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Salem's interim superintendent

By Ciara Cicogna

As most of you may know, we have a new Salem superintendent, actually I should say interim superintendent. When I asked Mr. Ramunno how he came to get this position, he simply said the Salem School Board called and asked him if he would be willing to fill in until they were able to find a permanent superintendent. He was happy to take the job.

Mr. Ramunno grew up in Pennsylvania, but then after meeting his wife from Wooster, Massachusetts, and marrying in 1971 he came here to raise his family. He has two sons, both of whom graduated from Salem High School. His sons are both married, and he has three grandchildren.

Mr. Ramunno attended several colleges including the following: Geneva, Westminster, and Akron University. He has been in the education field for thirty-eight going on thirty-nine years. He has had many other positions, taking the roll as a teacher, athletic director, and a principal.

Salem isn't the first school where he's been an interim superintendent; he's also helped out at East Liverpool and Marlinton. "Everyone is an interim, everyone is just passing through," Ramunno said. He explained to me that some people are just longer interims. He was also a superintendent at Leetonia and West Branch. He spent ten years at West Branch.

When I asked what his opinion of Salem City Schools was he said, "It's a great place. I've worked in the system here for nineteen years."

He had the following to say when asked if he had any advice to the students of Salem. "It's never as good as it appears, and it's never as bad as it seems. That's why you need to work as hard as you can every day. You're not just making things better for yourselves, you're making it better for everyone around you."



A new face at SHS

By Erin Griehs

As usual at the start of a new school year, we often find new teachers in the building. This year's new teacher happens to be physics and integrated science teacher Mr. Kibler in room 167.

Mr. Kibler hails from East Palestine, Ohio, and was a graduate of East Palestine High School. He completed his undergraduate studies at Muskingum College and later went on to do his graduate work at Youngstown State University. He has previously taught at Vermillion Local Schools, which is in a suburb of Cleveland and at Youngstown State University for two years, teaching undergraduate labs. In his spare time, Mr. Kibler enjoys hunting, fishing, and sports- especially football, basketball, and baseball.

When asked why he decided to become a teacher and who has influenced him, Mr. Kibler replied that his high school teachers influenced him a lot because "they never let me give up." During his years of graduate school he had the choice to go into research or on to medical school, but he decided to pursue a career in education.

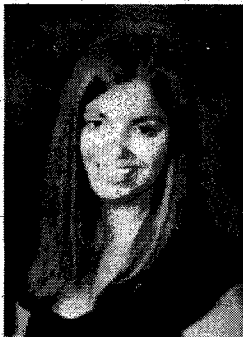
The students and faculty of Salem High School welcome Mr. Kibler to our school. We hope that he likes being here at Salem and that he's here for many years to come.



Salem Homecoming 2007



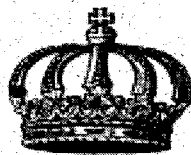
Sarah Jane Brobeck is the daughter of Dr. David and Mrs. Gretchen Brobeck. Her high school activities include Varsity Volleyball, Varsity Track and Field, National Honor Society, Interact, and Chemistry Club. Sarah plans to attend college to major in pre-dentistry and continue in track and field. Her escort was David Wright, son of Dr. Robert and Mrs. Jodie Wright.



Jenny Renee Cappuzzello is the daughter of Joe and Amy Cappuzzello. Her high school activities include National Honor Society, Varsity Cheerleading, Varsity Track, Student Council Secretary and Executive Board, and Spanish Club President. Jenny plans to attend Kent State University to major in English and Library Science. Her escort was Eli Nannah, son of Tom and Wendy Nannah.



Anne Louise Gano is the daughter of David and Kathryn Gano. Her high school activities include Varsity Soccer Captain, Spanish Club, Interact, and Student Council. After graduation Anne plans to attend college. Her escort was Michael McCulloch, son of Bob and Debbie McCulloch.



Sarah Rachel Conrad is the daughter of Dr. John and Mrs. Kristine Conrad. Her high school activities include Varsity Soccer Captain, Senior Class President, TACT, Interact, and Spanish Club. Sarah's future plans are to attend college and continue playing soccer. Her escort was Josh Pittman, son of Tracy Winn and Lewis Pittman.



Lindsay Kennedy is the daughter of Kirk and Maria Kennedy. Her high school activities include Varsity Cheerleading co-captain, Varsity Track, Project Support, TACT, and German Club. She plans to attend college and study pre-med. Her escort was Josh Post, son of Jean DeCarlo.

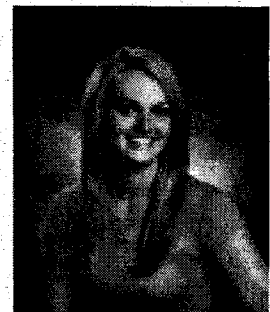


Suzy Lynn Merryman is the daughter of Solomon and Chieko Merryman. Her high school activities include Varsity Cheerleading, Varsity Track, Pep Club, Band Secretary, and TACT Secretary. She plans to attend Kent State University to major in nursing. Her escort was Luke Kastenhuber, son of Steve and Kim Kastenhuber.

Conrad reigns in 2007

By Kasey Wolfgang

On October 6 from 8-11 PM Salem High School hosted its annual fall homecoming dance in the high school cafeteria. The theme was a different one this year as the student council decided to go with "Asian Gardens." On the Thursday before homecoming the bonfire and judging of the floats went down. The senior class was victorious with their theme "Senior Safari" and won \$100. The juniors were second followed by the sophomores. This year's football game was against the Howland Tigers. Sarah Conrad was crowned homecoming queen this year. The court consisted of Annie Gano, Suzy Merryman, Sarah Brobeck, Lindsay Kennedy, Jenny Cappuzzello, and Katie Scullion.



Katie Scullion is the daughter of Drs. Tom and Lynn Scullion. Her high school activities include Varsity Volleyball, Varsity Basketball, National Honor Society, Spanish Club, and TACT. Katie's future plans are to attend college to major in pharmacy. Her escort was Chip Hank, son of Wally and Melissa Hank.

Opinion

War of the Words

By Erik Cibula

Question: **What was your favorite halloween costume when you were a kid?**



Shanleigh Hart Senior

"One year I was Miss America. It was fun to dress up and practicing the "wave."



