

LADIES KICK IT UP

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Co-Editor-In-Chief

The Pratt High girls' basketball team is off to a good start. The team has a lot of potential and high hopes for the upcoming season. Coach Henry said, "Our team is young this year. The team needs both seniors, Monica and Michelle, to step up this year and provide leadership this season."

Henry's goal for the season is to improve with each week of play. "TMP is the team to beat this year," said Henry. The girls are under new leadership, and some returning powerhouses are coming back to the team, despite the youthfulness. "Collegiate will be a sound and athletic team that is used to competing for state championships. The team is looking forward to getting the season started against Collegiate," said Henry. Their first game is in the Frog Dome against Collegiate on November 30.



Junior, Quentin Motte, dribbling for a basket in basketball practice

Eric Kocher
Copy Editor

Horrorscopes

Scorpio (10/23 - 11/21)

Avoid seed-spitting competitions. Your left ear's well-being depends upon it.

Sagittarius (11/22 - 12/21)

The heavens suggest that if you commit murder, but get away with it, writing a book about it is not the smartest idea.

Capicorn (12/22 - 1/19)

You might be dressed up as a bear and paraded around Times Square. Or you might not.

Aquarius (1/20 - 2/18)

You shall discover the President's secret plan to attack and conquer Mars. Good job.

Pisces (2/19 - 3/20)

It would be a good idea to fear runaway monorails.

Aries (3/21 - 4/19)

Don't look on your back.

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Hayley Henry
Staff Writer

Whistles are blowing, sneakers are squeaking, sweat is dripping, and fans are putting on their game faces. This can only mean one thing: boy's basketball has arrived. The team started the season with two-a-days. This may have made the first week seem like a blur, but eventually the team progressed into a more "normal" practice schedule. The team will be returning six starters, although some of the veterans will be out due to injury. Coach Jeff McMillin's hopes are high for the 2007-2008 season. McMillin's main goal for this year's team is to have a winning record. He intends to reach this goal by emphasizing team values and hard work. McMillin expects the season to have "competitive, hard fought games." PHS kicks off competitive play in 10 days at the Frog Dome against Wichita Collegiate. The team has been provided with a brilliant coaching staff and wonderful support from parents, students, and fans alike. Pratt simply has to believe in itself. The Greenbacks need to remember, "A man of ability and the desire to accomplish something can do anything" (Donald Kircher). The team has the ability, but the desire lies within. Great accomplishments can be seen in the near future for the 2007-2008 Greenback basketball season.



Seniors, Parker Huitt and Chris Saloga

State Qualifiers Return

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November is here, and head wrestling coach Bruce Kocher couldn't be happier. His wrestling squad is returning 8 state qualifiers and 1 state medalist from last year's highly successful team. Ten of the wrestlers out this season attended a camp held by the coach of the most successful high school wrestling program in history—Keith Lowrence of Granby, VA.

When asked about his hopes for the season, Kocher replied "It's going to be an amazing year. We've got a ton of talent and leadership returning this year, and we're relatively under the radar. We're going to make a really big impact this year." The wrestlers take to the mat for the first time on November 29 in Newton, with a double-duel against Newton and Mulvane.

ROWDY CROWD

Eric Kocher
Copy Editor

Athletic fans are rowdy by nature, and that is to be expected. If their team does not perform well, it is also to be expected that they become upset. In college and professional sports, some critics even go so far as to blame a single player for the poor performance. However, PHS athletics are not college or professional sports. I sat in front of the parent section at two football games during this season, and what I heard appalled me. Parents were swearing, rudely gesturing, and even screaming at their own children. But the criticism did not stop there. A few select fathers were yelling at and verbally abusing children that were not theirs. After one particular play in which the Andale running back blew past our secondary, one of the previously mentioned "select fathers" began a rant in which he used almost every inappropriate word in the dictionary and then some. He directed these harsh words at an athlete whose mother was standing only three or four feet away from her assailant. I understand the need for constructive criticism, but when that same criticism almost puts tears in other parents' eyes, it is no longer constructive. If you want to yell at your child or someone else's child, it is not my place to tell you otherwise. I will ask though, that you do this yelling somewhere where I do not have to listen to it. You look and sound revolting, and I guarantee that nobody else wants to hear your negative opinion. Basketball and wrestling season is just around the corner, and the entire state of Kansas knows Pratt's crowd (specifically the parents) to be one of the worst. This season would be a great time to attempt to redeem the honor of Pratt High School. Keep your criticism constructive and keep your negative opinions to yourself, and both you and your child will enjoy yourself much more at future events.



