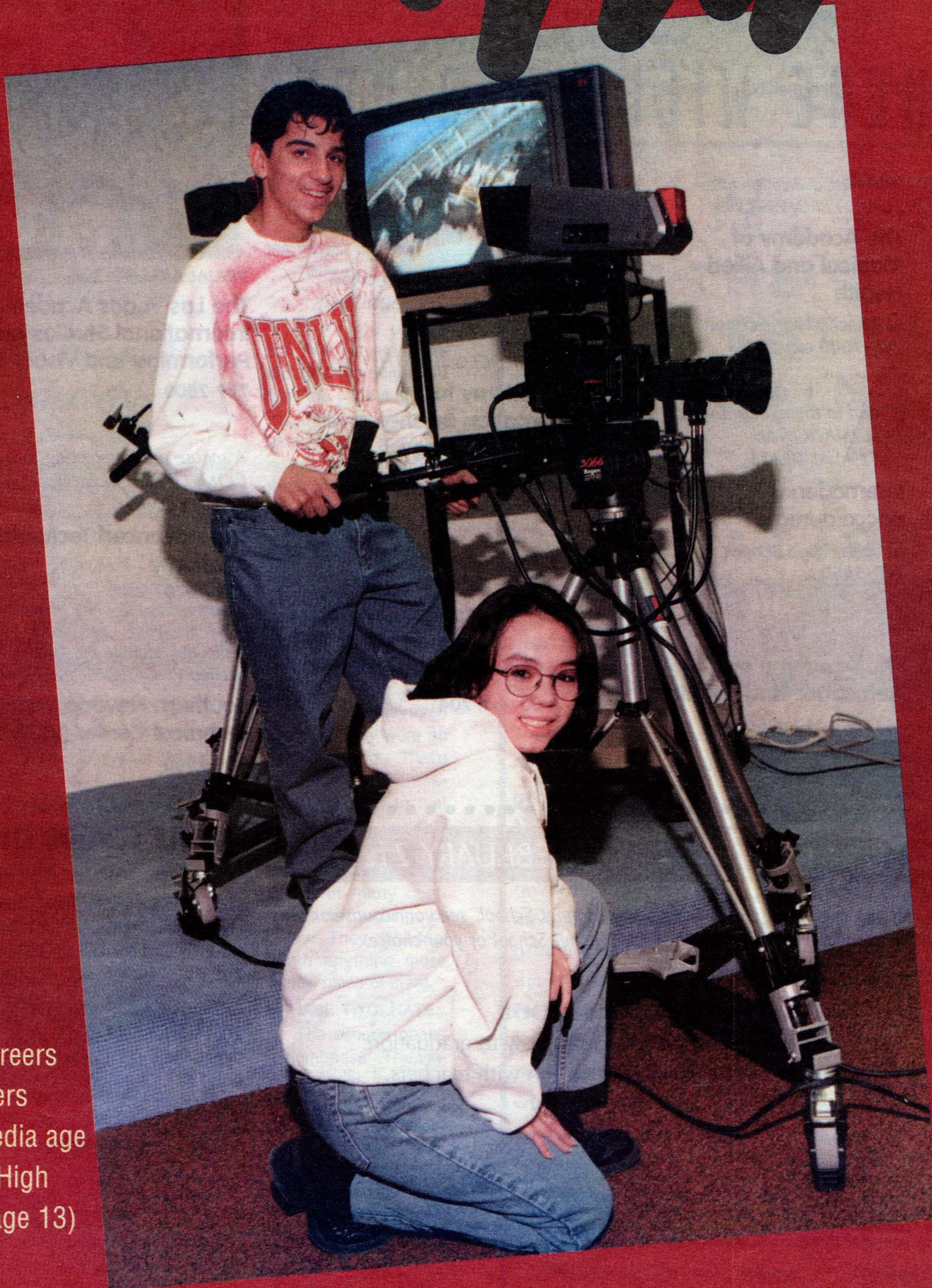


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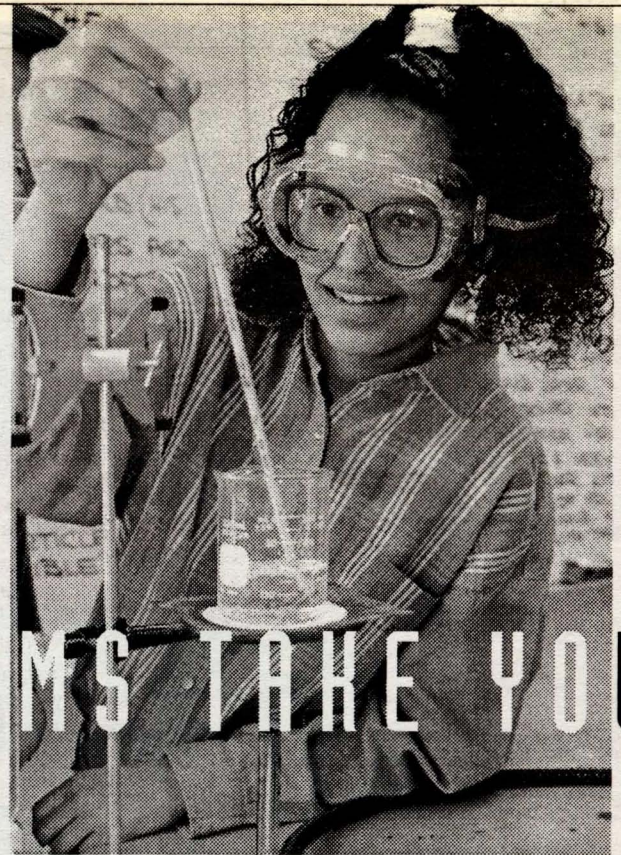


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## Key Club: Lending

### a helping hand — and a needle



By Brandy Curless (left)

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She moved the needle closer and closer. His eyes widened with terror. Suddenly she plunged the needle into his arm.