Kevin Howells Junior

"When I was three, I colored myself blue with a permanent marker and said I was the Cookie Monster."



**Danielle Kruegel
Bethany Huston
Sophomores**

"Bethany, Lydia, and I were Charlie's Angels one year. It was the greatest!"



**Jake Secrest
Freshman**

"I was the headless man"



Retro review: Goldeneye

By EJ Kataro

007 Goldeneye is a well known first person shooter that was released for the Nintendo 64 in 1997. It is based upon the James Bond movie *Goldeneye* (1997), the first Bond movie to star Pierce Brosnan, in which a terrible villainess heading the Russian Mafia steals the controls to a high-tech satellite weapons system known as Goldeneye. The game has received positive reviews from almost every part of the gaming world. The game has sold over eight million copies and is massively known as a classic in gaming worldwide. The game is well known for its importance in the development of first-person shooter games, its multiplayer death match mode, as well as its incorporation of stealth and varied objects into single player missions.

The game has twenty reasonably challenging missions and brings almost all of the memorable characters from the movie. There are four difficulty levels coincidentally named Agent (Easy), Secret-Agent (Medium), 00-Agent (Hard), and 007 (Very hard). Once a mission is completed, players can choose to go to the next level or return to the level to complete with certain attributes (i.e. a specific time) to unlock cheats such as Tiny Bond mode or Paintball mode. All kinds of weapons can be unlocked within the game including fictitious guns from previous Bond movies such as the "golden gun" and the Moonraker lasers. Stealth is an element in this game in order to avoid gunfights with multiple opponents. It is advantageous to eliminate soldiers and security cameras before they spot or hear the player. Certain weapons may be powerful enough to shoot through doors and helmets but are very loud, while others incorporate suppressor or zoom lens attachments to aid the player in killing enemies discreetly. Some gadgets from the James Bond film series are featured in the game and are often used to complete particular mission objectives. For example, 007's in-game watch includes both the laser from the *GoldenEye* (1995) film, the remote mine detonator from *GoldenEye* (1995) and *Moonraker*, and the electromagnet from *Live and Let Die*.

The famous death match multiplayer mode was added as an after thought according to the game designers. This feature is one of the most well-known multiplayer features in all of gaming. The multiplayer modes include You Only Live Twice, The Living Daylights, The Man With The Golden Gun and, of course, the normal all out death match.

Goldeneye is a classic among games and deserves the recognition of being a game amongst the greatness of the legendary Pac-Man for Atari and Super Mario Brothers for the NES. Players can go to eBay and grab an N64, if they don't have one, and get Goldeneye. You won't regret it.



Making High School Count

By Shane Endicott

Freshman at Salem High School got a great taste of strategies. Students were pointed in the right direction as the nationwide "Making High School Count" program came to Salem High School on October 4, 2007.

The program points students in the way to go. It also gives students a heads up on what to expect and the importance of making high school count.

This one hour long assembly-style presentation has parents excited that their son or daughter is getting pointed down the right road. Some tips this program covered were: the importance of grades and ways to improve them, what colleges to attend, military options, what employers look for, common freshmen mistakes and how to correct them, ways to create personal plans for success, and the importance of extracurricular activities.

The guidance counselors at Salem High School rated the national known program a 9.6 on a 10 point scale. The program is well known all over the world. The program "Making High School Count" delivered the message to more than 2.1 million high school students in 2005.

For more information about the program and the results of "Making High School Count", you can visit their website at www.makingitcount.com.

Students' favorite videos

By David Price

What is your favorite video game and why?

Jay Bates (junior): Spongebob the movie game & Halo 3 - "The Chicks dig them."

Scot Gardner (senior): Madden 08- "Because it's the best game ever!"

Tim Slayson (freshman): Gran Turismo 3- "Game play"

Lydia Larson (junior): Guitar Hero 2- "Because it's a challenge."

Jasmine Steffey (sophomore): "Guitar Hero 2- "Because the songs get stuck in my head."

Dan Black (senior): Call of Duty 3- "Greatest game ever."

David Price (senior): Super Smash Brothers- "Whooping on Ej with Kirby's dropkick!"

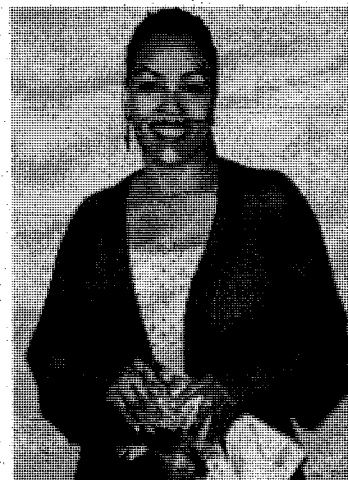
Mrs. Dye (teacher): SpongeBob Maze- "Because I made it to the 50th and final level!"

Ej Kataro (senior): Super Smash Brother- "Link Pwn's Kirby!"

Sarah Conrad (senior): 007 for N64 & Sonic the Hedgehog for Sega- "Because it's sweet and easy."



On Hallowe'en the thing you must do
Is pretend that nothing can frighten you
An' if somethin' scares you and you want to run
Jus' let on like it's Hallowe'en fun.
--- from an Early Nineteenth Century Halloween Postcard



Valerie Hawes came to Salem High School on October 4 to motivate the freshmen class to do well in high school.

Files on the go

By Rosalyn Washam

Have you ever had a long assignment or a project that needed work at home? About 75% of the students I interviewed said they had to use flash drives to finish school work at home. This year students have been instructed not to use flash drives, even for homework. Apparently last year students were using the drives to bypass filters, play games, and download programs which are all actions that are prohibited when using school computers.

Flash drives are a quick and easy way to save material using flash memory instead of the rotating disks used in old devices. To use a flash drive, you simply plug the device into the USB port and save files to the drive. They are used more often than floppy disks and are rewriteable CD's because of low failure rate. Flash drives also have the capacity to store more information than floppy disks or CD's making them more popular. Flash drives come in all different colors, sizes, and shapes. Most of these devices can fit in your pocket or attach to your key ring. Flash drives are also available in different amounts of memory. Storage ranges from as little as 128MB to a whopping 16GB.

