

# The Quaker

A high school tradition for years.

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## The Quaker on the cutting room floor

By Sean Morrissey  
Editor-in-Chief

If someone would have told you today that you wouldn't have received this copy of *The Quaker*, how would you have felt? For some it would be no big deal, but others they would have asked, "Why not?"

Now, if someone told you that you had to pay a quarter for this issue, what would your immediate response be? For most it would be a sharp "No." That is just the issue we are facing here at Salem High School.

With the beginning of the 2003-2004 school year, articles for the September issue were assigned, written, and sent to the printer's. Everything was going problem-free until the bill from Lyle Printing reached the hands of Mrs. Alice Gunning, the district's treasurer. Completely unaware of this random \$199 dollars due, she immediately contacted Mr. Beatty here at the high school. Eventually word reached mass media teacher and advisor, Mrs. Dye. She was told that funds for the paper were in danger of being cut this year; "we do not have sufficient funds any longer to provide complimentary copies." Wanting to hear it straight from the source, Mrs. Dye spoke with Mrs. Gunning to discuss this matter the Tuesday after the September edition was released. In their conversation, Mrs. Gunning said that she had heard that none of the students at the high school truly care about *The*



Freshman Jenni Frederick shudders at the idea of having to pay for copies of *The Quaker*

*Quaker* and all they do is throw it in the hallway. Mrs. Dye replied that she has seen the occasional copy of the paper on the floors of SHS, but she has also seen math homework, history papers, and various other handouts along with pens and pencils in the halls as well. When reached for comment, Mrs. Gunning explained that, "The five-year forecast is in progress, and will be finished at the end of October. By then I should have a better picture because there are too many factors to put into view right now."

With the September issue already published, Mrs. Gunning said that a precedent had been set and that *The Quaker* would continue with its remaining issues. However, funding would need to be sought for next year. This year might slip by, as all issues will be paid for, but the focus is on next year's mass media class. If it is still offered as a

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curricular course, will the mass media students have to fund the school paper through community ads? Local businesses have already been hit hard by the yearbook staff for *The Quaker Annual* and the Salem Athletic Boosters for the fall and winter programs.

Another option is to make mass media an extracurricular program. With this an increase or decrease of student involvement may occur. *The Quaker* will not get the same participation needed to have a viable newspaper. Athletics, service organizations, and jobs fill stu-

dents' time. Students would lose the entire aspect of learning about the media and its functions. Running a newspaper as a club might work, but it would be difficult when a class, available for numerous years, has already been established. The final considerable option would be to fund the publication by adding the cost of the issues of *The Quaker* to the student fees list. At a cost of twenty-five cents per issue, this would add an additional fee of two dollars.

Is this becoming a trend? Officials at Indiana University state that high schools and other univer-

sities across the country are cutting costs from journalism programs before anything else. With the recent events in the world today, more students want to be informed of the current local and school news as it is happening and want to be a part of it. Students deprived of access to such a popular program lose their voices in the topics that affect them, denying them of their First Amendment rights. If the program fails, there certainly won't be any issues of *The Quaker* to clean up in the halls.

ended, thus they purchased a new place to store the buses. "The parking lot is housing the buses currently because our new garage is not up to state code yet," said Mr. Kirkland, Dean of Students. He also revealed that the new garage should be ready in a few more weeks, and the buses will be done soon enough.

Patience is important in this situation because the problem is being addressed. While the buses are still in the process of being situated, use caution when driving through the parking lot and no speeding.

## Eljer and the economy

By Lauren Arnold  
Staff Writer

With a sluggish economy and an unemployment rate of approximately 6.1 percent the 253 employees at Salem's own Eljer plant will add to the already climbing number of nine million unwaged Americans in 2003.

The Eljer plant and name brand is owned by Jacuzzi Brands, Inc., formerly U.S. Industries, Inc. Salem, however, is not the only injured party in the company's financial maneuvers. While the Salem plant, opened in 1908, is in charge of the production of the manufacturers' cast iron sinks and bathtubs, the decision has been made to eliminate all of its North American bath wholesales force and begin to sell the Eljer® products upon commission. One more subsidiary to add to the global company's list of closures is their plant in Plant City, Florida, which will, like the Salem Eljer, be closing in November.

Although representatives from the United Steel Workers of America, armed with financial data, attempted to convince Jacuzzi Brands that cast iron product fabrication would be beneficial the decision was still reached to close the plant. President and Chief Operating Officer Donald C. Devine was quoted in a September press release as saying, "Although contemplating a decision like this is never easy... we remain committed to continuing to take the necessary steps to reduce the Bath segment's cost... and improve profitability. The preliminary decision to close Salem, which we hope to finalize in November, supports this objective." Although Eljer employees continue to fight, the demise of this local establishment seems to be unavoidable.

## Watch out for that bus: obstacle course in SHS parking lot

By Jillian Barry  
Staff Writer

It's 7:40 A.M. You're still half-dreaming as you arrive at school in your vehicles. SCCCRREEEECHHHH!!!! You slam on your breaks as a large school bus pulls in front of you to park in its allotted parking spot.

In case you hadn't noticed, our high school parking lot has become the new temporary parking lot for the Salem City School's buses. They are parked all around the perimeter of the lot in rectangular formation. Many students find it a great inconvenience and rather dangerous to have the buses parked

in the school parking lot. "I don't like the buses in the parking lot. They are in the way and could easily cause a wreck," Sarah Ravelli proclaimed. In concurrence with Sarah's comment, many other students say that drivers fly around these yellow obstacles at a dangerous speed which could cause serious harm.

In contrast, some people have no opinion regarding them, and others actually like them. Some believe they add color and beauty to

our school parking lot. "I like the buses. They are bright and yellow like big, long, rectangular smiley faces that seem to say 'Hi everybody! Have a great day,'" Mr. Trough stated. The parking lot is serving as a fine temporary home to our buses, but it shouldn't be a permanent settling place for them.

However, not everyone fully understands the reasoning behind the buses being parked here. The school's former busing contract



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# News

## A letter to the editor:

### We Have an Extraordinary Man Among Us

I've lived in Salem for over five years now, and it has become very clear to me that we have an extraordinary man among us.

I first observed this gentleman walking around our lovely city with enthusiasm for the beauty of the particular season at hand and revealing the sheer enjoyment of greeting each person he met. These qualities were even more apparent when I joined him in a few of the myriad of community service organizations blessed by his membership and participation.

Compassion for others is at the heart of all he does with a particular eye on the needs of our children and youth. Who he is is a gift to us - we are all inspired to be our better selves. But compassion alone does not accomplish extraordinary deeds of kindness and critical support. Just listen to him some time in a social setting or meeting. The wheels are always turning in order for needed help to come to fruition. His organizational skills are honed with such expertise that success is never eluded. His incomparable wit and articulate communication sweep his projects to success, fun, fellowship, and joy on each occasion. This man is irresistible. He draws to his plans extraor-

dinary people: students, teachers, patrons, staff, and workers from all arenas. They give of their talents and resources in an uncannily gracious way because they know he is focused on the welfare of others and they have come to transform compassion into works of healing with him.

It would be easy to write pages and pages about this man's voluntary works in this most fortunate of cities, but we are all well aware of them. Most of his works were listed in his YWCA Man of the Year Award a year ago. I say most because moss does not grow under this man's feet. Each season, new ideas pour forth along with new plans to keep up with him.

And so, I join so many Salemites in expressing my heartfelt gratitude for this treasure of a man and all those who have supported his works of compassion. Mr. Viencsek, it is an honor to call you a friend. Thank you for all you have given to our community and for the help and support you have given my granddaughter, Ronda Williams.

