants and creatures. Emerson was his close friend, and he lived in Emerson's house for a time. Henry led a singular life, never marrying, and "marching to his own drummer," as he put it. From 1845 to 1847 he lived alone in a small cabin he built by Walden Pond near Concord. He described this unique experiment in natural living in his great book

Walden, criticizing those who "lead lives of quiet desperation" with all the superfluities of customary society. Thoreau lectured occasionally and struggled to get his writings published.

One day in late July of 1846 while he was living at Walden he walked into Concord to get his shoe repaired. He was met by his friend Sam Staples who was the local tax collector, constable, and jailer. Thoreau had not paid his tax for several years. Staples offered to pay Henry's tax for him or get it reduced, but Thoreau declared that he didn't intend to pay it as a matter of principle. When Staples asked what he should do about it, Thoreau suggested that he resign his office. However, Staples replied, "Henry, if you don't pay, I shall have to lock you up pretty soon." Thoreau answered him, "As well now as any time, Sam." So Staples took him to jail. The tax was paid by someone, probably Thoreau's Aunt Maria, and Henry was re-

## We asked, you answered

Katie Yoder

Valentines Day is now over, but we didn't have time to see who every ones Valentine was. Everyone seems to be interested in that kind of information, so we figured we would publish it.

Tom Myers(11)- Let's just say what Conrad doesn't know won't hurt him, (hey Rank)?

Robyn Wright(11)- "Ali Ali"

Jason Weingart(11)- Melissa Mullen

Ryan Gross(11)- Katie Ventressco

Joe Clutter(12)- Dodo Snow or Abby

Matt Wagner(12)- Scarlet Ruble

Sean Argentino(10)- Leigh Peterson

Abi Willeman(11)-Bo Rottenborn

Aileen Vogel(11)-Mr. Mucci

Brian Bailey(12)-Anyone willing to love me.

Sarah Eynon(11)-The whole wrestling team.

Angela Rank(12)-Tom Myers and Jacob Stellers

Alicia Mason(12)- Mr. Viencek Sir and Yorlie



## Shout Out to SHS Students



Sarah Panezott



It's that time of year again- it's time for cheerleading try-outs for the 1999-2000 school year. This year's try-outs will be held on Friday March 12, 1999. They will be held at Southeast School starting at 5:00 p.m. The clinic days are held in the high school cafeteria. The planned days are Monday March 8, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday 9, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., and Wednesday 10, 6:00 to 8:00.

In case you are not familiar with the try-out process these are some of the requirements. Each candidate will have teacher evaluations distributed to all of their teachers. Then you will need to be at the three days of clinics. Clinics are where you learn all the material that is needed to try-out. Then you need to be at school the day of try-outs. Once you are at the official try-out you will compete with one or two other candidates.

Things you will need for try-outs this year are your own personal cheer (one that you made up). The cheer, dance, two chants and jumps that will all be taught at the clinics. The required jumps are a Russian and a Hurkie. Then you will have an on the spot chant. This is where the seniors will show you the chant twice. Then you need to catch on in front of the judges. There is also a mandatory tumbling pass of your choice.

After all the try-outs have been completed you will be called and notified if you made it and with what squad you will be cheering. Later the results will be posted so you can see who made what squad. There are plans for 6-7 cheerleaders per squad. The varsity squads consist of sophomores, juniors, and seniors. The jayvee squad is comprised of sophomores and juniors, and the freshmen squads consist of freshmen only.

Good luck to all who are trying out.

## Swimmers advance to district meet



On February 13, two Salem swimmers competed at the sectional swim meet at Hubbard Community pool. Junior Carey McDermott placed third in the 100 freestyle and third in the 100 backstroke. Sophomore Katie Baillie placed fifth in the 200 Individual Medley and second in the 100 breaststroke. Both girls advanced to the district meet which was held Friday, February 19 and Saturday, February 20 at Cleveland State University.



## Lady Quakers have winning record

Carey McDermott



The Salem Varsity girls upped their record to 10-4 overall when they defeated Niles on Wednesday, February 3. Their 47-33 win increased their record to 6-4 in the MAC. Salem first took the lead early in the first quarter with 17 points.

