

The Quaker

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SHS saving lives during the month of October

By Aimee Jones

During the month of October two life-saving events took place at Salem High School. First, the senior class stepped up to promote breast cancer awareness with their "Crazie for the Cure" campaign. Then to top it off, the National Honor Society teamed up with the American Red Cross for the annual blood drive. Both of these events brought a sense of accomplishment for these two groups.

If you happened to miss the breast cancer game, here's a recap. The event took place during the home football game on Friday, October 22. The student section did an excellent job to promote the event through with the "pink out" theme. Larry Goontz, a senior fan in the Crazies section had the following to say about the game. "It was really fun because it was different from what we normally do. Instead of wearing our basic black and red

we showed our support for breast cancer by wearing pink." The campaign was very successful. The senior class sold almost 500 t-shirts throughout the community. Donations during lunch periods and the night of the game, as well as face painting, produced additional monies which brought them to the total of \$1,025 for the American Cancer Society. Mrs. Dye, senior class advisor, commented on the campaign saying, "I am extremely proud of everyone involved in this very special event. The "Pink Out" was a success because our students had a goal and worked hard to see that they were successful. Thank you to everyone here at SHS and the Salem community." On behalf of the senior class, senior class president Aimee Jones would also like to thank everyone for their support.

Thursday, October 28 found the wrestling room filled with

commotion as the blood drive took place. Numerous National Honor Society members got out of bed early to come to school and help The American Red Cross set up at 7 a.m., and they also volunteered their time throughout the day. The goal for the day was to collect fifty-eight units; however, the expectations were exceeded after collecting sixty-eight units. Forty-eight of the seventy-five donors were first timers. With the help of other area blood drives, Salem combined its units to make an outstanding 204 units. Katie Fife had a few bright words to say about the day. "Thanks to all the donors, the blood drive was a huge success. We had a great day and helped save lives at the same time." Salem High School has a great deal to be proud of; keep up the good work!



Quaker pride: Do you bleed red and black?

By Larry Goontz

As the 2010 Salem Quaker football season kicked off in Labrae, Salem pride was stronger than ever. After one of the most successful seasons in Quaker football history, many wondered if the 2010 Quakers could live up to the hype. Although Salem did not play the best against Labrae, they started the season off running with a win. As the season progressed, the Quakers showed their dominance by defeating both United Local and West Branch. The Quakers knew that the next game against Hubbard would be their toughest challenge yet. The Quakers played their heart out but fell short; they then entered week five with a record of three wins and only one loss.

With the playoffs still in

their sights, the Quakers dominated the middle of the season. They took each week one at a time and defeated Liberty, Campbell, Struthers and Beaver Local. Heading into week nine, the Quakers were riding high with a 7 - 1 record. Playoffs were now becoming a reality to the Quakers and a potential home playoff game was becoming a great possibility if they would beat Lakeview in week nine. The game was built up all week, and the Quakers knew that if they won they could get a home playoff game, but if they lost they could potentially get bumped out of playoff position. That cold Friday night finally arrived, and in honor of breast cancer awareness month, many of the players from both teams had pink

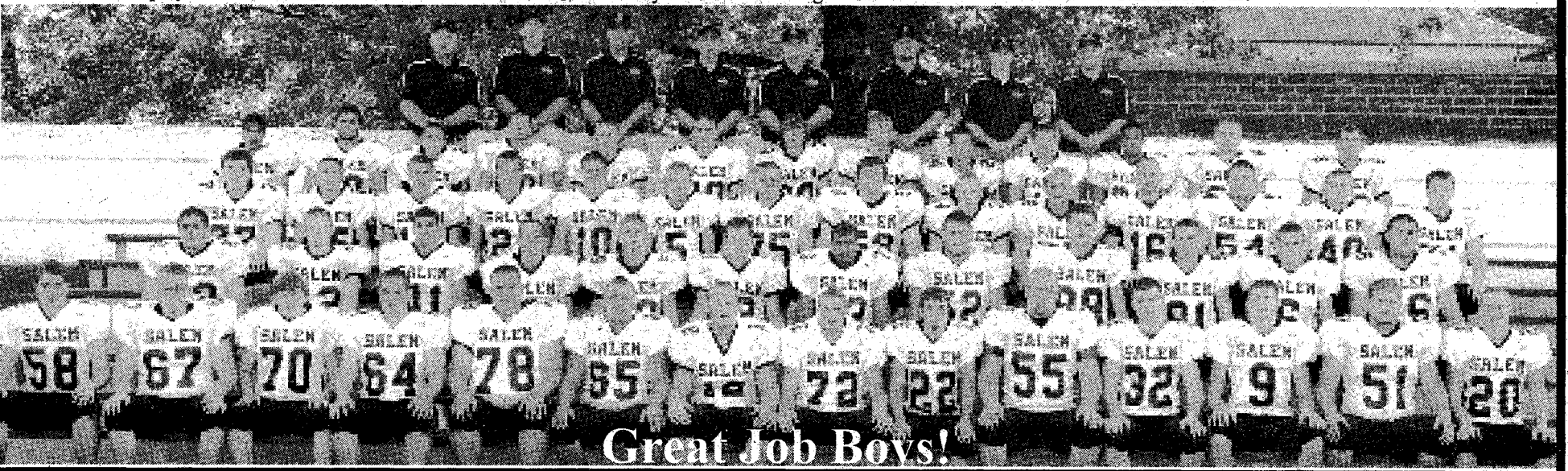
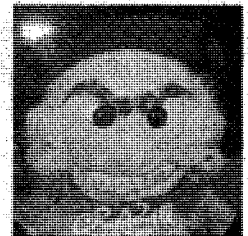
articles of clothing on including gloves, shoelaces, and pink tape. The crowd was also sporting their pink with the Crazie for the Cure t-shirts. The Quakers played tough but fell short, and the dreams of a home playoff game were shattered. Going into the final week of regular season, the Quakers knew that they must win against East Liverpool to get into the playoffs. Once again the game was built up over the course of the week. On senior night, the Quakers dominated East Liverpool and secured a spot in the playoffs. Although the Quakers knew they were in the playoffs, their opponent was yet to be determined.

Finally, late Saturday night, the Quakers got confirmation that they would be traveling to the small

town of Thornville, Ohio, to play the Sheridan Generals. The taste of playoffs was in the air the whole next week. New Quaker Nation Migration t-shirts were sold, three spirit buses were filled, and pep-club was in full force with the planning of a community bon-fire and scavenger hunt. After the bonfire on Thursday, the Quakers left Friday night to stay at a hotel closer to Thornville since it was over two hours away. That Saturday was one of the coldest nights this season, but that did not stop the community support for the Quakers. The stadium was filled to the brim with Quaker fans. The game began and eventually the Quakers took an early lead but soon lost their momentum. They fought really hard until the last second but fell short to the

Generals 41-13.

The 2010 Quaker football season ended that night, and we wish all of the seniors luck as they pursue their future plans. One thing is for sure, no matter what year it is or what the score is, the same question will be asked of all of the players and fans: "Does your blood bleed red and black?"



Great Job Boys!

Opinion



What does glitter, blood spill, romance, and teenage angst have in common? Nothing! Which is the main point for why four books that include all of these plus an overgrown dog, a dreary town, and quite possibly the worst cast female lead in history is a terrible waste of time and much needed brain power for anyone over the age of two.