No, this isn't the prologue to a horror novel, but details of a person donating blood at the recent Key Club blood drive.

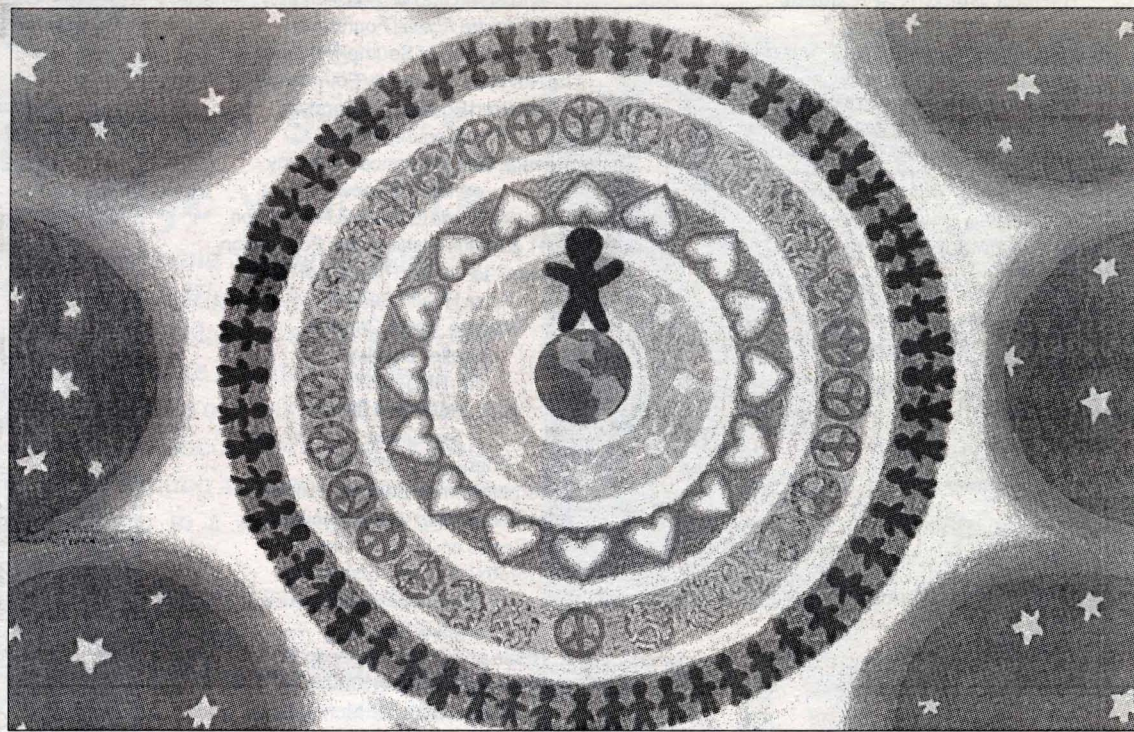
If you donated blood and you're wondering where your precious pint has gone, Michelle at United Blood Services says,

"The blood donations will be tested and typed and then sent out to those in need of blood transfusions at this time."

Throughout the year, the 60 active members of Key Club will contribute to the community through projects such as visits to University Medical Center, participating in the Helping You, Helping Me tutoring program, and sponsoring clothing and food drives for the homeless and hungry.

Despite all the work and hours put in by members, Key Club isn't all work and no play. The members also attend breakfasts, parties and an annual Key Club convention held in the spring.

The largest organization of its kind, Key Club has 129,000 members in about 3,800 clubs throughout 13 countries.



**CIRCLE OF HAPPINESS.** This design was one of the winners in this year's calendar art contest sponsored by the Silver State Schools Federal Credit Union. It's the work of Noma Thayer, sophomore at Basic High.

## EDITORIAL: THE WAY I SEE IT...

By Autumn Wofford

Over the last three years, drug use among teens has increased over 100%. On the news you hear about heroin and cocaine and of their recent comeback, especially with the younger generation.

No doubt heroin and cocaine are used, but unfortunately these are not the only drugs in society today. The most commonly used drugs for 12 to 17-year-old persons is marijuana.

"Sometimes I don't think that I'll ever make it through the day if I don't have a joint in the morning," says a Basic High School student who frequently uses marijuana.

Last July and August, the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse surveyed 1,200 12 to 17-year-old teens.

### drugs & teens

Among the 17-year-olds, 68% said they could buy marijuana in a day, 62% had friends who used marijuana daily, 58% said they had a friend who had used LSD, cocaine, or heroin, and 40% had seen neighborhood drug deals.

Here at Basic High School, frequent drug use is not as high, yet it is still alarming.

Out of 500 Basic High School students surveyed, only 32% said they could buy marijuana in a day, 56% had friends that had used marijuana, 23% had friends that had used other illegal drugs, and 16% had seen a neighborhood drug deal.

"It makes my mouth numb, and I just don't care about what happens because I can't feel anything, even emotions. The best way to describe it would be an out-of-body experience, you know, like when you

do something but it's not really like you are doing it, but you can see yourself do it," says a Basic student who admits to using cocaine, and wanting to try heroin.

The down side is what causes the numbing feeling of cocaine. Users experience higher blood pressure, loss of appetite, disruptions in sleeping patterns, bloody noses, dark circles under their eyes, and uncontrollable twitching.