It's a shame that it only takes one person to ruin it for the whole group. Students are being punished as a result of previous students' actions. While some students may use the device for illegal purposes, others simply need to use them to transfer work. Senior Derek Hale commented, "It's ridiculous, but it won't last long. There is no other way to bring information to and from school. CD's will get scratched and new computers don't have floppy drives." The only solution to this problem is for the students who used the drives for illegal purposes in the past to stop their actions because they are ruining it for everyone else.



A flash drive in a student's computer in the computer lab. Flash drives are becoming very popular among students. Some students argue that we need them because if you have a newer computer, you can not use a floppy disk with it.

OCTOBER BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Eyes Set To Kill

By Bridget Szabat



Eyes Set To Kill started out as merely a three member band in 2004. This unique sounding band came straight out of Phoenix, Arizona. They have a really interesting sound that is a mixed blend of soft melodies, while their singing is to a hard screaming back up combined with hard instrumental sounds.

Surprisingly, Eyes Set To Kill started out as an entire female group, which many people would be surprised to discover. The girls had a hard time starting out and getting known because of their sex. Many times they ran into problems with being turned down by sexist musicians. In 2005 they had moments of switching male members and playing in small shows with now typically famous bands such as Chiodos, Bless The Fall, My American Heart, and Goodbye Tomorrow.

Finally, in 2006, they recruited three male members to join them permanently. This helped them to develop a better sound to their music. Now Eyes Set To Kill is breaking their way through the music industry, and they are slowly making their way to the top.

If you are looking for a different sound, Eyes Set To Kill is a band which you definitely want to hear perform. You will be shocked at the great sounds they combine together going from soft to hard all in one.

Superbad

By Chad Dotson

(A-)

Superbad is a movie which is hilarious and entertaining. It is one of those movies that you want to go see over and over again. *Superbad* is more of a teenager movie. It is directed by Greg Mottola and is rated R.

The movie is about some geeks operating under the assumption that by buying alcohol for an upcoming party they will finally be able to break their longstanding losing streak with the fairer sex. Socially inept high school seniors, Evan (Michael Cera) and Seth (Jonah Hill) set out to secure the alcohol that could get them off of the geek list before they even attend college. Evan is a bright young student whose outward sweetness belies his fear of heading off to college without his lifelong best friend Seth - a hormone-driven mischief-maker who wasn't accepted to the same school as Evan. But Evan and Seth both know that college is a place where people change and that if they are able to make that first step together they will have made a bond powerful enough to last a lifetime. Meanwhile, Evan and Seth's friend Fogell (Christopher Mintz-Plasse) makes fake I.D.'s and run into a pair of truly irresponsible cops who totally be-

lieve the I.D. is real. Fogell then takes the name of "McLovin" a twenty-five year old "gangsta" hoping to get his game on at a crazy party.

I really encourage anyone and everyone that loves a good laugh to go watch this hilarious movie. This is a movie that people will be talking about for a long while.



Michael Cera and Jonah Hill at the Hollywood premier of *Superbad*.

And The Weak Lie Frail

By Jessica Watson

Many local bands go unrecognized, but this particular local group of talented musicians should not. And The Weak Lie Frail is a local metal band. The members of the group are from Salem, and they are one of the most famous Salem bands around. In just the short time that they have been playing and performing together, they have made it very far.

Lead vocals in this group are performed with the distinctive voice of Kenny Shower. Bass guitar and vocals are performed by Mark Moats. Guitar and vocals are performed by Dustin Pierson. Soon the group will also have another guitar player named Alex. Finally, the drums are pounded on by Jason Priddy.

And The Weak Lie Frail has only been together as a group for a fairly short time. In February 2006 they started playing in a rundown garage on Third Street. They used extension cords for power for their equipment. After playing in that location for a little while, they got kicked out of there by the police and then went to practice on Seventh Street. Shortly after that, they got kicked out of their second location as well for partying with a newly signed band called "The End." The group has struggled for places to practice since the time they have been together, and yet they still have an amazing sound.

And The Weak Lie Frail has played small shows around Salem. They participated in the Battle of the Bands which they won on March 31, 2007. They have also played huge shows with very famous bands such as Forever in Terror, As Blood Runs Black, Decapitated, and The End. Some additional bands with which they have played would include the following: Ion Dissonance, Psyopus, Lies Within, Cattle Decapitation, Arsis, Necrophagist, Cephalic Carnage, and Beneath the Massacre.

And The Weak Lie Frail have a few shows coming up in the very near future. They just played at Peabody's in Cleveland, Ohio, on October 11, 2007. They are playing at Abelweenfest on October 27, 2007, at the Union Hall in Salem. If you can't go and see them live, then check them out on www.myspace.com/andtheweakliefrail.

Resident Evil: Extinction

By Andrew Jones (C +)

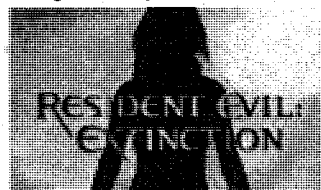
The apocalypse has been done to death, and the zombie apocalypse has been done to the undead. Can we please just give it a rest now, at least until someone has something new to add to the genre?

There isn't anything new here. There are bands of survivors decked out in the stylish Mad Max collection for Spring, Zombie Year 5. There is the one poor sap with his secret zombie bite that will flare up into full zombieism just when it's most convenient to the plot. And there are guys saying things like "lock and load" when on approach to presumed zombie nests. There's a whole ton of blood and gore and undead flesh eaters, all of which are sucking down on the meaty limbs of what regular folk are left scrounging for in order to survive. But there isn't anything more. This is a video-game movie that can't even approach the video-game thrill of killing monsters for fun.