A storyline that reads like the average twelve-year-old girl's diary, spread out between four novels and then retold from the brooding blood sucker's point of view, the *Twilight Series* leaves much to be desired in the way of character building, plot, setting, climax, and story. So what is it about this book that makes it so irresistible to the masses?

Honestly, it's not easy to tell. Could it be that we've become so robotic, so simple-minded and dull that we secretly hope for release in the drab and barely there storyline that these books provide? Or perhaps we hope that in the whining and teeny angst that Bella Swan and her gang of miscreant sob stories will provide us with a sense of calm, a sense of purpose, and surely, some

much needed self esteem. Or maybe, and this is a shot in the dark, we all secretly hope to be stalked and spied upon by the walking undead, only to be forced into some odd Stockholm Syndrome-esque version of forever, after they drain our bodies of life and make us feed upon the innocent. Or not, whichever.

One can assume that most preteen and teenage girls, and apparently middle-aged women with little else to do but browse young adult novella, can find themselves in Bella, whether it be her unnaturally pale complexion, gloomy disposition, crooked teeth or aversion to biology. But what do guys see in Edward? What could they possibly have in common with a bloodsucking time traveler? Most men, term used loosely, don't glitter when they're in the sunshine nor can they jump from tree top to tree top unscathed. A few randomly drop out of school and return weeks later, though it is probably not so they can murder wildlife and sate their extremely bloody hungers.

The author, Stephanie Meyer, has admitted that the *Twilight* series is her fantasies written

down, which makes the books seem even more grim. The private thoughts of a middle-aged woman splashed across the pages and sold to the masses in paperback, hardback, or available for download just doesn't seem kosher, somehow.

It is a little degrading, if you think about it, that the female protagonist is incredibly morose and whiny, to the point of being obnoxiously melodramatic. What ever happened to bold heroines? As far as her problem goes, one way or another, it is all bad. Two men fighting over her, if you can lump oversized dogs and corpses under the category of men, hardly seems worth four books, and yet people keep buying it! I suggest that if teenagers as a whole want to seem more intelligent, they stop reading such idiotic drivel and pick up something more substantial than *Twilight*. ...like a sing-a-long book about numbers. My co-counter-pointer will try to persuade you otherwise, but it is my hope, as a writer, that I can persuade you to make the right choices before your brain drips out of your ears.

Have you ever wondered what all the fuss really is about regarding *The Twilight Series*? Well, in my opinion, it's the good looking actors that play Edward Cullen (AKA Robert Pattinson) and Jacob Black (AKA Taylor Lautner). Is it the actors or is it the story line?

The Twilight Series is very popular with teenagers because it is about romance and drama. Edward Cullen is described as the guy that every girl dreams of. He is tall; his skin is like marble — very pale, ice cold, and sparkles in the sunlight. His eyes are topaz, and he has a slender but muscular body. Edward also is mysterious and has a very seductive smile. Edward is attracted to Bella because the scent of her blood makes him want to kill her immediately, but he spares her because he falls in love with her. Now Jacob Black on the other hand, has always loved Bella since they were little. Jacob is tan, has dark hair, dark eyes and is very warm. Edward and Jacob do not like each other. One reason is that vampires and werewolves are not supposed to get along. Another reason is because they are both competing for Bella's heart.

Some people think the whole

vampire vs. werewolves competition is overrated. I personally think it is just entertaining. Many people are very caught up in the fictional battle between the two. I am an Edward fan. I think Jacob is overrated because he is just like every other guy out there. He thinks he's better because he's good looking and has girls falling all over him. Jacob has a very cocky attitude. Edward, on the other hand, is sweet, caring, and would do anything for Bella. Sure Jacob might love her, but he will never care for her like Edward does.

You might think I'm just some overly obsessed girl who got caught up in the *Twilight* phenomena when the movies appeared. I'm not, though. I read the books when they were first published five years ago. I truly liked the storyline; I personally put myself in Bella's position. I think everyone does when they read the books.

I know my co-counter pointer HATES *Twilight* and she is going to try to sway you toward hating the series. Before you take either of our sides, I recommend reading the books or renting the movies.

Point Counter Point

Twilight

By Shauna Uptegraph

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Twihards

By Kaylin Cadile



Shauna says...

By Shauna Uptegraph



well being and sanity, so I've got a survival guide for this holiday. It is just my way of saying thank you for being the cream of the crop here at Salem High School. Good luck and good shopping.

It's incredibly important to remember that no toy is worth a life. Not a Furby, not a Barbie, not a zhu zhu pet. None of them! A good Christmas present may be Tommy getting the toy he's always wanted, but it would be a bad present to have if shipped from the jail. It isn't worth bloodshed to have it first, especially since they'll get a new shipment in way before Christmas.

To avoid the crazy blue-haired old lady and her shin-splintering cane, arrive earlier. To avoid the screaming mothers and motorized cart-drivers, I recommend going a few days before. You may get the best sales, but ask yourselves this question. Is that 10% off worth your life? If it is, you may have bigger problems than Black Friday, like your priorities.

Truth be told, Christmas in this day and age is about presents. Many non-Christians still put up a tree and do their best to buy everything under the sun for their children. For many, the Christ is out of Christmas, and cha-ching is in. So while you're clipping coupons and organizing carpools, remember this. There will be another store stocking before your stockings need hanging.

On Thanksgiving when you're gathered around the table, you're likely to see turkey, stuffing, pies, relatives you don't see otherwise, football, and department store ads. These ads are brilliant. They all claim to have the lowest prices available for everything from argyle socks to tennis rackets, huggly, snuggly stuffed animals to goldfish, but only if you arrive the next day! That day is known as Black Friday, and it's the biggest shopping day of the year. Everyone and their mother and their sister (brother, father, uncle, neighbor, cat) arrive at stores at ridiculously wee hours of the morning, hustling and bustling for top shelf gifts at bottom dollar prices.

Well, readers, you know that I care very deeply about your

School Calendar

By Eva Jackman

November

- 24 **NO SCHOOL**- Thanksgiving break begins
- 25 **NO SCHOOL**- Thanksgiving Day
- 26 **NO SCHOOL**- Black Friday
- 29 **NHS Installation** (for fall)
- Quaker City Band**-rehearsal

December

- 1 **HS Choir**- Christmas concert
- 1st **Christian Church**- 11:30am— Chamber Choir
- 2 **Comm. Center** for Hospital Aux— Chamber Choir
- 3 **Tree Lighting**- 7pm at Chamber of Commerce— Chamber Choir
- 4 **Christmas Parade**- 1:00pm
- 7 **Senior Parent Financial Aid night**
- 11- 12 **Gingerbread Day**
- 15 **West Branch Choral Show**- 7:00pm— Chamber Choir
- 16 **Kiwanis**- Noon at Community Center— Chamber Choir

War of Words

By Sierra Cannon

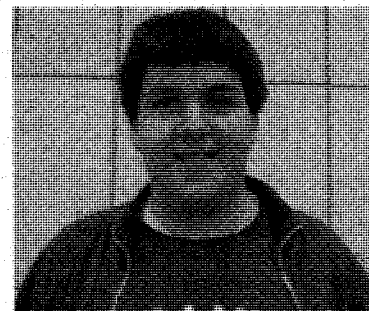
"What do you usually do for Black Friday?"



Freshman, Kathleen Krabill- "Nothing!"



Sophomore, Aleta Pisoni- "I get up at 2a.m to go to Wal-Mart."