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Coming Up...

NOV. 20TH
StuCo Movie Night@9:30

NOV. 21-25
Thanksgiving Break

NOV. 26TH
Football Banquet

NOV. 29TH
JV/V Wrestling@Newton

NOV. 30TH
JV/V BBall HERE

DEC. 1ST
KMEA District Band
JV Wrestling@TMP
V Wrestling HERE

DEC. 3RD
Fresh BBall@Kingman

DEC. 4TH
G&B V BBall Tourney@Kingman

DEC. 6TH
B&G V BBall Tourney@Kingman
JV/V Wrestling@Russell

DEC. 7TH
G&B V BBall Tourney@Kingman
JV/V Wrestling@Ulysses

DEC. 8TH
ACT Test@Cunningham
JV/V Wrestling@Ulysses
PHS Debate Invitational



Audrey Kisner, sr. and Will Shoup, so. Photo by Sarah Patterson

Play is a Success!

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The play was a success! *All American*, directed by Lindsey Cox and Cynthia Aramowicz, was held on November 9 and 10 at Pratt Community College.

Professor Stanislaus Fodorski (Will Shoup) came to Southern Baptist Institute of Technology, and failed to connect emotionally with students. Except for Edwin Bricker (Evan Strong). He and Susan Piedmont (Hannah Melichar) hated football with a passion. This passion caused Edwin and Susan to kick it off.

Edwin invited the professor to his first football game. After that, the professor fell in love with football. He saw the principles of engineering in the game. Fodorski learned that he could apply that in the classroom to win over his students.

This strategy worked out better than he expected. The students were excited about school again, and everyone was happy. After finding his new passion for football and engineering, Fodorski landed himself a seat on the football bench helping coach.

In the heat of the moment, head coach Hulkington Stockworth (Wilson Worden) ran out onto the field and was incidentally tackled. This resulted in him taking a season-long absence. By this time, the president of the school (Greg Jones) learned that S.B.I.T. was going bankrupt. Hilly Henderson (Elisabeth Short) was an advertising executive and a huge fan of football. She was also planning to expose the school of their bankruptcy if the football team didn't have a winning season. Meanwhile, the football team decided they wanted Fodorski to be their coach. Fodorski convinced Edwin to be their star kicker, and eventually Edwin complied. Elizabeth Hawkes-Bullock, (Audrey Kisner) the Dean of Students at S.B.I.T., had hired this new professor based on his love of teaching.

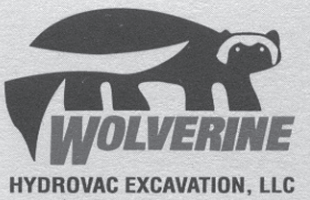
Hawkes-Bullock's great-grandfather was the founder of S.B.I.T. He built the school around their all-star football team, but Elizabeth was tired of her school lacking in education.

Over the course of the football season, Professor Fodorski and Dean Elizabeth fell madly in love, and at the Homecoming dance the professor proposed.

As the season progressed however, the professor and Edwin became egomaniacal, causing Susan and Elizabeth to begin to wonder about their respective boyfriends. It was only then that they decided the only way they would get their old boyfriends back was to cause them to lose the Cotton Bowl. Their plan--distract them during the game.