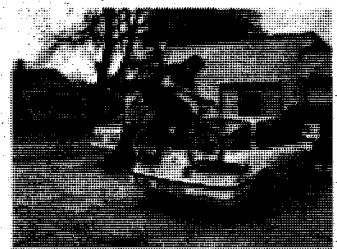
Ninety-five minutes of time-wasting, zombie-slaughtering blandness, and what do we have to show for it? Milla Jovovich's, Ripley and her meticulously plucked eyebrows and her lovely, supernaturally white teeth. I suppose it's nice to see that people aren't letting themselves go after the zombie apocalypse, but it does seem unlikely that half a decade after the Um-

rella Corporation unleashed the zombie-fying virus that turned most of the population into mindless critters craving human flesh and however even more likely this seems turned the planet into a desert by killing off most plant and animal life, the asphalt roads are still well maintained and sport freshly painted lines down their middles. But that's giving too much thought to a movie that doesn't deserve it.

Look - the gas is running out, the canned food is running out, and director Russell Mulcahy (*On the Beach*, *Highlander*) a hacktacular music-video vet, and writer Paul W.S. Anderson (*Alien vs. Predator*, *Soldier*), a hacktacular filmmaker in his own right, seem to believe that the zombie apocalypse means we'll be in for regular Hitchcock attacks by zombie birds. Maybe it's time to give it all up already. Preferably before we have to suffer *Resident Evil 4*, the stage for which this dull flick is doing nothing but setting the stage.



A summon to shredders



In today's world, extreme sports are more popular than they have ever been. On nearly every street corner you see a kid pushing a skateboard or someone trying to be a bike rider. It is much more common than it has ever been. The only problem with this is that it becomes cluttered, condensed. One's talents become limited to their surroundings.

However, this is soon to change because an extreme sports utopia is breaking ground in the nearby city of Alliance, Ohio. Compared to most skate parks that have inhabited the area, the skate park in Alliance is "huge" says senior Theo Keniston, an avid BMX rider, who has investigated the park first hand. Theo went on to say "It's gonna be pretty awesome...there're at least five big eight foot's (quarter pipes) with sick tranny (the transition from ground to vertical) and a good number of mellow box jumps...overall it's gonna be a pretty intense park with limitless lines." In other words, any local skateboarders or bike riders out there better get on the move. We better be seeing you later this month when the skate park in nearby Alliance opens.

The Odd Couple coming to S.H.S. stage

The drama department has been working hard in rehearsals after school for its upcoming performance of Neil Simon's Broadway comedy *The Odd Couple*. Salem High School's presentation of this play will, however, be the female version of Simon's masterpiece.

Tryouts took place earlier this month. Members of the cast and crew are presently posted at the office and on Mr. Viencsek's door. Stop by and check out the list if you are interested in seeing who will be appearing on stage.

There will be two evening performances but not the typical Friday and Saturday night curtain calls. Due to a conflict with football season, the first performance will be on a Thursday night. So... mark your calendars and plan on an evening of fun-filled entertainment. The play is directed by Mr. Robert Viencsek.

The Odd Couple (female version) S.H.S. Auditorium, Salem, Ohio Thursday October 25 & Saturday October 27, 2007 Curtain: 8 o'clock

Feature

The new concession stand

By Tim Howard

I don't know if you've seen it yet, but the newly painted concession stand down by the gym is a major improvement visually from last year. It's been newly painted with Salem Quakers written on the tables and Love Those Quakers written above on the wall. I talked with Mr. Steffey, Salem High School's Athletic Director, and he gave me the rundown on how the stand was put together.

The concept and idea of the stand was originally started by the girls' and boys' basketball teams. Before it was over, over thirty individuals and companies had donated about twenty-one thousand dollars, and all of the work was either done or paid for by donation including the new sink that was put in for free. This new stand doesn't go without a bit of history either. Coach Cabas was always in mind for this project and the project was discussed with him. There will be a plaque hung beside the new facility listing all the people who donated their time and/or money.

The new concession stand is constructed with ceramic tile and has been freshly painted. If you worked in the concession stand last year, I think you will agree with me that it is a major change from the pig-sty from last year. I couldn't believe how much everything had changed when I walked in. The thing I was most surprised about though was the food purchasing plan. All food sold at the stand will be provided for clubs that work there. So clubs can bring something if they want, but all food will be on the same menu for all clubs. This means that there will be no food shortages by the first quarter of boys' basketball games for unprepared and unsuspecting clubs.

I think the new stand will be helpful in selling food at games and will represent our school well when the opposing team comes and sees it. It is a product of a community effort and will be a great instrument for SHS for years to come.



The new concession stand displays what hard work, dedication, and donations can do for the good of S.H.S.

Gearing up for Mole Day

By Rosalyn Washam

"I pledge allegiance to the mole, and the science from which it comes, on SI unit, extremely divisible, with micromoles and millimoles for all." C.H.E.M. Club is a new addition to the Salem High School's science department. Never having a chemistry club before, this is a first for our high school.

C.H.E.M. is an acronym for Chemists Have Explosive Minds. The club is designed for AP chemists who enjoy the field of science. Mrs. Conti advises while Sarah Brobeck is president, Luke Kastenhuber is vice president, Dan Kish is secretary, Derek Hale is treasurer and, last but not least, Erika Smith handles public relations.

The first project of the year for C.H.E.M. club students is Mole Day. For all nonchemists, a mole is a basic unit of measurement representing 6.02×10^{23} atoms. One mole is a mass whose number is equal to the atomic mass of the given molecule. Mole Day begins at 6:02 am on the 23rd of October, and this year's theme is "Moles are Forever." On Mole Day, AP chemists will entertain students in general chemistry with charades and "mole" music. The C.H.E.M. club members will also teach a chemistry lesson on moles and other concepts to Mrs. Cochran's seventh grade science students.

New coaches make fall appearance

By Jordyn Hissom

This school year there is a total of eleven new coaches. Five of those coaches alone are part of the varsity football staff. Golf has a new coach also and that is history teacher, Mr. Klucinec. Ms. Batton took on J.V. volleyball, Denise Wood has the freshmen volleyball, and Ruth Madison coaches seventh grade volleyball. Sarah Fennema is coaching J.V. soccer, and Mr. Hopple is running the cross country team.

Ms. Batton graduated from Youngstown State University with her bachelors degree. She teaches special education here at Salem High School and has been here for two years. Ms. Batton played volleyball for nine years and really loves the sport. This is her first year coaching volleyball, but last year she coached freshmen girls' basketball. She is really excited to get to work with the program and with Coach Don Conser. Last school year she wanted to coach the freshmen volleyball team but was unable to due to her classes at YSU. She made her decision to coach at the end of last May. Her favorite part of being a coach is working with the players and watching them improve as the season goes on. "It's the next best thing," she says.