Heroin also gives this "high" feeling, or "emotional relief" as one student describes it. Intravenous injection (shooting up) and snorting are a few ways to take it.

Like cocaine, this causes the user to have bloody noses in addition to dark lines on their arms. Physically, users develop dark circles under their eyes, become overly thin, and vomit frequently. Their entire body feels numb to pain. Twitching isn't uncommon to users coming down from a high. Emotionally, the user can't think or concentrate on anything and frequently is too strung out to notice any difference. They no longer think about school, sports, or even healthy relationships.

Heroin is most commonly a powdery white substance, and cocaine is its yellow sister. Today on the street heroin is about 5-7% pure, and cocaine 15-20% if you're lucky.

One of the greatest risks of using either of these drugs is dying of a heart attack, even on your first try. If a drug is too pure, a user can die instantly. The possibility of survival is 5 to 1 against.

Normally teens won't get into the

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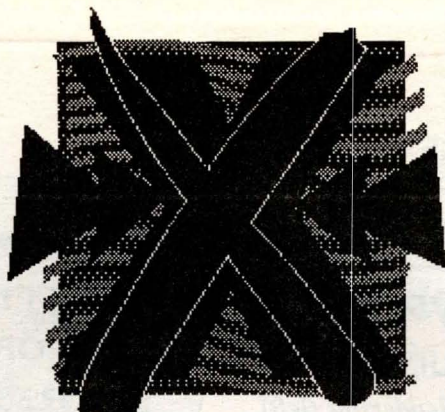
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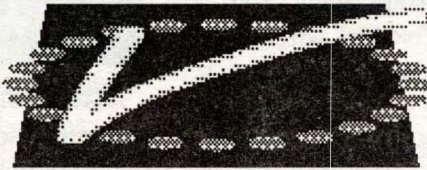
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- Bowling alley: \_\_\_\_\_
- Local rock band: \_\_\_\_\_
- Big-name rock band: \_\_\_\_\_
- Rapper: \_\_\_\_\_
- Radio station: \_\_\_\_\_
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- Best steaks: \_\_\_\_\_
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**OTHER STUFF**  
(Short answers)

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## CHICK-CHAT

### Boys, boys, boys!

### Is something stuck in your ears?

By Laura Henderson (left)



"Why do girls have to be so confusing?"  
Sound familiar? That's because this is the line most guys use to excuse the fact that they're too simple-minded to understand the complexity of women.

I know, guys, you're probably reading this and thinking, well, who knows something about basketball or Sega. But the truth is, we really aren't confusing at all. I swear.

I mean, what could be so hard to understand about a girl? Someone who likes to talk and is always ready for a deep conversation, even willing to cry under the right circumstances. Since we are so easy to communicate with, there can only be one reason that so many guys get confused by our sweet words.

#### THEY ARE MORONS!

It seems to me the main problem is their lack of listening skills.

**Example:** A girl and boy are talking on the phone late at night.

*Girl:* Hey, Billy, the other night I had the weirdest dream. I dreamt that I woke up and all my teeth had rotted... yellow and shriveled.

*Boy:* What!? What happened to your teeth? That's sick!

See? A girl tells a simple story, a boy doesn't listen until an interesting word catches his attention. Hence, boy has no idea what's going on.

A simple solution: LISTEN! Don't tune in halfway through...try to follow from the very beginning. As said in *Mr. Mom*, "Keep your mouth shut, your ears open, and you just might learn something."

Now this is just one example, but...you never know when our "babble" will turn out to be relationship-determining conversation.

**Example 2:** (Same girl and guy)

*Girl:* I went to my brother's wedding the other day. All that wedding stuff got me thinking. Are we really in love? Would we be happy together for the rest of our lives?

*Boy:* (Just realizing that she is talking to him) What?

*Girl:* Sadly, I think this relationship is coming to an end.

*Boy:* What's this, another *Days of Our Lives* catastrophe?

As you can guess, due to the lack of interest from Boy, he gets DUMPED! Naturally, he'll turn to his friends with the sad story that Girl broke up with him because of something to do with her soap opera.

"Girls are so confusing!" they'll agree. But without any idea of what his girlfriend is feeling, the stupid guy ends up like someone in the electric chair who just had amnesia:

#### SHOCK!

"But what did I do? Wait! What's going on?"

Bzzzzzzttt — electrical currents to the brain.

So, girls, what do we do if our boyfriends don't listen?

Bzzzzzzttt!

## TITLE IX: FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE

By Cindy Thompson



### Attention all soccer and softball players!

This year there was a vote on changing the women's soccer season to the same time as softball season. The reason why this vote had to take place is because of a thing called Title IX, which has to do with equality in men's and women's sports.

Since men's soccer has a state championship, women's soccer must also have a state championship. The only season that Reno and Las Vegas could play at the same time was during the Spring, also known to many as softball, baseball, and track season.

When the first vote took place, changing the soccer season won. Since there were a lot of conflicts on this issue, the NIAA (Nevada Interscholastic Athletic Association) took another vote. The result was that the NIAA will rescind the decision to change the women's soccer season.

For now, women's soccer is going to stay during the winter season, but in four years another vote will more than likely take place.

## ON MY MIND...

By Bridget Waldman

### Next year may start with new requirements



For the 1997-98 school year Nevada students might be getting a break. New rules have been hitting students quite hard this year, with many schools passing rules like closed campus, block scheduling, and a new, strict, dress code.

In February, The Board of Education will vote on whether to reduce the state-mandated number of credits from this year's 22.5.