Susan was to steal Edwin's good luck shoes, and Elizabeth to "throw" herself at Fodorski. The plan works. Fodorski didn't make it to the game, and Edwin couldn't kick without his special shoes. The team ends up losing the game. Afterwards, Fodorski started to pack up his bags to go back to Europe because he couldn't take the way he had changed while being at the University. That's when Elizabeth decides she can't stand being at the school anymore because it presents too many bad memories.

All in all, the play had a good theme to it, and an even better message. The Pratt High Drama Department deserves a round of applause for their hard work and efforts. Bravo!



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ARE YOU THE FIFTH GUY?

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I bet that everyone in our high school knows at least a dozen people that qualify as the fifth guy. You know, the one who sneezes all over everything, never washes his hands, and is practically the least hygienic person you know. These people are known as the fifth guy. So, the question is, how did scientists come to know these people as the fifth guy? It's simple. The fifth guy is the one person who doesn't wash his hands after using the restroom – unlike the four-out-of-five people who do.

I know, I know. Our moms, teachers, nurses, signs, and even strangers tell us to wash our hands frequently, but really, how many of us do? Studies show that 22% of children testified that they don't wash their hands after every bathroom trip. Oh, and one more thing, almost no one scrubs for the recommended 20 seconds. That means that we aren't any better than two-year-olds who don't know any better. It would make more sense to wash your hands for 20 seconds, rather than spend four days in bed with the flu. Makes sense, right?

Now, I'm not saying that everybody in Pratt High is the fifth guy, because honestly, I don't know. If you are curious and want to see if you qualify as the fifth guy, visit www.5thguy.com. Be completely honest with this quiz, even if your answer doesn't sound so good. Encourage your friends to take the quiz too, that way, if they turn out to be the fifth guy, you are prepared. Oh, and by the way... I'm not the fifth guy.

Gang War Kills Innocent Son

Natanyah Williams
Staff Writer

Every time Eileen Mohan opens her apartment door to leave she can't help but look a few meters down the hall to where her 22-year-old son, Chris, was killed. Chris Mohan and 55-year-old Ed Shellendeg were two innocent bystanders that were caught in a gang-related slaying in their apartment building. There are many incidents like this all around the world. Not just by gangs, either. It's violence all together that causes incidents like this one. We need to stop world violence from happening. More than 7,000 innocent bystanders die every year from gang fights, more than half of which are children. We need to end the violence, or it's just going to get worse.

Crank it Down



Katie Walters
Co-Editor-In-Chief

Now that iPods and other mp3 players are becoming more popular than ever, we need to be reminded to turn the volume down. The "ear-buds" are the main cause for hearing problems. So, if possible, change to a regular set of headphones. However, if you choose to stay with the ear-buds, professors say to only listen to 60% of the volume capacity and after an hour of listening, turn it down even more. Dean Garstecki, a professor at Southwestern University, says that ear-buds can boost the signal by as much the difference between the sound of a vacuum and a motorcycle. John Patterson, a man in Louisiana, is suing Apple for not giving enough warning to customers about the hearing damage iPods can cause. A study conducted in Australia suggests that up to 25% of people will have hearing problems caused by listening to their iPods at excessive volume levels. Diane Schwalbach and Scott Murray, audiologists, say with the rate at which young people are using mp3 players, they can suffer from significant hearing loss by age 25. Murray also said that he had recently treated a 21-year-old who had an amplifier in his car. "He had hearing loss equivalent to a World War II veteran." They found another intriguing statistic—it used to be one-third of all 30-year-olds had significant hearing problems, but now fifteen percent of school-age children are showing hearing loss. According to the Journal of Pediatrics (2005), 12.5 percent of kids between the ages of 6 and 19 suffer from loss of hearing because of using earphones set at a too high of a volume.

