

## Pack Your Bags, Band and Concert Choir

*The Chicago Trip Has Been Approved!*

By Katie Berry

Approximately 120 students will travel to Chicago this spring for the combined band and vocal trip.

Since the concert choir takes a separate trip every two years (and this is their year for a trip also), Duane Philgreen, vocal director, and Mark Philgreen, band director, decided to combine this year's trips, which will cost \$399 per student. According to Mark Philgreen, this is the first time the band and choir have combined for a trip since he has been at West Delaware.

Mark Philgreen said that the band originally considered traveling to Florida, Texas, or Washington, D.C. last summer, but the school

administration was concerned that the downturn in the economic condition of the community and state would make it difficult for students to raise enough money to go.

Mark Philgreen searched for a shorter weekend trip. His goal was to find a trip that would "get approved (by the school board), be closer to home, and allow students to miss the least amount of school possible."

"At one point I thought that we might not get to go on a trip at all," said senior band member Laura Nachtman, who observed that this year's seniors never went on a trip. (According to Mark

Philgreen the band normally goes on a trip every four years).

"We chose Chicago over the Twin Cities, St. Louis, and Kansas City because we felt Chicago had more to offer for the amount of money," said Mark Philgreen.

Duane Philgreen thinks that "students will get as much out of this trip as past ones" by visiting the Museum of Science and Industry, the Shed Aquarium, the Navy Pier, an I-Max theater, famous restaurants, and a Broadway production.

Both the band and concert choir will perform at a festival and a clinic. Students will depart April 24 and return home April 27, missing only one day of

school.

Some students were not so happy with the downsizing of the trip. "I'm excited but at the same time I'm kind of disappointed because in previous years they (the band) have gone on bigger trips, farther away from home. They went to Orlando, Florida (four years ago)," said Nachtman.

"It kind of stinks because we don't get to go as far for as long," said band member Jessie Boeding.

Nachtman wishes the band members had their own trip, yet she believes that the combined trip will allow her to spend time with a larger group of friends.



At Glanze Landing Sports Outfitters, Jessie Behnken selects two t-shirt purchased by her first hour class to donate to Operation Santa.

## OPERATION SANTA

By John Robbins

With the help of students, faculty, staff, and the student council, the high school raised hundreds of dollars for Operation Santa and contributed many gifts during the week of November 18.



## Thumbs Down to...

By Holly Creveling



Juniors and Freshmen  
ITEDs



Sophomores taking  
PLAN test



Delayed grades



Less school funding



Overcrowded lunches



No path through the  
hallway

## 'You Can't Please Everyone'

*The Reasons Behind the Chicken*

By Nate Detrich

Last week it was grilled chicken. This week it's chicken on a bun. And every day in between it's processed. Some students feel that lunch has become a little repetitive.

"It's always either chicken or tacos," said Dan Eibey, "If you don't know what's for lunch, all you have to do is guess chicken or tacos, and you're right."

Peg DeKeyser, the nutrition supervisor, chooses the meals for several area schools, including West Delaware. She selects the lunches according to nutritional guidelines and from student input. DeKeyser met with a few students and asked them what other students want for lunch. She encourages students to give lunch suggestions to Carol Lechtenberg, kitchen supervisor.

After she met with the students, they agreed upon a cycle menu based on their favorite menus. DeKeyser follows that basic cycle and just changes the breads and desserts. The meals have to have a certain number of

nutrients according to state nutritional guidelines.

It may seem like chicken is served all the time, but according to DeKeyser, it's not served that often. It's only served three times per month. Chicken nuggets are served as an alternate, giving the impression that chicken is served more than usual.

Maid rites used to be the alternate, but the students she asked requested to have chicken nuggets and commercial pizza as alternates instead.

"We have kids who actually eat the nuggets every day," says DeKeyser.

Some students think we need some other foods for alternates. "The chicken nuggets get old if you don't like what they're serving," said Corey Meyer.

According to Matt Drees, West Delaware should have spaghetti for an alternate, which the cooks would be all for, but according to Carol Lechtenberg, the kitchen supervisor, spaghetti takes too long to prepare to offer it daily.

## Riddle Me a Riddle

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1. A man is asked what his daughters look like. He answers, "They are all blondes except two, all brunettes except two, and all redheads except two." How many daughters does he have?

