

## Pre-game Parties Tailgating Tales

by Eric Hart

Every Friday night dozens of people flock to parking lots for one reason—tailgating.

Led by Eric Hanson and David Durey, tailgating has become a popular activity for West Delaware students.

Starting around 4:30 and ending near the end of the sophomore game, many students enjoy grilled hamburgers, chicken, hot dogs and more.

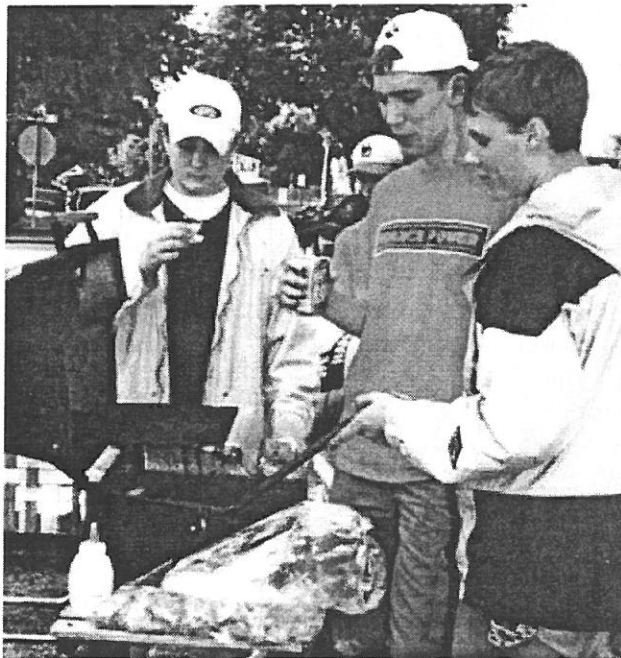
Hanson supplies the food and Durey takes orders on the grill. The food isn't free so they encourage donations.

Football is not the only sport these "superfans" attend. They also go to as many volleyball games and cross country meets as they can.

All the games and meets add up to some funny

stories. "Once at a cross country meet in Indee, we got kicked out because we

were on state property, and they gave us ten minutes to get out," said David Durey.



Dan Glaza, Eric Hanson and David Durey grill a favorite, spicy wings, in the parking lot.

The tailgaters have had many encounters with the news and other schools' administrators. "Me and Scott Saville are like best friends," claimed Eric Hanson.

"Scott Saville eats like crazy. He'll eat like four hamburgers and four brats," said Durey.

"At Waverly they kicked us out of the parking lot so we moved to the street," said Durey. Then their athletic director called the police on the tailgaters. "The cop came and said we had to leave, because of the athletic director, but otherwise he (the policeman) would tailgate."

Others are often positive about the effort. "We get a lot of respect from other schools' fans and from the cops," Hanson said. "They come up to us and talk to us and shake our hands."

## Spencer Rave Awarded the World Food Prize

by Morgan Putz



Spencer Rave received the World Food Prize Iowa

Centennial Award on October 18 at the Civic Center in Des Moines.

Rave entered his 4-H

Field and Stream project, made from homemade play-dough, coffee grounds and parsley, at the Delaware County Fair. Rave's project received a purple ribbon and was selected to go to the State Fair.

Rave received a red ribbon at the Iowa State

Fair, where Dr. Norman E. Borlaug, former American Nobel Peace Prize Winner, discovered Rave's project.

On October 18 Dr. Borlaug presented Rave with the World Food Prize Award, which recognized exceptional 4-H exhibitors of the 2001 Iowa State Fair

Food, Fiber and Environmental projects.

"It was a great experience for me to be invited to this world wide event. I was very surprised and very honored to have my project be one of the few selected for this big event," said Rave.

# SHOT

by Angie Wessels

Who would have thought that on Sunday, September 23, someone who attends West Delaware would have been shot? Toby Reilly never did.

It started out as a normal Sunday, Reilly went to church with Matt Ryan and they talked of going hunting that day.

So Phil Klein, Matt Ryan, Brock Phillips, Vernon Ferguson and Reilly headed out to Dick Ryan's property to hunt. Not too long after they started, Ferguson and Phillips both shot at a squirrel that was coming out of a tree.

"One of the bullets must have ricocheted off the tree and hit me right above my ankle," replied Reilly, "At first I thought that someone had thrown a rock at my leg." He then took about five more steps and decided to look at his leg because it was starting to hurt more as he walked. "I pulled back my boot and saw blood coming from my ankle," said Reilly.

"All right, which one of you 'guys' shot me?" were the next words that came out of his mouth.

"I thought Reilly was joking until I walked over and saw the blood coming from his ankle," said Phillips.

Since it hurt too much to walk on his ankle, Ryan and Klein helped Reilly walk back to Klein's truck.



Toby Reilly

Klein then drove Reilly to the Regional Medical Center. On the way, Reilly was telling Klein to "drive fast, but don't stop fast."

When they reached the hospital, the doctors took X-rays and decided to send Reilly to St. Luke's Hospital in Cedar Rapids. Reilly spent 21 hours in the hospital while the doctors looked at and cleaned up his ankle.

Reilly is now off his crutches and has his cast off. He is currently wearing a brace. The bullet is still in his leg where it will remain until it comes to the surface of the skin. When his bone gets stronger, the doctors can remove the bullet. Reilly is doing fine now and plans to keep on hunting.