TINSEL TOWN IN TURNOIL

Audrey Kisner
Staff Writer

Hollywood is in a state of siege. 12,000 television and film writers, sponsored by the Writers Guild of America, have taken to the streets in open protest against the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers. The writers have been shunned out of royalties in many fields from merchandising to DVD sales and download profits. Negotiations were attempted, but all of them fell through, and at 12:01 a.m. on November 5, the strike began. At first, the strike seemed to have little to no effect on the production of films and television, but as time has passed, the studios have had to rethink things. Many shows such as "Big Bang Theory" and "Two and a Half Men" have already shut down, and this upcoming year's television schedule is

likely to be filled with reality television, reruns, and movies. This strike is the first industry-wide shut down in almost twenty years. On the West coast, strikers intimidate executives outside of Walt Disney Studios with displays of unity and power. On the East coast, Tina Fey leads strikers in a picket line outside of Rockefeller Center chanting, "No money? No downloads. No downloads? No peace." This strike is estimated to last at least nine to ten months. The issues involved are not due to be solved until the rest of Hollywood appreciates how much they need the writers. Until then,

What Were They Thinking??

Elisabeth Short
Staff Writer

Will terrorists kill us through gumball machines? Where does England's money end up? Would you send an "I'm Sorry You Got Arrested" card to a friend in jail? Has anyone ever wondered about these things? Unfortunately, the answer is yes. Here are the three weirdest instances in the news today.

Three men in Dover, N.J. took it upon themselves to investigate 800 gumball machines to see if the machines were targets for terrorist attacks. The men got rid of about 100 unlicensed gumball machines, and are intending to report it to the mayor on January 1, 2008. The mayor is supportive of the project, but the chief of police said, "You'd probably win the lottery first."

Now, the big question, how do the English spend \$1 million? Well, it's simple. The police in Lancashire, England have just completed an investigation of Constable Jayson Lobo. He was being investigated for fraud, and to their surprise, he only made a few errors in his expense account. In fact, the discrepancies added up to less than \$200. The London Times reported that the investigation cost \$1 million. And that's how people across the Atlantic spend their precious time and money.

Ok, the answer to the last question is up to the reader, but Hallmark wants everyone to know that they offer these cards. Terry Cheatham, who is a criminal defense lawyer and adviser to the L.A. Sheriff's Department decided to design a line of greeting cards for people who were put in jail. Some of the cards read, "Sorry to hear about your arrest," "Honestly, I never knew anyone who was arrested before," and "Not You!" One of my favorites reads, "I know that I have not visited you. But I still care about you... When are you getting out anyway?" It has been reported by the L.A. Times that the card sales are low, and made the conclusion that people

Hairbrush, Lethal Weapon?

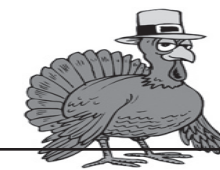
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The bullet rounds that fired from New York police and pelted into the so-called "armed" man were heard down the streets of New York.

Eighteen year old Khil Coppin was recorded saying, "I've got a gun, I've got a gun" in a 911 call made by his mother. As soon as this message was conveyed, officers bolted to the Bedford-Stuyvesant apartment. There they found the distressed teen with a black object hidden under his shirt, held in his hand. Officers reacted quickly, firing 20 shots directly at the teen, killing him. Apparently, Coppin was found unarmed holding only a brush.

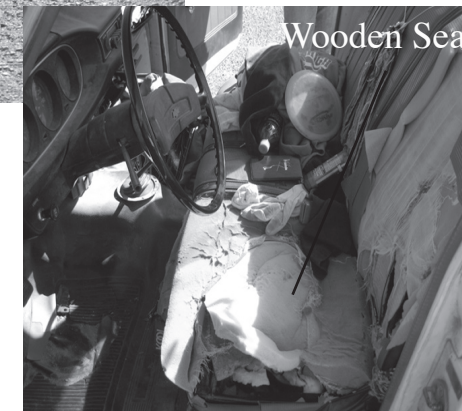
Coppin was taken to the hospital following the shooting and declared dead upon arrival. Police were investigating Coppin's background of a possible mental illness, or whether his mother had tried to have him hospitalized that Monday morning.