2. You throw away my outside and cook my inside. Then you eat my outside and throw away my outside. What am I?

3. I can make you lighter or cause your death. Some are afraid of me. What am I?

## Could You 'Do it Ebay'?



As I View It

By Adam Waterman

At one time Ebay was a small, unknown blip on the radar. Today Ebay is one of the biggest websites currently on the Internet.

Likewise, web design class is another unknown blip in the curriculum of West Delaware.

West Delaware needs to add a web design class so West Delaware students are able to design web pages by themselves.

Recently I was asked by an organization to start a website for them. I was going to until the committee decided that I didn't know enough about web design to do a good enough job to suit them. If a web design class were already in the curriculum, I would have been prepared.

If West Delaware adds a web design class, students could branch into many different fields of work after high school and college. They could start their own website or even design websites for businesses.

As students have seen around school, caseynet.com has become a hit. Many other students,

including myself, would love to create their own websites. Fortunately for those students who started caseynet.com, they were able to teach themselves how to build the website. Wouldn't it be nice if West Delaware students didn't have to learn that way?

The class won't only benefit students, but it would also benefit the school. If a web design class were to be implemented, students could work on the school website and maybe, just maybe, West Delaware's website could become more complete. We would not be practicing but actually producing a usable product.

I realize that adding a class to the curriculum would cost money and would possibly require a new teacher. However, some classes that are not used to their fullest could be cut and the web design class could then be offered.

If West Delaware students could start taking a web design class, who knows, maybe the next Ebay could start right here in little Manchester, Iowa.



## Thumbs Up to...

By Holly Creveling



Juice and apples for ITEDs



First snow fall



Winning last home football game



Graduation back to Sunday



Charter buses for football



Thanksgiving



Halloween costumes and cheerleaders at volleyball game

Congratulations to Kyle Nodurft for his success in the UNI Math symposium contest and for receiving a full tuition scholarship to UNI!

# Heading South

## Palmer Observes Government

By Karen Atwater

What word comes to mind when you think about this statement: "I will be living with three teenagers in a two bedroom apartment for four months, staying up late every night doing homework, and getting to work by 8:00 each morning."

For most, the thought of college comes to mind. However, for Kristy Palmer, junior, it's not college, it's an employment opportunity.

Palmer makes her journey, as a Senate Page, to Des Moines on January 10 to run errands, make copies, and take notes for Iowa senators.

"I've always had an interest in government so being a Page will help me to gain more knowledge on how the system works," she said.

Palmer is excited to move and is ready for January to arrive. "I can't wait. I can learn about our government but also hang out with my roommates, with no parents," Palmer said.

To take care of all the bills, Palmer will work 40 hours a week and be paid \$7.61 an hour, plus time and a half overtime. "The long hours will not be all that fun, but the money



makes it worth the while," she said. "I'm glad I get paid a lot because the apartment is by the mall!"

Palmer also needs the money because she plans to come home on the weekends. "I'll miss my family and friends," she said.

In addition to working as a Page, Palmer will also take Kirkwood and Northeast Iowa Community College classes and write a weekly paper for her Iowa Page course taught by Dave Schultz, government teacher.

If becoming a Page sparks the interest of students, Palmer suggests signing up. She explains, "You fill out an application and send it to Des Moines. Then a couple weeks later you get an interview, and if you're accepted, you receive a phone call from the Secretary of State."

"I'm getting myself ready for the real world," she said, "I'm packing up and heading south."

## YUMS & YUCKS

By Karen Atwater

### Top 5 Yums:

#5- Breaded Chicken

#4- Tacos

#3- Pizza Ranch Pizza

#2- Mexican Straw Hats

#1- Spaghetti

### Top 5 Yucks:

#5- Pizzaroni

#4- Salisbury Steak

#3- Breakfast

#2- Steak Nuggets

#1- School Pizza

## Congratulations, Yearbook Staff!

The 2001-2002 yearbook staff earned 14 individual awards in the Iowa High School Press Association Yearbook Contest.