Patricia Badia Williams  
October 8, 2003  
Salem, Ohio

## Quaker Calendar

October 31	End of first nine weeks
November 3 - 7	Ninth Grade Proficiency make ups
November 4	Allegheny College visit
November 6	Parent-teacher conferences (evening)
November 7	Parent-teacher conferences (morning) - No School
November 20	Junior parents college night
November 26 - 28	Thanksgiving recess - No school

## One enchanted evening

BY AMANDA JONES

"One enchanted evening, you may see a stranger..." These are the opening words to an old yet familiar song. They are also the title of a recent benefit dinner held in the Salem High School cafeteria. Mr. Robert Viencsek, English instructor at Salem High, was the organizer of the event, "One Enchanted Evening." The guest of honor, however, was no stranger - it was Ronda Williams.

On the evening of Saturday, October 4, 2003, members of the Salem community, students, and staff came together to honor Ronda, while enjoying a great meal and having some fun bidding on prize baskets and card games. The baskets were donated by each school building in the Salem system, by businesses, and by individuals.

As of now there is no final total as to how much was raised for Ronda. Organizers are still in the midst of paying bills for items such as the rental of table linens and the

expense of food for the meals. The tickets cost ten dollars per person, but a portion of that has to be paid



to Mr. Havelock, director of Salem City School's food services, to cover expenses of the food itself. Mr. Havelock and members of his cafeteria staff donated their time in the preparation of the meals. The cafeteria was packed, however, which suggests a promising total. "We

were sold out. Ticket sales started out slowly; this is typical of most fund raising activities. Then the week of the dinner it seemed as if everyone was calling for tickets. We were continually revising the final count," stated Mr. Viencsek.

Many Salem students showed up to help out in a variety of ways. Some talked to the merchants about donations while others put up posters. There were also the great workers that were actually at the school setting up prior to the dinner, serving at the dinner, and cleaning after the event had ended. Although many of these people were students at SHS not everyone assisting was a student. Many of Salem's staff and community members showed up to help as well.

When asked what the best part of the night was, Mr. Viencsek simply said, "Seeing Ronda Williams smiling. A year ago we almost lost this remarkable young woman. She has been through so very much; she has emerged victorious." This night was truly an "Enchanted Evening."

## "I pledge allegiance, to the flag..."

BY LAUREN ARNOLD

Are we "one nation under God"? That is the exact question that Californian atheist Michael Newdow is asking the federal government. It began last year when Newdow objected to his nine year old daughter reciting the Pledge of Allegiance everyday at school. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco agreed with him. President Bush later called the Court's decision ridiculous. The case is now on its way to Washington, D.C. where Congress has already secured the place of God in the national motto, "In God we trust" and currently in the pledge, through legislation. The separation of church and state argument is on the Supreme Court's docket along with cases dealing with police questioning and the death penalty. The High Court, headed by Chief Justice William Rehnquist, will process the case sometime next year.

In the meantime people all over the nation are speaking out on the issue. Jay Sekulow, the Chief Counsel of the American Center for Law and Justice, is quoted as saying, "This case represents an important opportunity to put a halt to a national effort aimed at removing any religious phrase of reference from our culture."

To complicate matters further, Justice Antonin will not be present during any of the hearing due to accusations of being religiously biased. This means that the remaining Justices could remain in a four to four deadlock. The case is bound to be an emotional debate over patriotism, religion, law, and our nation's students.

## Clubs and Classes



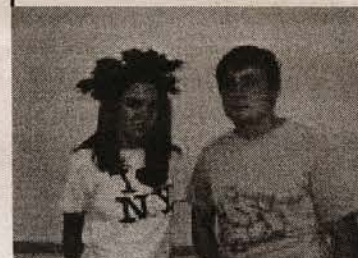
The outstanding artists who are serving as leaders of this year's National Art Honor Society are the following: Sean Morrissey, president; Erica Lottman, vice-president; Kassie Farcas, secretary; Sami Ganou, treasurer; Shannon Stewart, events director; Gabi Folger, publicity director; and Kainani Lovette, fundraising director.



Members of the Spanish Club held their organizational meeting in September. Pictured are officers posing with colorful piñatas used for the fall harvest on October 25. Club officers include the following: Molly Bauman, vice president; Ashlee Thorne, president; Aubrey Bailey, sergeant of arms; Larry Wem, public relations; Jessica Griffith, treasurer, and Kim Baker, secretary. All officers are members of the Spanish V class. They are advised by Mrs. Ana Hutson.



Pizza and pop were served as refreshments when the German club held its first meeting of the year. Elected as officers were the following: Alison Boron, secretary; D'lorah Eddinger, president; Amanda Karmazin, vice president; and Jon Williams, treasurer. German club members Ryan Crowe and Andy Loudon take a break with their refreshments as they look over club t-shirts with instructor Mrs. Reed.



Latin club follows the traditional way of ancient Rome's method of electing officials by having the "citizens" of a club elect two senators to be co-consuls. This year there was only one senator (Elizabeth Rogers) who appointed the other consul (Tyler Williams). The advisor for Latin club is Dr. David Mathus.



Science anglers Pat Gorby, Wes Bryan, and Ben Hendershott concentrate on their catch of paper clips during recent derby days in Miss Stewart's science classes. This activity centered on lessons on electromagnets.

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# Opinion

## This month: lowering the voting age

### Point

BY SEAN MORRISSEY

With the November elections just around the corner, how many of you would like the opportunity to influence the decisions that have an affect on you? For some students here at SHS, that's very possible, but what about those under the age of 18 with strong political views? Teens in Brazil and Cuba can vote, so why can't we have a voice?

The main argument on lowering the voting age centers on maturity and intellect. Most teens are viewed as immature, easily manipulated, and even uninterested in political topics. But the truth is that today we are more informed and passionate on issues than ever before. Neither maturity nor intelligence is the basis upon which the right to vote is granted. The U.S. does not deprive a senile person of the right to vote, nor the millions of alcoholics, psychotics, or other various people. Many people over the age of 18 do not make informed decisions, does the mean their rights taken away? So why

deprive a 16 or 17 year old?

Just like everything else, it comes down to money, taxes to be exact. Teens pay approximately \$9.7 billion in sales tax and millions more in income. Not to mention, roughly 30% of paychecks go to the government, even if "0" dependents are claimed. So what does this lead to? The age-old slogan of "taxation without representation", which means no say in decisions that directly affect us.

So why can't this all be settled? As teens, we should be able to influence decisions that directly affect us. Every action and inaction taken by lawmakers hits us, yet we have no say. Just like every other law-abiding, tax-paying American we deserve this right at an age younger than 18. The gap between an 18-year-old and a 16-year-old's right to vote is arbitrary.



### Counterpoint

BY DEVON MCILVAINE

There has recently been a new, little known movement among teenagers to lower the voting age to sixteen. While many young people probably are capable of handling such a privilege (and many older people probably are not), I believe the majority are not up to the task.

During the Vietnam War era young people rallied to lower the voting age from twenty-one to eighteen. The rationale was that if an eighteen year old was old enough to die in that bloody conflict, then he was old enough to vote for who sent him there. After the legal age was decreased, young people across the country were thrilled, but few did very much about it. The turnout rates among voters in that age group are considerably lower than any other. If the age is lowered further, it is more than likely that the same trend will continue.

In this country people under the age of eighteen are not considered mature enough to smoke, marry, or legally enter into a contract. If this is true, what makes him

or her mature enough to make an intelligent political decision? Many argue that as people age and mature, they become more empathetic with the conditions of others. Most sixteen year olds don't yet have full knowledge of these conditions, and might subsequently not consider them when casting a vote. The problem lies in an insufficient political education. To exercise the voting responsibly, a person must be versed in the issues at hand. While our generation has access to all the information in the world via the Internet, few utilize it to educate themselves on the latest feud in Congress. Therefore, few know enough to care about who is elected to prominent positions. With this lack of education, many teenagers' only political opinions stem from the ideologies with which their parents raised them. But when individuals turn eighteen and become independent, they are more likely to form new perspectives and are able to make independent, educated decisions.