HEAP OF THE MONTH

THE LUV MACHINE

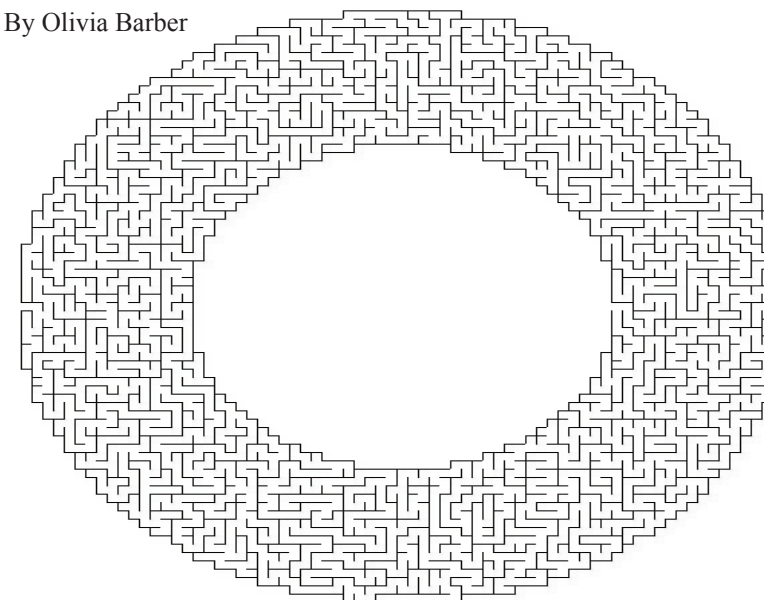
By Olivia Barber
& Kiley Shinkle
Staff Editors



Matt Gould's 1979 Chevy Luv, or just plainly "The Luv" as he calls it, is our second Heap-of-the-Month this year. Matt has been driving his beloved little white truck since he was a freshman, and tells us his favorite thing about the Luv would have to be when it backfires. It makes a big, loud pop that sounds like it's shooting people! When we asked him how his ride worked with the ladies. All he could do was laugh and say, "I haven't had a girl in that thing for about two years." Everyday Matt drives his truck he sits on a luxurious wooden board, while staring at the warped dash. With a rough exterior and a warn/torn interior, Matt's truck has become a heap that everyone knows and can't ignore, even when it's driven two blocks away.

Puzzlemainia

By Olivia Barber



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Pic Your Match

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Mirror Mirror on the Wall...

What is the one thing most people don't know about you?

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"I'm a KU fan! Woo Hoo!"
Macy Waddle, fr.



"I got a MRI on my head and the results came back and it showed that there was nothing in there..." Skylar Angood, so.



"I LOVE football!"
Madison Stalcup, jr.



"I'm left-handed."
Raymond Williams, sr.



"All my ex-boyfriends and my husband's middle names rhyme"
Mrs. Powers, faculty

THE BOOKSHELF

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Album: Storm The Gates Of Hell
Artist: Demon Hunter

Released on November 6 this year, Demon Hunter's newest album, *Storm The Gates Of Hell*, is seething with Metalcore, a new genre made up of extreme metal and hardcore punk that began in the U.S. Various bands have fused sound and attitude together to make something new that will shake the foundations of music to the core.

One minute you're sitting in class, the next minute panic strikes you. You can't breathe or think of anything other than "How am I ever going to live?" This isn't normal behavior for most people, but for Samantha, this is an everyday occurrence.

Samantha Schutz tells a story of a young woman dealing with a severe anxiety disorder in "I Don't Want to be Crazy." It all began when Samantha moved away to college. At first it only happened every once in a while, but as the school year went on and the classes started getting harder it happened nearly everyday. Samantha started to stay in her room more, and wouldn't go out with her friends because she was afraid of having a panic attack in front of people and that they would think she was crazy. These attacks escalated for a few months before she began going to therapy. She got some medicine and everything seemed fine for a while, but it wasn't over yet.