### 1st Place Awards:

Jessica Nystel (2002 graduate): sports copy  
Kim Sadewasser and Gretchen Knott (seniors): sports photograph

### 2nd Place Awards:

Ann Hahn (senior): special features copy  
Emily Hanson and Kelly Murphy (seniors): opening design  
Gretchen Knott (senior): advertising spread  
Yearbook Staff: mugs design

### 3rd Place Awards:

Gretchen Knott (senior): student life copy  
Anne Snitker (2002 graduate): typography

### Honorable Mention:

Julia Brown (senior): student life photograph  
Brianna Gibbs (2002 graduate): faculty copy  
Anne Snitker (2002 graduate): cover design  
Yearbook Staff: academic photograph  
Yearbook Staff: photograph spread  
Yearbook Staff: student life design

### Bye Bye Birdie at its Best

By John Robbins

Falling into a trash can, Mason Greve's character, Hugo, has gotten drunk off of milk after losing his steady to Conrad.

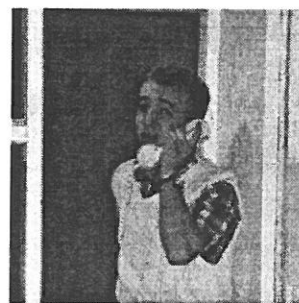
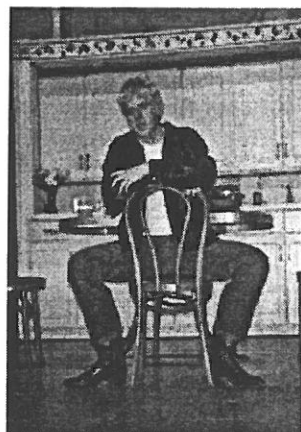


Preparing to afflict damage upon Conrad Birdie for taking his daughter, Dan Glaza's character, Mr. MacAfee, finds any means necessary to carry out the action, from a life preserver to a rope.

While Blake Bergeson's character, Maude, talks to Albert on the phone, Krystal Kehrli's character, Rosie, babbles on without realizing that Albert is on the phone.



After finding out that they're going to be on the *Ed Sullivan Show*, the MacAfee family, consisting of Kylie Toomer, Diana Karkow, Jacob Wall and Dan Glaza, celebrate in song.



Soloist Zach Rudd sings during "Telephone Hour," the opening musical chorus number for the play, which helps set the story of *Bye Bye Birdie*.

Jordan Schultz's character, Conrad Birdie, sings about how he needs to go out and live, singing "A Lot of Livin' To Do" right before leaving to go out on the town.

## Characters That Fit Just Right

By John Robbins

Developing a character can be extremely arduous or very simple, depending on how well the actor fits with the character. *Bye Bye Birdie*, which took place on November 8-10 at West Delaware High School, consisted of a variety of characters. From an overbearing father to an overactive, overly dramatic mother with a New York accent, actors used various methods to develop their character.

For Emily Meyer, it was a matter of becoming a domineering mother who overreacts to make her son feel guilty. She had to think how her relatives and grandma act. She decided to develop a New York accent, so she thought of Fran Drescher, who is a female comedian from the former comedy *The Nanny*. Meyer said, "I'm naturally really loud, a quick talker, and my character is me in 40 years."

For Diana Karkow, her character fit naturally. She was able to be her perfect 50's mom character without much thought, mainly thinking of June Cleaver, the mom on *Leave it to Beaver*. "I am a mom," Karkow said, "but the funny thing is that I'm naturally opposite of my character. She's a quiet and proper wife while I'm loud and dominant."

Albert Peterson is a whiny, mamma's boy from New York who is a former English teacher that has become Conrad Birdie's manager. That was the character Kyle Griffith had to become. "I naturally fit with my character," Griffith said, "I had to study Albert's personality and was able to act as the character from there on. Now I even know my character's favorite piece of literature is *Little*

*Women.*"

"I had to study my character's way of acting and think about her mannerisms," Krystal Kehrli said. Kehrli's personality didn't fit her character's personality very well. She rewrote some of her songs and parts to help her fit with her character, a secretary, named Rose, that's fed up with waiting for Albert (her character's love interest) to tell his mother about their six year relationship.

Jordan Schultz thought about how the actor from the original version acted. He had to have a lot of energy and had to act cocky for his rock star character Conrad Birdie.

Kylie Toomer had to play a young teenage girl who tries to act mature for her age and is being forced to grow up too fast. "I imagined Ann Margaret from the original version of the movie," Toomer said. "I needed to become a happy teenager, as if I'm the luckiest person on earth." This was easy for Toomer because she feels she is a happy teenager.