## War of the Words

BY LAUREN ARNOLD

What is your opinion on the upcoming Supreme Court case dealing with the possible elimination of the phrase "under God" from the Pledge of Allegiance?



Katie Winn - 10  
"I think that if you took 'One nation under God' out [of the Pledge] it would be going against what the constitution was based on. If our foundation is destroyed everything we have worked for will fall apart."



Bethany Billham - 12  
"Saying 'one nation, under God' is just tradition and no one is forcing you to say it anyway."



Josh Matthews - 11  
"I feel there shouldn't be a separation [of church and state] because the principles of our every day life are based on religion and moral conduct."



Sammi Cano - 11  
"Our nation was founded 'under God'. It is not saying you have to believe in God. It is just stating fact."

## Nice clothes but...

BY DEVON MCILVAINE

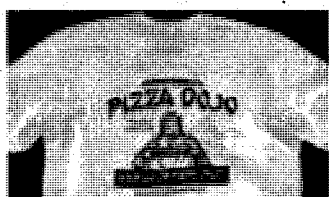
I hate Abercrombie and Fitch. There, I said it. But it's not that I don't like the clothes; many of them are quite nice. I refuse to buy them because in buying them I am supporting them, and by supporting them I am assimilating into everything for which the establishment stands. I will not be a part of peddling loose sexual values and white supremacy ideologies.

This may all sound a little overblown, but I promise you it's not. An unnamed Abercrombie and Fitch spokesman said, "What we like to show is boys and girls having fun, being active, enjoying life as only youthful people seem to do" when commenting on the A&F Quarterly. But what kind of fun is he talking about? Is it the joy of waking up to your screaming child at two in the morning, or the sheer pleasure of a sexually transmitted disease? The first 123 pages of this year's back-to-school Quarterly blatantly promotes promiscuity with erotic poetry and numerous nude models in various sultry positions. Company representatives have compared the images to the artwork of Monet. The last time I checked, Monet was not selling clothes; which, by the way, one can finally find on page 124.

Along with the ire caused by the promiscuous photographs, Abercrombie and Fitch has enraged many minority groups. The com-

pany has recently been dealt a wave of lawsuits charging them with discriminatory hiring policies. The company acknowledges that they hire attractive, "classic American" employees, but what does classic American mean? For most it's the WASP of my grandfather's generation, making it difficult for minorities to get jobs on A&F sales-floors. The company perpetuated this consummate race fallacy with a now infamous line of t-shirts. The shirts in question depicted Asian cartoon characters in subservient positions. The most famous of this line was a mock advertisement for a laundry cleaning service claiming "Two Wongs Can Make it White." The Asian-Americans were washing the laundry and delivering the pizza, while the WASPs were enjoying a carefree life.

There is no such thing as bad publicity, and Abercrombie and Fitch knows that. With all of this controversy A&F has become an edgy and rebellious brand, an image making them millions of dollars in malls across the country. But I will not emblazon the A&F logo across my chest and support such a heartless industry.



## Where's SAM going?

BY AMANDA JONES

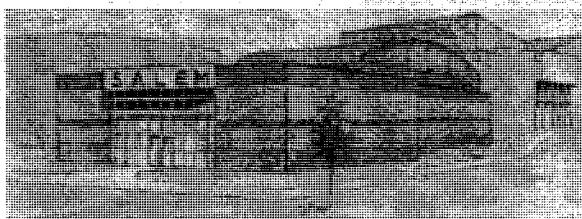
No, this article is not talking about our new Quaker Sam. It is addressing the soon to be new SAM (Student Activity Multiplex) Center. What is it going to be for you, you may ask? The Student Center is supposed to harbor a new weight room and locker rooms and have a new gymnasium. The district says that this center is necessary for the athletic programs since they have doubled in the past thirty years. They also state on the webpage that to attract newcomers to Salem we have to upgrade our facilities. Mr. Steffey, SHS athletic director, also states that this is for a safety reason. "Our current weight room is on the upper portion of the east side bleachers. This is a safety concern, literally thousands of pounds are being lifted and dropped on this balcony area," he replied.

This SAM center will cost approximately one and a half million dollars. It will be located next to the existing high school according to the Salem High School web page. The page also states that supporters are hoping to raise the money through private donations, alumni, and money that is to be given by Mr. and Mrs. Sebo. Anyone who donates \$50,000 will have their picture and a plaque in the center.

While talking to many students throughout the high school, a variety of people expressed their opinion on the center. Their opinion can be controversial, but overall there were an overwhelming amount of students who were against it. Junior Derek Mason stated, "I don't think we need it. We have a nice gym and weight room, and we don't need to spend the money on more. It could be used elsewhere." Senior Molly Colian also gave her opinion, "I think that it is one more thing for our football team to use. What's wrong with the lifting room we have now?"

Although many students seem to be against the SAM Center, there were those who were for it. One student who was willing to give a quote for it was Jillian Barry. "I think that it's a good opportunity for students to stay involved with the school. And if they are going to build it, it might as well be positive." Jill stated. Although it appeared that there are more people wanting the center, they were not willing to give a quote.

One question that was asked was, why can't the teams use the community center. Although not many people know this, Canfield swim team uses the pool for their practice. Why can't Salem do the same thing? That will have to be something that we will have to find out at a later time.



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# Feature

## A big helping of PeaSoup

BY LAUREN ARNOLD



Tom Spack, David Bowman, Alex Hoopes, Tyler Williams and Kellee Skiba are the members of SHS's own PeaSoup, although they were not always.

In the band's short existence of about nine months they have had a variation of line-ups. The original line-up included Brandon Fitch and Kyle Harmicar. For a while the all guy band remained a quartet but now has a new female member, Kellee Skiba, who has been with PeaSoup for about three months.

A while ago Geoff Schmid suggested that PeaSoup play their set at the Elks, where his father is a member. The band accepted the invitation and things have grown since then. Now PeaSoup has a fan base from their performances after every home football game. It cost only two dollars to get in to their concerts, and the money has been split fifty-

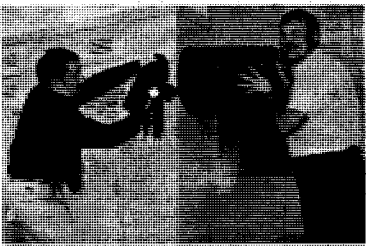
fifty with the Elks Club (who is very involved with scholarship opportunities) and with the members of the group (who direct their funds back to the band's benefit).

Regardless of where the money went, many think it was two dollars well spent. The band members have a unique blend of personalities to go along with their eclectic set of songs that include covers and a few originals. When asked about their selection of music, drummer David Bowman stated, "We try to emphasize classic rock - The Who, the Beatles, Black Sabbath." However, Alex Hoopes jokingly suggested material by boy-bands like the Backstreet Boys and \*NSYNC.

As for their name, only the members of PeaSoup and a few others know the story behind the name... and for now, no one's sharing.

## No belfry, but we've got bats

BY DEVON MCILVAINE



"Please disregard the bell at class change. There is a small creature loose on the second floor." This announcement perplexed many of us at the end of first period one morning. While the first floor was speculating the identity of the mystery creature (perhaps a weasel brought in by Mr. Trough for a rousing projectile demonstration), the second floor was hearing screams and activity in the hall.

The day started out as normally as can be expected, but then Mr. Almond noticed something peculiar in the stairwell. Upon further investigation he discovered it was a sleeping bat, and Mr. Readshaw, our resident hunter, was notified. Doing his best to contain the situation, Readshaw pinned it against the wall with his trusty broom, but the crafty thing escaped down the hallway. About this time Miss Marr and Miss Stewart were in the hall talking, and the bat swooped between them. Horrified, they darted for the safety of their rooms where they watched the adventure unfold through the small windows in their doors.