## Thumbs Up to...



T.P.ing



Car paint



Front row gang at the volleyball games



Eliminating scheduling conflict between the volleyball game and the homecoming pep rally



The dance of the molecules in chemistry



Sophomore football team being undefeated



New football and volleyball jerseys

## Building on the Past

by Erin Hermsen

Recently 17 West Delaware journalism students attended an Iowa High School Press Association Conference in the Iowa Memorial Union on the University of Iowa Campus in Iowa City.

Students attended various types of sessions during the day including desktop publishing, interviewing, censorship and advertising.

"I learned more about Adobe Photoshop," said Jessi Hoffmann, "like levels, curves, and sharpening digital pictures."

Julia Brown also thought that the conference was a worthwhile experience. "The most important thing that I learned is facing the pictures into the spread to make the spread more effective."

☺ **Juniors** for doing such a good job on the homecoming float.

☺ **Senior** boys for dressing up for the volleyball games.

☺ **Student Council** for organizing the homecoming parade so well.



☺ **Wrestling cheerleaders** for making cards for a person in the military.

## W.D. Students Choose Their Favorite Comics!

by Morgan Putz

- "My favorite comic is the *Simpsons*. It's funny for young adults and they show typical households of today."

-Katie Hermsen

- "*Superman* because I used to have a *Superman* comic book worth 75 bucks."

-Kirk Thomsen

- "*The Ninja Turtles*. They have special powers and they look really funny!"

-Sandy Funke

- "*Spiderman* because he saves people from bad guys."

-Ashley Oleson



Jessica Johnson

### As I View It

## Pledging Allegiance at West Delaware

"United we stand, divided we fall," said Abraham Lincoln concerning the division of the North and South prior to the Civil War.

Perhaps it was the intentions of the September 11 terrorist attack to divide us, but the terrorists' actions produced the opposite affect in a way that nothing else could.

Many citizens have placed flags in their windows and doors to honor those who died in the attack, while others wear pins as reminders of who they are.

In turning to school, I've seen a few different patriotic gestures, including fingernails painted like the stars and stripes, as well as red, white, and blue ribbons and bracelets. I also appreciate that our school joined with others across the country in a moment of silence.

But what seems to be lacking is an effort to impress upon every student the pride we have in our country.

The two suggestions that I have aren't time consuming or expensive, but the impact they would have on West Delaware would be noticed immediately.

My first suggestion is that we hang a flag in every classroom, whether it be printed, student-made, or cloth. Our flag is a symbol of our long commitment to freedom, and it would remind students to remember how these liberties were purchased and the cost they will continue to be worth.

My second suggestion involves the Pledge of Allegiance. In elementary school, I, along with my classmates, recited the Pledge daily. This could be student-led over the intercom or be an individual classroom activity each day. Reinstitution of this practice would leave an impression upon students that we are bound together.

It is my hope that everyone will continue to remember what we stand for, as that is the unity that true enemies of our nation seek to destroy.

# Christians Go Underground

by David Karkow

Imagine running from cops and adults just to get into one building. Hiding in dirt and water and climbing a barbed-wire fence are the only ways in without getting caught. Would you take on this mission?

Held on Saturday, September 30 at 8 p.m. by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, around 30 West Delaware students attempted to get into the Rec Center at the Delaware

County Fairgrounds. Sounds easy to some. But with both adults and police officers on the watch, it was harder than it seemed.

Some students were caught, but others prevailed. Students had to use their brains and friends to get in. Some students got in rather easily, like Eric Hart and Adam Hart, who just sprinted across the street.

Others, such as Jarrod

Stepanek and Gabe Gildner, took almost 30 minutes.

"Jarrod Stepanek surprised me when he came in because he was the only one with black face paint on and he looked like a commando or something," said Eric Hart.

Around 30 students attempted this mission. But what was all of this for? According to Dave Gaskill, it was to simulate what it

would be like to be a Christian in old times when people tried killing others for going to church, and it was "to spur the awareness in our community of the climate of Christianity in other countries," said Gaskill. At the end of the night, Andy Baldwin led a small sermon.

It is planned that this event will be repeated either next spring or fall.

## Guess Who?

By Jessi Hoffmann

A.



C.



Can you recognize these profiles?

Answers on Page 14

B.



D.



## Thumbs Down to...



Closing cafeteria before school's out



Playing cards being banned from school



High security in the library



No drawing tables in drawing class



Sophomores lack of effort when cheering for the spirit stick



Awards assembly at the same time as the PSAT



# Freshmen...Again!

by Kim Sadewasser

As many West Delaware students are either finalizing their plans for college or just beginning their search, recent West Delaware graduates are just settling in to the college life.

Many factors affect a student's choice in the college they select. Kim Huether chose Northwestern College in St. Paul, Minnesota, because, "I loved the God centered atmosphere here and that you got a Bible major with your general education studies."

Crystal Lee enjoyed the great science department at Simpson College, in Indianola, and she also appreciated the high academic standards.

Some students wonder what they could do to be more prepared when they graduate, "In college you have so much reading to do," said Kristy Larsen, who is attending the University of Northern Iowa, in Cedar Falls. She thinks that reading more in high school would have helped to better prepare her. Larsen also feels that learning study skills would have been beneficial.

Adam Salow, who is a student at the University of South Alabama said,

"You live the life and gradually adapt to it. You can't really teach something like that."

Many of these former West Delaware students realize now that they could have done things differently while in high

school. Huether wishes that while at West Delaware she would have taken more college credit classes, "because I could get a lot more annoying gen-ed classes done cheaper and easier."

If he were able to be in high school again, Salow said that he would, "not slack on the easy stuff that should be done, like homework."