Dan Glaza played an overprotective dad with a "scary obsession" with Ed Sullivan. According to Glaza, his silly sense of humor and ability to be crazy helped him to become his character.

Director Duane Philgreen tried to help the actors develop their characters. "I suggested that the actors put themselves as the character in the time period," Philgreen said. Philgreen tried to motivate the actors by giving them a reason for their characters being on stage whether it was being an overbearing father to an overactive, overly dramatic mother with a New York accent.

### Top 5 Winter Activities

#5 Hunting

#4 Ditch Hoppin' in Snowbanks

#3 Snowmobiling

#2 Sledding

#1 SKIING/SNOWBOARDING

100 People Interviewed

### Mystery Photo

By Ashley Oleson



This picture was taken somewhere on school property. Can you find where it is? See page 11 to find the answer.

# Bad Ads

## Students Don't Agree with Negative Advertising

By Adam Waterman

Elections, an honorable and respectable national ritual. Nothing can degrade this acclaimed day, right?

Many students feel the negative advertising degrades the candidates. They don't degrade the opponent criticized in the advertisement but rather the candidate sponsoring the advertisement.

"Negative campaigning stinks," said Nathan Jewett, because the advertisements don't show what the candidates feel on the major topics.

Jewett feels the advertisements do not sway the voters if the advertisement is diminishing the opponent. The advertisements are only effective if the advertisement shows the candidate's viewpoint on the topics.

Then the phone rings.

"One day my parents got 50 phone calls, I swear," said Holly Evarts.

Barry Francois said that his family usually doesn't

answer the phone when the candidates call. They just let the answering machine get it.

"Sometimes my family listens to the phone calls, depending on who the candidate is," said Kyle Nodurft.

Nodurft also feels the flyers are not effective. His family never reads them.

"All I look at are the pictures," said Evarts.

Francois said his family just throws them away.

Jewett said, "The ads may get a response, but it may not be the response the candidate wants."

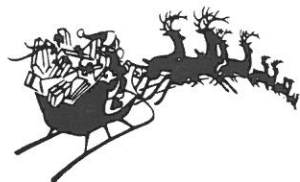
Many students feel that most of the campaigning on television, flyers, or phone calls are not effective. Jewett said that the most effective form of campaigning are personal appearances. He feels that if candidates want to be elected, they would turn campaigning to a more "one-on-one" effort.

## What are you doing for Thanksgiving?

By Katie Berry

"My family is helping to plan a surprise Thanksgiving dinner for my mom's friend, who's having surgery soon."

- Kim Sadewasser

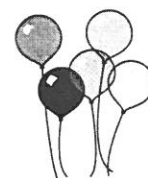


"I am going to Oklahoma City to celebrate Christmas on Thanksgiving with my family."

- Logan Pralle

"We're going to have Thanksgiving on the 24th at my aunt's house because my birthday is on Thanksgiving."

- Caitlyn Jones



## Question Of the Issue

How did walking tacos  
get their name?

*"They got their name  
because you can walk  
with them and they  
taste like tacos!"*

**-Ryan Bradley**

# WALKING Tacos are RUNNING Away With Lunch

*By Daniel Conrad*

\$1.25. On any other day it would buy you nachos, but every other Friday it will buy you a walking taco.

Walking tacos are made of crushed Doritos, nacho cheese, and hamburger. Students also have the option of adding cheese, hot sauce, lettuce, tomatoes, or the most popular ingredient sour cream.

The students who buy the most walking tacos are usually the sports players. One time during the middle of the football season someone bought four walking tacos, said Nancy Hough, food service employee.

West Delaware High School started selling walking tacos about five years ago when Hough's son came home from a track meet with the idea.

"Walking tacos are only sold on Fridays because they sell better and kids remember easier," says Hough. She sells about 60 every day they are sold, but the most ever sold was during the middle of football season when she sold over 100 walking tacos.

Scott Epland likes walking tacos because they have Doritos and nacho cheese. "I have two every time," said Epland.

# An Alternate to School

*by Holly Creveling*

Some people think that the West Delaware High School Alternative School is an easy and fast way to earn credits to graduate, but for the students at the school, it's not as easy as it seems.

Karen Buechele, director of the school, said the students work independently, the way they would study in college. Students are required to attend twelve hours a week. They can come at whatever times are convenient between eight and five, but they have to attend at least three hours at a time.