Junior, Kyle Hissom- "Go out early in the morning and find good bargains."



Senior, Jordan Young- "I go to HotTopic and hang out."

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

REO Speedwagon CLASSICS Styx

By Mike Risbeck

By Sierra Cannon

REO Speedwagon has been one of the most recognized bands since the late 1970's all the way up until today. They have released countless numbers of records; we would run out of room in this article if we tried to name them all. Since there were so many albums released by them, we will try to name their most popular records up to present times. The current members of REO Speedwagon began when lead singer/songwriter Kevin Cronin, keyboardist, founding member Neal Doughty, and bass guitarist Bruce Hall joined forces with lead guitarist Dave Amato and their new drummer Bryan Hitt to form the new and improved REO Speedwagon.

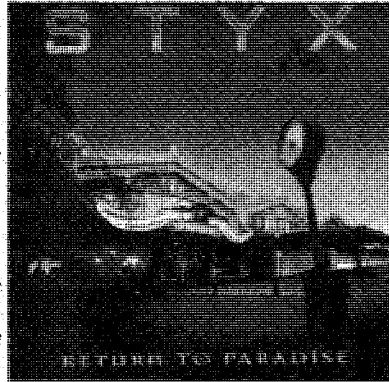
REO Speedwagon has always been one of the hardest working bands that has ever performed live, and they have wanted it that way. They got their name originally because they rode in station wagons going from one small performance to another. They did this just to get the name REO Speedwagon out there. They were originally formed in 1967 and signed in 1971, and they have always been pretty consistent with their music and release dates. Their biggest hit albums are *High Fidelity*, *Ridin' the Storm Out*, and the other is *Roll with the Changes*. They have sold over twenty-two million copies of their albums throughout the U.S. and over forty million throughout the entire globe. In 2007 they had to market themselves with their album *Find Your Own Way Home*. They took it to Wal Mart and put it on the market themselves. They also drove this album to radio stations all across the country in order to have it heard and to have people buy it. In 2009 REO Speedwagon hit the road on the Can't Stop Rockin' Tour with STYX and 38 Special, three of the hardest working bands in America. Sponsored by VH1 and Rock Band, the tour was a recession-buster night of rock 'n roll, offering the best value of the year, with some tickets as low as \$13.50.

The world is in a state of emergency when it comes to the economy, but REO believes people need music more than ever to try and get themselves through it. Kevin Cronin was even quoted as saying, "Today it's all about what it has always been - taking good care of the band's legacy while keeping the focus on the future. That may be even more important these days." This may be true, and with bands that rock as loud as REO Speedwagon has over the years, not many people seem to be complaining.

In the early 1970s, from the shadows of Chicago a band named Styx began its rise to fame. Their first album, released in 1972, was self titled Styx and it wasn't until their 1977 album *The Grand Illusion* that their fame really took off. People began to recognize the voices of Tommy Shaw, James Young and Dennis DeYoung as three unique voices that somehow came together to create the familiar sound of Styx. People soon learned the lyrics to some of their more popular songs like "Babe," "Lady," "Too Much Time on my Hands," "The Best of Times," and "Renegade."

Their album *The Grand Illusion*, was their breakthrough album. Perhaps the most inspiring lines of lyric from Styx are that of the song "The Grand Illusion," more specifically the chorus, "So if you think your life is complete confusion, because you never win the game. Just remember that it's a Grand illusion and deep inside we're all the same." These lines can say something that you have heard a thousand times and can finally mean something to you. They can remind us just how human we are by the fact that we are so into what is going on that we never take a step back. And they can help us remember that we are all human beings and are only capable of human things. We have our weaknesses, and those things only make us more human.

Dennis DeYoung is the name behind these lyrics and was the voice that made the world listen. But DeYoung was not the only voice or writer behind Styx's brilliance. Tommy Shaw and James Young are also part of that voice. Member Dennis DeYoung said, "Styx was chosen because it was 'the only one that none of us hated.'" Their name is something that people have accepted, as odd as it might be. Their music is definitely something worth listening to.



The Social Network

By Tim Slason

Today's most popular social network, Facebook, is a common way to contact friends, reconnect with former classmates, date, play games, microblog, and many other things for its over 500 million members. *The Social Network* describes founder Mark Zuckerberg's journey from unpopular Harvard sophomore to the world's youngest billionaire.

Mark, a technically gifted college student with a fixation on joining one of Harvard's prestigious final clubs, finds himself being dumped by his girlfriend. In one night of drinking, blogging, and hacking he gets himself in trouble with school officials and ends up detested by most of his female classmates. He takes on a project for a dating site for Harvard singles for twin brothers, Cameron and Tyler Winklevoss. Later, he backs away from the deal citing a lack of functionality as his reason to no longer desire involvement. He proceeds to create a site with the goal of taking the Harvard social experience into the virtual world. Due to similarities to the dating site project which he was involved with, the Winklevoss twins choose to sue Zuckerberg for the theft of the idea for the site. The site is a runaway success, putting Mark on the fast track to popularity. Now other people are seeking to make money based off of the site's marketability at any cost to Mark.

The story, however, according to Zuckerberg, was mostly fiction, and more attention was paid to the details of his wardrobe than to the accuracy of the plot. However, the critics seemed thoroughly impressed. Bob Mondello of NPR comments, "The Social Network is terrific entertainment - an unlikely thriller that makes business ethics, class distinctions and intellectual-property arguments sexy."

Barefoot in the Park completes four night run

By Alli Dolphin



Barefoot in the Park, the SHS fall play, opened on Wednesday, November 10. It was directed by English teacher, Mr. Robert Viencek. This romantic comedy by Neil Simon certainly would keep any person who saw it entertained the whole night. On this night the National Honor Society held a benefit performance. Tickets were \$8, and during the intermissions refreshments were provided. N.H.S. had six raffle basket drawings, and a 50/50 raffle.

The show was double cast, and this reviewer attended the opening night cast. The cast on opening night consisted of the following: Nicole Slaven as Corie Bratter; Connor Bezeredi as Tom Bratter; Ian Chandler as Victor Velasco; Sarah Halstead as Corie's Mother, Mrs. Banks; Tommy Panek as the telephone man; and Kyle Hissom as the delivery man. All of these roles were cast perfectly, and everyone played their characters very well. Even the smallest parts added comedic relief to the show.

