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Levy fails: stage set by

uncertainty

"Sadie Hawkins dance, in my khaki pants..."

2003 Sadie Hawkins dance

By Sean Morrissey Editor-in-Chief

ll the girls in the bathroom talkin', who they gonna take to the Sadie Hawkins?... The girls ask the guys, it's always a surprise ... " so the lyrics of Relient K's "Sadie Hawkins Dance" go. Tomorrow night Salem High School's own Sadie Hawkins dance, sponsored by The Quaker Annual, will be held in the cafeteria from 8 PM to 11 PM. For \$6 a single and \$10 a couple (at the door), you can enjoy the sights of outrageous matching outfits and the sounds of K-Star Entertainment's Kathy Leguard. In addition to the festive autumn decorations this year, caricatures of each court member provided by National Art Honor Society will grace the walls with information about each individual.

 Comprising the court this year are seniors Lucas Conrad, Zak Flinn, Jim Johnson, Sean Morrissey, Jarrod Niederhiser and Andy Place, The crowning of this year's king will be preceded by the traditional "court dance," when each member will dance to a song they have selected. Reflecting on his feelings of being on this year's court, Jarrod



Sadie Hawkins court members (1-r): Zak Flinn, Jarrod Niederhiser, Lucas Conrad, Jimmy Johnson, Andy Place and Sean Morrissey.

Niederhiser said, "It's something I've been dreaming about for four years, and now that my dream has become a reality - my life is complete."

Mr. D'Angelo, the new yearbook advisor, had this to say

when asked about his first Sadie Hawkins dance at Salem, "I'm looking forward to square dancing at Sadie Hawkins with my yearbook gals."

By Brandon Fitch Staff Writer

n Tuesday, November 4area voters went to the polls and overwhelmingly cast their ballot against the Salem School levy. Four thousand five hundred eighty- two citizens ful-filled their duty to representative democracy, and their voices were heard to the tune of an unusually high opposition of almost seventy-four percent. Several factors combined to sway the public to vote "No."

The levy itself was a bit large by past standards. In fact it was one and a half million dollars higher than the one passed in August of 2000. This November, however, the public was asked to give 7,85 mills to Salem Schools. This is not 7.85 million dollars. A mill is one tenth of a cent. In an interview with othan accommodating Superintendent of Schools, Dr. David Brobeck explained that the levy was intended to raise operating money. This money was to be used for everything needed to keep schools running on a daily basis. Everything from field trips, to maintenance, new materials, and bussing would have been covered. Contrary to other sources, teacher and staff salaries were also to be included in the failed levy.

A great deal of pre-voting chaos could have left voters unsettled this year as much was going on around us. Revenues have been dropping each year since 2000, and any end to this doesn't seem hear. Salem's new treasurer, Ms. Alice Gunning, projects an eight hundred thousand-dollar decrease in incoming moneys for 2004 and up to four million for 2005. Some other factors could have weighed on the minds of the public. The issue that made the most waves was the question-ing of money management practices of the former treasurer, Ted Cougras. Cougras resigned his post last December. He had one year left on his contract. Another factor that may have added to the levy's downfall was the presence of locally organized opposition. Also, the war in Iraq as well as economic times here at home are making Salemites and Americans everywhere tighten their belts for the winter. Local problems only added to voter concern. Teacher negotiations were going on in the days leading up to the election, and these may have created uncertainty in the minds of voters In reality it was just a matter of creating a new contract.

The recent talk of relocation of Eljer facilities to China didn't help matters. Machine shops used to be one of the main moneymakers that kept cash flowing locally in a largely industrial northeast. Corporations are now fleeing the states for sanctuary in more cost efficient locations. All of these factors came together to form an environment that was not suitable for collecting a vote in favor of this particular issue.

The reasons for the levy's failure can be analyzed to whatever depth one wishes, but now it's in the past. The fact remains true that it was cast down by the swift backhand of federalism. A message was sent by the people to be taken however one likes. Of the current and

By Amanda Jones Staff Writer

hen you hear the words you think of someone standing out teens in grades nine through twelve on the street shouting their opinion at whomever will listen? Or are you someone who visualizes the person running for senator giving his speech, desperately trying to get oth-ers to vote for him? Well, if you have ever been in one of Mr. Viencek's classes you would know that the words "Voice of Democracy" mean writing a speech that is approximately three to five minutes long. The topic for this year's speech was "My Com-mitment to America's Future." Students in Mr. Viencek's classes had about one week to write the speech. His students wrote the paper for a grade, but only a few actually turned

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McKinley takes top honors in contest them in for the competition. However, the competition is open to all students in the high school.

The Voice of Democracy competition was started in 1946 by ational Association of Broad-

lected first, second, and third place winners. The first place winner will now go on to compete with other schools.

This competition is very like any sport. Participants are then to State, and finally to Nation-

what do you think of? Do cast (NAB). It was created to let first placed then they go to Districts,



voice their opinions regarding their responsibilities to our nation. This year the competition was judged by Mr. Beatty, SHS principal. He read through all of the speeches and seals. At Nationals they are competing for a \$25,000 scholarship. The first place winner from our school will receive a one hundred dollar bond and a VFW incket

Salem's first place winner was Melissa McKinley who will now go on to compete with the other schools. Melissa commented, "I am really glad Sir pushed me to write the speech. learned a lot while writing my speech and am pleased with the outcome. I hope to be able to

compete at Districts and maybe even State." The second and third place winners were Ashley Pasco and Lucas Conrad.

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Sports

future situation of our schools Dr. Brobeck states, "... all that you can do is pick up and go from here."

Recently the Morning Journal held its annual "Say No to Drugs" coloring book contest. Ms. Yereb's visual art classes submitted entries. Junior Gabrielle Folger's entry was chosen as the winner, and her submission was placed on the front page. She was awarded fifty dollars for her award winning piece. Other students chosen to have their artwork in the coloring book are Josh Matthews, Steve Wilson, Kassie Farcas, and Scott Skiba. Congratulations visual arts students!