"I wish I could have studied more seriously," said Larsen.

Students are happy about some high school choices. Lee said, "(I am) glad that I

worked really hard to get the grades I got (while at West Delaware)." She adds that many of her peers who didn't study in high school are having a difficult time staying ahead.

Being involved in many activities is one thing Larsen is glad she did at West Delaware.

"Being in many things made me open up more and not be scared to talk in public or talk to new people."

Huether is glad that she took a lot of writing classes and, "didn't totally blow off my senior year."

Caleb Schultz, who is attending Iowa State University in Ames, is glad he was so involved at West Delaware, "because it really helped me

become more of a social person. Before that, I really had a problem with meeting people and talking to different people. Getting involved was really good for me, because I feel that has carried over with me to ISU."

Moving out on their own, these teens realize some of the challenges and advantages of the real world. Huether says the worst things about college are having to do her own laundry and not being able

to get money from her parents when she's broke.

The only inconvenience with college for Salow is that he is 17 hours away from his family and friends.

Many of the 2000 graduates dislike the amount of time they now spend

on homework and studying. Brittany Jacobson, who attends Iowa State University in Ames, said, "They say, 'for every hour you're in class, you should spend three hours out of class (studying).'"

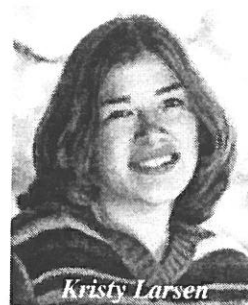
When not studying, the students are exposed to many unique people. Lee enjoys the great friendships that she has created in the short time she's been at school.

Not only does Salow enjoy the new people he has met, but he also said, "(I have) gone to the beach, and that's a blast."

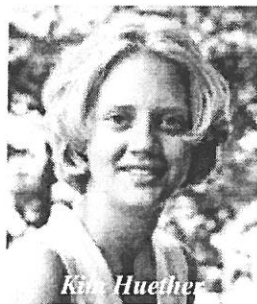
Jacobson feels that she has a lot of freedom in college, "It's nice to be able to go to a friend's room and hang out or you can go out on a school night if you want and (you) don't even have to ask permission."



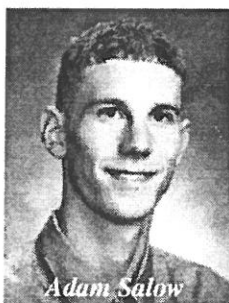
Brittany Jacobson



Kristy Larsen



Kim Huether



Adam Salow



Crystal Lee

# West Delaware Supports Substance Free Teens

by Megan Ryan

West Delaware added two extra curricular activities for the students this year.

Michelle Ellison, Certified Prevention Specialist and Licensed Social Worker, will lead the two programs.

The first program, S.A.D.D., is being reinstated at West Delaware.

Previously known as Students Against Drunk Driving, S.A.D.D. members modified the title to Students Against Drinking and Drugs.

Ellison's main goal is to make students aware that a lot of students at West Delaware make the

decision to remain drug and alcohol free. Ellison wants to let students know they're supported for making those decisions.

One way S.A.D.D. plans to encourage good decision making is through Red Ribbon Week. During Red Ribbon Week, S.A.D.D. members will read an announcement at the football game and announcements during the week at school. In addition, members will make and hand out ribbons to tie to cars.

The second program Ellison is introducing is Teens Against Tobacco Use. In the past, a health

class sat in on a T.A.T.U. training session, but the students didn't get the full effect.

The T.A.T.U. members, non-smoking high schoolers, will learn a curriculum based on facts involving smoking and teach it to fifth grade students. A more intense training will be involved, as students must attend five sessions to be a part of the T.A.T.U. curriculum.

A special part of this year's T.A.T.U. will happen when students get to be a part of Just Eliminate Lies, a program based on the Truth Campaign to reduce teen smoking. Ellison

signed all members up for J.E.L. However, the members are able to determine how active they will be within the program.

S.A.D.D. and T.A.T.U. have over 50 members so far, but Ellison said she wants lots of students involved, especially boys. Ellison said students who aren't afraid to speak in front of people work well. A group of athletes would also be a good group of role models. Ellison said, "The fifth graders will look up to members as if they are a teen mentor or role model."

## Red Ribbon Week

October 23-31

Make a Difference:  
Be Drug-Free

## Spaghetti: Lost, But Now Found

by Janet Smith

Where has all the spaghetti gone? For months this question weighed upon many high school students' minds, as the much desired spaghetti did not appear on the lunch menu time after time.

According to Sharon Heims, food service employee, spaghetti did not appear on lunch trays because at the end of the summer the kitchen staff discovered the steam kettle was broken. They ordered a new one and it took six weeks to arrive, and then it

took another two weeks to get someone to hook up the kettle electrically.

Students missed spaghetti the first two months of school. "We need it for nutrients and carbohydrates!" said Wes Schulte.

Many students appreciate the return of spaghetti to the Hawk menu. "As I walk through the lunch line, a smile comes to my face," said Kevin McCusker, "knowing that spaghetti is back!"