Some students have jobs and some have children to look after, so they appreciate the flexible schedule, Buechele said.

"I have to teach myself," said Brittani Jones, who likes the alternative school because it has taught her self discipline and because her teachers trust her to do her own work.

The alternative school "operates to serve students for a variety of reasons, including credit issues," said Buechele. They earn an average of four to five credits per term. Now in its third year, the school usually

graduates two thirds of the class each year. Those are good numbers considering some students "are dealing with more than academics alone," Buechele said.

The 27 students who presently attend don't just show up, study and leave. The school provides other activities. The school has speakers and group meetings to discuss life issues. The school also helps students explore post-graduation options by setting up college visits or assisting them in finding a job.

November 1 the students visited Northeast Iowa Community College. Students were able to weld, try CNC (Computer Numeric Control) and learn about nursing.

Even though a variety of subjects are offered, next quarter the school will begin to access some electives at West Delaware High School. Some students would like to take auto mechanics classes and, Buechele said, "I couldn't teach that."

Jones said, "I like (the) alternative school, but I do miss my friends at the high school because I don't get to see them as often."



## Breaking Limits with New Technology

By Holly Ingles

Breathing a little harder and gripping the wheel a little tighter, you dump the clutch and burn off the line to see exactly what you and your car really have.

Although racing at the track is more intense, according to Jeremy Ferden who races a 1999 Cavalier, using the G-Tech/Pro allows drivers to record many more measurements than just the 1/4 mile.

Just last year former senior Autos II students suggested the purchase of two G-Tech/Pros for \$139.00 each, with a \$500.00 Wal-Mart teacher award given to Dennis Wiedenman, autos teacher. This year's autos classes voted to confirm the

purchase of the G-Tech.

The G-Tech allows students to validate the performance of their own cars. Students use it to test for g-forces on acceleration, braking, and cornering.

Along with the g-forces, the G-Tech measures anything from horsepower, 1/4 mile trap speed, and even 60-0 braking distance by just plugging the device into the cigarette lighter and mounting it on the windshield.

"In talking with students in class, we have several former students and friends in places such as Simon's Grain Feed & Fertilizer Inc. so kids can weigh cars to

get an accurate weight and thus accurate horsepower measurements,"

Wiedenman said.

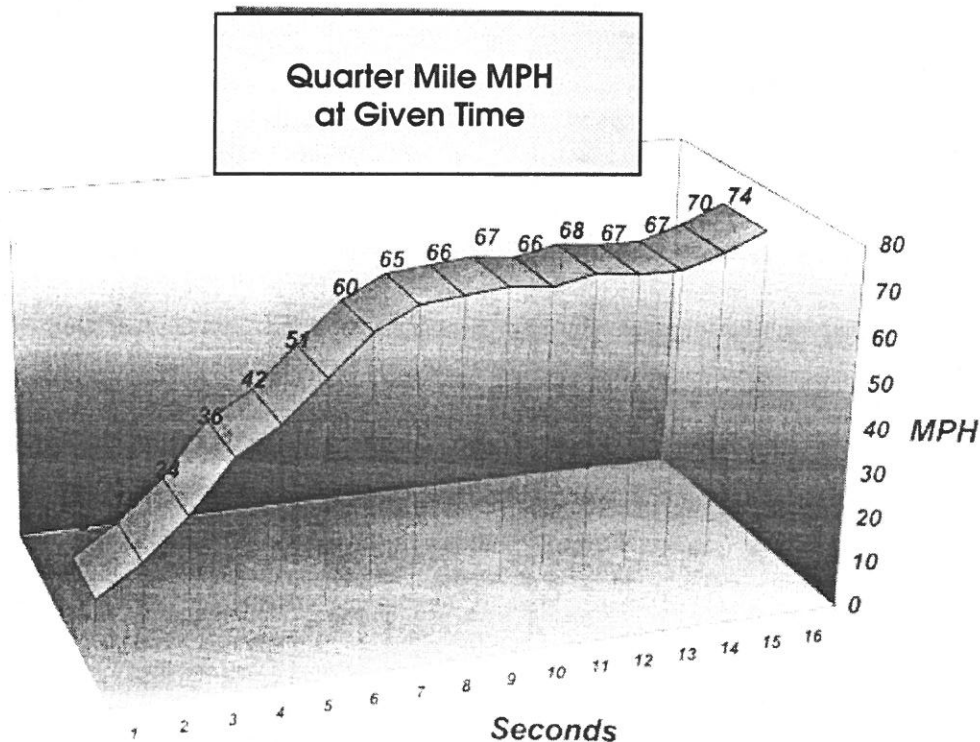
Many students have tested the G-Tech on their own vehicles. When first purchased, it was only offered to the Autos II students. Now Wiedenman is offering it to all of his students.