News

Facing harsh realities

By Katie Baranovich Opinoin co-editor

It is Thanksgiving morning. Each person wakes up, but something is wrong. The house doesn't smell any differently than normal. The turkey is not in the oven, the stuffing hasn't been made, and there is no pumpkin pie. Slightly confused, one might ask, "Mom, what's going on? Why didn't you start Thanksgiving dinner?" The reply which comes is simply that there wasn't money to buy everything to make the traditional Thanksgiving dinner. Most students would not face this problem, but for others it is a reality.

The SHS student body has always taken an active part in helping to combat this scenario. The German Club held a food drive that ended on November 21, 2003, to collect food for the Salvation Army. The CBE class will be holding a food drive to collect nonperishable items. Currently the details are still in the works. This drive will take place in December, and the donated food will be going to two local families. Any extra items collected will be donated to local food banks.

After getting out of bed on Christmas morning, a young child walks downstairs to look under the tree. The scene that greets the eyes is a shocking one. Once again things are not the way they had been in the past. There are no presents

under the tree, and there are no little surprisess filling the stockings hanging on the fireplace. This is also another harsh truth - that some children do not get presents from Santa Clause on Christmas. The Key Club helps to eradicate this problem every holiday season. Currently a toy drive is being held through December 5, 2003, to collect toys for children throughout the Salem community.

The Quaker staff will be holding a hat and glove drive beginning December 1, 2003, through December 19, 2003. This is a great way to make sure kids are staying warm this winter. The wooden "Giving Trees" created last year by Mr. Ken Peters and his students in the vocational department will be assembled in the front of the school so students can drop off contributions.

Waiting anxiously at the door to see if Santa will come this year, Howie is battling to stay awake. Suddenly there is a knock on the door. He springs to his feet to see if it is really happening. The door slowly opens and in walks a jolly man earrying a bag of toys for the entire family. Looking up at his mon he says, "See I told you he wouldn't forget me, mom!" This can be a reality if everyone works together for these great causes. Next time there is some type of drive going on, don't moan! Instead, think about all the people you are helping to make happy.

JJC visit is cultural eye-opener

By Jillian Barry Sports co-editor

On November 10 Coach Brock's sports science classes took a trip to the Mahoning County Juvenile Justice Center. During a class session, a debate was sparked regarding prisoners and whether or not they should be allowed to participate in physical activities while incarcerated. It is thought that the prisoners do not deserve a chance to engage in recreation due to the crime they have committed. "This trip will also serve as a nice trip for cultural diversity," stated Coach Brock prior t the visit. Sports science is a college prep class, and in order to prepare students for secondary school, they need to be exposed to a more socially diverse community. The JJC has original jurisdiction regarding any child who is believed to be unquent. The court located within the building is also in charge of dealing with matters involving the following: child-support, abortion cases, visitation rights, and adult behavior concerning the care and safety of the child.

ruly, neglected, abused or a delin-

The students attending the field trip met with the Honorary Judge Theresa Dellick and asked her questions about her job and what occurs on a daily basis. They found out about the intake process through incarceration in the juvenile system and the different educational programs available. Also discussed were the many nutritional and medical concerns throughout all prison systems. The numerous differences between the juvenile prison system and the adult prison system with a focus on allowing prisoners to do activity was also a topic for discussion.

Not so "in"cumbents

By Lauren Arnold **Quaker Candids Editor**

After the November 4 elections all three incumbents running for re-election on Salem's Board of Education were ousted by newcomers. "Lame duck" board members are current president Mr. Ken Kenst (who received 11.82% of all votes), Mr. Don Finch (12.76%), and Dr. Paul Shivers (14.29%).

Along with current board members Mrs. Kathy Gano and Mrs. Cindy Rottenborn the new board members will be starting their four year terms in January.

Gamering the largest num-ber of votes (19.32%) was past principal of Reilly Elementary School and life-long resident of Salem, Mrs. Marguerite Miller. In a quote that appeared in the Salem News Mrs. Miller said, "I'm... pleased and sure hope we're all going to be able to...make some sensible changes. Mrs. Miller's biggest issue during her campaign was her trepidation over negative effects on the schools branching from "elements of trust, ethical practices and respect.'

Another former educator who has found herself on the Salem School Board is Mrs. Elizabeth Thatcher who stressed a healthy working relationship between the BOE and the community and is concerned about the schools' financial situation. Mrs. Thatcher's largest focus during her run for election was getting the board "back on track." She also felt that the levy needed to pass; however, it failed to do so by an approximate 3:1 margin.

The last winner (and perhaps most controversial here at SHS) is Mr. Sean Hart, whose campaign tactics were not as conventional as others. His platform for election was intent to rid the system of a "top-heavy" administration and "take the schools back..." from the



Clubs and Classes

Michelle Sox and Alyson Cotter







Junior, Jeremiah Metzgar during the "Day of the Dead" celebration

organization at Salem High School Every few weeks members get together during lunch periods and participate in various activities to celebrate the season and just have a good time with each other. Members of Project Support recently met with their partners to paint pumpkins. Coach Hank Brock arranged for some sixty pumpkins to be delivered for the event. They were donated by Crystals Restaurant on Belmont Avenue, Youngstown.

Mrs. Devon Johnson's seventh period home economics I-A class recently completed a unit in which they studied vegetables and fruits. The culminating activity for the unit was for each group to make and decorate their own fruit pizzas. Students shown here display the final product.

Mr. Allen and Mrs. Baillie's gym classes recently turned the gym into a roller-skating rink. A company out of the Columbus area called Skatetime brought a skating program to the school. Company representatives gave basic skating instruction on the first day of the unit. The students skated to music and participated in various games on skates including basketball and floor hockey.

Members of Mrs. Neopolitan's Spanish classes recently celebrated the Day of the Dead. In the back of the classroom the Spanish students created a replica of a Mexican "Ofrenda" or shrine used to commemorate deceased loved ones. Students volunteered to bring pictures of themselves, a favorite food, and something special to them so that they could be "dead" for the day. Each class also enjoyed a variety of foods served

current school board. Although outspoken during his campaign, Mr. Hart was not available for a comment in any local news source after his win.

Despite your opinion of these three new BOE members there are sure to be changes in the Salem school system. One of which seems to be student involvement in local affairs as shown by heated debates between students in the hallways, lunchroom, and several classes prior to and after the election.