# Say Anything

by Jena Petlon

- To all athletes: Cheerleading is a sport!  
~The Cheerleaders~
- David Durey is the big cheese.  
~Dan Glaza~
- To all girls: I'm Single!  
~Nic Scott~
- Boys are bad!  
~Kristen Krogmann~
- Sports are over rated.  
~Phil Holtz~
- I have a real occupation.  
~Mike Breckenfelder~  
(Boxcar McGee)
- Suppose I better go get that big tractor.  
~Jeff Rave~
- We have the best students in the state of Iowa.  
~Roger Hanson~
- Good negatives are easier prints.  
~RC Tibbot~
- I have square feet so what's the big deal?  
~One senior girl~
- Cross Country is the bomb!  
~Scott Crawford~
- I'll tell ya what...the burritoos look  
scrumptious.  
~Tyler Kelchen~

## How Much Time Do You Spend on Homework Each Week?

by Marie Hauschild

- None- 2%
- 1 hour- 13%
- 2 hours- 20%
- 3 hours- 25 %
- 4 hours- 23%
- 5 hours plus- 17%

\*Surveyed 100 Students

## Local Punk

by David Karkow

Interview with A.D.D. band member Luke Malone, a.k.a. Chester Obnoxious: *Why did you start playing?*

Obnoxious: Music always ran through my family, and I got a guitar from my grandpa when I was nine. Then he started teaching me.

*How do you feel about the band?*

Obnoxious: I feel that if we can stay with it and practice on a regular basis, we could get somewhere.

*If you became famous, would you come and play in Manchester?*

Obnoxious: The sad thing is we would almost have to

be famous to be recognized in Manchester. Being such a small town without a local music scene, most people here listen to radio-played bands. But if it happened, sure.

*What style of music would you like to play?*

Obnoxious: Most definitely punk. Maybe find a way to infuse punk, ska, grunge, and hardrock. That'd be cool.

*Who would you like to tour with most?*

Obnoxious: Green Day. They've inspired me greatly, and they have lots of energy playing live.

# Shake A Leg

by Jena Petlon

Homecoming is the first big event of the school year. And the dance on Saturday night is the final homecoming activity.

Prior to the dance, many students went out to eat. Brian Klaus and his date ate at Chesters in Manchester. "It was really packed, but it was fun to talk to everyone."

Many other students also ate in town. Brody Parker and her date, along with five other couples, went to Subway. Pizza Hut was also another popular place to eat. Robin Morris and her friends ate there for the

evening.

Instead of going out to eat, Phil Klein said, "For dinner the boys and I cooked the girls grilled chicken breast and made them side dishes."

Keeley Lewis and her date didn't get to the dance until 11 p.m., because they got held up at their restaurant. However, when they got there, Lewis insisted, "The DJ didn't play any slow songs. They needed to play more."

Klaus had fun at the dance and had an overall good time. "I liked watching the senior guys make

fools out of themselves," Klaus said. His one complaint was, "The DJ played too much rap."

For her first high school dance Morris had a lot of fun with her friends. She commented, "It's different. There was a lot more people than at a middle school dance."

Parker had a good time at the dance; however, she thought the gym looked bare and it needed more decorations.

After the excitement of the dance many students didn't end their excitement there. Fourteen senior guys

ditched their dates early and met at Austin Hermsen's house. Nolan Grimm said, "Our mission was to repay the people who got us." The boys were loaded with over 1,800 rolls of toilet paper. From 3-9 a.m., six houses were t.p.ed. Grimm said the scary part was, "We got shot at!" while t.p.ing Diercksen's house. "Their parents got a good laugh out of it."

## Queen of the Rolls

by Marie Hauschild

The Queen of the Rolls float was a total and complete surprise for Diana Ross, custodian.

Due to Ross's frustration over the stolen toilet paper prior to homecoming week, Principal Roger Hanson asked the staff to help catch the thieves. To show support for Ross, Jean Resor, teacher, organized a float for Ross.

The float contained rolls of toilet paper, a place for Ross to sit, a torch, a crown and a sign reading, "Queen of the 'Rolls' Diana Ross."

Ross said, "Mr. Murphy

called me by the greenhouse and I thought he wanted me to do something. Resor and a bunch of others were standing out there and I was hoping they wouldn't do anything stupid. It was embarrassing but fun!"

Setting her embarrassment aside, Ross played along with the fun and rode the float in the parade.

Ross said, "To all who participated—Thanks for the toilet paper. I won't have to buy any for a long time, and, remember, revenge is sweet."



*Diana Ross sits on her throne on the float Queen of the Rolls, as she's surrounded by toilet paper during the October 5 homecoming parade. Don Sickles rode with Ross on the parade route.*



# A Day on the "Job"

by Jessi Hoffmann

Stocking fish and listening to a heart murmur during English class—this may not be the norm. However, English III students are connecting high school with their career choice through job shadowing in the Pathfinder Program.

By the time students are juniors in high school, they begin to think seriously about post high school education and careers. Therefore, English III students have the choice of job shadowing, conducting an interview with someone in a career of interest, or inviting a career speaker into the classroom.

Dianne Kramer, English III teacher, said, "Ninety-four percent have chosen to job shadow this year compared to 10 out of 90 students last year. They are discovering what a valuable and fun experience it is."

This year Ashley Knipper job shadowed Dr. Mark Hauser, veterinarian from Edgewood. Ever since Knipper was little, she always wanted to help animals, so she thought Hauser was a great person to shadow.

Knipper said, "I went to four different farms and saw a bloated cow, a cow with a hurt hoof, and a calf with a heart murmur, and took blood samples from Amish horses."

Knipper even had the chance to take blood from a cow. She said, "It was a little weird at first but the cow didn't seem as scared as I thought it would be."

"I liked going to the different farms, meeting the farmers, and seeing they cared enough about their animals to have the vet come," Knipper said.