"I (Ferden), (Casey) Lewin, and (Mike) Elledge were out on Fish Hatchery Road with Lewin's Caddy, and we wanted to see how many negative gs we could get by slamming on the brakes at 60 mph, so we did and I almost went through the windshield," Ferden said. When reading the

results of their experiment they had accomplished .98 negative gs.

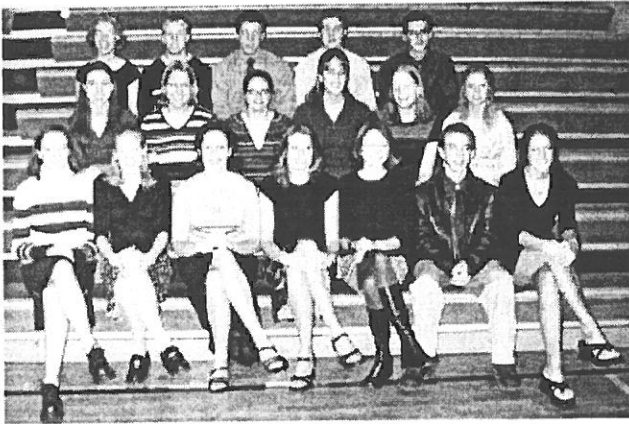
Dakota Dryden also tried out the G-Tech when a police officer stopped his car. Taking an interest in the G-Tech, the officer tried it out with his own patrol car. "When I got back in my car, I was pretty happy and considered myself lucky," said Dryden.

Many students have their fun with seeing what they can do with the G-Tech, but "it is a really good informational tool," said Wiedenman. "Students really begin to enjoy it once they get use to using the G-Tech and really like the results they are getting."



Using information from the G-Tech, Mike Elledge created a graph showing MPH at a given time. Elledge used this information to study the performance of his car.

## 2002 - 2003 National Honor Society Members



*Junior NHS Members: Front Row: Megan Heffernen, Deb Durey, Rachel Bockenstedt, Paige Mundy-Young, Keeley Lewis, Zach Rudd, Jennifer Jones; Row 2: Emily Evers, Abby Lahr, Sara Breitbart, Melinda Mossner, Jessica Johnson, Keeley Lenz; Back Row: Kellie Monaghan, Garret Soppe, Travis Bries, Dan Glaza, Blake Bergeson.*



*Senior NHS Members: Front Row: Michelle Wessels, Ashley Schaul, Kacie Klein, Ashley Mensen, Jamie Kammarmeyer, Laura Burkle, Kathryn Rymer, Emily Meyer, Mark Woods; Row 2: Julia Brown, Michelle Gaffney, Abby Quint, Monica Butikofer, Kathryn Walker, Kim Sadewasser, Kelly Murphy, Tessa Tuetken; Row 3: Adam Baumgartner, Ashley Knipper, Laura Nachtman, Katie Huether, Lisa Krogman, Kelsey Hoffmann, Jessica Hoffmann; Row 4: Nathan Jewett, Casey Hansen, Julie Phillips, Brian Klaus, Katelyn Zuck, Megan Fetter, Emily Hanson; Back Row: Michael Tekippe, Chris Cook.*

### TEACHER PROFILE

*By Nate Detrich*

**NAME-** Jolene Pitzenberger -Timp  
**HOMETOWN-** Jackson Junction, Iowa. Population- 150



**TEACHES-** Photography, Painting, and Drawing

**FAVORITE CLASS TO TEACH-** "I love all of them. They're all my favorite as long as there are fewer than 20 kids"

**FAVORITE PART OF TEACHING ART-** "My days are never the same, I have a new challenge every day."

**FAVORITE TV SHOW-** *Bewitched* on Nickelodeon, "because its kind of a surrealistic show and I like shows like that"

**FAVORITE CAR-** Black '67 T-Top Stingray Corvette because it's a very fast and impractical car.

### Student of the Month

The Pepsi Student of the Month is awarded to a student who has shown an interest in the school, whether it's showing school spirit or helping out a teacher. Teachers nominate a student and a committee votes on who should receive the award. The award is a 24-pack of Pepsi.