Undaunted by the bat's

initial elusion, Mr. Readshaw enlisted the help of Mr. Shurtleff to capture the creature again. Without advanced hunting tools, the pair was forced to improvise quickly. As the bat perched on the ceiling, Mr. Readshaw cunningly trapped it by ensnaring it underneath a garbage can. Mr. Shurtleff then poised a cape next to the makeshift cage in order to entangle the pest. But this bat was not about to give up. When the can was moved, Mr. Shurtleff pounced and caught the animal in his cape. Bats are feisty creatures, and this one was no exception. It tried to escape Mr. Shurtleff's grip, but, focusing only on our school's safety, he would not allow it to continue flying through the halls. After quite a struggle, the two finally got the bat outside and released it.

A few minutes after the initial announcement, Mr. Kirkland returned to the public address system and dismissed everyone to second period. The halls were again safe to travel, thanks to the heroics of Mr. Readshaw and Mr. Shurtleff.



Miss Marr and Miss Stewart scream in fear.

## Do you tattoo?

BY CARLA GBUR

Tattooing has become a big thing in the younger crowd and even a little in the older crowd too. Just take a look around the high school and you will see some students and staff sporting some permanent color on their skin.

The word tattoo came from "tatu" which means "to mark something." Tattooing has been around since twelve thousand years BC. They were basically used as some kind of role in a ritual or as a tradition. Tattoos were and still are used to signify some kind of belonging to a group, clan or maybe even a gang. Some people believe that if they get a tattoo they will bring the spirit of the image of the tattoo into their body. Many different places around the world used and still use tattoos for many different purposes

Here in the high school you can find many people with tattoos and many reasons for getting them too. Students, teachers, and staff have many different designs and symbols. I have asked the student body about their tattoos, and I've found a plethora of students who have them in all shapes and sizes. Many of the guys I've talked to have tribal designs. Some have the tattoos on their arms and others on their backs. Most of the girls I've talked to have their tattoos on their lower back. The designs range from flowers to tribal designs. I have one on my lower back that is a sun with the Chinese symbol for strength in the middle of it. It's a very symbolic message that remains with me through everything.

The main question I've asked those who have a tattoo is "Did it hurt?" As a lot of you can guess, the guys all pretty much said no, it wasn't a big deal. I've gotten different responses from the girls, though. Some said "No, it was nothing" while others have said, "Yeah, it hurt REAL bad!" Yet another thing some have explained, "It hurt bad at first, but then it felt like what your foot feels like when it's asleep!" There have been many different responses and many different feelings regarding the whole thing.

I sent out a survey to the teachers also, asking if they had a tattoo, and if so what was it. Some responses ranged from a simple yes or no answer; other teachers let me know that they have tattoos, what they are, and even offered to show them to me. I also received re-

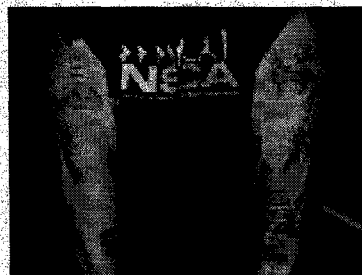
sponses in which some staff said that they would never do something like that. On the other hand, there was also some negative feedback telling me it was an inappropriate and negative question to ask teachers and that we need to look at the positive things that the SHS staff does. So far in the survey I have found that thirty-three staff members don't have tattoos and six do. Of the six staff members who do, the tattoos have a wide range. Some range from a quaint little butterfly and flower to the sun and moon. Then there are the infamous tattoos of Coach Brock. He has ten tattoos. Some of his include a wolf, the Salem Q logo, and an eagle with the American flag. I was also informed that Mr. D'angelo has a life size tattoo of Coach Brock on his back!

There are a few important considerations that shouldn't be argued about when it comes to tattoos. The first consideration is that of being the legal age; without a parent's or legal guardian's consent anyone under eighteen years of age isn't allowed to be tattooed. There are, however, many illegal tattooing parlors popping up all over the place now, and kids of all ages are getting inked. With the illegal or home tattoo parlors comes the problem of sanitation and possible infections. If the person giving the tattoo isn't a licensed tattoo artist, and you don't know or trust the person, then more than likely the conditions will not be as sterile as they should be. People need to be careful and responsible when it comes to getting tattoos.

Whatever the reason for getting a tattoo, individuals must consider the location and the design of the tattoo. Most important, you must ask yourself if you will really want that when you're eighty and all saggy? Tattoos are permanent and won't come off unless they are surgically removed. Removal is expensive and makes the whole tattoo experience a complete waste! Tattoos also fade, so you'll have to get them touched up or filled in again which can also be expensive (not to mention painful). Just imagine what your grandfather or grandmother's arm would look like today if they had tattooed a sun on them when they were in their teens. It might look like the whole solar system now!



Coach Brock proudly displays his array of body art. He has "too many to describe here—come and see me."



## Inscriptions of the past

BY ALLISON BORON

Accomplishments, heart-break, fame. What will the inscription on your tombstone tell? Have you ever thought of what you want the world to remember about you after you're gone?

November 2, 2003, is National Plan-Your-Epitaph Day, a good excuse to plan your final statement. In the past, epitaphs were used to acknowledge positions of power, different roles in your family life, or to tell your entire life story in a few short lines.

In Salem's own Hope Cemetery, just a short distance away, several epitaphs from the late nineteenth century can be found. Taking a short walk through the oldest part, one can find one of the most descriptive epitaphs on the side of a road. Edwin Coppock's tombstone stands tall and proud, made of concrete painted black. Not a traditional epitaph, the inscription is emblazoned on a plaque. It reads: "A Martyr to the cause of liberty... Was one of John Brown's company at his attempt to liberate the slaves at Harper's Ferry, Va. October 1859. Was executed at Charleston, Va. December 16, 1859." That bears evidence that some local people have done some extraordinary things.

Other epitaphs, including the grave of Walter Haynes Brainard, are examples of the heroes of war. Next to his family's marker lies a long, casket sized concrete slab. Placed there by his comrades in war, it honors him as their first lieutenant. Still others are marked with endearing names, such as "mother" or "father." Many inscriptions include Bible verses and small sculpted flowers chiseled on top of their tombstones. One stone of a small baby features a lamb sleeping on the top.

On November 2 don't forget to write a little about your life to leave behind when you're gone. What do you want people in the next century to remember about you?

### 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.

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

## Scare tactics

BY RACHEL FINK

Caution! The following provides real life horror situations and cruel and unusual pranks. If you are considered weak at heart, do not continue forward! Shannon Doherty is hosting Sci Fi Channel's hottest new show, *Scare Tactics*. A working night for her is scaring the living daylights out of an unexpected victim, and then maybe scraping them off of the floor after they learn it is all just a joke!

"We're not just playing these wacky, crazy jokes on people, who are unsuspecting. We work very hard with friends and family members to make sure that the joke's appropriate for them, that they'll get a kick out of it, all that kind of stuff. That they don't have any health problems," the shows producer, Kevin Healey stated. This show does some serious stuff to the people being pranked. From psychotic ex boyfriends, a voodoo resurrection, demon possessed girls, and men faking heart attacks, this show will stop at nothing to scare the pants off of people. Could you imagine going to the barber shop to play a little joke on the person who cuts your hair? You put a fake blood

packet underneath the fake skin you placed on your neck so that when he shaved your neck it looked like he had cut so deep that it hit a vein or something. Then you see him start to flip out and turn all white! You quickly begin telling him it was all just a joke and apologize when you realize it's too late! The man has passed out on the floor and you think he is dead! People rush around him and scold you while screaming to call 911. You are in shock and beginning to panic. All you can think about is how you literally scared a man to death until you see him open his eyes and every one else begins to laugh. What's going on here?