2003-2004 French club officers



exhibiting their work

The French club officers for this year are Savannah Young, secretary; Ali Cleland, co-secretary; Katie Baranovich, treasurer; Andrew Bender, co-treasurer; Amanda Klemann, president; and Kristen Rhodes, vice-president. French club meets the first Tuesday of every month. This year they will be selling carnations for Valentines Day. Miss Lockney is the advisor.

that day.

Visual art students prepared an exhibit of patriotic works of visual art during the first nine weeks. These were displayed at the Salem High School auditorium for the November Salem Community concert presentation of the River City Brass Band. Miss Yereb is the instructor.

Quaker Calendar November 22 Sadie Hawkins dance November26-28 Thanksgiving break December 1-19 Mass media class glove and hat drive begins December 2 or 9 Armed Services Vocational Battery Aptitude test Key Club toy drive ends December 5 Senior parents financial aid meeting December 11 Christmas break December 22

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Opinion

War of the Words

By Lauren Arnold Quaker Candids Editor

"What do you think about the outcome of this year's **Board of Education elec**tion?"



"I am pleased Mr. Hart got elected. He is a voice of reason in a chaotic community. He gives all of his heart (no pun intended) on the issues that face our schools.

-Kyle Harmicar, junior



'I think it's good to see someone [Mr. Hart] who is more like the common man, making decisions for the common man."







By Sean Morrissey Editor-in-Chief

From ghosts and goblins straight to Santa and his elves, one has to stop and think, "Where did Thanksgiving go?" Every year it eems that the Christmas season ets pushed forward a few more lays. A glimpse through the newspaper ads proves that it's all startng too soon - colorfully themed ads, wreaths for sale, fake mowmen ready to be purchased, and the list goes on. It seems that, retailers can't wait until the Friday after Thanksgiving to start some. sort of amazing sale.

The truth is that commercialism is overwhelming. To prove this, anti-consumerists all over the world have joined on the biggest shopping day of the year for "Buy Nothing Day," a grassroots cam-paign against Christmas commercialism. This twenty-four hour moratorium reminds people to spend time with loved ones or resting instead of herding to the stores immediately, hurting the economy or not.

What happens after "Thanksgiving Thursday" is a dizzying arrangement of events and craziness that doesn't end until the chilly days of mid-January. But this year it's time to restore Thanksgiving to its intended purpose: a time to stop and give thanks for the blessings granted to us with the company of our family and friends. Also it's a time to realize how fortunate we are and acknowledge those who aren't by reaching out to those in need. I know this all sounds sugar-coated and corny, but maybe that's because we've never actually embraced the true meaning of this holiday.

By Devon McIlvaine Feature Editor

This month: Where has Thanksgiving gone?

(Probably to the mall to find a good sale...)

Every year during Thanksgiving dinner my family goes around the table and each person says something he or she is thankful for. While I am grateful for my family, country, and all of those good things, I would have to say my favorite part of this splendid holiday would have to be the day after.

My mom, like most Americans, always has that Friday off and uses the opportunity to get some Christmas shopping done with my sisters and me. We all get up at the crack of dawn, go out to breakfast, and scour the mall for the best deals we can find. It is really a wonderful tradition, a cultural phenomenon of sorts. Soccer moms love to wrestle each other for the last Tickle Me Elmo (or is it Hokey Pokey Elmo these days) before waiting in a lengthy line to save up to seventy-five percent!

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Counterpoint

Stores thrive on these bargain hunters and offer amazing sales, and it is always a great boost for the economy. Last year Wal-Mart reported record sales, nearly 1.5 billion dollars, on what had been deemed Black Friday. Some may feel the need to stigmatize this trend with the term consumerism, but as a capitalist nation, we have an economy driven by consuming-it's the American way.

This season when you and your family are out shopping on Black Friday, don't forget these classic lines: "But we're not spending, Mom, we're sav-ing," and "Don't think of it as a gift for me, think of it as a gift for the economy.'

Think before you bite!

Point

By Sean Morrissey Editor-in-Chief

Mom has just served a stunning Thanksgiving turkey that everyone's about to dive into. Or maybe you've just ordered a deli-cious eighteen ounce Porterhouse steak while out to eat with someone. How many times have you asked yourself, "Where did this come yourself, "Where did this come from?" or "How was this animal treated?" For most of you, it has probably never crossed your mind.

I'm not writing this article to tell you what is right and what is wrong, but I am writing it to share my personal vegetarian and slightly vegan views on America's favorite food - meat.

Let me first clarify a few things. A vegetarian is a person who does not eat meat, fish, or poultry. A vegan is a vegetarian who abstains from *eating* and *using* all animal products. Dairy items, eggs, wool, and leather are a few things to add to the list besides meat.

bath of electrified water intended to paralyze the birds so that the mechanical knife won't be felt as it slits their throats. But most completely miss the dunk tank and hit the knife fully conscious. Many skip both the tank and the knife and are alive when entering the scalding tank (where they are softened before being feathered). Sometimes the birds are boiled to death or drowned. However, it's not just chicken. Most cattle are alive with their eyes still open and looking around be-cause the induced grand mal sei-zure (due to electric stunning) failed to paralyze the livestock. So, does that make you hungry for a thick. juicy hamburger?

I'm not the only person with these views at SHS. Miss Habeger, Mr. Viencek, and junior Brittany Woods share them as well. When asked to comment on the crutowards animals Miss H beger had this to say, "It's not so much the mere idea of eating an animal that I have a problem with; I have a problem with the way that eating animals is handled in our society institutionally. The animals themselves are regularly treated cruelly, the environment is negatively impacted, and humans end up ingesting substances concentrated in the animal flesh which are likely unhealthy. My message is clear: think about how the animal was treated before it was cooked and served on your plate, regardless of whether or not it tastes good. Although most people see them as food, animals don't deserve to be treated the way they are. So the next time you sit down to a meal, think before you bite.