Now that Knipper has an

idea of what being a veterinarian is like, the possibility of being one is an option. Her concern about the career is that, "it will take up a lot of my time when I am older," said Knipper.

Aaron Cole went to the Fish Hatchery to do his job shadowing. He thinks that possibly he will be going to college to specialize in DNR and fisheries. Cole stocked trout, rounded up big trout so they could get eggs from them, cleaned up barbed wire fencing in a field, and went out on a canoe and tracked small-mouth bass using radio telemetry.

While stocking trout, they released approximately 200 fish that were about 12-13 inches long in the stream. "I thought it was neat how the people that were fishing at the

streams were happy to see us come," said Cole.

Several years ago the Fish Hatchery tagged small-mouth bass to place in the stream to track where they move in the water. Cole said, "I enjoyed seeing the movement patterns of the fish." They tracked one fish that went about three miles from below the Delhi dam to Hopkinton.

Kramer said, "Many of the students have chosen larger cities such as Cedar Rapids and Dubuque to go job shadowing since we live in a small community where job variety is limited."

Both Cole and Knipper would recommend job shadowing to everybody, but they encourage others to make sure they ask a lot of questions, have fun, and be ready to listen when they go out and shadow.

## 2001 Marching Season Results

Linn-Mar Marching Festival, September 22  
- 5th place

Marion Marching Invitational, September 22  
- 2nd place

State Marching Band at Dubuque Senior, October 6  
- Division I

Jefferson Marching Band Invitational, October 13  
- 3rd place



*Fulfilling Mark Philgreen's promise to the marching band, Terri Philgreen shaves her husband's head as a result of the Division I rating that the band earned at State Competition.*

# Kings Cook, Queens Want Revenge

by Michelle Wessels

Students big and small gathered for the homecoming pep rally, held in the high school gym October 4 at 7:30 p.m. With Scott Kirby and Tim Turnis as hosts, everyone was anxious to discover what new and interesting events would show up.

Homecoming court introductions involved a new twist, as court members relayed information about themselves through a special cheerleading cheer and a personalized jump. "I think it was a fun thing for the girls to do but not as much fun for the boys. We just aren't the cheering type," said Aaron Butikofer.

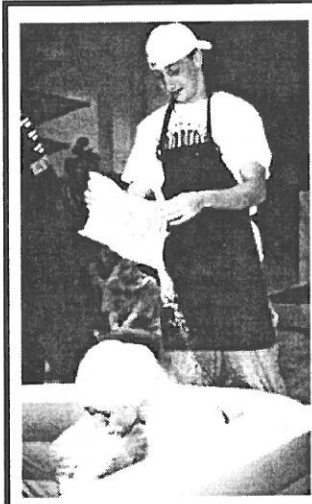
After the court showed off their dancing skills to an array of music, king candidates showed off their cooking skills first hand. With the advising of Rachel Tibbott, cheerleader, they dumped, poured and sprinkled cake ingredients on the queens.

Allison Bockenstedt said, "It was a fun, memorable moment. Not many people can say they've had cake ingredients dumped all over them, but we should have been able to get the boys back, too."

Cheerleader Alania Goos said, "It is hard to come up with new ideas. We normally ask students from other schools what they do for homecoming, but Rachel Tibbott gets all the credit for the Queen Cake idea."

If students could plan something for the pep rally, student Amanda Knott said, "I would have some type of mass game with someone from each grade, not just the court. It gets all the grades involved, and then there is more competition between classes."

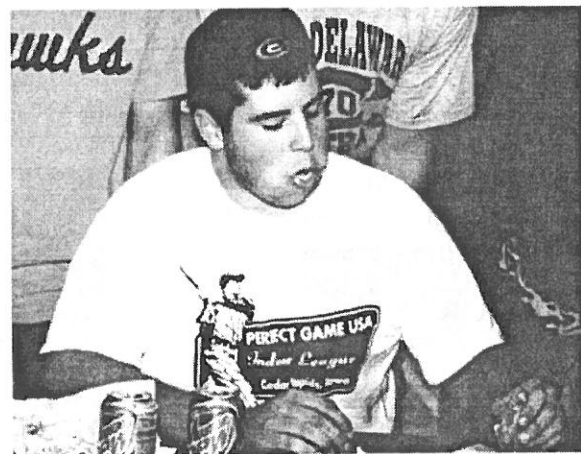
Deirdre Ryan wishes the pep rally would have been outside. "We didn't get to burn the WD," said Ryan, "and it's my senior year."



To make a Queen Cake, Nick McCool pours flour on top of Allison Bockenstedt's head.



Phil Klein shows off some of his moves during the pep rally homecoming court introductions.



Shoving just one more hamburger in his mouth, Adam Wilson ate 5 of the 10 hamburgers for the junior class.

## Hamburger Feed Results

GIRLS	Total	BOYS	Total
9th GRADE	7	9th GRADE	5
10th GRADE	5	10th GRADE	8
11th GRADE	6	11th GRADE	10
12th GRADE	7	12th GRADE	11

# MSN vs. PHONE

by Angie Wessels

“I like to download songs while talking to more than one person on MSN.”

*Jordan Jones*

“I like MSN because you can talk to everybody at the same time.”

*Katelyn Zuck*

“I like to use MSN to talk to people I don’t usually get a chance to talk to.”