Most representatives of the board are in favor of the lowered credits. Board member Bill Hanlon, who has been pushing for years to reduce the number of credits, agrees that it will be the start to a better education system. But he argues that the high number of credits should not be a substitute for high standards.

#### EVIDENCE?

Many statistics back up Hanlon's opinion. Since 1989, when the number of credits was increased, performance by Nevada students in the college-admission SAT test has gone from 18 points above the average to one point below. The dropout rate has increased as well.

Hanlon argues that the high number of credits does not allow students flexibility to re-take a core class if they have done poorly in it.

"This problem leads to more dropouts," he says.

Whether or not kids are dropping out of high school because of their high number of credits is still unclear. The fate of many dropouts lies in the hands of The Board of Education.

The board is considering many proposals on this issue.

#### REDUCE? INCREASE? HELLLPP!

Some board members are in favor of reducing the number of credits to 20, but increasing the requirements in mathematics, English, and science. Creating more elective credits would help students learn for the future in the field that they choose.

Another option would be to maintain the 14 core subject requirements and give all local schools the choice of reducing electives if students show improvement.

Right now Nevada students are confused.

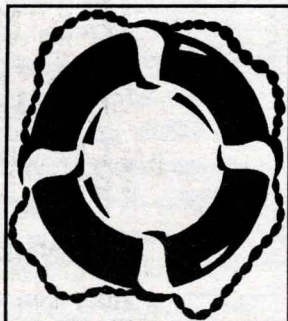
Many students feel that their high school careers are in the hands of people who are not aware of the school pressures that students face with such a high number of required classes.

Nevada is the fifth highest in the nation for credits required for high school graduation.

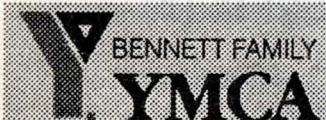
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## Dropping out of high school is not the free-and-easy lifestyle you might think

By Margina Hoover



"Have you ever felt like school was a waste of time because you honestly thought that you had better things to do?"

A friend of mine — call her Sandy — who

dropped out of school in her freshman year thinks so. She says she can't tolerate sitting in a class listening to a teacher lecture for hours at a time. Sandy thought that by not attending school her life would be much easier because she doesn't have the "frustration, the stress, and weariness" of going to school and doing the work.

### IS INDEPENDENCE EASIER?

However, she does go to work at Subway and pays her own bills, so at least she isn't sitting on her bottom doing nothing, but that doesn't make it right. Sandy realizes that she made a big mistake because now she has to work even harder without that diploma.

She advises you to stay in school. I'm a junior in high school, myself. If I had to drop out (which I wouldn't), I'd be scared because, as much as I hate it, I would know that the knowledge from a good education is what I need to go where I want in my future.

### FEELING LIKE A LOSER

My sister is a freshman drop-out as well, but her life led to two kids at the age of 15. That's her reason for dropping out; she got pregnant, she lost her credits as well, so she never went. When she started out with her first kid, she was a wonderful mother for a 15-year-old. I remember at last year's graduation she almost cried because her class was graduating without her. She said she feels "like a loser because she's not there with them." What a feeling!

Staying in school is the smartest move you could ever make.

## Guys may be buffer but Stacy is tougher

By Kellie Haycock (below left) and Stephanie Stonex (below right)

Who is tough, athletic, surrounded by guys, and has all the right moves? Who else but the newest member of the wrestling team, **Stacy Axe**?

Wrestling is considered a male-dominated sport. At Chaparral, football and wrestling are the only sports where there are not separate male and female teams. Because of Law — Title IX — girls are allowed to try out for the football or wrestling team on a fair basis. This law states that every female athlete and student has the same rights as males.

"More power to you, you go girl," comments Dr. Chilson. He and Coach Hobbs are supportive of Stacy's decision to try out for the wrestling team.

### BUFF AND MANLY

"Well, everybody knows how unbelievably buff and manly I am, but Stacy's even tougher than me, says wrestling teammate **Drew Juergens**, junior.

The fact that Stacy weighs only 103 lbs. didn't stop her from trying out for wrestling, nor the fact that there are even guys in our school who can't handle the sport of wres-

ting. Other wrestling teammates are willing to help Stacy, similar to a big brother-little sister relationship.

"It is the hardest sport I've ever been in, and it takes a dedication," says J.V. wrestler **Lucas Abbott**.

"It's just like the episode from Saved by the Bell," says junior **Nannian Angioni**. "I think it's great that Stacy is wrestling."

Stacy was interested in trying out for the wrestling team because it was something different. She says that she is capable of handling the environment and that she didn't really know what to expect. As far as the moves go, Stacy says, "You don't really think about it, you just do it."

Wrestling is a tough sport, but Stacy has managed to overcome the obstacles. With a lot of hard work and determination Stacy has proven herself capable of being an awesome wrestler.



## A good argument pays off!

Forensics takes third place overall in tournament



By Janet McCombs (left) Pain, suffering, agony ... Yes, it's

another Forensics Tournament. But the second local Forensics Tournament of the year was a success for Chaparral.

Starting this reign of success was **Rebecca McCaffrey**'s exceptional piece on flutes in which she competed all the way to finals in Expository.

**Amanda Young** took first place in Expository and Oratory. She also broke into Semi-Finals in Lincoln-Douglas Debate, as did **Jeff Turner**. Amanda went on to capture Top Speaker in Individual Events.

**Laci McCarty** and **Dan Woodard** returned to Chaparral with a first place win in Novice Duo. In the Varsity division, **Aaron Wells** and **Daryl Watson** made it to finals with their extremely funny piece, "10

Minutes to Doom." **Mike Webster** and **Justin Shiroff** also made it to Varsity Duo finals with a piece called "The Sunshine Boys."