Pretentious pop-ups

By Tom Leguard

Entertainment co-editor

How many times have you been cruising the web looking up fun recipes to cook with your mother and some kind of annoying pop-up appears trying to get you to buy a weight reduction pill? Well, I can tell you it has happened to this reporter more than once, and I'm fed up with it! I want to be able to surf the web in commercial free peace. I don't want to be interrupted by pop-ups telling me the best way to fly to Africa, how to play online casinos, or worst of all the sexual enhancement ones. This is true especially when your mother walks in and you have to explain why there is a girl in very seductive clothing on your screen. Jillian Barry and I decided to investigate just how many pop-ups

we got in one hour. Jill received forty-two, and I received forty-seven. Personally I think it's a little bit ridiculous and Jill says, "It is very irritating." 1 also interviewed two students who own a pop-up blocker. One of them is Devon McIlvaine who downloaded a pop-up blocker from toolbar@google.com and says, "It is absolutely fantastic." It has a stat bar and blocks two hundred pops per day. Devon only receives five popups per hour. I also interviewed an anonymous junior student who proclaims Stopzilla is the greatest thing to happen to computers since the birth of Bill Gates. Since June 5 it has blocked overthree thousand pop-ups.

In the whole I think all SHS s ents will ag

right people for the job. The board needed some fresh faces and contrasting opinions." -Allison Fedyna, junior



"I am disappointed with the results of the BOE election. I believe that out of the seven running, the three who got on were the worst possible.... I just worry about the impact this will have on my brother and underclassmen friends. -Ryan Hack, senior

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Now that's pretty simple, right? The number one reason people become vegetarians is based on the ethical treatment of animals. Every person who argues this topic brings up the fact that God put animals on the earth so we can eat them. That's true, but were they put here to be slaughtered inhumanely? Of course not, but most animals are. That's why there needs to be a higher awareness of the cruelty to animals. For instance, farms that raise chickens for Tyson distribution load the young chicks into crates and haul them to a warehouse where they are fed food laced with pesticides and antibiotics while laying in their own feces. Their beaks are trimmed with a red-hot blade so they won't peck at each other (sometimes some even refuse to eat due to the pain), and they are moved in crates again to the slaughterhouse. Removed and hung by their feet from shackles, the chicks are dunked in a

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unat pop-u nothing but annoy us, and people rarely click on them. I encourage all of you to check out the pop-up blockers that were recommended in this article or maybe find one of your own. Maybe someday Congress will outlaw them, and we will finally surf in peace.

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Feature

'ol It's time again for the old switcheroo

By Rachel Fink Feature co-editor

- How many guys like a girl who can take charge and do the asking for a change? How many girls favor asking the guy over having him ask you to that big event com-ing up? Well, drop whatever your feelings may be because it's that time of year again. It is the one time in the year when the girls and guys of SHS pull the old switcheroo, and the guys get to do the worrying for a change

Guys will sit back and try to look relaxed as they secretly worry about if that one special girl, or any girl for that matter, will ask them to the big dance. This is the time for the guys to see just what it's like being a girl in high school. Unless you're one of the ones who plans your dates a year ahead of time, then you all know what I am talking about. Guys, let me be the first to tell you that you are in for a scare! You sit at home waiting for

that one phone call that could change the rest of your life. All around you friends will be getting asked by the perfect girl, and you will be stuck fretting whether anyone will ask you or not. This is only a taste of what girls go through every time a school dance is announced. We have a second second

Girls, you are the ones doing the asking this time, so remember to be cool about it. Some times girls get a little carried away and make things harder than what they really need to be. Yes, it is nerve-wracking, the fear that that one special guy might reject you, but remember that guys like a girl with confidence. It's time we give the guys abreak and let them do the fretting, for a change, so Sadie Hawkins is a great way to introduce the independent and take-charge side of a girl. Back when our very own

Mrs. Dye was in high school, a girl asking a guy to anything was out of the question! She stated that girls asking guys to anything was, "A big no, no." I asked Mrs. Neapolitan if, when she was in high school, it was unheard of for a girl to ask a guy to a dance. This is what she had to say, "No, it wasn't uncommon, but if you were a girl, you always hoped that the guy would ask you!" So you can see as times change, people do too.

The creator of the Sadie Hawkins dance was Al Capp. On November 15, 1937, he decided to create a day for his daughter to finally get a date. Little did he know, Sadies has "helped to create a step forward in the Woman's Liberation Movement," so states the Brownielocks and the 3 Bears website. They have many cartoons and a fun-filled page about Sadie Hawkins. Just go 'to' http:// www.brownielocks.com/ sadiehawkins.html and see for yourself.

Girls, you had better hurry and find your date. Sadies is right around the corner! Guys, make sure you know who you are going with to the most casual dance of the year. Good luck and have a great time!

KFC vs POPEYES The grudge match for Salem's chicken business

By Carla Gbur **Opinion** editor

KFC has been the leading chicken shack in Salem for as long as anyone can remember. Once the new Popeyes opens they are going to be given a run for their money. Although each restaurant is on an opposite end of town, there is still going to be competition. Whether it will be friendly or not is unknown right now. What we do know is the opening is behind schedule, and in-

stead of opening November twenty fourth, they aren't opening until December twentieth, at the earliest.

Since the opening isn't happening as soon as originally planned, KFC has plenty of time to run more and more specials and hook more customers.

The owners of Popeyes have picked a prime location by

opening by Wal-Mart. This will give them the business from the hungry people finishing their Christmas

shopping, or it may just be a place where a group of people can go and hang out. Along with Popeyes opening there will be other little shops opening around it so that will also add to their income. Whatever the case may be, due to being employed at KFC I know for a fact that KFC will continue to get their "regulars" every day. A few people

have commented about eating at Popeyes and they have all said pretty much the same thing. They don't really care for Popeyes, and they prefer eating at KFC better. Rachel Fink had this to

say about it, "It's all NASTY and BLAH!" Although KFC isn't the normal, nor is it the most money efficient fast food restaurant, the food is just like home, lumpy gravy and all!

Cute as a button... is a button really cute?

By Katie Baranovich Staff Writer

Buttons. Yes, that's right; I said buttons. There are lots of kinds of buttons. There are the ones on your clothes and there are also pins that are referred to simply as

"Buttons." These are not the only buttons that exist if one stops to ponder the subject for a brief moment

There are a good amount of buttons that people use everv single day



Buttons have become a huge fashion fad. Many people spend a couple of dollars each week to get the newest button. There are ones to suit anyone's tastes. It is even possible for one to create his own button by using the computer.