Bezeredi's character of a conservative, young lawyer was played nicely, and was very

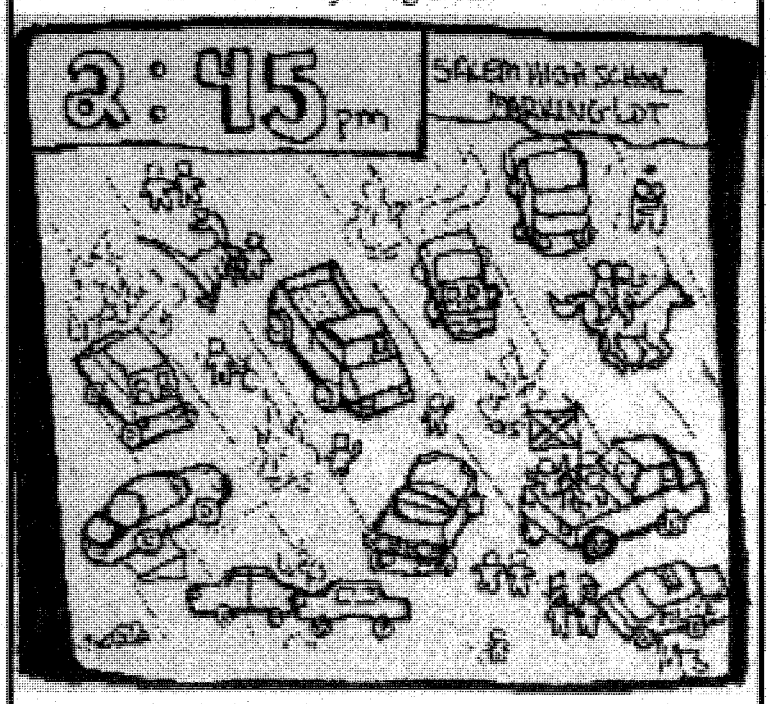
believable. Slaven's character, Corie, is a free-spirited and curious young lady. She portrayed this part excellently. In the show, Tom and Corie are a newlywed couple. The romance played between Bezeredi and Slaven was genuine and very convincing. Halstead and Chandler's characters both added a great deal of comedic relief to the show, and they did a very impressive job playing the roles of such abstract characters.

At the beginning of the show, Corie and Tom move into an apartment on the top floor of a building. The on-going joke throughout the show is that it is up five flights of stairs, if you don't count the stoop. The apartment in the beginning is very bare, and Victor offers to decorate it whenever the furniture arrives. The apartment in the opening of the second act looks like a totally different place. Victor does a beautiful job with turning the once bare room into a real apartment with a homey-feel.

Congratulations to both casts of *Barefoot in the Park* for putting on great shows. Unfortunately if you missed it, you missed a great night of entertainment.

Cartoon Corner

By Meg Bell



Feature

Could we all please clean up our acts?

By Donna Paparodis

Whoever likes a smelly school bathroom say "aye" — no one? That's what I thought. What about smelly hallways? I highly doubt anyone enjoys those. There have been some complaints about sanitation in the bathrooms, specifically the girls' bathrooms. I'd say that's a sign, ladies.

If I walk into a bathroom of six stalls and can only find one decent one that is barely usable, then there is a dilemma. You don't need a whole roll of toilet paper. I'm sure no one has that big of a problem. So, please, let's not waste the paper on clogging a toilet. It is not funny; it is annoying and inconvenient. It is especially inconvenient for the janitors. They have to clean up your nasty mess. Also, put your lady products where they belong. Nobody wants to fish those out of the toilet. I bet you don't put those in your commode at home. Do you know why? Because they are not flushable and when they create a clog, you have to be the one to clean the mess — that's gross. So don't do it here; have some respect!

Another problem is a lack of hand washing. You don't realize how many people walk out of the bathroom right after coming out of the stall. Those people who don't wash their hands then touch computers and desks and so on. In turn, you touch those items and get their germs, and then you spread them to even more people

because of the things you touch. If you really think about it, that is disgusting. It takes how long to wash your hands, about ten seconds? I'm sure your day isn't so rushed that you can't take the time to not spread absolute plague throughout the school.

Smokers, if for some odd reason you must light it up, at least wait until after school. You are too young to smoke in the first place, and I think you'll live through a day without a cigarette. But people still do it in the bathroom. Why? I do not know. Thanks to those of you who break the rules and stink up the bathroom with your smoke, we have burns on our toilet seats from you putting out your cigs. I don't want to sit on black marks of ash. There is one toilet in the science wing bathroom that is covered with those burns. Come on, let's lay off.

This last problem goes to both genders. In the hallway, there are a series of odors that collide and intermingle with one another, and they are anything but pleasant. That smell would be the lack of deodorant and the increase in sweat and B.O. If you have no deodorant, take a shower. How hard is it? I've heard multiple people complain about the stench in the air. I, too, am one who notices. Spare yourself the embarrassment of being the stinky kid and take a bath and throw on some Old Spice.

Let's keep our school clean and presentable. How about if we use soap, avoid stuffing the commodes with toilet paper, refrain from smok-



Students are disappointed at the mess found in the restroom.

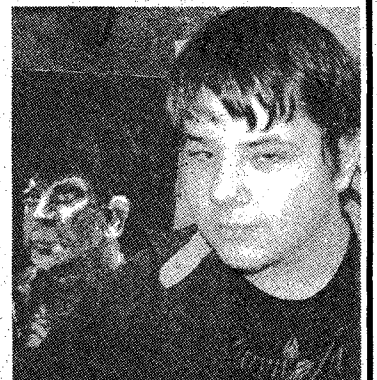
ing, and take a shower? We could keep the school smelling better and looking better, and I think a lot of people would appreciate the cleanliness. So let's try and clean up our acts.

Artist of the Month Corey Snow

By Meg Bell

Corey Snow, a senior, is a man of many skills. One of his most prominent is his skill in visual art. Every day in second period Corey can be found wielding a paintbrush or pencil, breathing life into something ordinary.

Currently Corey is taking AP Portfolio, a seniors-only class that has students putting together a portfolio to be reviewed by colleges. Already Corey has produced several drawings and paintings. Besides visual art, Corey is also interested in writing and has talents using computers and playing video games — talents that could prove useful for his pursuits after high school, which do indeed include art. "I mean why should I stop?" he says simply. He plans to attend a school for video game design. Corey's favorite style of art is fantasy or "things that mess with your mind." Surrounded by a mom and brother drawing and watching cartoons such as the anime Dragon Ball Z, Corey grew up with a growing interest in the visual arts. Leonardo DaVinci is who he claims to be his favorite artist and inventor. asked if music is any inspiration to him, as it is for a lot of people, and I got the reply, "Yeah — a lot of the music I listen to is dark, but not all of



Senior Corey Snow takes a moment to share some of his artwork.

it...like when I do the creepy stuff or when I do the whimsical stuff."

I wrapped up the interview asking for any inspiring quotes: "[There's] so many floating around in my head I don't think I could pick one right now." Obviously full of dark and whimsical ideas, there is no doubt Corey Snow will continue creating art throughout the rest of his life.

Clubs and Classes

By Larry Goontz

A.F.S. - American Field Service is a club that helps support the foreign exchange students here and abroad.

A.F.S. does many things to make the foreign exchange students feel at home like decorating their lockers. The club also tries to keep in touch with our Salem students who are abroad through Skype. The advisor of A.F.S. is Mrs. Dye. This year the club roster maintains twenty-five members and the officers include the following: President- Cameron Clark, Vice President- Aimee Jones, Secretary/ Treasurer- Alli Dolphin. A.F.S. is getting ready for their annual Christmas party which includes refreshments and a white elephant gift exchange.

National Art Honor Society - With only ten members, National Art Honor Society is one of the most prestigious clubs in Salem High School. The advisor is Ms. Yereb and the officers include the following: President- Shauna Uptegraph, Vice President- Meg Bell, Secretary- Cody Shwartz, and Treasurer- Corey Snow. An upcoming activity for National Art Honor Society is making masquerade masks and reading stories at the Storybook Museum.

The Poets' Society - The advisor for The Poets' Society is Mrs. Dye. This year the club contains twenty-three members and the officers include the following: President- Monica Metts, Vice President - Connor Bezeredi, and Secretary/Treasurer- Abby Cull. In February The Poets' Society will take orders for Valentine suckers and poems for that special someone or that special friend, similar to the Sweetest Day activity currently held at SHS.