This book's title caught my eye (of course) but the subject seemed so interesting--having to stay home, not knowing if panic would strike again and the fear that it would, that staying inside seemed like the only option. As a result of reading this book, I was inspired to do a little research on the subject of anxiety disorders. I have learned that a shocking 40 million adults suffer from this disease. Some of the symptoms are apprehension, excessive worrying, insomnia, and hypervigilance (preparation for threat) that occur for more than six months in a row. If you know of anyone who has these symptoms, or you are suffering from them yourself, talk to the school counselor or a trusted adult or friend

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Debrah Neubauer, Justina McGraw, Diana Higdon, Lacey Robinson, Jennifer Tawzer, Maggie Pennel, Sarah Hitz, Jamie Steyn, Maggie Folkers

Maggie Folkers used the quote, "What matters most?" as her favorite saying. On the other hand, Debrah Neubauer used this quote to explain how she feels about her job, "I love my job!" The kids may call Maggie

Pennel a witch, but that means she is doing her job. Lacey Robinson enjoys her job too, but family is a priority. She has a son named Ethan and her husband's name is Rusty. Mrs. Diana Higdon is married and has 4 children, and 10 grandchildren. She has worked for USD 382 for 14 years and 5 years at SCK-SEC. In her spare time she enjoys family time and playing with her dog Issie.

Justina McGraw is in her first year at Pratt High. Her quote is, "Make yourself responsible." Sarah Hitz has worked as a Para for Mr. Henry during the past two years. Her husband's name is Albert, and she has 2 children and 3 grandchildren. Jamie Steyn is in the middle of her first year at PHS. She is married to John Steyn and they have 2 children. Jennifer Tawzer is married and enjoys her job.

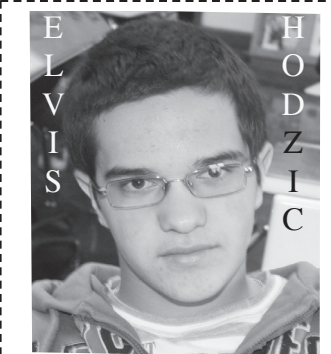


In 2001, Mr. Chris Scheideman graduated from Great Bend High. After completing two years at Barton Country Community College, he then went on to be a tiger at Fort Hays State University. He not only graduated with his wife in 2006, but in 2007 he graduated with the oldest college graduate in the Guinness Book of World Records. Mr. Scheideman decided to become a teacher when he was a sophomore in high school because he was inspired to interest others in literature and help them find their internal drive.

He chose to be a teacher at Pratt High School because the one-to-one laptop initiative. Mr. Scheideman likes Pratt because, "the school spirit and motivation are a big priority of the present and future." Mr. Scheideman is working with the debate team and yearbook staff this year. Some of the tasks Mr. Scheideman is facing as a first year teacher are comfort level and rules. On a more positive note, Mr. Scheideman enjoys seeing the rewards of the light bulb affect, which he explained to me as, "Helping a student who has not learned something and then all of the sudden the student gets it and can apply it more broadly."



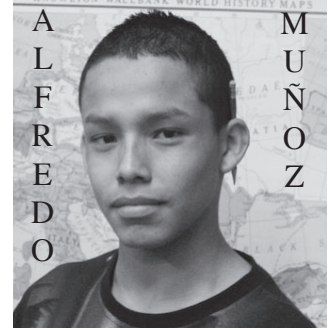
On August 16, 1989 Johnathon Michael McCoy was born in Del City, Oklahoma. He recently moved to Pratt, Kansas. If you were to say "¡Hola! Como estas?" to Johnathon, he would know exactly what you were talking about because his favorite class at Pratt High School is Spanish. Johnathon's first impression of Pratt High was the funny smell.



When you think of Elvis, many of you think "The King of Rock and Roll", but Elvis Hodzic gives you a different spin to this title. Elvis was born October 28, 1990 in Montenegro which is located in Southern Europe. Elvis became a foreign exchange student, and ended up in Pratt. His favorite class at Pratt High School is accounting. Elvis enjoys America because everybody is friendly and the school presents Elvis with a wonderful learning environment.