When asked about collecting buttons, Ällison Boron said. "I love collecting pin-back butback tons; so many of them have different sayings that express

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If your usual path to classes has not yet taken you past the main entrance of SHS, be sure to make a point to go there. Mr. Hays has placed a variety of plants in the lobby. These were donated by Mr. Hays and other staff members who wished to enjoy their summer flowers a while longer. It has really brightened a somewhat barren area of the school. Thanks, Mr. Hays - it looks great!



There is this guy who I adore. He's everything I ever hoped for. Tom Brokaw's his name Reporting's his game. Just seeing him makes my heart soar.

There are buttons that one uses to turn on the computer to type a letter. There are butthat tons open the gadoor rage each morning.

Senior Thomas Leguard shows off a collection of novel buttons.

When one really begins to consider all the places buttons are used it becomes apparent that they make everyone's lives easier. When the alarm clock goes off in the morning, a button can be hit so one can sleep for an extra ten minutes. During work there are buttons located on the phones to help make a job easier. At the end of the day buttons are essential when getting ready for bed. Buttons are hit to make sure each person will get up on time, and they are used to make sure the computer is turned off. There are also various phrases that relate to buttons. For example the following are a few: "Button it up," "Cute as a button," and "A button," your buttons. Page 4 100

Mrs. Dye remembers buttons another way, 'My mom always had I loved playlars of buttons, and

ing with them. I used to line up the buttons and make roads out of There are many different them." games that can be formed playing with buttons. For instance "Button button who's got the button?" is one of these games ... Not to mention that each person has most likely played with his belly button at one point or another.

Each person reading this probably thinks that 1 am slightly nuts for writing an article based on buttons. Crazy or not one fact remains the same, buttons play vital roles in everyday life. Oh, by the way this article was written to push

Day and night Death comes into sight No matter what time No matter what place It stares someone Right in the face It says all must die But I reply l will not die now For I have duties to fulfill It will leave and I will say will live for you everyday I will have life abundantly More than you would expect of me Life and Death Will come and go choose to stay Will you choose to go?

Life and Death

By Amanda Jones

By dusk and dawn



'The Quaker



An alphabet poem by Carla Gbur

Adhesive Backings, Colorfully decorate everything. Faithfully give help in jobs, Keeps lessons miraculously neat, Obviously posted & quiet reminder. Sticks to U! 星星 化化化化 Very wild. Xceptionally yellow & zany!

I watch him on the news each night, If he's not on it's quite a fright. I'm glued to the screen, It's my day's routine. His nightly broadcasts are dynamite!

He's on weeknights at six-thirty. He tells of countries-poor and dirty. You know that he cares Bout foreign affairs. And he helps to calm your worry.

My sis prefers to see Dateline Because Stone Phillips is so fine He makes her heart pound Wheney' he's around. When she sees him she's on cloud nine.

To both of you men of NBC My sister and I make our plea. Devon and Kari We seek to marry You-the two hunks from our TV.

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Feature

Nine democratic hopefuls throw hats intothering

By Lauren Arnold Quaker Clips editor

The first installment in a series of three Many of SHS's own upperclassmen will possess the responsibility of voting in the next presidential election. But, some of you may be thinking something along these lines: Why should I care about the nine democrats hoping to be named their party's nominee? After all, when it comes time for the presidential election there will be only one contender for each party, and I may not even be a democrat.

Yes, all of these things are true, but consider some other points for a moment. The Republicans are already 99% sure that President Bush will be their man, unless there is some unforeseen hindrance. And rarely are smaller, independent parties major players in a presidential election so that leaves the democrats. As of now there is not one choice for the nod, but, in fact, there are nine strong possibilities, and as of March second you may be voting in the Ohio primary. So, whether you are eligible to vote next November or also in the primary, know that it is important to take the time to consider each of the candidates

Here is a brief summary of three of the nine contenders for the Democratic Party's nomination.

Rev. Al Sharpton

Al Sharpton is currently the president of the National Action Network. He has been known in the past for his image as an eccentric advocate for many racial issues and has made unsuccessful attempts at holding a pubic elected office in the past.

Economy:

Sharpton is adamant about creating jobs. He is proposing a five-year plan, which would add \$250 billion to the federal deficit, in order to generate new jobs. He also strongly disagrees with the current administration's "trickle down" plan.

Foreign affairs and terrorism:

Rev. Sharpton disagrees with the use of U.S. military to oust Saddam Hussein. He also has openly criticized President Bush's handling of the September 11 attacks saying that instead of coping with the U.S. government's own intelligence issues the President "attacked people's constitutional rights."

Senator Joe Lieberman

Lieberman is currently a senator from Connecticut and was former Vice President Al Gore's running mate in the 2000 presidential election.

Economy:

As a senator, Lieberman, like many democrats, voted against the 2001 tax cuts. In spite of his efforts, the package passed. In his run for office, he offers tax rebates for those who did not receive them in 2001 along with workers who do not earn enough to pay income taxes About thirty-four million workers would be affected by this initiative.

Foreign affairs and terrorism:

Teacher Feature with Mr. Sabo-"He blinded me with science!"

By Brandon Fitch Staff writer

Mr. Robert Sabo was born on June 8, 1940, in Salem, Ohio, This was before WWII when times were simpler. Life in general moved at a slower pace; few people drove. It seems that life in

to Sabo from a young age. The time

was right for young people inter-ested in this field. The Cold War was

lurking in the minds of scared Ameri-

cans everywhere, and technologi-

cal advancement was encouraged as

there was a space race goint on with America's communist rivals (The

Soviet Union). Many scientific

scholarships were available to as-

piring students, and Mr. Sabo took

advantage of these to further his

education. He attributes his fasci-

nation of this field to inspirational

science teachers in school, and he

always took well to the subject. He

says, "Science was easy like

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general is now in more of a hurry.

Mr Sabo went to high school at what now serves. as the middle. school. Hardly anyone had a car, but if you did there was no parking. Vewere hicles parked on Vine Street. In his free time he enjoyed hunting, fishing and tennis. Sciences came naturally



Going into college the young Sabo was thirsty for knowledge and planned on majoring in either chemistry or biology. He ended up doing both, finishing his scholastic career as a graduate of Mount Union, Kent State, and the University of Michigan. He now holds a Master's degree of Arts and

Biology and a Bachelor's of Science and Education. To complete graduate school Mr. Sabo had to deliver an oral presentation in front of five professors, followed by a question and answer segment. His was 250-300 pages and titled. The Mint Plants of Ohio." Think about that the next time you

start to complain about a one page summary you have to write on what you did this last summer.