Spanish Club - With 115 members, Spanish Club is one of the largest clubs at Salem High School. The advisor is Mrs. Hutson and the officers include the following: President- Andrea Sequin, Vice President- Alex Hoopes, Treasurer- Annie Saltsman, Secretary- Karli Utt, and Registrar- Reegan Barnett. Some upcoming activities for Spanish Class are bell ringing for Salvation Army, a candy bar sale, and a senior citizens dinner.

Battle of the Sexes

What I Hate About You

By Kayla Mills

Guys

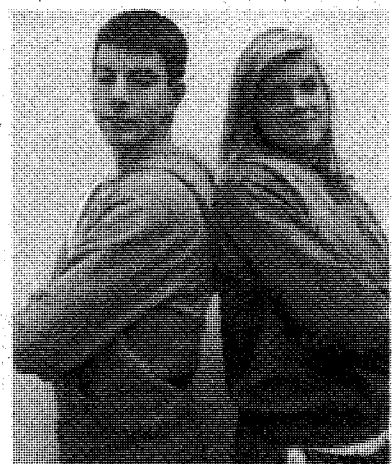
Girls

When comparing girls and boys, it is like comparing Venus and Mars. Both are large, dominant planets that have characteristics that make them unique.

Boys and girls have a tendency to get under each other's skin, sometimes making them unbearable to be around. Below is a list of annoyances that students decided upon that describe things that they can't stand about the opposite sex.

Ten things that guys can't stand about girls are when they...

1. Change their Facebook status from "in a relationship" to "single" after a fight.
2. Leave a trail of hair everywhere they go.
3. Compare guys to the men from the *Twilight* series.
4. Try to take away their manliness by telling them to bathe more often.
5. Whine and complain about everything and everyone.
6. Texting the guy's parents.
7. Freak out when guys don't text them back right away.
8. Talk about their ex.
9. Bathe themselves in their perfume.
10. Use their powers to magically make guys talk about their feelings.



Ten things that girls can't stand about guys are when they...

1. Think that every noise that comes from their body is funny.
2. Ask girls to come over and then spend the entire time playing x-box live.
3. Compare girls to men from the *Twilight* series.
4. Ogle at other women.
5. Tell women to "quit being such a girl."
6. Complain that they never talk to girls over the phone, and then remain silent when finally called.
7. Order a salad for girls when they want a cheeseburger.
8. Wear girls' clothes.
9. Have disgusting pictures on their cell phones.
10. Are more emotional than women.

Have a Happy
Thanksgiving!

Feature

Student of the Month

By Alli Dolphin

Freshman Andrew Dolphin has all the qualities of an SOM and more. When I decided to pick my brother, Mrs. Dye was worried. However, once she read his interview sheet, she soon realized that he was definitely superb SOM material.

When asked where he would put himself on the awesomeosity scale he modestly placed himself at a 7. I would, without a doubt, place him at an 8.6 simply because when I asked Andrew if he could hangout with any fast-food mascot who would it be and why he replied by saying, "Gidget, the Taco Bell chihuahua because Taco Bell rocks!" Taco Bell is his favorite restaurant, and he loves having romantic candle-lit dinners there on Friday nights with his friends. His favorite meal at Taco Bell consists of a chicken quesidilla with extra creamy jalepeno sauce and a large Baja Blast with absolutely no ice because he says, "Ice is gross!" After their dinners he and his friends enjoy playing poker. He has assured me that no one can read his poker face, and that Lady Gaga has nothing on him. His poker face is made up of a green, orange, and white viking hat from Ireland, a black v-neck, and some classy aviator sunglasses.

On Andrew's interview sheet he had to complete a difficult "this or that" section. I asked him to pick between sand or Fruity Pebbles, and he choose Fruity Pebbles because he could put them in a pool of milk and shower in them. I asked him if he had ever showered in Fruity



Andrew takes some time to pose for the camera during his reading lesson.

Pebbles before and he said, "Ohhh yeah! I do it on a weekly basis." Anyone who showers in Fruity Pebbles gets an automatic three points on the awesomeosity scale.

Andrew also has one of the most legitimate middle names in the history of legitimacy. Not only is it a legitimate middle name, but it is also very ironic. His middle name is Reed, and at the beginning of his high school career he didn't even know how to read. Thankfully he learned how and sends many thanks to his English teacher, Mrs. McCracken for teaching him how to read.

I asked Andrew how he felt about being the very first SOM for the school year, and he bravely responded with, "It's a tough job, but someone's gotta do it so it might as well be me." So if you ever see him around the halls of SHS be sure to extend your hand to him and give him a firm handshake while congratulating him on being the first SOM for the 2010-2011 school year.

Give more than thanks

By Sierra Cannon

Thanksgiving is a time that reminds us to be thankful, not just for a day, but always. We should be over appreciative from now on to make up for the times that we've been careless. I'm not sure that we as a society appreciate the things we do have. I understand that it is human nature to want more, but there is a way to want more and still care for the things that we are already given. It is not fair to blame our generation because it is not a matter of generation or age; this is a human weakness. We are not able to admit that someone has done something for us. It is difficult for us to not only give thanks but to accept it. We often thank a stranger for anything they give us, but we don't thank our friends or the people we love for being in our lives and loving us?

We, as a whole, need to open our eyes to the wonderful things in life. We need to be more aware that the things we have could easily become the things we had. This sort of change needs to start on a personal level and needs to evolve into something powerful that reaches as many people as possible.

Be happy for the ridiculous and rational things, things you wouldn't even think to be happy about because of their consistency and because of the fact that they are always there. Be happy that they have a heartbeat. Think of the complication involved in that and then admire it. Be happy that there is difference in the world, that you're the only one out there; that even

though this is true, even though we have our differences, we're also very alike. Be thankful for that, for the small things. Be happy that we have each other, that we were given a mother and a father. Don't be upset that your mother won't let you stay out past midnight, but be happy that you were given a mother who cares.

The point is to be thankful everyday, for everything. When asked what they were truly thankful for, students responded with the following:

Aimee Jones: "That I have a good driving record, or at least better than Alli Dolphin."

Allison Dolphin: "I am truly thankful for my kitty-cat, Big Junior. AKA Juju. His ginger coloured fur always brightens my day."

Ciera Trybend: "My height because it makes me different and helps with sports."

Damien Eberling: "My acoustic, man. It helps me escape from the world."

Josh Rouse: "I am thankful for Jesus. He is sweet!"

Larry Goontz: "'Jersey Shore,' is finally over."

Lauren Atkinson: "My mother because she is a cancer survivor."

Michael Risbeck: "Eric Spencer's reactions because they're epic."

Ryan Kuhns: "Music because it helps me with my problems, and it will always be there."

Sarah Halstead: "My faith in Christ."

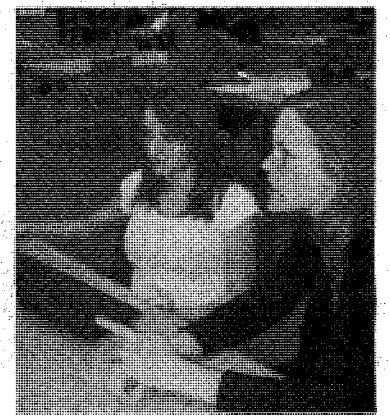
Zach Devine: "I am thankful for my creative side."

College application day

On Wednesday, November 10 the guidance department held College Application Day. In a memo from the guidance department, it was stated that "The purpose of the college Application Day is for our seniors to apply to a university or college."