In the second quarter, Megan Stockman got two points, Robyn

Wright had 3 and Kelly Paxson had four.

Kelly Straub led the Quakers with 6 points in the third quarter. Paxson again had four points and Wright had 3.

In the final quarter, Julie Manis, Straub and Stockman each scored two points. Paxson and Ria Werner each had one.

Team leaders were Wright and Straub, who each totaled 11 points. Paxson also led with 10 points and 8 rebounds.

The girls' returned to action this past Saturday at Howland.



DATE	OPONENT	W/L	SCORE
1/16/99	Girard	W	43-39
1/19/99	Canfield	L	49-58
1/23/99	Poland	L	33-43
1/27/99	Niles	W	55-22
1/30/99	Struthers	W	57-71
2/3/99	Niles	W	47-33



Varsity Basketball Cheereaders include:  
 Row 1(L-R): Sarah Dillon, Amanda Hendricks, Rose Salvino  
 Row 2(L-R): Katie Ventresco, Jaclyn Drake, Angela Rank, Aileen Vogel  
 Advisor(not pictured): Billie Sue Madison

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## Stars of the month

Chris Williams



### Shining Star

February's shining star is Denver Broncos quarterback John Elway. Elway earned the Most Valuable Player award for Super Bowl XXXIII, which was held January 31. He helped the Broncos beat the Atlanta Falcons by the score of 34-19 for their second consecutive Super Bowl victory. Elway threw an eighty yard touchdown pass to wide receiver Rod Smith and ran for a touchdown himself. He completed 18 of 29 passes for a total of 336 yards as well. Personally, I detest John Elway because of "The Drive." However, it has taken him all sixteen years of his career to reach this glory, therefore I have to respect his achievements. Although he lead the Broncos to a Super Bowl victory last year, he did not receive the MVP award. Elway's receiving of this award should be the final accomplishment he needs to be elected into the Hall of Fame. Whether or not Elway will retire or return for next season remains to be seen. If he does play next season, he could be the first quarterback in NFL history to win three straight super bowls. If he retires, it will be the end of a glorious career.



The Salem's boy's basketball team upped their conference record to 1-1 on January 12. Louis Angelo scored 14 points and had eight rebounds to lead the Quakers past Girard to a 57-55 win. Also scoring for Salem was Chad Copacia who knocked down 13 points. Unfortunately they dropped a 44-63 loss to the Canfield Cardinals on January 15. Casey Crawford and Steve Conrad both led the team with 13 points. That game left the boys 1-2 in the MAC and 3-4 on the regular season.

On January 19 the team played at home hosting the Howland Tigers. Chad Copacia guided the Quakers past them with 16 points. Reuben Dunlap ripped down 18 rebounds to help Salem beat them with a score of 64-33. The second of four straight home games was against Poland. Unfortu-

### Boy's out to improve their record

Sarah Panezott

nately Salem dropped 2-3 in the MAC and 4-5 on the season. The final score was 45-52. Joe Sox and Copacia led the team with 12 points apiece. Reuben Dunlap added seven rebounds.

With Copacia scoring his career high of 24 points it still wasn't enough for Salem to pull past Hubbard. He also added five rebounds while Dunlap added eight rebounds. Angelo finished with 10 points, five rebounds and two steals. Quakers dropped to 4-6 on the season. The score was 56-66.

The Quakers hosted Niles on January 29. Leading Salem past a big conference game was Louis Angelo turning in 14 points, four rebounds and assists and also seven steals. Chad



Copacia and Ryan Gross both contributed 13 points. The other Salem player in double figures was Casey Crawford with ten points.

The Jayvee has a record of 4-8 and 2-4 in the Metro Athletic Conference. Leading the team with total points is Brian Markovitch with 145 points. Ryan Drake has 95 points on this season. Also coming in with a high total is Zack Stevenson. Leading the J.V. in rebounds is Zack Stevenson with 57. And closely following is Markovitch bringing down 44 boards.