You have just been pranked on *Scare Tactics*! Your friends ratted you out on your little joke, and called the show so that they could set you up. It was all a JOKE! Is it funny or is it just plain mean and cruel? You be the judge. The show airs on Fridays at 10pm on the Sci Fi Channel. If you think you can handle it, check it out. It just might make you realize that you could be next!

## 14 things to be scared about

BY LAUREN ARNOLD

1. The things you can find in the "back room" of the science wing
2. Rev. Al Sharpton's decision to run for president along with eight other democratic hopefuls
3. The Yale secret society, "Skull and Bones"
4. CHEMISTRY!
5. What is Chinese food really made from?
6. Alice in Wonderland
7. Mighty Sam
8. Peanut butter has rat hair in it-what?!
9. bats
10. hairless cats
11. 80's hair
12. Goober Grape jelly and peanut butter all in the same jar!
13. Michael Jackson's nose-it's eating itself!
14. Michael Bolton



## Salem senior locker tradition

BY KATHRYN BARANOVICH

When entering the Salem High School take a look around; the senior lockers are a bright spot in the hallway. When stopping to think about it, it leads one to wonder why do the seniors decorate the lockers? It has turned into a tradition, but why and when did it start? While searching for information it has been quite the uphill battle. No one has an exact answer although many staff members were consulted about this high school tradition.

Originally locker decorations started with the cheerleaders decorating the athletes' lockers. From the way it has been explained, the idea of decorating the lockers just caught on and it has remained that way since. The locker decorations, however, were not as elaborate as they are today. The original decorations ranged from crepe paper to handmade signs. This is quite a contrast to the decorations that are used today that range from fabric to glitter and pictures. Each locker that is decorated is uniquely displayed giving some insight to that particular senior's personality. So why exactly is it only the seniors who decorate their lockers? Quite honestly no one really knows. The answer that is given when asked is simply, "It is tradition." Sophomore

James Drotleff said, "I think that everyone ought to be allowed to decorate their lockers because it would make them feel good about themselves and give them a sense of belonging." Other students are adamantly opposed to the suggestion of underclassmen decorating lockers. Junior Aaron Berger said, "I think seniors should be the only ones doing it just because the yearbook pages would be wasted with millions of lockers that are decorated."

Seniors have varying opinions about decorating lockers. This is apparent if one takes a look around the hallway. While there are quite a few lockers decorated there are also a lot that remain normal. Josh Courtney states, "There is no point in doing it." On the other hand, when some were questioned as to why they did or did not decorate their lockers Kim Yakovich replied, "Yea, I did it because it's our last year, and I think it should only be for seniors to show what we have done over the years." There were many good points made, but the fact still remains the same... as of right now locker decorations are for "seniors only."

## Poet's Corner

### A Mole Day Limerick

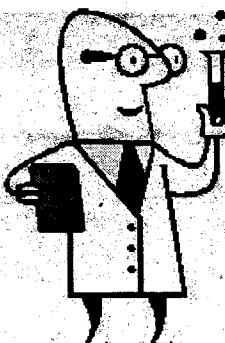
BY SEAN MORRISSEY

Pardon me, I don't like to boast,  
There is a class I love the most.  
Bonds and D sub-A,  
Formulas and x-ray.  
My attention, I give the utmost.

There is a time when students are stressed  
Every time there's a chemistry test.  
There are test corrections...  
I have no objections,  
Just to make sure my grade's the best.

The man that teaches has a beard,  
To some, they may think he's quite weird.  
He's in 163,  
He knows chemistry,  
By many students he is feared.

Everyone calls him Mr. Turner,  
He's quite handy with a Bunsen burner.  
To him I write this,  
When gone, he I will miss.  
He's made me an excellent learner.



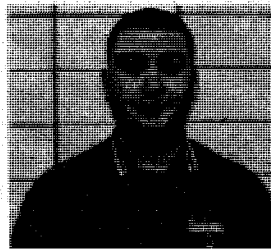
## Teacher Feature with Mr. Baker

BY ALLISON BORON

Have you ever been sitting in a class watching a movie when a suspenseful part comes on, complete with eerie music, and you're on the edge of your seat waiting to see what happens? Everything is quiet; all the students are staring intently at the screen until WHAM! The whole class jumps, someone screams, and everyone looks in the direction of the noise, which seems to have come from the teacher's desk. If this has happened to you, you were most likely in Mr. Baker's class.

Mr. Baker was born on October 11, 1972. He is a graduate of United Local High School where he was involved in football, student

council, served as senior class president, and, of course, loved history class. After high school he attended



college at Kent State University. Before coming to Salem to teach, Mr. Baker taught at both United Local and Beaver Local.

When asked why he wanted to become a history teacher, he said that it was something he always knew he wanted to do. Mr. Baker adds that his favorite thing about being a teacher is working with the great students of Salem High and adds, "It is very rewarding!"

Mr. Baker is married, and he and his wife Beth have a sixteen-month-old daughter named Hannah. Mr. Baker says that she is his "greatest accomplishment." He also has one dog, named Ivan.

In his spare time, Mr. Baker enjoys doing things with his family. He also enjoys watching football, *Everybody Loves Raymond* and, of course, *Survivor*.

## Crybaby Bridge—Salem's local haunt

BY KATHRYN BARANOVICH

Alright, I know what you are thinking. There is absolutely no way that anything in Salem is haunted. In some cases you might be right, but one never really knows. While trying to write about Halloween it was decided that it needs a new twist. Are there really haunted places, and where are they located around Ohio? Well, here is the deal - the "facts" will be given, and each person can decide for himself what to believe.

There are at least twenty-four alleged "Crybaby Bridges" in Ohio. One happens to be located in Salem on Egypt Road. There is a basic story that is true for all crybaby bridges. This ever popular tale includes a child somehow dying in conjunction with the bridge, whether it was a car accident or drowning. The legends that have sprung forth all include one basic

element. If you park your car near, underneath or on the bridge you will soon here a person crying. Some say that the crying person is the child's mother; others say you can hear the screams of the child that was murdered. Each crybaby bridge has unique twists and turns in the story. Some have specific instructions to follow like the one located in Helltown. The instructions are as follows: Bring an extra set of car keys; Make sure you go at night.; Park the car on the bridge; Put the extra set of car keys in your pocket; Leave the keys in the ignition; Get out of the car; Lock the doors; Take a walk away from the bridge; Wait for a short period of time; Then finally go back to your car. The legend says that your car will be running and there will be dusty footprints on the outside of your car from a small child. From some bridges you can hear the

screams of many children that have been killed. The creators of the webpage [www.deadohio.com](http://www.deadohio.com) go out to tour the places to see if they believe it is true. When the bridge in Salem was first toured they could not find the bridge so they believed it to be a hoax. However, they will be coming back to tour the area. Due to the flooding the bridge was underwater. After the tour there will be a new update posted on the webpage.

There are other ghost stories from around Ohio. If you are interested in getting more information on haunted places to visit, the web site is [www.deadohio.com](http://www.deadohio.com). Whether you believe the stories or not, they are interesting to read. There are lots of great books out there to read about the subject as well. Visiting any of these "haunted" places is a great way to celebrate Halloween.

# Entertainment

## Since when is sharing a crime?

BY BRANDON FITCH

Have you ever been sitting at your computer listening to the New Kids on the Block and waiting on your Ramen Noodles to finish cooking when all of a sudden a message flashes onto the screen, "COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT WARNING, WHEN YOU BREAK THE LAW, YOU RISK LEGAL PENALTIES. THERE IS A SIMPLE WAY TO AVOID THAT RISK: DON'T STEAL MUSIC" This is a direct warning that the Recording Industry Association of America has placed onto some file sharing programs to discourage users from continuing to swap music MP3s and other data files.