There were representatives present from a variety of colleges and universities. These individuals helped Salem seniors complete either online or paper applications. The benefit of this service was that seniors applying on November 10th were able to have their application fees waived.

Those who took advantage of this service completed some paper work prior to that day. Each senior worked during a thirty minute time session reserved for them. These sessions were held in the school library.



Mrs. Kemats



Students fill out their applications



Mrs. Sullivan

Poet's Corner

THOSE BLACK FRIDAY SALES

Teemed with
Holiday gusto, the consumers pace to and fro
Outside, and wait for

Sales—
Employees bid farewell to all they know...

Broken arms and
Legs galore,
Awestricken people on the floor—
Choking, biting, tripping
Kicking in a Wal-Mart store.

Fervor thickens;
Riots start.
Indecisive shoppers
Dart
Around confused and wait to pillage
Your shopping cart.

Soon, martial law is put in place
As anarchy devours the human race.
Levies break and mosh pits
Explode to
Seize the last Tickle Me Elmo.

Bon Jour! Ladies, gentlemen, lovers of poetry, and bored masses who were lucky enough to stumble across this portion of the newspaper, the mass media team once again invites you to submit your best poetry to be published in the December issue of *The Quaker*. Poems must be typed, signed, and personally given to Mrs. Dye in room 179 by Tuesday, Dec. 7. Until then, please enjoy the poems below.



Eva Jackman

AUTUMNSTORM

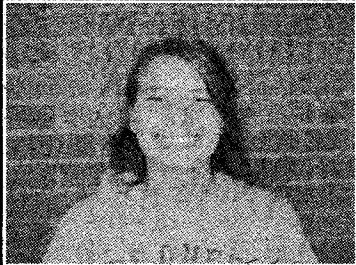
The twilight masks the sky
As a thick storm swiftly saunters by.
Crash!—
Lightning crackles the clouds.
Boom!—
Thunder yawps aloud.
Drilling toward the ground,
Raindrops dart all around.

Splish-splashing—
Lightning flashing.
Splish-splashing—
Thunder smashing.
Nimbus clouds ebb from the night sky,
Autumn winds bid goodbye.
Winter consumes the world in foggy frost,
As the moon conquers and the sun is lost.

Sports

Senior Spotlight

By Kaylin Cadile and Aimee Jones



Abby Cull - Tennis

How long have you been playing this sport?

Since sophomore year

What position do you play?

Second doubles

Is this your favorite sport?

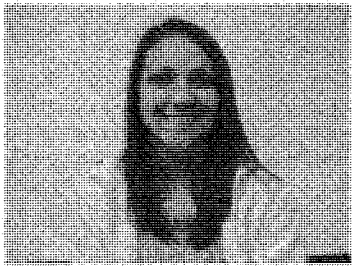
Yes

What is your favorite memory?

There are too many to name.

How did you become interested in this sport?

Ever since I was little, my mom would watch tennis in the summer.



Aimee Jones - Soccer

How long have you been playing this sport?

Thirteen years

What is your favorite warm-up song?

"Courtesy of the Red, White, and Blue" -Toby Keith

What position do you play?

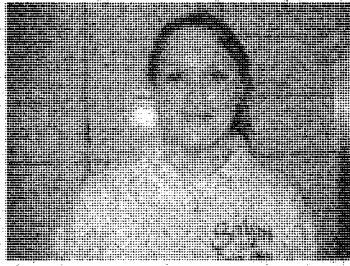
Left defender

Who is your team's biggest rival?

Everyone!

How did you become interested in this sport?

Playing square ball with Laura Brown ☺



Jackie Moore - Tennis

How long have you been playing this sport?

Four years

What other sports do you play?

I used to play soccer

What is your favorite memory?

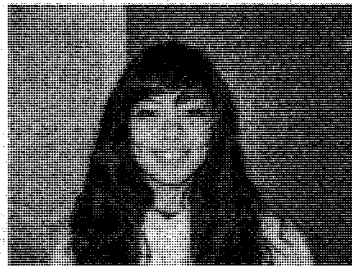
One of my teammates had a crush on the coach

Who's your team's biggest rival?

Howland

How did you become interested in this sport?

I've always liked it and wanted to play in high school



Lacey Thomas - Cheerleading

What position do you play?

Front row

What other sports do you play?

Tennis

What is your favorite memory?

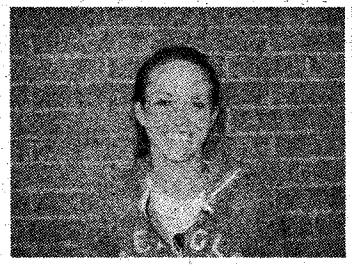
When we hid Sarah Bobby in a locker and scared Tori Timmann, then Sarah laughed so hard she (had an accident)...for real.

What is your goal for the season?

Be super duper cheery!

How did you become interested in this sport?

By watching Aimee Jones, she's my idol



Laura Brown - Volleyball

How long have you been playing this sport?

Six years

What position do you play?

Setter

Is this your favorite sport?

YES!

What is your favorite memory?

Slutzy's birthday every year and beating Hubbard in the finals junior year

How did you become interested in this sport?

Amy Scullion forced me to play.



Rodney Hughes - Football

How long have you been playing this sport?

First year

What position do you play?

Receiver/safety

What is your favorite memory?

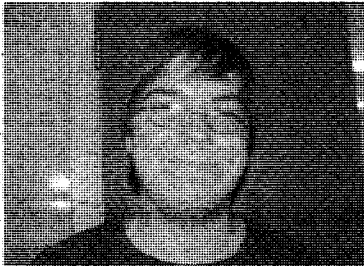
When Masters tried to scoop and score on senior night

What is your goal for the season?

Go deep into the playoffs

How did you become interested in this sport?

Chad Bash talked me into it



Mark Schreffler - Soccer

How long have you been playing this sport?

Eight years

What position do you play?

Forward

What other sports do you play?

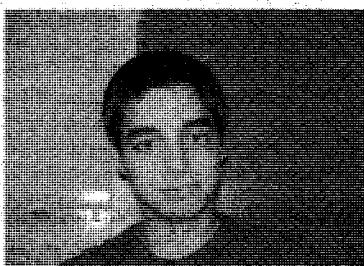
None

Is this your favorite sport?

Yes

What is your favorite memory?

Beating Hubbard for the league title on senior night



Ryan Cappuzzello - Golf

How long have you played this sport?

Two months

What is your favorite warm-up song?

"Steady Mobbin"

What other sports do you play?

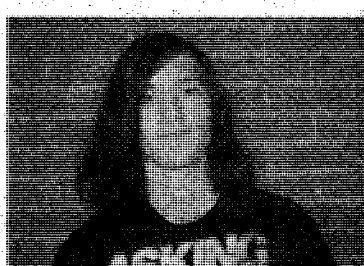
None

Is this your favorite sport?

No

What is your favorite memory?

The antics of Eric Spencer



Ryan Kuhns - Soccer

How long have you been playing this sport?

Ten years

What position do you play?

Outside mid

Is this your favorite sport?

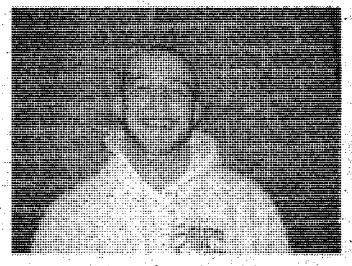
Yes

What is your favorite memory?