**Crystal Sanders** took her place in the spotlight with a Dramatic Interpretation about poverty-stricken people. This piece captured a third place win.

**Mike Webster** took a place win in Lincoln-Douglas Debate on the Varsity level, putting Mike at a two-for-two record in local tournaments.

Adding to the excitement of this tournament, a new experimental event called Story Telling was at Clark for this tournament only. In this event the participant is given the first and last sentences to a story and then they are given two minutes in which to prepare a story using the two sentences. **Jeff Turner** placed third in the Novice division and **Mike Webster** placed first in the varsity Division.

Chaparral's Forensics team won third place overall.

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What a great way to earn summer money! Get certified as a lifeguard! You have your choice of locations: Henderson Parks and Recreation Department (HPRD) or the Las Vegas YMCA on Meadows Lane. You can become eligible for all local and state lifeguard jobs.

### HPRD

◆ If you are 15 years or older and can pass a water skills test, sign up for one of seven courses. Each lasts 35 hours and covers first aid and CPR as well as lifeguard and rescue skills.

The courses start Jan. 27, Feb. 4, March 4 and 24, April 1, 15 and 29 — and include both classroom and pool time. The \$45 fee includes books.

◆ If you are 17 or over and can pass that water skills test, you can become certified to teach Red Cross swimming and community water safety courses. This certification opens

another door to summer jobs. The courses last 45 hours and start Feb. 24 and April 24. The fee is \$50.

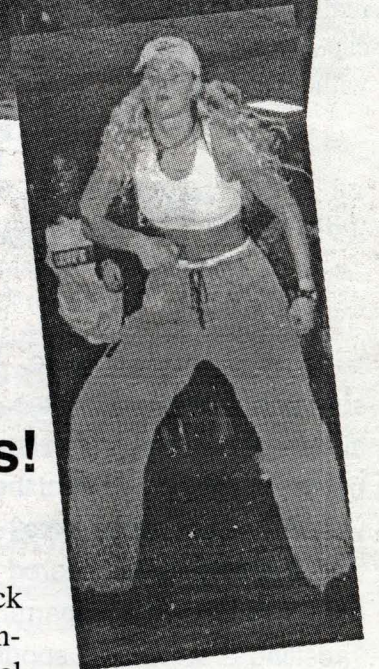
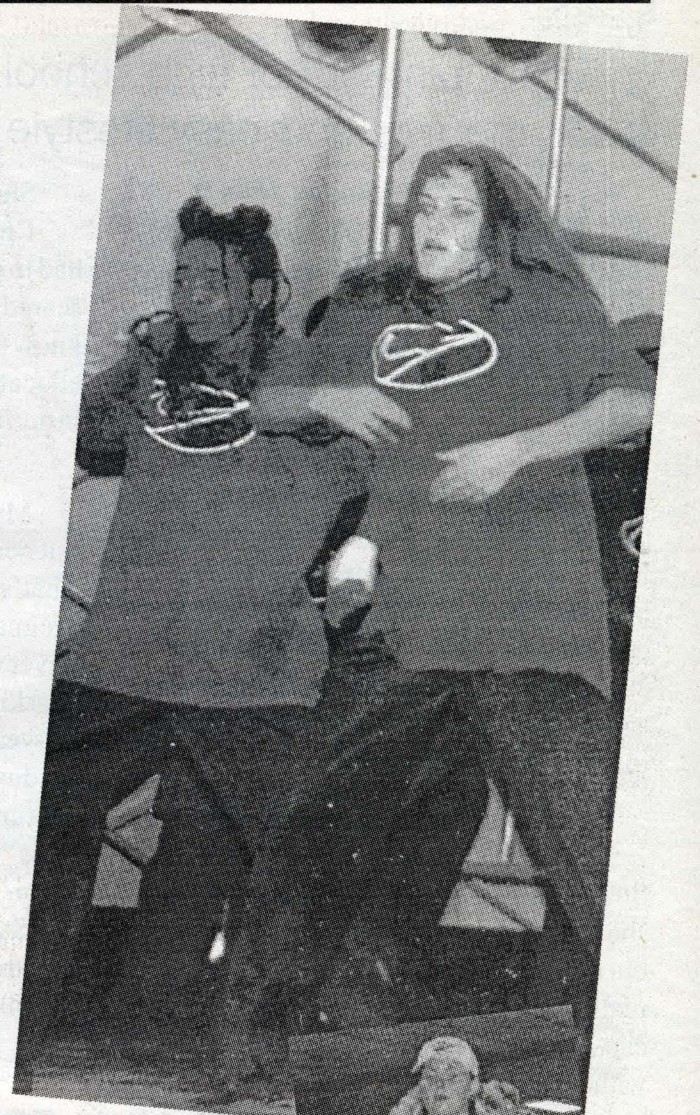
Any questions? Call 565-2123.

### YMCA

Lifeguard classes are held in the heated pools at the YMCA and each class lasts for six weeks. The cost is just \$60 for full members of the YMCA. Otherwise, it's \$75 plus basic membership fees. (Financial assistance is available.)

□ Courses are scheduled: February 15 through March 22; April 5 through May 10; and May 17 through June 21. Take your choice. But be sure to register at least FOUR DAYS before the start of the session you want.

Any questions? Call the YMCA at 877-9622. The Y is at 4141 Meadows Lane, across from the Meadows Mall.



## Hip Hop Dancers!

**JAN. 18 AUDITION**

Culture Shock Las Vegas, a non-profit professional hip hop troupe, has 13 positions open for dancers right now!