The science man's interests now lie in different facets. He enjoys gardening, marksmanship, and traveling. Before he became a teacher he actually got to spend twelve years traveling the country as a technical service representative for a major corporation.

When asked if he had anything to say to the younger genera-tion, Mr. Sabo expressed a notion that today's youth do not always put their best effort forward and that as long as they [students] get it done they don't care. This is evident in pop culture as well as the dress and attitude of students today.

14 things to love about Thanksgiving

By Lauren Arnold Quaker Clips editor

- 1. The way cranberry sauce maintains the shape of
- the aluminum can,
- including rings.
- Waldorf salad 2
- Family 3.
- Elementary school 4 Thanksgiving celebrations with girls and boys wearing aprons and shoe buckle hats fashioned out of construction paper.
- 5. Cornbread and/or
- combread stuffing
- Macy's Thanksgiving
- **Day Parade** Tofurkey- a lump of
- poultry flavored tofu in the shape of a turkey Pumpkin pie filling in a 8.
- Impatient friends and 9. relatives who attempt to steal bites of turkey and
- stuffing before dinner. 10. Thanksgiving Day football games and John Madden's six legged
- turkey. Thanksgiving crafts like "hand turkeys"
- Wishbones
- 13. Cornucopias- not so much the actual horn of plenty, just the word!
- 14. Afternoon naps

After Kuwait's 1990 attack on Iraq Lieberman was one of only ten Senate democrats to vote for the Gulf War resolution. He has also backed the president on two fronts during his term. One was his "yea" vote giving President Bush the license to send troops to Iraq and the other was when he supported Bush's decision to deploy a limited missile defense system. As for terrorism, he feels the "best way to prevent terrorism is with better intelligence.

Howard Dean

Howard Dean is, by training, a physician, but has recently served as Governor of Vermont and prior to that Lieutenant Governor of the same state. He is now a professional candidate for the office of president.

Economy:

Gov. Dean was once quoted as calling the 2001 tax cuts "reckless" and believes they should be repealed. He also thinks that there should be a balanced budget and spending should be focused on health care and education.

Foreign affairs and terrorism:

Dean points out the Marshall Plan and calls

it "the greatest advance in American foreign policy in the last century." He believes that nation building is a positive thing. He was also opposed to the October 2002 congressional resolution that allowed military action to be taken in Iraq. On the terrorism front Governor Dean supports the war on terror and believes that the key to an anti-terror movement is amending the nations that support terrorists.

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By Katie Baranovich **Opinion** co-editor

candy."

November is typically a month when people remember why they are thankful. Therefore the quotes this month all deal with gratitude.

Gratitude is born in hearts that take time to count up past mercies.

Charles E.

Jefferson Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all others.

Cicero Gratitude is the most exquisite form of courtesy.

Jacques Maritain

It's a sign of mediocrity when you demonstrate gratitude with moderation.

> Roberto Benigni

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Entertainment

"I'm Charley's aunt from Brazil, where the nuts come from."

By Devon McIlvaine Feature Editor

in drag.



in many two lies the abow had. everything an audience could waite------As I sat down in "2000 ee," I was a little disappointed at eat. Just to set the story

straight, the zone system was de signed by Mr. Viencek to streamline the entrance of students into the auditorium and to cut behavior prob-iems by having each teacher respon-sible for his or her own class (even if it did result in some upset seniors being scated in the back row). After a tew problems with the sound sys-tem, the lights went-down and the bow went on:

De snow begin with t Oxford roommates, Jack Chesne, (Jeff Cower) and Charley Wykeh (Michael Korte) fewerishly convoct-ing a plan to reveal their love for the young lovelies Kitty Nerdun

(nuren Teal) and Amy Spettigue Melissa McKinley) - Cowen, who

less for the rest of the production While Charley's Aunt was Cowen's theatrical debut, he was not alone For Sean Morrissey and Thomas Leguard Charley's was a stage first. Morrissey brought the character of Sir Francis Chesney, Jack's father, to life. Leguard was inspired as the cross-dressing Lord Fancourt Babbery, the moment he walked on stage, whether it be in boopskirt or a short sequence namber, he stor Mr. Viencek deserves to be commended for his choice in case ing both these rookies and the ex-

In the for the spirits . I should be the was placed in a role which engaged his or her personality outstandingly. All of the characters also connected serv well with each other, even Mr. Turner couldn't create chemistry like that Britney Dermotta was fabu-ious in her role as Charley's aunt, the mischlewous Donna I ucia d'Alvadorez, who was constantly

acompanica by Ela Delandy ravishingly portrayed by Alexis McKee Rounding out the cast were Josh Kreugel as the Bendoh Stephen Spettigger, and Joseph Storres who day hollant as the

The Fab Five give TV a queer eye

By Allison Boron Entertainment Editor

Most high school students probably don't anticipate turning on Bravo and seeing something that interests them. However, the reality television series Queer Eye for the Straight Guy is giving Bravo that needed advantage of winning over a younger and hipper audience. At first it seemed like

Queer Eye was just Bravo's project to ride the waves of the reality surf. Actually, the series, which began its run in July, is about acceptance in the gay community more than just makeovers. By portraying the five gay men as responsible, intelligent and humorous, more people are willing to see them as just guys rather than gay guys., Jeff Gaspin, executive vice president of programming at NBC and Bravo, said that the show has "a very positive message, it's fun to watch, it's easy to watch, it's a very likable concept.'

Each episode begins with the introduction of the straight guy, then the Fab Five move in for the kill. Each member of the Fab team has a different task that they work to complete. The goal? To help the straight

des. The extent the park set and dance number provided tre mendous support for the cast. Th lap simber wiz certainly enter tim-who came to life, Jennifer Teal and Lucas Courad, stole the show While SHS's sound system is notoriously terrible Charley's sound quality, minus the occasional distracting buzz, w outstanding. The scenery was also lovely and brought Oxford. England right man the SHS axiatorium. Over all, the show was remarkable and diama department presents in the guy who is receiving a head-to-toe makeover to complete a significant event in his life, like asking his girlfriend to marry him or even throwing a party for his mom. Within the hour, the Fabs shop, dine, and refurbish his apartment until nothing is left of his former self. At the end of the show, they're able to sit back in



a plush hotel room and watch the big event take place, reveling in the glory of making over the world one 'straight guy' at a time.