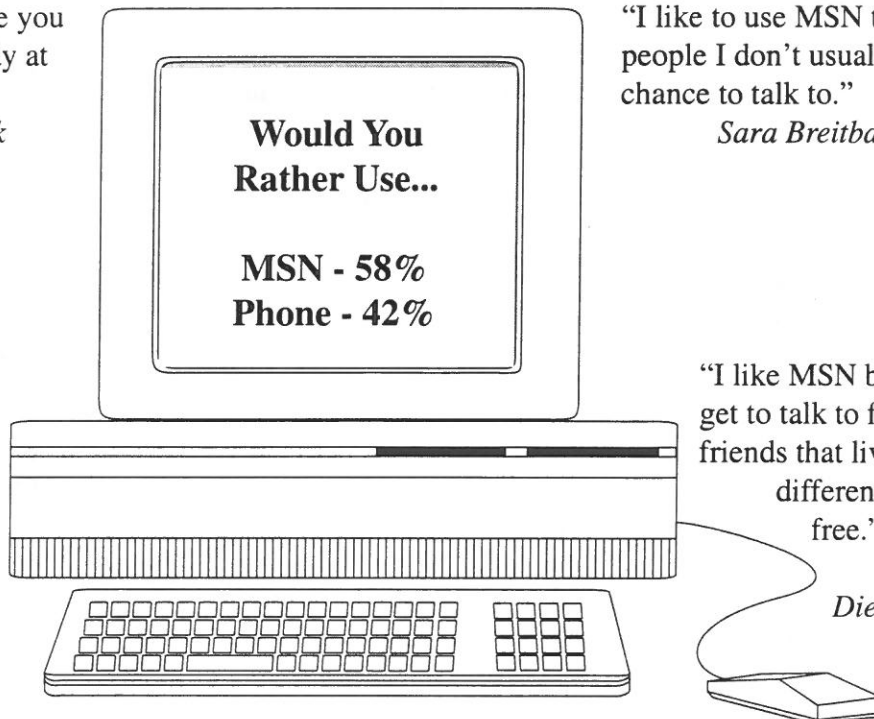
*Sara Breitbach*

“I like to use the phone because it’s more personal than MSN.”

*Emily McCusker*

“I like MSN because I get to talk to family and friends that live in a different town for free.”

*Lindsey Diercksen*



“I like to use the phone to hear the person’s tone of voice because that’s very important and you can’t hear it on MSN.”

*Nolan Grimm*

## MSN Use Per Day

**0-30 minutes - 26%**

**3 hours - 7%**

**30 minutes- 1 hour- 42%**

**4 hours - 2%**

**2 hours - 22%**

**5 hours or more - 1%**

\* Surveyed 100 Students

## Trick or Treat: Which do you prefer?

by Emily McCusker

"Trick or treat?" This is a phrase everyone hears on October 31.

Halloween isn't just for little kids though. High schoolers also like to go trick or treating. "I like to go because it's fun," said Laura Burkle. "Going trick or treating is all about the candy," Burkle added.

Halloween is also about the costumes. Greg Hawker and Nick Wessels both loved being Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles when they were little.

Deirdre Ryan and Amanda Klein both enjoyed dressing up as witches. "I dressed up as a princess because it made me feel pretty," said Rachael Barron.

"I like to go out and have fun by dressing up and getting tons of candy," said

Mark Woods.

Sarah Appleton spends her Halloween night passing out candy to the little trick or treaters that come to her house. "It's fun because I get to see all the new costumes," said Appleton.

Halloween also makes some superstitious. Becky Schuck and Nicole Lane said they like to take a trip out to the Stage Coach Inn to see if there really are ghosts, as they were told. Yet others, like Jake Blumer, go to the cemetery to tell ghost stories and see who can get more freaked out by the old legends of ghosts and goblins.

Whether you are telling ghost stories or feeding your faces full of candy, Halloween is fun at any age.

## Halloween

by Emily McCusker

**What did you like to dress up as when you were a little kid?**

**"Dorothy, off the *Wizard of Oz* because I love the movie."**

**-Katie Mozingo**

**"A hobo because I had a big tie and a pot belly with scraggly clothes on and I looked cute."**

**-Ciarra Bauer**

**"I was always mostly athletes, like football players and basketball players."**

**-Brad Turner**

**"Kansas City Chiefs Guy."**

**-Ben Swartz**

**"My poodle skirt because I could twirl around."**

**-Joni Carradus**

**"Little Red Riding Hood or a pumpkin."**

**-Emily Bandy**

## Favorite High School Sport to Watch

by Eric Hart

**Boys Basketball**

**32%**

**Football**

**20%**

**Wrestling**

**16%**

**Cross Country**

**11%**

**Volleyball**

**11%**

**Baseball**

**4%**

**Soccer**

**2%**

**Track and Field**

**2%**

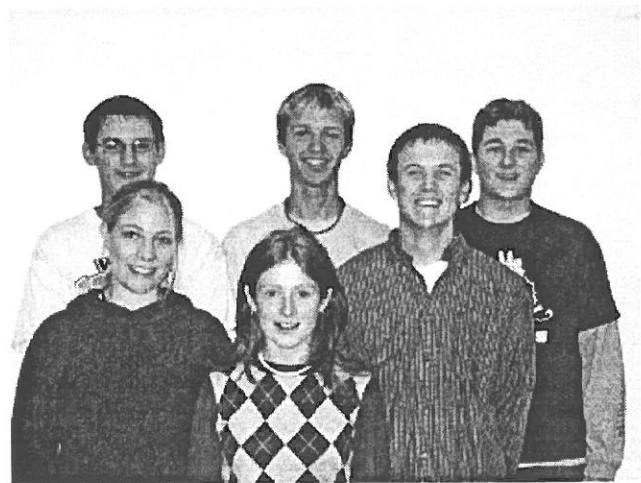
**Golf**

**1%**

**Girls Basketball**

**1%**

**\*Surveyed 100 Students**



*Congratulations to these music students accepted into All-State: Front Row: Cindy Mickens, Jasmine High, Ryan Gaffney, Back Row: Blake Bergeson, Mason Greve & Dan Glaza.*

## West Delaware Presents *The Music Man*

by Julia W. Brown

Posing as a hero to conceal his greed, traveling salesman Harold Hill, performed by Ryan Gaffney, will take center stage in *The Music Man* written by Meredith Willson.