Members of Culture Shock have the opportunity to earn extra money by performing and by giving hip hop instruction to others in the community.

The audition will be held **Saturday, Jan. 18** at Gold's Gym West, northeast corner of Sahara and Decatur. There is no charge for the audition.

Culture Shock, directed by Darryl Thomas, uses street dance to reach out to young people, steering them away from drugs, gangs and violence and toward a life of self-respect and achievement.

This dance troupe performed at the opening ceremonies of the Inner City Games, at the annual Golden Rainbow Benefit, and at conventions throughout the country.

If you have questions, call Thomas at 223-3038.

## Girls' Softball seeking 'swingers'

If you can swing a bat, or dash, pitch or catch, then LISTEN UP!

You're invited to sign up for the "Sunrise Bobby Sox" Girls' Softball League — and you have just three chances to sign up!

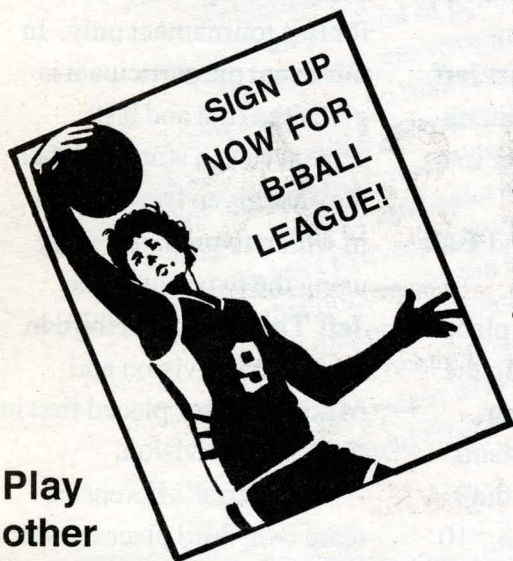
☉ Jan. 16: 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Sunrise Recreation Center;

☉ Jan. 24: 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Stanford Elementary School; and

☉ Feb. 1: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Eldorado High School.

High school girls will join one of two categories, depending on age and softball ability: the American Girls for ages 12-16 (\$56 fee), or the Preps for girls 14-18 years old (\$61 fee).

Be sure to bring your birth certificate and social security number when you register. For more information, call Lily Raygoza at 643-7894.



## Play other students in your age group!

High school students interested in playing in the YMCA's Youth Basketball League should register by **Saturday, February 15.**

The League schedules games between freshman/sophomore teams and between junior/senior teams.

Fees vary and financial assistance is available. Call 877-9622 for details.

## Speed, slide, tumble... race Snowbox for prizes

The eighth annual Snowbox Derby is set for January 25 at Lee Canyon. You should think about entering...it's a rush!

Just build a snowbox out of cardboard, tape, glue and paint. Get your buddies together and create the most outrageous "vehicle" you can imagine!

(In past years, entries have included a stagecoach jet fighters, Harleys and giant 8-balls.)

All proceeds benefit the YMCA of Southern Nevada. For details or to get an entry form, call the "Y" at 877-9622.

## Is your old band instrument collecting dust?

Lots of kids in Southern Nevada would LOVE to be able to

learn music and play with their school band, but they don't have the money to buy or rent an instrument.

You can donate that dusty old band instrument to Music for Hope, a local non-profit organization that will match up

your gift with a child who would be thrilled to receive it!

Please call Music for Hope at 364-9473. They will be happy to pick up the instrument you donate.





**To buy or sell — it's a good deal**

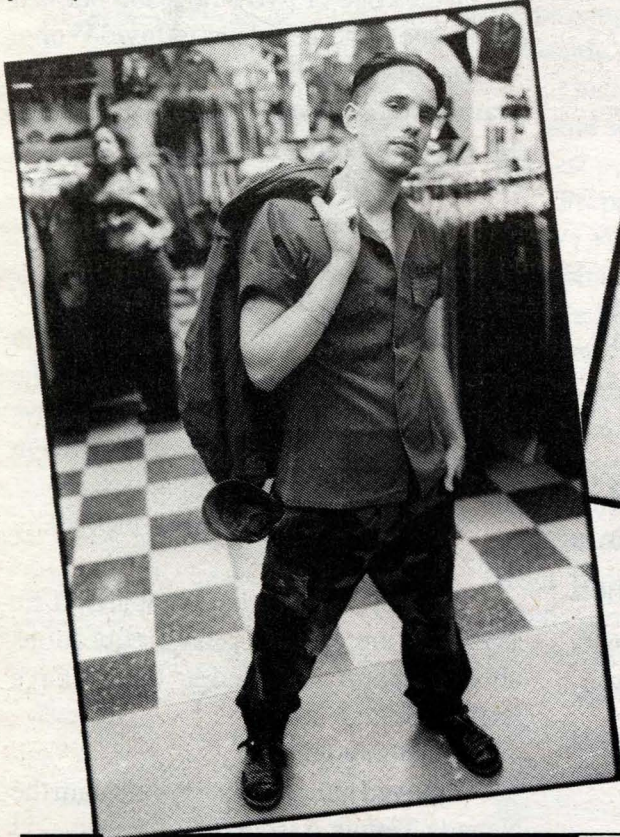
Vintage USA is one of the greatest places in town to buy vintage fashions — especially Levi's and very especially Levi's 501s.

The store recently tripled in size, so you'll find thousands of items to choose from. Prices start as low as \$3! You'll even find Levi's for as little as \$5.

"We take pride in the excellent condition of the vintage clothes we sell," says Eyal Sinai. "Some of these items are really like brand new."