Senior night against Hubbard

Who's your team's biggest rival?

Lakeview



Trent Toothman - Football

How long have you been playing this sport?

Twelve years

What is your favorite warm-up song?

"Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go" -George Michaels

What other sports do you play?

Basketball, Track, Brick Breaker

What is your favorite memory?

Beating Granville in overtime

How did you become interested in this?

Laura Brown said she'd be my girlfriend if I did good in football

New coaches ready to begin seasons

By Mike Risbeck

The winter sports' seasons are right around the corner, and Salem is seeing some new faces as head basketball coaches. The new girls' basketball head coach is Coach Renee Farina, and the boys' head coach is Coach Hart. They both have a very extensive history around the sport of basketball and are planning to show their teams how to win.

Coach Farina has been playing basketball since she was seven years old, and this is her eighteenth year around the sport. During her time playing basketball in college at West Liberty University in West Virginia, Coach Farina's accomplishments were many. She was the team captain on her college team, made First Team All Conference, scored 1,000 career points, and shot a school record 324 career three pointers. She was also the first

female to make 100 or more three pointers in three consecutive years and was ranked second in the NCAA for three point field goals per game for two consecutive years.

Last year she coached the Fitch Falcons. Coach Farina is no stranger to SHS. She transferred to Salem her senior year having previously attended Boardman High School. She believes that hard work, good attitude, confidence, and competing every play are the keys to success. Coach Farina states, "I'm very excited for this upcoming season! We have a great group of young ladies who work very hard on the court and want to continue the winning tradition of Salem basketball."

Coach Hart has been around the sport for twenty-five years. He believes that everyone should "Be the best you can be!"

He played basketball at Spencerville High School, as well as baseball. His range of coaching extends from one year as an eighth grade girls' coach to four years at Upper Sandusky, fourteen at Minerva, two years at Hardin Northern and three years with Northern Kentucky University. The keys to success, as listed by Coach Hart, are to play hard, to play together, and to have fun. He was quoted as saying, "I have been very encouraged by the attitude and hard work I have seen this summer and fall and [I'm] looking forward to an exciting winter season."

The excitement for this year is mounting, and many of the students can't wait for the season to arrive. We wish the new coaches the best of luck and hope they have a successful year.

Fall sports wrap up

By Kaylin Cadile

Volleyball: District Runners-up

Girls' Soccer: Made it to the District semifinals and lost to Chagrin Falls, 4-3

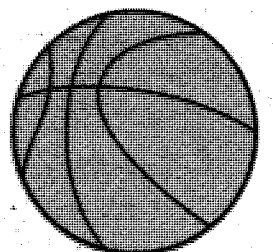
Boys' Soccer: Won White Tier, lost in the first round in the playoffs against Lakeview. 3-0

Cross Country: Regional Finalists

Football: Made it to play-offs, lost to the Thornville Generals 41-13. Season record: 8-3

Boys' Golf: Season record 80-15. Bart Wyss 1st in sectionals and advanced to Regionals

Good Luck Winter Athletes



Quaker Board

Club no show

By Meg Bell

an interest in the beginning of the year and never attends the club meetings. Another irritation is when members show up for club picture day and wear the t-shirt, but do not make an appearance afterward. If members don't show up enough for Spanish Club, they are kicked out, according to Seòra Hutson. This isn't always the case, though. Club advisors sacrifice time and even money to create something fun and enriching, but students don't follow through. Half of the time there are no legitimate excuses. What is the point of signing up in the first place? A teenager cannot possibly sign up for seven clubs, keep an after-school job, spend time with friends and make the grade without feeling stressed. A simple solution could be to not sign up for so many activities; some only sign up with the goal of a creating a list that looks good on a college application. Sign up for things you can actually be a part of instead of hurting others and yourself. Not attending a meeting because you don't "feel like it" or you "want to go to Taco Bell after school" is, admit it, a lame excuse.

The point is to just attempt. Make a commitment and commit. Time is wasted, and you frustrate those that take a little time out of their lives to be a part of something that could prove to be a great experience. Take some time to think before you sign up for every club offered at SHS next year.

the older kids when I was a freshman and a sophomore, then the underclassmen should have to respect the older kids now. It is becoming less of an understood rule that the upperclassmen should be treated with more respect. It should still be as strong as it was years ago. Senior Allison Renee Dolphin says, "Let me tell you a little bit about respect; it hardly exists in Salem High School." The upperclassmen notice the lack of recognition between the older and younger students. Alli agrees that the respect level needs to be strengthened.

Underclassmen, if you're reading this and think I'm wrong, then remember this—you'll be older too one day and want the underclassmen of your generation to respect you. Therefore, you should give respect now, and then it will be earned for when you are older. This isn't a far-fetched idea; it's the way high school has been for as long as anyone can remember. If you are younger, then you should respect the fact that the older kids were here first. They've been where you underclassmen are, so now it is their turn to get the respect they deserve. You'll get yours in due time. You just have to give it first.



Mrs. Kemats



Mrs. Sullivan

New faces at guidance office

By Kaylin Cadile

If you have stopped by the guidance department this year, then you have noticed two new faces waiting there to help you. The high school has acquired two new guidance counselors this year, Mrs. Sullivan and Mrs. Kemats. Mrs. Kemats is the guidance counselor for last names that begin with A - J. Mrs. Sullivan is the guidance counselor for the last names that begin with K - Z.

Mrs. Sullivan graduated from Youngstown State University. She is a vegetarian and has this piece of advice to give to students, "Work hard to be the best student and person you can be!" She also said this about her inspiration, "I love working with students. I always wanted to make a difference — and I have that opportunity everyday as a school counselor."

Mrs. Kemats got her Bachelor of Science degree from

Youngstown State University and her Masters from Westminster. Mrs. Kemats loves to cook and had this piece of advice to give to students, "Be yourself and do your best." She also said that her mother was her inspiration. "She was a psychology professor, and she always said how much she loved her job and career."

The former guidance counselors, Mrs. Crum and Mrs. Bosheff, are still working here in the school. Mrs. Crum is now Salem's head librarian and is working with Mrs. Erath in the high school library. Mrs. Bosheff is now the junior high guidance counselor. Although we will miss having Mrs. Crum and Mrs. Bosheff as our counselors, we look forward to working with Mrs. Kemats and Mrs. Sullivan this year and send them a big "Welcome" from Salem High School.

How to survive Thanksgiving

By Kayla Mills

Thanksgiving can be a very hectic time of year. There are preparations and feasts to cook. But I can tell you from personal experience that there is nothing more hectic than a big Thanksgiving gathering. Since I've managed to live through this disastrous occasion, I will share my survival tips with others with the hope that we all make it to the end.

As wonderful as it is to have all of your weird relatives in town, there can at times be some tension among family members. Therefore, my first piece of advice is to clear all valuable items from the room. Wouldn't it be unfortunate if a "full-on country brawl" broke out, and you have pretty pictures everywhere? People can be seriously hurt, and

money can be seriously lost.

I've learned that people can get very impatient when it comes to waiting for their food. So my second piece of advice is to serve appetizers before serving the big meal. This will prevent any family member from diving over an innocent grandmother or to get to the turkey.