Mr. Rich Washinko is the junior high guidance counselor and is just one of the many new football coaches this year. In the past he has coached basketball and football. He began his coaching career in 1975 because his dream was to be a professional athlete. He soon realized that was out of the question and "became the next best thing- a coach." Athletics has always been a part of his life since playing for the "Holy Family Blackknights" in sixth grade. His goals to accomplish this year are to do his best and help a great group of kids be as good as they can be on and off the field.

Another new football coach is Mr. Nick Rubenstahl. He started coaching at Jackson-Milton

five years ago. Rubenstahl coached there for two seasons before going to Cheney High School for two more years. He played football during his high school years until an injury his senior year. Rubenstahl decided to coach in order to work with today's youth and pass on what he has learned. He was encouraged to take on the task by his coaches and his family. Rubenstahl said that there wasn't any pressure his first couple of years, but once he became an established coach there was a little more pressure added. This year he hopes to help the players of the S.H.S. football team become better athletes, students, and better people.

Nathan Boyd attended East Liverpool High School and earned his Bachelors of Arts and Sciences Degree and Elementary Education Certification from the University of Akron. Coach Boyd is married to his wife Kerry and has three kids ranging in ages from twelve, to ten and eight years. He has coached both boys' and girls' basketball and track at the junior high level for six years. Boyd took on football at the high school level this year because he wanted a new challenge and the excitement of a Friday night football game. He became a coach because he wanted to help kids outside of the classroom. His goals this year are to learn strategies from head coach Mr. Bill Miller and all the other coaches.

Landon Heath is a former student and football player of Salem High School and is now an assistant football coach. Landon attended Seton Hill University and Kent State University. He is currently in the process of getting his middle childhood education degree. Heath first became a football coach at the seventh grade level to get started. In the past he has also coached freshmen basketball and junior varsity baseball. Landon hopes to coach with the best of his abilities.

The last of the new football coaches is Mr. Dale Mitchell. Mitchell first began coaching in 1998. He has coached wrestling and football both for nine years. Mitchell was encouraged by the opportunity to lead as defensive coordinator. His goals are to improve the defense and inspire them to accomplish their goals.

Mr. Klucinec has been coaching since he was in college at Youngstown State University, where he earned a degree in psychology and education. Klucinec has coached basketball here at Salem High School and is now the new golf coach. His favorite part is the mental aspect saying it's "very difficult to be a good player if you dwell on the negative or the bad shots." The varsity golf team is currently 3-13.

The soccer team has also brought on a new coach. Sarah Fennema is the new assistant girls' coach. This is her first year of coaching in Salem. She previously coached at West Branch for two years. Sarah has always enjoyed the sport and wants to pass on her knowledge and love for the game. She has coached her daughter's soccer, basketball, and t-ball team for the last year and a half. She attended Salem High School and earned her degree in science in early childhood education from YSU.

There are two new volleyball coaches this year also but at the time the pages went to print, their information sheets had not yet been returned. These coaches are Denise Wood and Ruth Madison. Ms. Wood coaches the freshman team and Madison coaches the seventh grade team.

Unfortunately, the information regarding Mr. Hopple was not received. Most students remember him as a part of the S.H.S science department. He transferred to Southeast Elementary School this year and currently teaches special education. Mr. Hopple coaches the high school cross country team.

T.A.C.T or treat

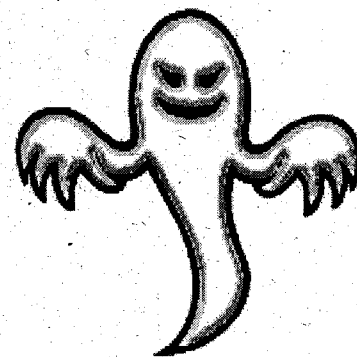
By Kathy Ellis

T.A.C.T. (teens against chemical taking) is throwing a Halloween party on Tuesday, October 30 from five to seven p.m. in the high school cafeteria. The party will be for students kindergarten through sixth grade. Although T.A.C.T. club is the one putting everything together for the Halloween party, all other clubs will also be helping. Each club will have a different activity to make sure the kids are entertained and having a good time.

At this Halloween party there will be different games, candy, and music as well. It is a chance for the younger students to dress up in their Halloween costumes and have an enjoyable time with T.A.C.T. members and the other high school

clubs' members as well. T.A.C.T. president Shanleigh Hart stated, "This will be a good opportunity for the kids to dress up in their Halloween costumes, get a lot of candy, and have a good Halloween aside from trick or treating." Mrs. Heineman is the T.A.C.T. advisor.

This is an excellent way for all the clubs of Salem High School to be involved with other schools in the district and do something nice for the younger students in Salem. It is sure to be an exciting time for the kids as well as the clubs that will be hosting the Halloween party.



Student of the Month

By Luke Shivers

Student of the Month is the most prestigious award Salem High School has to offer. I, Luke Shivers, am president of the Student of the Month nomination committee. I was very reluctant to accept this position because of the overwhelming responsibility the title holds. Sarah Conrad, the vice president, and I will spend many painstaking hours every month and determine the Student of the Month. Our strict policy is to not accept bribes or compensation when choosing Student of the Month, but I must admit that I have a soft spot for homemade lasagna.

Ian Penix says, "I'm a pretty normal kid," but receiving Student of the Month is anything but normal. Ian is entering his senior year at Salem High School and feels good about it. He says, "Clothes-lining freshmen is the pinnacle of being a senior."

Ian, too, was once a freshman and has had his fair share of embarrassment. "I dropped my chair four times during lunch my freshmen year. The sheer humiliation that ensued and the students' serenades and visits from the administrators made memories Ian would like to forget. His most disconcerting moment also came in the cafeteria. "I got my finger stuck in my lunch table, and I couldn't get it out," Ian lamented. While his fellow lunch mates were yukking it up, Ian was struggling to save his finger.



Ian was ecstatic when he received his award.