In 2001 the RIAA successfully defeated Napster through the court system with the help of some upset musicians, most notably those of Metallica. In the following months (between March and August 2001) half of all Napster users discontinued the program after it was proved to be a form of 21st century piracy. The public, however, did

not stop downloading music as Napster alternatives began popping up everywhere. The big three are Morpheus, KaZaA, and Grokster. While Napster ran on the idea that MP3s are in a central database shared by all users, the new services involve peer to peer trading. This means that there is no specific server to be shut down, making it nearly impossible to stop free file sharing. All of the publicity behind this scrutiny has apparently only made people more aware that they can get free music, and the public is not concerned that it is illegal. The RIAA has vastly underestimated the power and scope of the Internet and its user interest in free music.

Some schools are making a concerned effort to stop illegal sharing within their student body. The University of Southern California sent an email to everyone enrolled at their institution stating that anyone caught taking part in the trading of music, movies, or any other copywritten data would be

kicked off of the schools database and would have no computer privileges for one school year. The dean of libraries, Jerry Cambell stated, "We want to alert you to the fact that many of you are risking complete loss of access to the USC computer system and both disciplinary and legal action."

This strong action taken by the RIAA is an attack on their own consumers. It is estimated that sixty-one million Americans are exchanging files, and this number doesn't seem to be dropping anytime soon. The record industry's complaint is that these programs are to blame for recent decline of record sales. Within the past few months legal action has been taken to begin suing users with "substantial" collections of shared data. Four college students that held over one million songs each have had suits filed against them for upwards of \$150,000 per song. This is overkill! Alienating a large part of the American public is no way to boost music sales.

## Inspired by a true story?

How far does Hollywood really go?

BY TOM LEGUARD

If you haven't heard yet New Line Cinema is re-making the 1974 cult classic, *The Texas Chainsaw Massacre*. When the previews pop up, underneath you see the words inspired by a true story. If you know anything about the story you know it's pretty far fetched. It involves Leatherface, a man with a chainsaw, and his family, equally off the deep end, chasing around and hacking up a bunch of teens. That sounds a little unbelievable. When researched this is what was found.

Unfortunately, for all those who think that everything Hollywood feeds you is as close to the truth as possible, you're very wrong. The events that the movie was loosely based upon didn't happen in Texas or even involve a family of twisted killers. Actually it was based on a single, lonely man, Ed Gein, from a small town in Wisconsin.

Ed Gein is sort of the poster child for serial killers in at least three movies. Before you find out what movies you should first hear a little bit about his life. Ed Gein was part of a pretty normal family. He lived with his mom, dad, and older brother Henry. All of the family was normal with the exception of his mom. His mom was a religious fanatic who hated all women and described them as loose, sinful creatures. This created a permanent emotional and psychological disorder for young Ed. His father passed away before he was all the way grown up and one day his older brother Henry died in a mysterious brush fire, leaving him alone with his mother. Ed enjoyed this very much because

his mother was his whole world. One fateful day his mother died of a stroke, leaving him all alone in their large farm house to fend for himself. This sent him completely into his own psychotic world outside of our own. He lived on his own, unbothered by the outside world for many years until one day, Bernice Worden, the local hardware shop owner, turned up missing. The police found her in Ed's house hung upside down beheaded and gutted. They also found many other horrific items from human skin clothing, belts made out of flesh and various other gross "knick knacks" made from human remains. The coroners tallied about ten people may have died at Ed's hands. However, when interviewed he only admitted to killing Bernice and another woman, and all of the rest of the bodies were from grave robbing. When the police went to the graves which Ed claimed to have robbed the police found that the body parts were missing. During the whole interview process Ed showed no remorse for what he had done. Psychologists stated that he did not comprehend the atrocity of his crimes.

So when it comes to the Texas Chainsaw Massacre, how much is true? Well, it wasn't in Texas, there was no crazy man with a chainsaw, and there was no family either. Just a poor simple man mentally abused by his mother and completely confused by the world. And as for the other two movies based on his life, well see if you can guess them yourself. The answers are on the back page of *The Quaker*.

## And now... the incomparable

### Script Ohio!

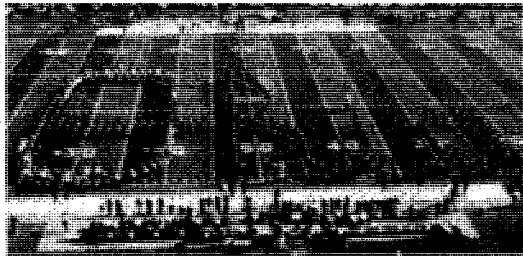
BY ALLISON BORON

Ever wonder what the point is of the Salem band marching around on the field, following the drum major, until the word "Ohio" is spelled out in cursive? You may have thought it is just an easy drill to top off a football season,

1966 with the current marching band spelling out one and the alumni spelling out the other. Since then the tradition of Script Ohio has also expanded to include a triple and quadruple drill as well.

After the word "Ohio" is

spelled out on the field, a tuba player struts around the little o and dots the i as the



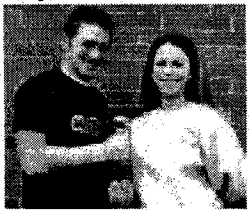
The Ohio State band performs Script Ohio.

but the truth is that Script Ohio has been a tradition since 1936.

Oddly enough, Script Ohio came into being after the University of Michigan performed the drill, writing "Ohio" diagonally on their football field to the tune of the official OSU marching song, "Fight the Team." However, one-time band director, Eugene Weigal claimed it as his own idea, saying he was inspired by the lights and turning billboards of New York City to construct this twisting follow-the-leader drill.

Over the years, the actual drill for Script Ohio has changed very little. One change that has been made is the song to which it is marched. Instead of using "Fight the Team," as Michigan did, the Ohio State band used the French war poem turned military march, "Le Regiment de Sambre at Meuse." Also, the addition of the double Script Ohio was added in

drum major stabs his or her mace into the ground. The "dotting of the i" has been named the number one college tradition by *Sports Illustrated* and has traditionally been done by the fifth year members of the Ohio State Marching Band. Here at Salem High School, the honor of "dotting of the i" is given to senior tuba players. "It was something I've wanted to experience since my freshman year, and it was an indescribable feeling with the addition of a very supportive crowd," said senior Sean Morrissey, who dotted the i twice.



Drum majors Barnett and Firth

Salem High School Presents

### Charley's Aunt

By Brandon Thomas



The Salem High School Auditorium  
Friday and Saturday,  
November 7 and 8, 2003

Curtain at 8:00 PM

Adults: \$5.00  
Students: \$3.00



## Take a Stand or hear the Truth

BY TOM LEGUARD

Everyday after a hard day of school work I like to go home, prepare a plate of diced apples and cheese, pour myself a glass of milk and sit down and watch TV. Not a day goes by where I don't see a bunch of teenagers on TV complaining about smoking. I don't know about you, but I'm just about sick of it. What I'm talking about, of course, is [standonline.org](http://standonline.org), a foundation only set in Ohio. I don't even smoke, but every time I hear them complaining about smoking on TV, in the movies or their favorite celebrities smoking, I'm that much closer to picking up a pack-just so I can feel like I'm doing something against them! Honestly they're not helping anything. They want smoking out of *The Real World*. Think about it - it's called *The Real World*. It's not real if you take something that happens all the time in the real world out of it. Also, if people start smoking because they idolize the young adults on *The Real World*

they have a whole lot more problems, and they probably should start smoking anyways. On the commercials the protestors signed a petition, took it to MTV, and said they wanted their voice heard. MTV only broadcasted the petitioners in Times Square to the Ohio region, so the only people who saw it were the people who had already heard these kids complain about every time they turned on the TV. The only reason young people start smoking is to rebel. By making it a huge issue these students are only making it seem like it's a lot "cooler" and more rebellious to do it. It's only hindering their cause.