The story of *The Music Man* involves Miss Marian the town librarian, performed by Hannah Greve, and the fast talking Harold Hill. At the beginning of the musical, the town is caught up in Hill's sales pitch for a boys' band. Prudish Marian is suspicious of Hill and checks his background to see if he is

the phony she suspects. By the end of the musical, Hill has charmed Marian and she tries to protect him from the angered crowd.

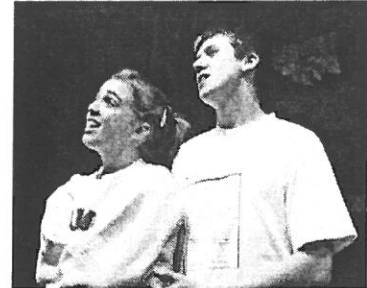
The challenges and conflicts of relationships on stage and behind the scenes are evident. In the musical, Greve must carry out a well known kiss on the footbridge. "The kiss is nerve racking," Greve said. "It took me enough guts to kiss my own boyfriend, so when they (directors) say 'relax and kiss,' I can't help but be nervous!"

Performing the traits of sure-footed conniving Hill,

Gaffney said, "It's like any other interaction on stage, you have to be a little more mature to do it."

Eight of the 56 cast members are sixth graders. According to Duane Philgreen, director, and Michelle Philgreen, choreographer, the boys are in character, mature, and "the right size." Seven of the sixth graders make up the boys' band while Ethan Marolf, carries the extra role of Winthrop, a shy boy insecure of his lisp.

Reserved seats are



available for \$5 by contacting Janice Langel at the high school at 927-5002. Regular admission is \$4 for adults and \$3 for students. The musical performs in the high school gymnasium at 7:30 p.m. on November 2 and 3 and at 2 p.m. on November 4.



# A Wide Variety

## Students dress up for homecoming

by Sarah Flannagan

Poodle skirts, doctors, and Britney Spears look alikes were just a few of costumes seen in the hallways during homecoming week.

Monday was the famous pajama day. Kids just rolled out of bed and came to school. "I love pajama day. I would wear what I wear to bed every day if I could,"

said Andy Lyness. Morgan Salow liked pajama day just because, "it's comfortable."

A lot of poodle skirts, saddle shoes, and high ponytails

appeared on Tuesday for 50's day. "Fifties' day was my favorite because the kids seemed comfortable in the clothing, and they were energetic about dressing that way,"

said LuAnn Carpenter, guidance secretary.

When walking down the halls on Wednesday, you could have run into Britney Spears, Marge Simpson, or even the "ladies' man."

Celebrity day was kind of difficult for students. "It was cool to see the people that actually did dress up, but I think it

was so hard for people to think of something to be," said Savannah Mattice.

Allison Bockenstedt felt the same way. She said, "It's just hard pretending you're someone you're not."

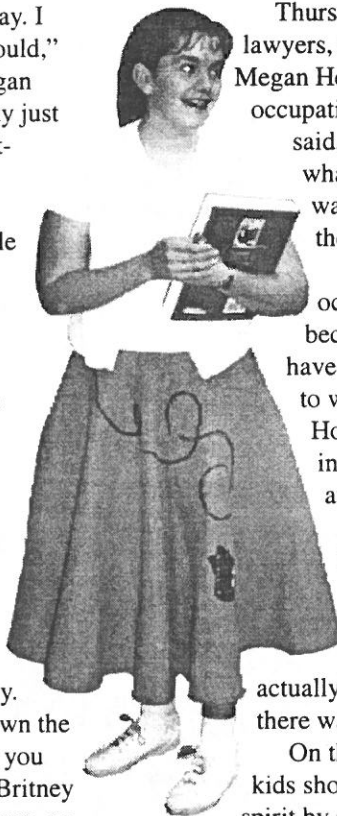
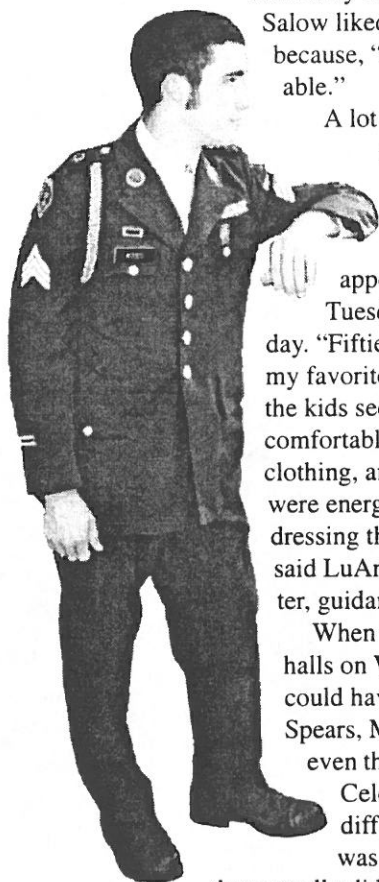
Thursday, occupation day, brought out doctors, lawyers, and even some bums.