Ian, like most other seniors, has spent some time planning his future. He would like to attend The Ohio State University and major in archaeology. This does not come as a surprise considering Ian excels in history classes. "I enjoy it very much," says Ian, referring to his favorite class, History of Government. Fellow classmates often refer to Ian as a "history aficionado" because of his broad knowledge of historical

events. He would like to travel to Egypt because of the country's fascinating past. Ian will be forever remembered as October's Student of the Month. Only through this publication could everyone in the high school learn that Ian loves Chinese and that his favorite color is turquoise. Every month will feature a different student but Ian recognizes his place in history. Ian smiles and says, "It feels good to be Student of the Month."

The few, the proud, the Marines

By Joe Hamilton

An interview with Sergeant Sidney

I have been in the Marine Corps D.E.P. (Delayed Entry Program) for about five months now. My recruiter is a very big role model in my life. His name is Staff Sergeant Sidney. He has been in the Marine Corps for eleven years. He sat me down last year and asked what I was doing after high school. I really did not know. All I knew was that I wanted to get four more years of wrestling in after high school. So I suppose I told him I was going to college. Then he told me the Marine Corps has a wrestling team. I was in right then!

When I get out after serving my country, they will give me \$37,000 to go to college. I figured, hey, that sounds a heck of a lot better than putting myself in debt. I have recruited two friends so far so I go up in rank. I am now a PFC which is a Private First Class or as many know it as an E2.

1. What made you want to join the Marines?

I joined the Marine Corps for the pride of belonging, leadership, challenge, and financial security.

2. How has your experience been in the Marine Corps so far?

I've had a wonderful experience being a Marine. I've traveled the world and done adventurous things. I've met lots of people and made lifelong friends.

3. What influenced you to be a Marine recruiter?

I wanted to become a recruiter to make an impact on people. I want to change lives and help people improve their current circumstances. I love working with people and helping them reach their goals.

4. For those students who don't know, how do you qualify for the D.E.P.?

You must possess a diploma or be on track to graduate. You must also

An Instant in Time

By Savanna Klass

I can capture that moment, that dress, that grin, but not that feeling. I can touch the memories, but never the moment. I will never understand the same sunset twice or live the perfect day more than once. The grass will never be the same shade of green and birds will never sing the same song twice. I will never forget this moment.

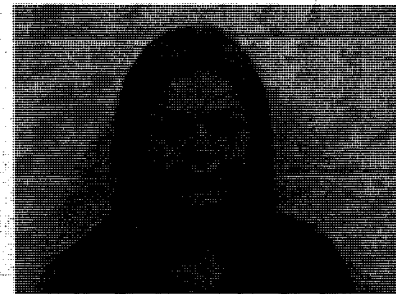


Yesterday's Troubles

By Jordyn Hissom

We lay our heads down at night
With the days troubles behind us
The sun goes down
And we forget the happenings
The stories that lay silent
The lives we've forgotten
We never think twice about what sits in the shadows of today
And never do we realize tomorrow is yesterday
Stories of our people that have no voice
Shouting out through walls that have no sound
Very rarely do we notice each other
The others pain and happiness
Each and every day passes
With something new within itself
New stories to tell
And new lives to live
But when the sun goes down
Tell me, do you think of the day just past?
The people around you,
The silent stories,

And the soundless wall?



"Don't tase me, bro!"

By Derek Hale

If you have visited YouTube.com within the month, then chances are you might have seen what happened when an irate student of the University of Florida got out of hand. The student, Andrew Myers, got shocked with a stun gun by the police. Many people are raising a stink because they believe that it is a violation of his First and Eighth Amendment rights. This just isn't true, and I am going to tell you why.

People think his First Amendment rights were violated since he was giving a speech and then shortly after met with the stun gun. This is simply not true! The event he was at was a question and answer session with John Kerry. It was NOT an open microphone. Every person got an allotted amount of time, and Andrew went over this time. When he was told his time was up he said, "I'm not even done yet; I have two more questions." His microphone was then shut-off and the officers attempted to escort him out for his reaction.

His Eighth Amendment right, prohibiting cruel and unusual punishment, was also not violated. In the video viewers see him resisting arrest. If you have ever seen COPS you know better than to resist arrest. He resisted arrest even when he was on the ground surrounded by five cops. You may think that when there are five officers present, a Taser is excessive. This isn't right since while they were cuffing Andrew he got his arm free. A person with one cuff on swinging their arm around is dangerous. Their only option was 'tasing' him. Using the Taser is the solution to this problem since there is no long term effect. I asked Chad Dotson about his experience with a taser, and he said it was probably the worst pain he has felt but, "The pain was gone after four hours." The only other alternative I see is beating him, and that could leave him in the hospital for a couple days.

Looking at Andrew's past, he probably caused the trouble on purpose. He is no stranger to controversy. After he was taken outside he acted cool until students went out to see him off. In the car he also changed his demeanor. I think this was all just a stunt, and it accomplished what it was supposed to and that was getting attention. The problem, in the end, wasn't an abusive police force but an idiot blogger wasting our time on YouTube.

Sports

October Senior Spotlight

By Lauren Stone

Theo Keniston- Soccer



How long have you been playing this sport?

The truth is this is my first and only year of high school soccer. I used to play when I was a kid, but this was the first year since I've lived in Ohio.

Is this your favorite sport?

Soccer wasn't anywhere near my favorite sport before this year, but now it's definitely top two. (with BMX!)

Do you to continue playing in the off season?

I ride my bike a lot in the off season, but I've been considering a winter sport this year.

What is your goal for the season?

Either score a varsity goal, or do a double back flip on the pitch. So hopefully a goal.

Paige Kenreigh- Volleyball



How long have you been playing?

Seven years

What position do you play?

Defensive specialist

What is your favorite memory?

Winning districts, being undefeated junior year, and YSU team camp senior year.

What is your goal for the season?

To remain undefeated, make it to regionals, and hopefully make it to state.



Jimmy Armeni- Golf



How long have you been playing?

I've played since I was six years old.

What is your favorite memory?

Winning the Valley Golf Club Tournament and shooting a 71!

Who is your favorite athlete?

Tiger Woods because he is so dedicated to the game that he is number one in the world.

How did you become interested in golf?