There is also another anti-smoking webpage, [thetruth.com](http://thetruth.com). I don't mind these ones quite as much as those annoying teenagers. The truth has another way of approaching the anti-smoking movement, and personally I think it is the right way. Instead of getting a bunch of teens who probably just want to get on

TV they actually research and find out facts about big tobacco companies. Their first commercials were decent and got a good point across about the deception of the tobacco companies. However, lately they have become corny and uncreative. Let's all just hope they don't go the same way as the stand and try to attack the entertainment business.

In conclusion, I myself would like to remind you that smoking is very dangerous and kills one third of all people who use tobacco. However, most likely you all know this and are probably sick of hearing about it.



## Girls volleyball takes District crown

BY JILLIAN BARRY

The Lady Quaker volleyball team ended the season on a superb note with a final regular season record of 18-4 and a state rank of 15th. In eleven of the last twelve contests they were successful with the lone loss being to Hubbard at the Hubbard tournament.

The ladies are also Metro Athletic Conference Co-Champs with foe Poland. After losing to them previously in the season, the Quaker's long held title was at stake. On September 23 the girls traveled to Poland Seminary High School and defeated the Lady Bulldogs in three games, 14-16, 15-7, and 15-13. It was an amazing, emotional victory for the Quakers. Posting victories over Canfield, Struthers, Howland, Crestview and Niles proved they weren't showing any signs of letting up.

Salem was voted the number one seed in the sectional tournament. The Quaker's played the

## The Salem Quakers' 19th hole

BY LAUREN ARNOLD

The girls' golf team found that their inaugural season passed quickly. The ladies finished with only two wins but a tie for fifth place in their sectional tournament. Although they did not move on to districts as a team, Von Goll went individually to play at Tam O'Shanter Public Golf Course in Canton, Ohio. Von had this to say about the experience, "I enjoyed the experience of going to Districts and liked the girls

## Lady Quaker soccer kicks in

BY JARROD NIEDERHISER

The Lady Quakers soccer squad started off the season playing well, and it carried on throughout the season. Against Niles the ladies came up just short in a 3-2 loss. Goals were scored by Amanda Yeager.

In the next contest the team was able to pull out a victory against Beaver Local. The Lady Quakers won 2-0, and the goals were scored by Sam Yeager and Amanda Yeager.

The team then hosted a match with the Poland Bulldogs but came up on the losing end 4-2. Both goals were scored by Ashley Shea. The next conference foe was the Alliance Aviators and the teams battled to a 1-1 tie. Carly Duckworth tallied the goal for the Lady Quakers. They then played the Howland Lady Tigers but lost 8-0.

The ladies then traveled to Mooney to take on the Lady Cardinals but were unable to score and were defeated 2-0. Back at home they faced the Niles Red Dragons again and were able to earn a 1-1 tie. The lone Salem goal was scored by Amanda Yeager. Their next match was against MAC rival Poland. The lineup was somewhat jumbled due to a number of injuries and the team never really got together as they suffered a 13-0 loss.

Salem returned home to do battle with Warren Harding and bounced back with a resounding 5-0 win. Laci Meals led the scoring

first game at Boardman High School against conference rival Struthers. They destroyed the Wildcats 15-2, 15-2. The Lady Quakers also defeated the Liberty Leopards in the sectional final with a score of 15-3, 15-3. Thus, moving into the District semi-finals.

In order to get a chance to win the District title, the Lady Quakers had to get through Poland one more time. This match served as the rubber match for the MAC. The girls were victorious, posting scores of 15-13, 15-4. On October 23 the volleyball team got another shot at Hubbard for the district title and some revenge. Hubbard beat Salem last year in the District final, and by their play, they proved it wasn't going to happen again. The girls dominated the Eagles, 13-15, 15-6, 15-12, and will now be heading to Stow for regional play on October 30. They will face a tough Kenston team. Good luck girls! Go get em'!

I played with. I know our team can do well next year."

Although the boys' team did not fair so well at sectionals the season was a good experience for many team members. Senior Nate Mullen was pleased with the season and said, "It was a fun and enjoyable year, I am sad that it is my last."

As both teams lose leaders to graduation, the underclassmen look forward to next year.

and Aurora Leguard contributed a pair of goals in the win. They continued their winning ways in their next game against Alliance, winning 3-1. Aurora Leguard tallied two goals and Vanessa Kelly added one. In their last regular season match the team traveled to take on West Branch but were defeated by the score of 1-0.

The ladies finished the regular season with a record of 4-8-4 and entered tournament play at home against Ravenna Southeast. In the sectional semifinal game the ladies knocked out Southeast 3-1. Scoring goals were Laci Meals, Aurora Leguard, and Ashley Shea. They then traveled to Woodridge for the sectional final match. The Quakers jumped out to an early 2-0 lead, but the Bulldogs came back to tie the game at two before the end of regulation. The two teams then went into two overtime periods but the tie remained unbroken and the game went into a shootout. The Lady Quakers were defeated by the score of 4-3 in the shootout, ending their season in heartbreaking fashion. Ashley Shea and Amanda Yeager contributed goals. The Lady Quakers finished their season with a record of 5-9-4.

The Quakers started the 2003 season promising to go 2-0 with wins over Hubbard and Austintown Fitch but lost the next four games. Their next game was against the Niles' Red Dragons, but the Quakers were upended 4-0. They then played host to the Fighting Irish of Ursuline and were again defeated by the score of 4-0.

Rival Poland came next and the team played a great game coming back from a 2-0 deficit to tie it 2-2. Poland, however, scored in the final minute to win 3-2. Goals were scored by Matt Barrett and Zak Flinn.

Salem then played host to the Alliance Aviators and again lost 3-0 at home. Next was Howland to take on the Tigers. Salem was once again knocked off by the score of 4-0. In the next contest the team took

## Clary, Murphy, and Gorby headed to state

BY CARLA GBUR

Boys' and girls' cross country had a killer season this year, and things are only getting better. Both the girls and boys participated in the Columbiana county meet and took first place out of seven teams. Salem became county champs for the second year in a row. After the county meet came the MAC. The girls and boys once again took first place becoming MAC champs for the first time in a while. After the MAC meet the teams supported an Alumni Run for anyone wanting to run for fun. After those big meets the teams enjoyed running at the Sim Earich meet at the Trumbull county fair grounds. Both the boys and girls placed second out of approximately twenty teams.

Although a small team, the eight female runners have a lot of heart and determination. Kim Yakovich stated, "They all have a drive for this sport, and although I hate not running I am privileged to still be part of an awesome team with such ambition and team work." All the athletes' times keep dropping, and there's a great feeling of future success. This feeling was evident at the district meet at the Trumbull county fairgrounds where both teams took the number one spot and were crowned District Champs. The teams then advanced to the Regional meet in Boardman. The girls finished eighth with Deirdre Clary and Erin Murphy qualifying for the state meet. The boys finished seventh with Patrick Gorby going to state.

This was the last season for four kids on the cross country teams. Allyson Pasqual had this to say, "I think we are doing great this year and we have a fairly young girl's team, so I'm sure they will do great in future seasons." Allyson had a late start to the season but when she got going there was no stopping her. Jason Naylor had this to say about the season, "Our team has come together very well this year!"

## Boys soccer ends 2003 campaign

BY JARROD NIEDERHISER

on the Canfield Cardinals and lost by a score of 5-1 with the goal being scored by Jordan Nannah.

The Quakers then came home for a match against the United Golden Eagles and were victorious 2-0. The goals were scored by Hank Loudon and Dominic Gilbey. Traveling to face the Niles Red Dragons, once again, the Quakers battled to a 1-1 tie. The lone goal was scored by Matt Barrett.