When you think of Travis does the image of Travis Barker come to mind? If so, then you might be thinking of the right Travis. James Travis Burson was born on January 12, 1992 in Houston, Texas. He moved to Pratt this year, and began taking classes at Pratt High School. His favorite class is art. Travis's first impression of the PHS was, "small." Consequentially Travis's favorite band is Blink 182 because they have the best drummer. His favorite rapper is Lil' Wayne because he is the best rapper alive.



On February 7 in Los Angeles, California Alfredo Muñoz was born. When he was 13 years old he moved to the great state of Kansas. While living in Kansas, he lived in Dodge City before moving to Pratt, Kansas. His favorite class is P.E. While spending 7 wonderful hours a day at Pratt High School, Alfredo has concluded that the high school is small and old, but times are changing. If he could possess any super power, he would feel time stop, that would be due to Alfredo's super power of controlling time.

TOP 10!

Top ten places to go for Thanksgiving! (Which is entirely pointless because some of these places don't even celebrate Thanksgiving.)

Sarah Patterson
Audrey Kisner
Staff Writers

10. School—because they serve the best meal there!
9. Soviet Russia—only if you can time travel, of course.
8. A farm where they raise chickens—you'll be next.
7. Neverland—you can IMAGINE that you're eating a great meal.
6. Sailing in the Bermuda triangle—for the risk-taker
5. An Indian reservation or casino—give back.
4. Jail—you gonna eat that?
3. Antarctica—enjoy a hot meal now!
2. Middle East—Because they'd totally welcome you with open arms.
1. Narnia—don't eat the talking turkeys!

Magic 8

Elisabeth
Short

Will the wrestlers give in and eat a real Thanksgiving dinner for once in their lives?

My sources say no

Okay.. will everyone else pig out?
Concentrate and ask again

Are you going to enjoy your five-day weekend on Mr. Kahmeyer's desk in peace?

Most likley

This Day In History

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- 1789 – New Jersey becomes the first U.S. state to ratify the Bill of Rights
- 1910 – Leo Tolstoy, Russian novelist died



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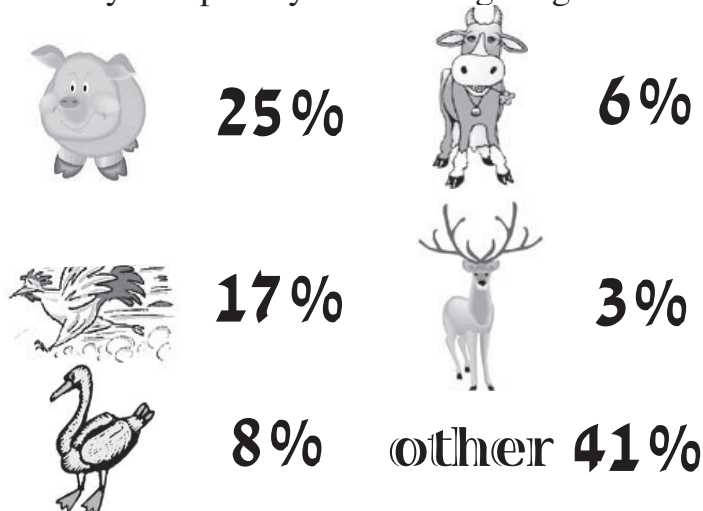
Don't you just
HATE that?



Katie Walters
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1. When people send you pointless texts during school that only say, "Hey." Umm... Hi?
2. Not receiving a thank you after helping somebody out, lending something, etc.
3. When all the middle schoolers are up running around and constantly playing on their cell phones in the theater, completely oblivious to the other people that are trying to watch the movie.
4. Lame excuses. "Really, my phone never rang," "What? My e-mail must be screwing up," "Oh, I fell asleep!"
5. Store aisles – yes, there actually are other people in the store, you do have to share the aisles.

If turkeys went on the endangered species list, what would you replace your Thanksgiving Dinner with?



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Featured Website

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The holiday season will start, Christmas carols will be the only songs you ever hear on the radio, and *A Christmas Story* will be the number one show on every channel, so, naturally, you will watch it five times a day.