I became interested in this sport because of my dad. He would always encourage me to do my best and never give up.



Caitlin Costal- Tennis



How long have you been playing?

Six years

What is your favorite memory?

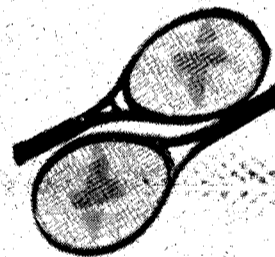
Beating United freshman year with Rebekka Lemon

Who is your team's biggest rival?

United

What is your goal for the season?

Performing well at sectionals and being a good role model for the younger girls on the team.



Inside the game

By Justin Evancho and Richard Myers

This year there will be a new column on the sports page. The name of the column will be "Inside the Game." It will choose random players who will respond to a question provided by the writers - senior Justin Evancho and junior Richard Myer.

How do you feel about this season's games?



Mellay Gardner

Tennis

"I feel that the team is doing very good. This year has been a rebuilding for the team. The girls that are new to the team have stepped to the plate and done very well this season. I myself have enjoyed the opportunity of playing singles. I am very proud of the team, we have overcome many things and done well."



Jessie Dillon

Volleyball

"I feel that this season's games are going great, and I know we will continue playing well."

Lizzi Pastore

Soccer

"I think we are improving a lot. There are always things to work on."

Ben Eisel

Football

"We first off have made a lot of improvement since our first game against Liberty this season. If we work hard like we have been for our past couple of games, we will give ourselves a good chance to win. Also we have been playing better as a team which will also help us succeed in winning."

The Incredibles

By Sarah Conrad

The Incredibles...of course not the cartoon super-hero movie that we all know so well. It's the un-stoppable, un-touchable, incredible state-ranked Salem volleyball team. The ladies are putting their best foot forward in order to achieve a common goal.

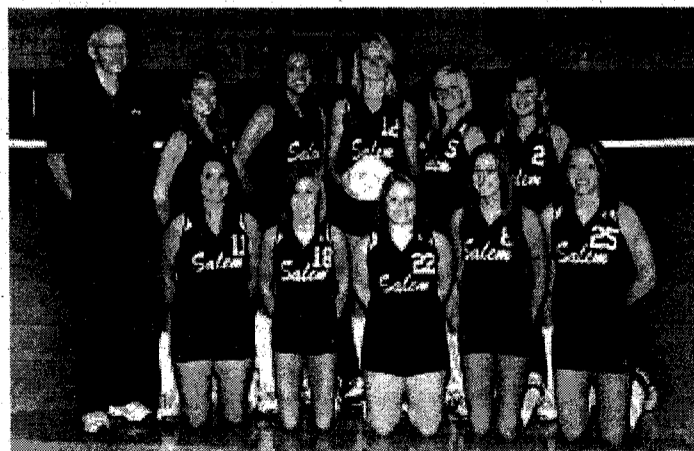
The Salem volleyball team has a big target on their back as they get ready to enter tournament season with the top ranking in the state. These girls hope to leave their mark in Salem High School history and be the first Salem volleyball team to win state. The whole team has put in endless amounts of hours for several years to prepare for this moment. All of the girls said they have played year round since the sixth grade and have attended a countless number of volleyball camps. Senior captain Katie Scullion stated, "We need to continue to work hard in practice. Then once tournament play starts all of us must be ready for every match because in tournaments anything can happen."

Every girl's goal on this team is to make it to state and win it all. Mixed feelings are in the air, though, when it comes to their number one ranking. When asked about her feelings on their ranking Taylor Toothman replied, "At first I felt pressure, but now that I think about it last season when we had to play the number one team I was so intimidated. So hopefully other teams feel the same way." While Taylor is confident, her teammate Katie feels differently. "Yes, I feel pressure. I feel that now our team has a target on our back because everyone wants to take down the number one team."

Every single girl believes it will take one thing to achieve their common goal, and that one thing is old-fashioned hard work. Senior captain Paige Kenreigh said, "It will take a lot of hard work and dedication from everyone, but we definitely believe it's possible to make it to Dayton."

Good luck to the volleyball girls on their long journey in tournaments. Salem High will be there to support them the whole way through.

Quaker girls are ranked #1 in the state



The following is the Salem Volleyball Team. Kneeling in the front row from left to right are Jessie Dillon, Bri Wagner, Taylor Toothman, Alli Ward, Amy Scullion. In the back row from left to right are Coach Don Conser, Emily Winn, Sarah Brobeck, Katie Scullion, Erika Smith, and Paige Kenreigh.



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Project parking lot

By Colton Jones

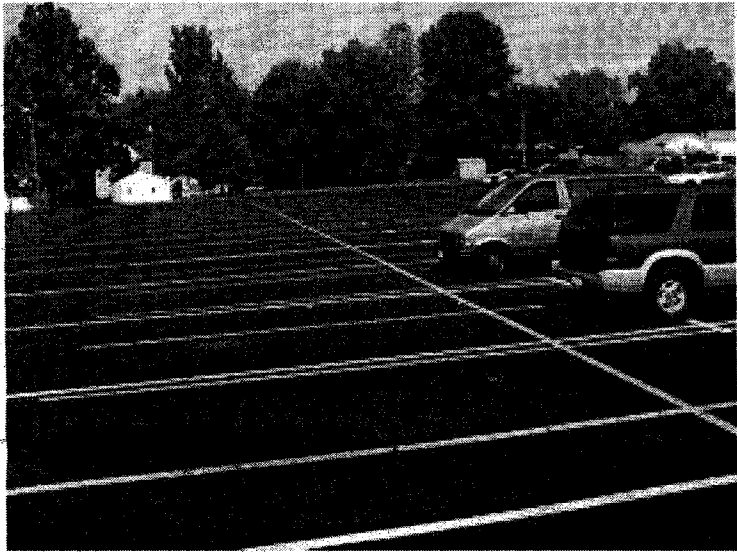
Sure the new parking lot looks nice, but was it all really worth it? The summer project was funded by the P.I., or Permanent Improvement Fund which is an account funded by levees and set aside for "permanent uses."