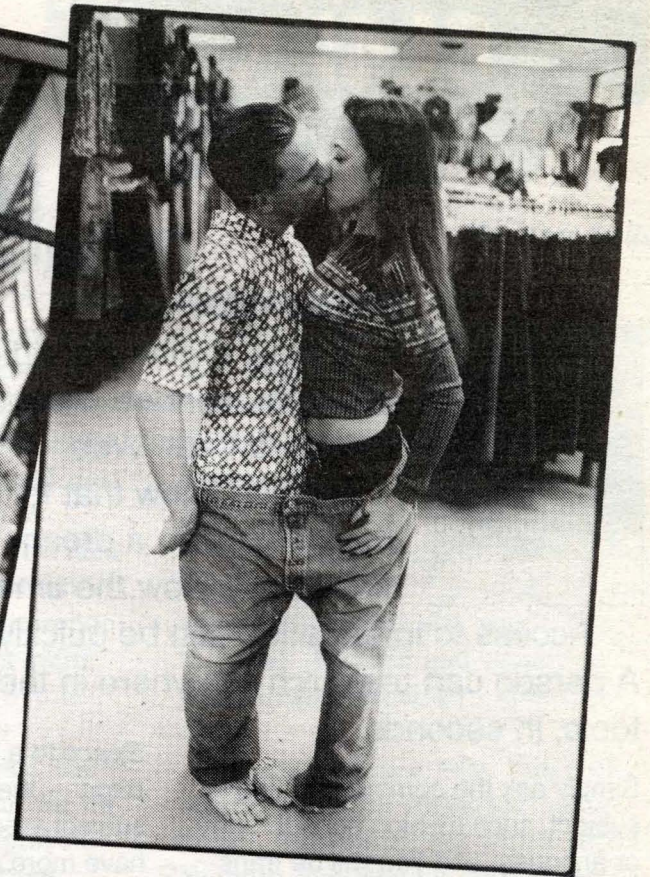
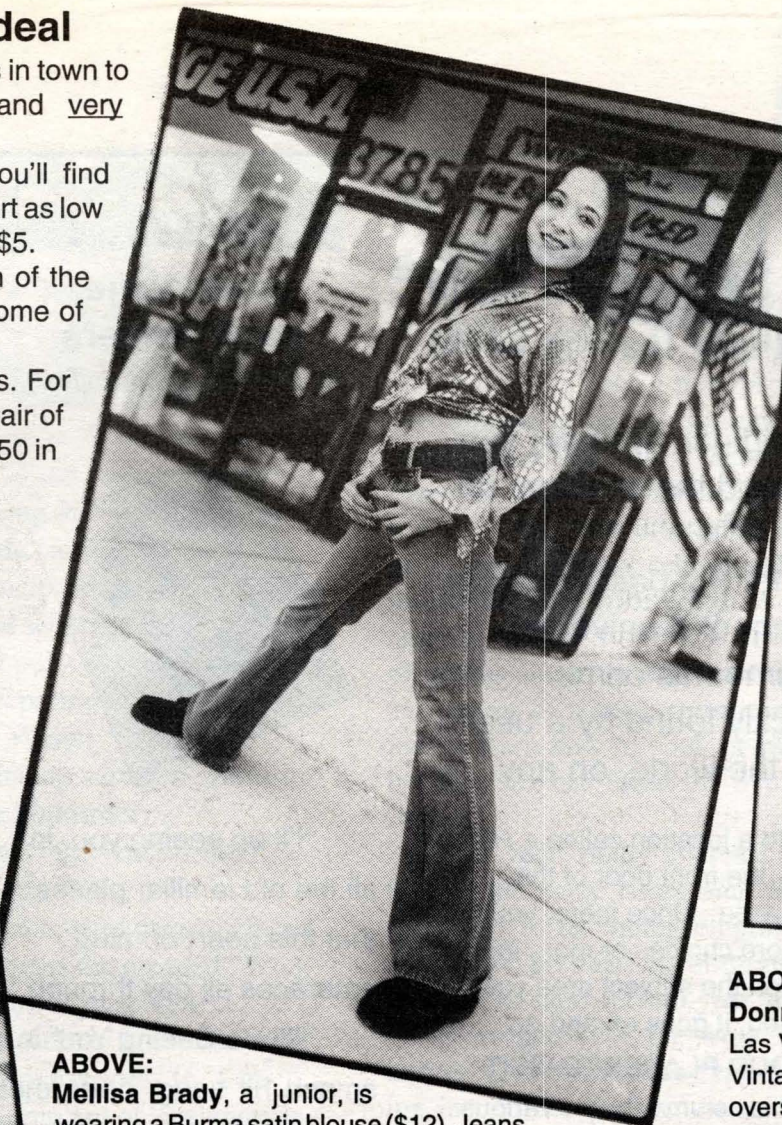
And Vintage USA also buys used clothes. For example, Eyal says, "If you want to sell us a pair of 501s, you could walk away with as much as \$50 in your pocket."

Fashion photos by Mark Lewis,  
Lewis Photography



**ABOVE:** Mellisa Brady, a junior, is wearing a Burma satin blouse (\$12), Jeans (\$16) and Jeans belt (\$20)

**LEFT:** Donnie Thornton, a senior, is wearing an authentic military shirt (\$5), Camo pants (\$7), Military boots and coat (\$20 each) and Camo baseball hat (\$3).



**ABOVE:** Donnie Thornton and Mellisa Brady, students at Las Vegas High School, did some budget shopping at Vintage USA recently. Here, they share a pair of oversized jeans (\$20). Don's bowling shirt set him back only \$12 at Vintage USA. Mellisa found the perfect form-fitting blouse by NikNik, just \$8, and "Windy" boxing trunks, a measly \$6.