Megan Heffernen liked occupation day because she said, "It's fun to see what people think they want to be or where they work."

"I liked occupation day because I didn't have to change to go to work," said Phil Holtz, who dressed in his construction attire.

Principal Roger Hanson enjoyed occupation day. He said, "More kids actually dressed up and there was a wide variety."

On the big game day, kids showed their school spirit by sporting the orange and black school colors. Beth Soppe said, "Orange and black day is a really good way to bring out school spirit. It shows a lot of support to the school and it's a great way to end the week."



**Senior photos are due to Mrs. Temeyer BEFORE NOVEMBER 1!**

**Guess Who  
Answers from page 4:**

- A. Mr Litterer
- B. Mrs. Gaskill
- C. Mrs. Temeyer
- D. Mr. Turner

## Class Floats Sail Away

by Marie Hauschild

Many students pounded and sawed, making various scenes from bonfires to wrestling matches, in order to build their class floats.

Students worked at the bus barn every day after school during homecoming week in preparation for the parade held on Friday, October 5.

The idea for the senior float was developed by some senior guys. According to Jess Stelken the idea came from, "guys who had watched wrestling when they were younger." The float which contained a wrestling scene, supported their float theme, Let the Vikings Hit the Floor.

Having an idea surely doesn't make all plans run smoothly, but according to Stelken, everything worked out well. "A challenge for us was figuring how many

boards we needed and who was going to paint everything," said Stelken.

"Our float was cool, but it was weird when it was finished," said Stelken.

The winning float was created by the junior class. It contained a Kellogg Rice Krispie cereal box with a bowl in the middle of the float, which supported their theme, Serving Up a Victory. They also added stuffed body parts to add to their theme.

"I like the idea of our cereal box. It was the most creative float," said Heather Weber.

"We pretty much improvised as we went and a lot of people came and helped which made everything easier," said Michelle Wessels. She said, "The purchase orders didn't go as planned, but every-

thing turned out fine."

"Our major challenge was trying to find a job for everyone when they helped and trying to get everyone working together," said Wessels.

The idea for the sophomore float was thought of by Zach Rudd. The float contained an old house with a hawk on the roof which supported their theme, Bringing the House Down.

"It was pretty good considering we had to change our idea and come up with something new," said Kellie Monaghan.

"A challenge we faced was getting people to work together and not having enough time," said Monaghan.

One thing the sophomores would change next year is having cash instead

of purchase orders.

The idea for the freshman float was developed by Spencer Duncan daydreaming while in English class. The float contained a bonfire with Vikings roasting in it, and a stuffed hawk football player sitting in a lawn chair, which supported their theme, Cooking the Competition.

"I thought it was good. It could have been better though because we didn't really do anything the first three days, but after that we got a lot done and it was good in the end," said Stephanie Harbaugh.

Not everything went well, especially when there wasn't a lot of help. Harbaugh said, "Getting everyone to do what they were supposed to do was a challenge."



Enjoying the ride, Christopher Shaw and Spencer Duncan ride the freshman float as they are heading back to school after the homecoming parade.



John Robbins, Keeley Lewis, Emily Montag, and Scott Meyer play the drums as they march in the parade.

# I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream

by Julie Philipp

Just imagine that smooth, creamy ice cream sliding down your throat. Vanilla and chocolate stand out as the favorite ice cream flavors for West Delaware students, but mint chocolate chip, cookies and cream, super hero, and pumpkin rank high as well.

Small town Manchester provides three businesses which sell ice-cream cones: Dairy Queen, Deli One, and the Ice Cream Parlor at Widner Drug. Almost everyone has a favorite ice cream and a favorite place to get it.

Dairy Queen serves soft-serve ice cream. A small cone costs \$1.26, tax included. Kyle Griffith said, "My favorite would have to be vanilla because

it is so soft and creamy from Dairy Queen." He also likes it, "because Kristin Larson works there."

Deli One serves soft-serve ice cream, with a small cone costing \$1.00, tax included. Sandy Funke likes to get twist cones from Deli One, "because they are huge!"

The Ice Cream Parlor serves hard ice cream which is an old-fashioned favorite for many. Customers also get the choice of sugar and regular cones. One dip cones cost \$.85, tax included. Bryon Bradley said, "Rocky road from the Ice Cream Parlor is the best because they have the little stools that spin."

Some ice creams served at the Ice Cream Parlor even leave marks on a person. Sara Breitbart likes the super hero ice cream because the blue coloring leaves her tongue blue. "It's just fun," Breitbart said.

Some students just can't get enough of the ice cream mom buys at the store. When John Dolan was asked about his favorite, he said, "Duh! Blue Bunny Strawberry. There is nothing better. The strawberry chunks are what make it so good."

Some students prefer ice cream that is not sold in Manchester. Janelle Holden likes mint chocolate chip from Baskin Robbins because of "the little pink spoon."

## What is your favorite?

by Julie Philipp

**Vanilla 28%**

**Chocolate 40%**

**Twist 32%**

Keeley Lewis prefers pumpkin ice cream from Baskin Robbins because "it's different, not normal."

The Delaware Truck Stop is where Drew Maifeld gets his favorite ice cream, rainbow sherbet. He said that he likes to get his ice cream there because, "there is always a good-looking girl serving it!"

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