The next time the boys will be in action is on February 23 at Poland. The J.V. will lead off with a starting time of 6:00 p.m. followed by the varsity.

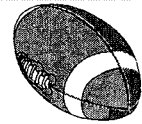


The Salem Boys Varsity Basketball Team

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## Football "player" gets arrested

Carey McDermott



On Sunday, January 31, Miami Police arrested Atlanta Falcon's Eugene Robinson on charges of soliciting an undercover police officer for sex.

This situation is ironic for two main reasons. The first irony was that Robinson received the Bart Starr Award from the religious group Athletes in Action prior to his arrest. NFL players select a person with "high moral character" to receive this award. The second fact is in the government's handling in the situation itself. Robinson was caught the night prior to the Superbowl, but police officials waited until after the Superbowl to arrest him-nearly 24 hours later.

What kind of message is this sending to today's youth? I think the government is sending conflicting messages to teens that it is okay to commit crimes if you are a sports figure because you will get less of a punishment.

I asked the student and faculty of Salem if they felt Robinson should have been arrested before the Superbowl and these were their responses:

**Tim Verhoek(11):** It doesn't matter. Atlanta lost anyway.

**Ben Kolozsi(10):** The cop probably bet on Atlanta

**Kelly Paxson(11):** He should've gotten arrested before the Superbowl.

**Ria Werner(11):** I agree with Kel Pax, but I believe that the cops were eating donuts so they waited until they were done.

**Tracy Stapf(11):** Same as Pax-Like he couldn't wait for play until after the game...

**Josh Thomas(11):** All I have to say is Denver won and Clayton Jones has to live up to the fact that the Falcons stink (literally)

**Mr. Purrington:** I absolutely do not agree-no one should be given exceptions to the law just because they are a celebrity or a famous sports figure. What that says to the rest of us is that we are not as important or as deserving of the same preferential treatment.

**Megan Stockman(11):** Just because he's an athlete doesn't mean that he should get special treatment. Like the Falcons needed him anyway!

**Jaci Drake(11):** No one is above the law-lately in the news many famous people felt they could ignore rules every-one lives by. I feel this is totally wrong and no matter if he was to play in the Superbowl-he should've been punished first like the rest of us.

**Michelle Schaefer(11):** I don't agree because that's just telling people if you're an athlete and you do something that you'll get special treatment.

**Mr. Baker:** I don't agree with the decision to allow Eugene Robinson to play in the Superbowl after he was charged. Professional athletes (like any other athlete) are not above the law. What kind of image is this portraying to our young people who consider their athletes role models?

**Leigh Peterson(11):** I guess if I was going to play in the Superbowl and I got arrested for soliciting a prostitute I would want them to let me play. Then again, there's not much chance of me ever playing in the Superbowl OR soliciting a prostitute, so I guess I really don't have to worry about it.

**Martha McKinney(12):** It didn't matter because Denver still won!



## Salem grapplers pin an end to a super season

Chris Williams

Salem's wrestling team has a record of five wins and two losses as of February 4. The Quakers participated in the Eastern Ohio Wrestling League (EOWL) tournament on February 5 and 6.

On January 20, the team beat Liberty by the score of 49-22. Senior Mat Baker and juniors Shain Hostetter, Joe Costa, Brian Rea, Ralph Smalley, and John Paul Fritz had decisive

wins in the meet. Senior Jake Gray and sophomore Matt Galchick both pinned their opponents.

Howland handed Salem its first loss of the season on January 23. The score was 40-23. Hostetter, Galchick, Rea, Smalley, Fritz, and Gray all won their matches by decision.

The Quakers lost to Boardman 42-24 on January 27. Rea and Fritz scored pins at the meet while

Hostetter, Galchick, Costa, and Smalley won decisive matches.

February 2 saw the Quakers win 40-32 against

Jackson-Milton

Rea, Baker, Fritz, and Brandon Smith recorded pins.

Matches were won decisively by Hostetter, Galchick, Costa, and Smalley.

The Quakers end their season against Ursuline and Hubbard on February 13, which is one week after the EOWL tournament.