When you're in a room with a large group of people, there will always be those few people who are blindly unaware of the offensive things that they say. So here is how you deal with it. Politely look at them (preferably with sweet, innocent eyes) and say, "Oh, dear relative. That was offen-

sive to me. I ask kindly of you to not be offensive to me in front of our kind and adoring family." Now, if you don't want to sound like an idiot, don't say anything at all. Completely avoid that person until most of the company leaves. That way, if you feel you must "take care of it," you can do it without everyone watching you.

Holidays are meant to be a pleasant time of year for families to enjoy themselves while gaining fifty extra pounds. But this time of year won't be very pleasant with confrontations from family members. So follow my tips, and together we can survive Thanksgiving.

R-E-S-P-E-C-T

By Donna Paparodis

Stereotypes have you believing that upperclassmen are going to shove freshmen in lockers and take their lunch money. They're scary and mean, and all underclassmen should be afraid of them. I'm not sure if you've noticed, but that's not exactly how it is. Although the underclassmen don't need to cower in fear of the juniors and seniors, they should have to respect the upperclassmen and their seniority.

Upperclassmen had to work their way to seniority. They, too, were once underclassmen that didn't get special privileges such as front row in the student section at games, which isn't even enforced anymore anyway. Freshmen and sophomores should have to deal with what they have now, and when they get older they will have seniority. Sophomore Bradley Larson tells me, "To a certain level, I think underclassmen should respect the upperclassmen. But I only respect ones who respect me." I remember complaining about the juniors and seniors acting like they deserved more respect just because they were older. But now I understand why they acted like that. If I was supposed to respect

S.H.S. seniors home from a year abroad

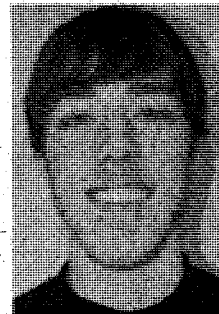
By Tim Slason

Last year, two of our senior classmates got the opportunity to experience different cultures, learn new languages, and meet people from all over the world. Senior Drew Bostwick visited France, and senior Cameron Clark visited Japan. Each had quite a time, and they both have many memories from that exchange which will remain with them for years to come.

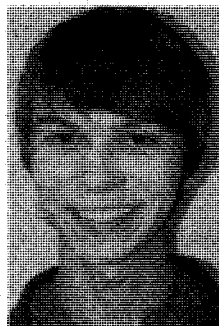
They both stayed in the homes of different families while in France and Japan. Drew described one of his families as "very hospitable and loving," and Cameron said his were "very warm and friendly." They both felt changed by their time abroad; Drew referred to it as "life-changing and eye-opening." Cameron found difficulty in adjusting to being around so many new people at first, but he feels the experience helped him to open up more easily. Drew found the culture to be very similar to the culture here, while Cameron found Japan's culture to be radically different, noting that "One of the major differences was that kids weren't ex-

pected to grow up so fast. They were expected to be responsible and work hard, but they were still allowed to be kids." The food was very different as well. Cameron found sukiyaki, tempura, and raw salmon particularly enjoyable, and Drew was very fond of escargot with a fresh baguette and a glass of 2005 Bordeaux, a staple of the French culture. Cameron was fascinated by the language and the use of new characters.

Drew believes that anyone with an interest in global culture and foreign language would gain a great deal from this sort of experience. Cameron comments that anyone who is open-minded and willing to try new things will have a great time as an exchange student. In fact, his biggest regret is not being as willing to try new things from the moment his exchange began. If you have any interest in the Rotary Youth Exchange program or any questions about their exchange, Drew and Cameron would be happy to tell you all about it.

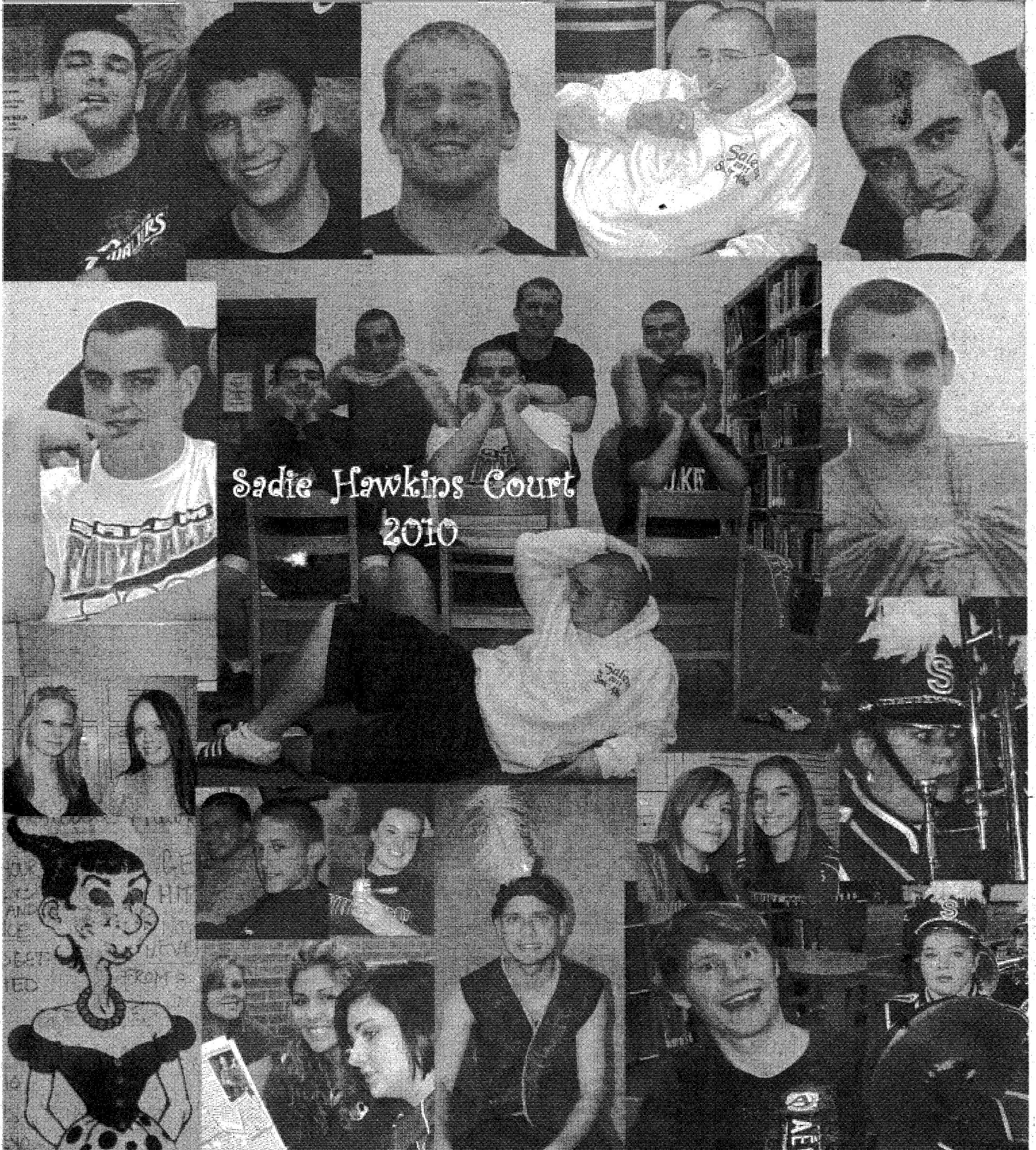


Senior Drew Bostwick



Senior Cameron Clark

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