So who are the Fab Five? First of all, Thom Filicia analyzes the apartment and evaluates what should be kept and what goes to Goodwill. He shops for new home furnishings, from couches to shower curtains, trying to match personalities with home décor. While Thom works his magic on the apartment, Carson Kressley whisks the 'straight guy' away for a full day of shopping on New York's Fifth Avenue. He combs through closets, throwing away the thousands of unsuitable shirts and pants, but keeping the one or two pieces of acceptable "couture." Next, Jai Rodriguez helps out with anything cultural. From CD shopping to Broadway tickets and dance steps, Jai adds more variety and spice to the life of the straight guy. This isn't surprising since he was once a performer in the Broadway produc-tion of *Rent*. Kyan Douglas prides himself on teaching

proper grooming techniques. He invades bathrooms, throw-

ing away any generic products and replacing them with designer hair gels and shaving lotion. Finally, Ted Allen helps to prepare gourmet meals while making them seem extremely easy.

The nation's obsession with Queer Eye has led to guest spots on shows such as Good Morning, Miami and The Tonight Show, on which they gave host Jay Leno a makeover. Recently, South Park kicked off its season with a parody of the Fab Five. Since NBC has decided to air Queer Eye for the Straight Guy regularly, an entire community of new viewers are able to tune in without cable access.

Look past the language

By Tom Leguard Entertainment co-editor

When people hear the words South Park they think of the four obnoxious fourth graders Stan Marsh. Kyle Broflovski, Kenny McCormick and Eric Cartman. Most people who hate the show have never seen it, or if they have watched it they didn't really listen. If they

of political issue or somebody they

don't like. Isn't that the same thing

that all of the people protesting tol-

erance are doing? These people are

so caught up in making signs and

complaining about how ignorant people are to other people's views

that they don't see that they are be-

ing just as ignorant to these people

because they curse a little. The first amendment guar-

antees the right to freedom of speech

and freedom of petition. According

to these people, it must not include

the right to use mature language. Of course these things are not appro-

priate for children, but that's why it is on cable late at night. If people would just watch their children and

raise them correctly, they wouldn't have to worry about the opinions

spoken over the TV. People who

complain about the TV teaching our

had listened and had the maturity to look past the vulgar language

kids bad morals shouldn't be allow-ing the TV to raise their kids and they should do it themselves. Trey Parker and Matt

Stone (the creators of the show) are two satirical geniuses of our time. They are no different than Lorne Michaels (*SNL*), Monty Python, or Alfred E. Newman (*MadTV*). Even Shakespeare used satire in some of his comedies. Trey and Matt may use excessive language but it's only to show there point. The show tack-

les all of the touchy issues and speaks the truth. They have tackled all the issues of today, from racism and paulous the right to protest. They even recently did a show on how the music industry complains about stealing music even though they are already filthy rich.

sive in his catalytic role. Although sometimes cynical servant Brasset his opening lines were delivered. Although not appearing in major

Come on down! You could be the next big winner...

By Allison Boron Entertainment Editor

On Monday, October 27 the entertainment industry lost one of its greatest sons. "Come on down" was the tag-line of Rod Roddy, long time announcer on the CBS game show The Price is Right. His death seemed to affect the whole TV viewing audience, as if it had lost one of its family members. That is because here in America, game shows are a part of life. Remember when the whole family would gather around to watch the first season of Who Wants to be a Millionaire? or the US version of The Weakest Link?

Game shows come in many different varieties. Some require contestants to work by themselves to answer questions or perform ex-Page 6

treme stunts. Others use panels. All of them have some faaaaabulous prize for the winner. Recently, a new genre was born from the game shows: reality TV series. In these the prizes range from \$50,000 (for confronting your worst nightmare on Fear Factor) to someone with whom the game participant may spend the rest of his or her life (The Bachelor, Joe Millionaire, and Average Joe). Why is America obsessed

with game shows? One reason could be that game shows offer the ordinary person a chance to win money and fame. Are these shows rigged? Some sources think that The Price is Right may be rigged in order to present people with enthusiasm and peppy energy because they often become distracted by the shouting of the audience, therefore losing the game. However, this idea is countered by the fact that often elderly people are picked to play. Back in the 1960's, a program called The \$64,000 Question was one of the most popular game shows of all time simply because it gave away the most money. However, it was exposed as rigged and was cancelled after a series of lawsuits and bad publicity.

spnage

With the advent of reality shows, what will be next in line for the game show industry? No one really knows. However, many people are unhappy with the evolution of game shows into reality shows. They prefer the traditional "spin the wheel; win a prize" style of the past. "Reality shows are unrealistic," says senior Tyler Williams, "I think the public would better appreciate intelligent, thoughtful programming like a debate.'

racial stereotypes and sexual overtones, they would have noticed that Trey Parker and Matt Stone have a good message throughout most of the shows. They are usually just voicing their opinions on some sort



This country is a melting pot and it is impossible for everyone to get along. Everyone has the right to express themselves. The only problem is some people today don't think you have the right to express that you don't like some-body. Just remember they are dif-ferent and that's okay, but it's also okay to make fun of them. As long as you are willing to take some jokes against yourself everything will be okay. Comedy is what makes the world worth living in, and if everyone would just relax a little and not try to take offense to every little thing they would find life a lot more fun. And the next time the ignorant fourth graders appear on the TV remember that they just express themselves differently than you do. Don't judge them or you are just as bad as the people you are protesting against.