Does this sound like the perfect way to spend your holiday break? If not, then check out www.mynameday.com. This website celebrates a different name every day of the year. You can also download a calendar for the upcoming year. Nameday.com allows you to check your name's birthday, so you don't have to check daily to know when to celebrate your day.

When your holiday break gets extremely long, and your four-year-old cousin keeps pestering you until you beat "Mario" on your Nintendo-64 for the third time that day; just sit down, relax, and celebrate someone's Name Day.



Did you know...

Kiley Shinkle
Staff Writer

American Airlines saved \$40,000 in 1987 by eliminating one olive from each salad in first class.

China is the source of 70% of the worlds' pirated goods.

Left-handed people live slightly shorter lives than right-handed people.

A snail can sleep for three years.

Turtles can breathe through their butts.

Cora and Natanyah's Fashion Tips

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The '60s were a time for peace, love, and fashion. It was during the Vietnam War and everybody wanted world peace. Nobody was afraid to express him or herself. They'd wear the craziest and most stylish things, which make us wonder "Why don't we still dress like that?" Now, just as it was back then, we strive to be different and have our own style, which ends up being like everybody else. Let's bring back the '60s and mix it in with our styles today. The '60s were known for hippies, world peace and their fashion, so why shouldn't our era step up to stop conformity. Let's make our own fashion styles and not somebody else's.



Hayley's How To: Balance School and Work

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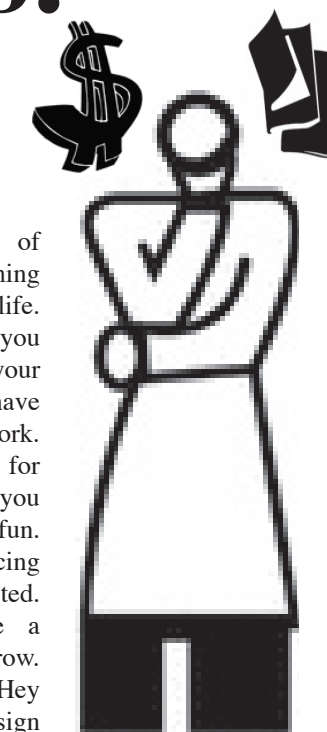
"Ok, we are going to hang out on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday," says your friend on a Monday morning. You are pumped up all day long. Until you arrive at your favorite class--College Algebra. The teacher says, "We are going to have a test on Wednesday." You plan to study for the test on Tuesday night.

You continue to your next hour, which happens to be College Bound Comp I. The teacher assigns a 500-word essay that is due on Thursday. Finally, you end your day with everybody's favorite class--weight training. Mr. Fuss walks into the gym with a big smile on and announces, "We are maxing out this week." The class responds with a "Hooray!"

Now you're thinking to yourself "I have a major test this week, I need to write a paper, and max out." After your lovely afternoon at school, you check the work schedule to find that you work on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday.

Your mind is on stress overload. How are you going to balance school, work, and your social life? For many after-school entrepreneurs this sounds like a typical week. Don't worry, because there is a solution to your problem. If you follow these four steps you will found a balance between school and work.

- 1) Decide the amount of days you can work without becoming behind in school and your social life.
 - 2) Make it clear to your boss that you want to have a social life and school is your key to college, so the hours that you have scheduled is the only time you can work.
 - 3) Make a schedule for your life. Plan times when you can work, study, and have fun.
 - 4) The final step in balancing school and work is optional, but suggested. Open up a bank account, create a budget, and watch your savings grow.
- Now when your friend says, "Hey let's hang out" and your teachers assign gigantic amounts of homework, you will have nothing to worry about because you have a balance between work and school.



HAPPY THANKSGIV-

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You're sitting at home with the family or perhaps you traveled. Either way you're sitting there in a mist of holiday spirit. This is the time to look back and reflect on the past year, move on, let things go. Maybe troubles at school. Come back from break with a clean slate. So have some fun, break some bread and come back a new you.



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