"The money in this account can only be used for things that will last up to five years or more," explained Dr. Shivers, "such as a parking lot." Things like salaries and workbooks can't be paid for or bought with the money in this particular fund.

The summer project didn't take long and the results appear to be good thus far. Come November there will be another vote on the Permanent Improvement Levy which may help pay for new textbooks and desks.

Money isn't the only thing about the new parking lot. There's a football field marked in the parking lot which is a restricted area reserved for the band to practice in which leaves less parking spots for students. "I think it's pointless that they even redid the parking lot since we can't even park in half the spaces," says Senior Bridget Szabat.

"I think it's ridiculous that you can't park in the white area," says SHS band member Brittney McCollum. So sure it looks good, but it seems not all the students are too happy with the new parking lot.



Doesn't anybody drive to school anymore? Of course they do, but it is important to honor the white lines which mark the practice space for the marching band. Students who are angered by this situation might try walking through the grassy areas around the school after a few days of rain - a pretty sloppy situation. That's what the band must contend with, without the paved practice area.

Class and teacher cuts

By Savanna Klass

It seems with every new year more and more opportunities vanish. Electives and teachers disappear while class sizes and learning difficulties increase. Obviously these cuts are not in the students' best interests, but these decisions are inevitable.

Within the last two years we have lost dozens of teachers and class options. These money saving actions are affecting the majority of our student body negatively, but unfortunately there is no other alternative. In just the past year the following classes have been cut: Speech I and II, Theatre, Creative Writing, Active Physics, Earth/Environment, Sci-Com, French I, Music Theory, Music Theatre, Reading Skills, Film and Literature, Home Ec IB, Home Ec IIB, and Independent Living. Also within the past year we have lost two teachers Ms. Romeo from the language department (French) and Ms. Habeger from the English department.

Perhaps with time, conditions will improve and past selection will return, but for now we need to accept the reality of public school and make the best of it. It is the beginning of a new school year and although options are limited, possibilities remain.



Study hall classes

By Brittney McCollum

It's the word around the school about how terrible the study hall sizes are. Students have no problem sharing their disappointment about the mass amounts of people in each class. Many of the high school students have a problem with sharing a class with the middle school students. "The seventh and eighth grade students are very immature and don't realize the teacher can see everything they do," says senior Jordyn Hissom.

When Dr. Shivers was asked about what they were doing to resolve the problem. He stated that seventh period option was brought back. He also said the same rules apply for first period option except students can have both first and seventh period option and they no longer have to have a 2.2 or higher. Students have to have enough credits to graduate to apply for both.

A big question that finally got answered was what made Dr. Shivers decide to bring back seventh period option. He said that because of staff cuts they cut nine electives and had to put those students into study halls. The mass number shock is due to the fact that in past years there were at least two study hall classes per period. Now we have one teacher per period, and it includes middle school students. They have made attempts to downsize the study halls by sending as many middle school students to the library as possible. He also said that he doesn't mind giving juniors and seniors a break, but he hopes that it is a short term solution.

If you are a student you probably don't mind getting up late and going home early. It sounds good when you think about it. Only having five classes a day can be nice, but are you missing out?



This cafeteria study hall does not appear to be too crowded. Did the seventh period option help to alleviate study hall overcrowding?

Halloween in Ohio

By Matt Faulkner

Spread by rumors and religious hysteria, Halloween is contended for some people to be the day of the devil. Some parents think celebrating Halloween puts their children in danger from The Dark One himself (Devil). There really hasn't been any evidence that "All Hallows" was based on any specific Pagan festival. How you spend your Halloween is up to you. Here is a list of popular Halloween haunts that might interest those who love to celebrate this spooky day.

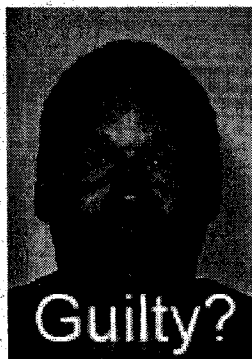
- Ghostly Manor Thrill Center.** Sandusky, OH. Open year round. \$5-\$20 for tickets.
- Factory of Terror.** Canton, OH. \$10 for Haunted House, \$16 for both attractions
- Bourbon House.** Cleveland, OH. No ticket information provided.
- Carnival of Horrors.** Cuyahoga Falls, OH. FREE parking. Groups of 20 or more get in for \$14 per person, full admission for one person to all four attractions is \$18.
- Bloody Mary's Massacre Meadows.** Springfield, OH. FREE parking. \$8 for tickets.
- Trail of Terror.** Bolivar, OH. Admission is \$16 per person.
- Boonybrook Country Farms: The Haunted Farm.** Dayton, OH. No pricing information provided.
- Canfield Scaregrounds.** Canfield, OH. No pricing information provided.
- Chambers of Horror.** Middletown, OH. Admission is \$9.
- Dead Acres.** Pataskala, OH. \$15 reg. pass, \$25 VIP, \$2 Parking.



O.J. Simpson controversy

By Louis Scott

O.J. Simpson is once again in the headlines, this time facing multiple felony charges that include armed robbery and conspiracy to commit burglary. According to police, Simpson and four other men forced their way into a Las Vegas hotel room where two collectors were expecting to sell some Simpson memorabilia to a private buyer. What the two men didn't know was that the meeting had been set up by Simpson himself and auctioneer Thomas Riccio. Two of Simpson's accomplices were said to have held the men at gunpoint while he and the others stuffed pillow cases full of memorabilia, including some signed footballs and a picture of Simpson with J. Edgar Hoover, former director of the FBI. The former football player says that he and the men were only "retrieving" items that had been stolen from him. He also insisted that no firearms were involved, even though police reported finding two semiautomatic pistols believed to have been used in the robbery.



There is also the tape recorder that had been planted in the room by Riccio. The entire event had been recorded, and according to the tape, Simpson was in charge, hollering questions at the two collectors while at least one of the other men yelled orders to them. Of course, Simpson's defense is trying to say that this recording is just another scandal, that this incident had been a sting operation to try and put Simpson away for the rest of his life. Currently, due to an agreement reached by his lawyers and the judge, Simpson has posted enough of his bail to get out of jail, but he has turned in his passport and cannot have any contact with the suspects or victims in the case.

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