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Sports

By Jillian Barry Sports co-editor

Yet another school year

brings with it an array of new coaches in the athletic depart-ment. Along with coaching, most of them will be teaching a subject at High Salem School h boys' basketball

program will be looking to im-prove with the hiring of Mr. Jeff Brink and Mr. Will Klucinec as the varsity and assistant coaches for the 2004 season. Coach Brink comes to Salem from Springfield High School where he was also an alumni. He has sixteen years of experience and an overall record of 94-19 at his previous school. His competitive nature along with his knowledge of the game and intensity should make for an exciting season. The new varsity

Mr. Brink-above

Mrs. Brooks- right

assistant, Coach Klucinec, played for our rivals (the Canfield Cardinals) and continued his sports and academic career at Youngstown State

University. He's been involved with basketball for eight years and hopes to bring passion and a good work ethic to the Quakers. Both Coach Brink and Coach Klucinec will be teaching different grade levels of government here at the

school. Salem's soft-ball team, which has been struggling as of late, will be taken over by Ms. Kellie Luther. A very accomplished player and coach, Ms. Luther played at Perry

High School and at Gannon University in Pennsylvania. She has been involved with softball for over fifteen years and hopes to bring knowledge, excitement, and dedication to

high

the Lady Quaker's this year. When asked about her first impressions of Salem she stated that she felt the people were friendly, supportive, and overall an eager community.

Many of our other coaches are already members of the Salem community. Our new varsity cheerleading advisor is Mrs. Lori Brooks who is a hall monitor here at the high school. She would like to generate more spirit throughout the high school and the commu-

nity and believes that in order to do so more practicing and additional enthusiasm is necessary.

Other coaches new to the system are Jill Harmon,

head girls' golf coach, and Barb Wollitz, assistant girls' golf coach. Mr. Tom Wright, who previously coached boys' soccer returned to the helm of that varsity sport.



Quakers run well at state meet

3y Jarrod Niederhiser Sports Editor

On November 1 the Salem High School boys' cross country irdre (Erin Murphy of the girls' team, took part in the state meet at Scioto Downs in Columbus. Two members of the girls' cross country team advanced to the state meet during the 2003-2004 season. Deirdre Clary earned All-Ohio honors with her 9th place finish. She finished with a time of 19:20. Erin Murphy also competed in the race and ran well on her way to a time of 20:25 and a 49th place finish. The boys' team ran well on their way to a third place finish overall. The team consisted of Patrick Gorby, Paul Shivers, Aiman Scullion, Mike Overholser, Matt Yanek, Joe Shivers, and Ryan Griffith. Gorby led the way with a 22nd place finish and an overall time of 16:51. Not far behind was Paul Shivers who ran to a 24th place finish and came across at 16:52. Both made the All-Ohio team with their places. Other finishers were Aiman Scullion (finished 35th overall), Mike Overholser (52nd), Matt Yanek (121st), Joe Shivers (135th), and Ryan Griffith (147th).

Unfortunately, the boys' cross country team and their trip to state has been shrouded in controversy. They were first told that they had qualified for the state meet. They were later informed that due to

of a chance we were supposed to be there as to not being able to. And as for people criticizing what we've done, we were there and ran - all they did was fuel us. If they take us from the results, let them, we knew

Teal nabs second team All-Ohio honors

By Jarrod Niederhiser Sports Editor

After each sports season ends, the state of Ohio selects members of high school teams from around the state to make up their first, second, third, and honorable mention All-Ohio teams. When asked how the

voting process works, Coach Conser stated, "Players are nominated by their coach and there is a form that is sent out to a board of forty-eight coaches throughout the state." He also said, "The coaches can only

vote for fifteen players so they look over the players stats and cast their ballot on who they think should be on the teams."

This year senior Lauren Teal was chosen for the All-Ohio second team for Division II for volleyball. Last year Lauren was selected All-Ohio honorable mention. Teal said, "When I found out I had made the team I was very excited and honored to have been named to be voted onto the team." She didn't feel as though it was on of her goals saying, "When the season started, most of my goals were team oriented in that I wanted to win games and move



season Lauren competed in twenty-seven total matches which accumu-

lated to fifty-six games. She amassed fifty-six blocks, including twenty-five in MAC play, and also recorded twenty-six assists. Teal also racked up sixteen aces and 228 kills over the course of the 2003 season.

Girls volleyball ends season on good note

By Jillian Barry Sports co-editor

Finishing in the Sweet Sixteen of the Division II volleyball tournament with a final record of 22-5, and a state rank of 14 can definitely be considered a successful

year. The Lady Quakers were unfortunately defeated in the regional semi-finals by the Bombers of Kenston. Kenston is now headed to Dayton, Ohio, for the State Tournament.

Next year's team looks to be just as successful as this year's with the leadershir



Many girls received honors in the District and the County selections. Lauren Teal was

awarded Second team All-Ohio and First team District 1 and All-Columbiana county honors. Sarah Hamilton and Jillian Barry received Second team District I and All-Columbiana



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an appeal, they were no longer making the trip. Salem school officials took the decision to court and the end result was that the boys' team did, in fact, run in Columbus. However, the matter is not yet resolved. Junior Matt Yanek had this to say, "I'm glad we've accomplished all that we have. In my opinion, though others beg to differ, we deserved to be there. We've trained twenty weeks for that and there is as good

we were there, and we got third in the entire state." At the time the Quaker went to press, there was no new word on the court decision.

The Quakers' futures looks bright due to the fact that of the runners who participated, none are seniors. All will be returning next fall and hoping for a return trip to Columbus.

Mr. Michael Almond is the cross crountry coach. He is assisted by Mr. Wilson and Mr. Hopple.



Hamilton, Meredith

Miles, Katie

Finnicum, Jess Potts, and Ashley Hannay, all of whom are returning letter winners. Graduating will be six seniors who brought a great deal of talent to the floor. Lauren Brobeck, Lauren Teal, Allie Rich, county honors. Allie Rich

received Honorable Mention District I and All-Columbiana county, and Jessica Griffith was acknowledged as honorable mention for All-Columbiana county.

First annual Salem Turkey Trot 5K race

By Carla Gbur **Opinion Editor**

The first annual Sam Turkey 5k run will be held on Thanksgiving Day morning which is Thursday, November 27. This race is sponsored by the Salem Athletic Boosters Club and will benefit all nineteen of the Salem High School sports. Runners will register at Waterworth Memorial Park beginning at 8 am with the race starting at nine. The course will run through the park and through the neighborhood streets. The entry fee is a five dollar donation, which will go to support all athletic teams. This will be a fun run with random prizes, such as pies and goodie bags. It is to be a day of Thanks and Giving! If there is anyone who is interested in running or assisting, go to Waterworth Memorial Park in the morning and give a helping hand.



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