**Scott Crawford**  
**September**  
**Pepsi Student**  
**of the Month**



**Steven VanKooten**  
**October**  
**Pepsi Student**  
**of the Month**

## President's Pep Rally

By Beth Michels

If you had the opportunity to hear the President of the United States speak, would you take it?

Congressman Jim Nussle recently gave this opportunity to 35 West Delaware Students. On November 4, Dave Schultz, government teacher, and his students traveled to the U.S. Cellular Center in Cedar Rapids, where they heard President George W. Bush speak about why they should vote.

"It was a pep rally," said Schultz, "to get people

excited to vote."

"It felt like a circus with people chanting and waving flags and pompons," said Emily Meyer, a government student.

The government class didn't really know what the President's speech was going to be about. According to Schultz, some students were disappointed that he didn't talk much about the issues that America is facing.

Meyer thought that he spent time explaining the problems but not telling

what Americans should do about it.

Rachael Barron was not that impressed with his speech. She wanted to hear about the issues not about why they should vote for a particular candidate.

Schultz thinks that seeing the President made a lasting impression on the students and motivated them to vote.

"If I was of age, I would have voted," said Scott Burns, a government student.



President George W. Bush speaks at the U.S. Cellular Center in Cedar Rapids on Nov. 4.

### Mystery Photo Answer

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This photo was taken outside the door of the high school by the portables on the flammable gas tank.

*Answer Me  
an Answer  
from page 2*

1. 3, one blonde, one brunette, and one red head
2. a cob of corn
3. water

Congratulations to Kyle Kelchen who recently signed a national letter of intent accepting a scholarship offer to play baseball at UNI!

## Speakers, Scarecrows, and Sledding

*YADC Takes an Active Role in Aiding People with Disabilities*

By Jennifer Drummy

Seventy-six members strong, the Youth Association for Disabled Citizens (YADC) has set out with a challenge in mind.

YADC's challenge is getting more students actively aiding people with disabilities and spreading information about them, according to Jean Resor, YADC adviser.

Any student, regardless of age, grade, or gender, can join YADC. Amber Appleton, secretary, said, "I joined because I wanted to learn about people with disabilities and learn what I can do to help."

Their first event was a guest speaker who spoke

about the government funding set aside for people with any kind of disability.

Cassandra Hiatt said, "I enjoyed learning how the government distributes



*Deb Durey, Ashten Stelken, and Amber Appleton*

money to people in need."

On November 9, YADC helped people with disabilities at a fall dance held at the Fish and Game Club.

Leah Hubbard said, "It was really fun because you got to see and interact with people who look different but are just like us."

On November 21, at 7 p.m. Micheal Hoenig, MA, presented information about what it is like to be blind.

YADC is planning many activities for the future. Some of these activities include a bowling party and possibly a sledding party.



### Staff Box

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Dan Conrad  
Holly Creveling  
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## Kings of the Road

By Ashley Oleson

Cruising down the highway, taller and louder than everyone else makes some West Delaware guys feel like kings.

Pipes, lift kits, CBs, big tires, dual exhaust, and stainless kits are found on the trucks owned by a number of West Delaware students.

"When others think about my truck they probably say I have a nice truck and they're jealous," said Wade Feldmann, owner of a 1991 Chevy with a 454 big block motor.

"It's not about me—it's about my truck," said Travis Hough, owner of a 1986 Chevy short box.

It takes you where you need to be, through snow, fields, but no mud (because Feldmann recently had his truck painted).

Many of the guys put a lot of time, money, and energy into their trucks. Matt Drees has spent \$5,000 on new parts such as tires and rims for his truck.

Hough doesn't even have a regular horn any more. Hough's horn plays the first eleven notes off of the theme song from the TV show, *The Dukes of Hazzard*.

Along with the horn, Hough has a 6-inch lift on his Chevy. This makes his

truck the tallest at West Delaware but hard to get into. One time, according to Hough, he even hit his knee on the bottom of the door while jumping into his truck.



*This 1996 short box Chevy is owned by Ben Hepke.*

Mindi Heims, an onlooker said, "They catch your eye and get your attention. It is exciting to see them go by."