On senior night the Quakers took on the Poland Bulldogs. The Bulldogs came up on the winning end 2-0. In the final game of the regular season the Quakers took on rival West Branch. The Warriors prevailed by a score of 3-0.

With the final regular season record of 3-12-1 the team entered tournament play against Niles at home. The team dug themselves

a 2-0 hole in the first half, but they were able to climb out and make it 2-2 at the end of regulation. Niles never recovered, and the Quakers came away with a 4-2 victory and a shot at the sectional title against Cardinal Mooney. Salem goals were scored by Bruce Moffett, Brian Schwartz, and two goals by Hank Loudon. In their sectional final match against Cardinal Mooney, the team's season was ended with an 8-0 loss. The final record for the Quakers was 4-13-1.

## Tennis keeps on swinging

BY JILLIAN BARRY

Finishing the season with a 12-8 record and a member of their team making it to sectional semi-finals wasn't bad for the Lady Quaker tennis team. With a final standing of 6-6 in the MAC, it was a very productive season.

With their twelve wins the tennis team set Salem High School tennis history. Never before has a Salem tennis team won twelve matches in a season. That is a great accomplishment, and it seems that their hard work paid off.

Megan Goll, senior captain of the team, also played so well that she advanced to the sectional semi-finals. The sectionals were comprised of sixty girls from area schools. They played three matches in one day and in order to advance

to the semi-finals, they had to win all three of their matches. Megan was successful in her first three contests of the day and qualified for the semi-finals. The sixty girls were narrowed down to eight by the end of the day. Megan was set to play Erin Bennett from Poland, who had defeated her earlier in the season. "I knew she'd been on fire all season long, but I wanted to give her a run for her money. But basically she is sweet," Megan declared. Unfortunately, Megan lost the match in a hard fought contest: 6-2, 6-2. However, she felt the team as a whole had a great season. "I'm very proud of my team. They worked hard all season, and now we hold the best record ever in SHS history. It's great," Megan proudly stated.

## Quaker football working hard

BY JARROD NIEDERHISER

The Quaker football team compiled a 1-2 record as they entered MAC play on September 12. Their first foe was conference newcomer Alliance. It was a close game throughout but the Quakers came up on the winning end 15-13 and opened MAC play with a much needed victory.

Next the team headed to Struthers to take on the Wildcats. The game was never close as the Quakers walloped the Wildcats by a score of 47-7.

After the three game road-trip, the Quakers returned for homecoming to take on the Howland Tigers. It was a well-played game but unfortunately the team came up on the losing end 46-20. It was their first MAC loss of the season.

Salem remained at home the following week and was set to do battle with the Poland Bulldogs, whom they had upset in a very exciting game the year prior. In another great game that came down to the wire, Poland won on a last-second field goal for a 31-28 victory and another disappointing loss for Salem.

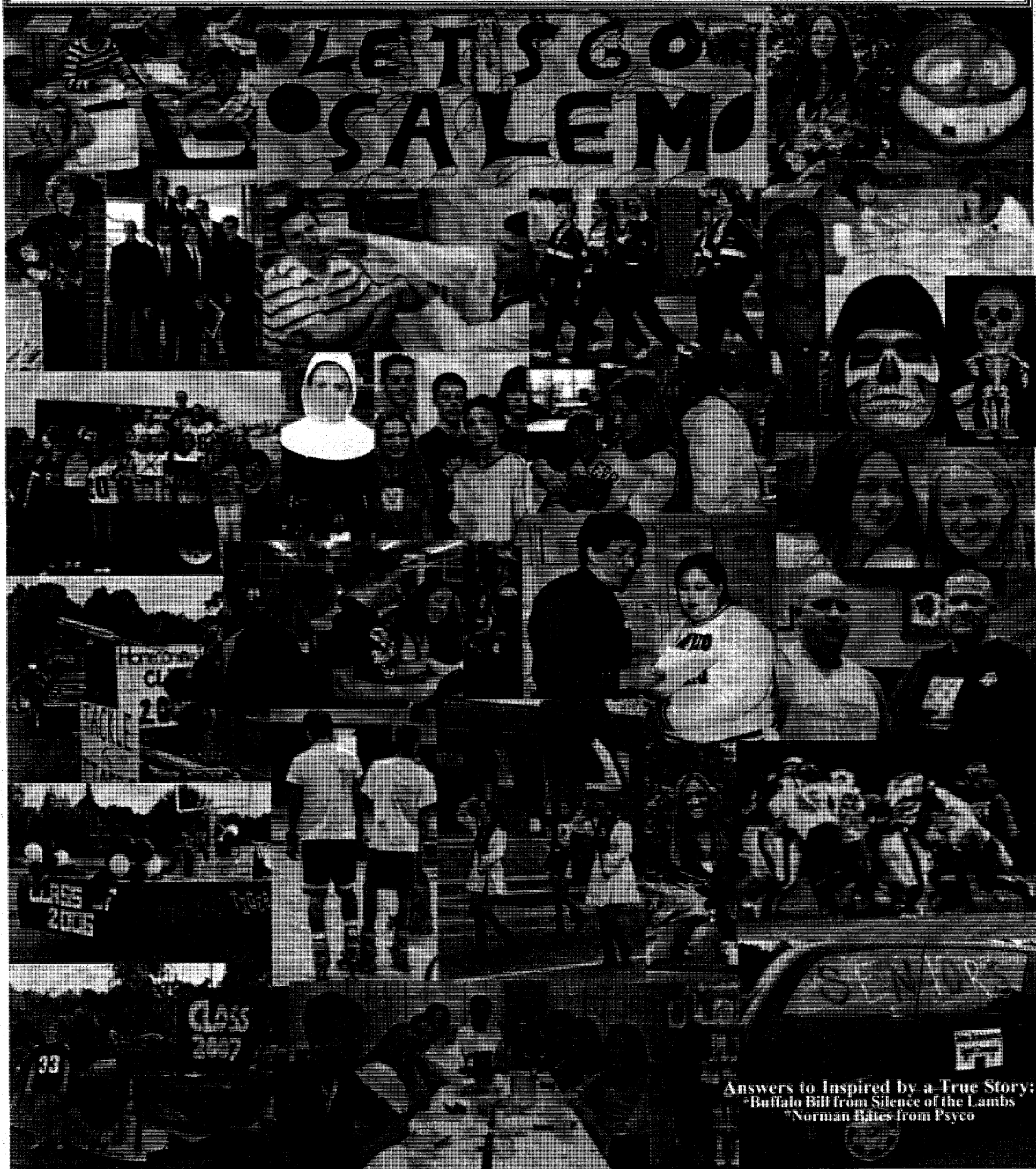
After consecutive home losses the team headed to Canfield to do battle with the Cardinals. The teams went back and forth all night and after regulation the game was

all tied up 34-34 and was headed for overtime. In the overtime period, the Quakers got the ball first, marched down the field, and scored to make the score 41-34. Canfield got a chance and wasted little time in punching it in the end zone. Instead of going for the conventional extra point they made a gutsy call and elected to go for a two-point conversion and it was successful, making the score 42-41 and handing the Quakers another heartbreaking loss.

With two games left the team came back home to take on their final MAC opponent the Niles Red Dragons. Niles marched down the field and scored on their first possession to make it 7-0 but they were unable to get anything going the rest of the game. Salem tied the game up on a Zac Grey punt return and the score remained tied until late in the game. With 1:07 left Brian Schwartz kicked a 46-yard field goal to win the game 10-7 for the Quakers.

In the final game of the 2003 season, the Quakers took on the East Liverpool Pottersat home. The Quakers throttled the Potters by the score of 42-14. With the win, the team finished the regular season with a record of 5-5 and 3-3 in the MAC.

# Quaker Clips



Answers to Inspired by a True Story:  
\*Buffalo Bill from Silence of the Lambs  
\*Norman Bates from Psycho