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## Exploring the world without leaving home

By Renee Woder (left)



A new, exciting world can open for you when you venture around the universe on the World Wide Web.

Did you know that for the past 50 years there has been a dream of a universal database? Now the time has come.

Access to information can be quickly found by a user. A person can research anywhere in the world, on any topic, in seconds.

Simply ask the computer to find a subject, such as high school rugby or antiques, and you will be transported to thousands of articles and people on that subject.

Perhaps that user will be you as you continue to read on and explore this new computer wonder with me. So now I welcome you to the...World Wide Web!

You are probably asking, how does the Web work? Well, that's where it starts getting more interesting! According to information found in the World Wide Web; the Web works under a client-server model.

### RESTAURANT

The client-server model is like a restaurant. A customer orders from a menu and is served his selection at home on his computer. The choice can be on any subject from anywhere in the world. When you have picked a subject, you are then transported through *Cyber*

*Space* to a location called a *Home page* — the front door of the subject area. Once there, you will have more choices or more information on the subject area you requested; it goes on and on.

### GOOD PLACES TO VISIT

In this column, I offer various site addresses plus reviews of sites that might interest you. For example, we found more than 57,000 sites for high schools and KEY clubs around the world. Say "Hi," to the following locations...

<http://www.greenheart.com/keyclub/>

<http://keyclub.home.ml.org>

<http://www.isdnet.com/clubs/key-club/>

<http://www.geocities.com/Athens/3426/>

<http://www1.scasd.k12.pa.us/scasd/hs/keyclub/>

If you have any questions you would like to have answered in this column, please E-Mail them to **BAMAGUIRE @ AOL.COM**.

## Bravo: good name, great singers

By Mariah Long (below)



"I'll be seeing you, in all the old familiar places that this heart of mine embraces all day through."

"I'll Be Seeing You" is a smash hit song, performed by Clark's Bravo choir. Bravo, an honors jazz choir group, has performed throughout the city.

The name *Bravo* is from an Italian phrase that means "very good performance," according to Kara Sopko, director of the choir.

This year, Bravo plans to perform at the Fremont Street Experience, Disney World in Florida, and the Excalibur Hotel.

## 'Average guy' has eye on top engineering school

By Renee Woder

Clark High School is full of extraordinary students. But, as in all schools, there are always one or two who stand out. At Clark, one of these students is **David Wong**.

David has been in the Magnet Program for three years and has maintained a 4.0 gpa in honors classes. This year, his classes include composition and literature, Spanish II, anatomy, physics, drafting and pre-calculus.

Wong is the treasurer of Clark's Key Club and he was present when the Club went to the Hilton to help assemble the Festival of Trees and Lights. Wong enjoys the community service and just being there for someone in need of a friendly face.

Wong likes to be active in Varsity Quiz and tennis.

"Varsity Quiz is like Jeopardy," he says. "I am able to answer questions about general knowledge that I have learned in high school."

And about tennis —

"I played tennis for two years with the Nevada Tennis Association," he says. "I haven't won any awards but I have fun playing."

In the future, Wong hopes to attend M.I.T. (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), one of the top engineering schools in the country. To be admitted, you must be in the top one percent of your class and have at least a 1,400 score on your S.A.T.

Wong plans to be a computer engineer and someday work for Intel.

"I'm just an average guy," he says, "and please don't consider me more than that."

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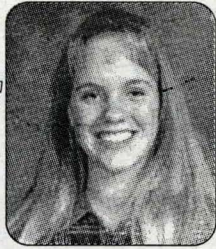
Reporter: Lauren Walsh

For once, **Janae Spelts**, senior, was glad that she listened to her dad.

If it weren't for his constant urging, she would never have entered the VFW's "Voice of Democracy" essay contest. Luckily, she did enter and became Silverado's representative in this nationwide competition for a \$20,000 scholarship.

Unluckily, though, Janae didn't make it to the national level. Even worse luck, on the day of the VFW awards dinner, she got strep throat and could not be there to receive her award certificate and \$50 savings bond. She received it later.

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## JUST A THOUGHT...

### Leave 'em alone!

By Kelly Kalil (left)

It was a nice Saturday at Sunset Park, a little breezy, but pleasant. The park was filled with the sounds of children playing and two 40-year-old men strumming guitars nearby.

As I walked with friends past a picnic table, I overheard a very rude comment about two of them.

Apparently, the adolescents at the table could not cope with what they saw: just because the girls were holding hands, they had been labeled as lesbians.

Even though the picnic-pesters had no idea who these girls were, the sight of two girls holding hands had so revolted them that they got up and left.

Although it makes no difference in this case, whether they were lesbians or not, those kids just made a judgement.

Others who are frequently harassed for the way they look are the proud wearers of mohawks and studded bracelets.

That's right: punks. Just because they have different ideas of what they want to

wear or listen to, they are downgraded in society.

Frequently, teenagers everywhere who wear clothes that are a little different than everyone else's are labelled "weird" and are expected to be outcasts.

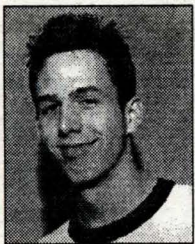
It seems impossible these days to do anything without someone, somewhere, judging you.

I can recall in my early years, none of the children cared about the clothes you wore, the way you looked, what grades you made, or how baggy your pants were. They just wanted someone to play with.

Tell me honestly: when you were young and saw two girls holding hands, did you think, "Are they lesbians?" I can guarantee that 99% of you did not.

Maybe if we thought more like we did when we were children, this world would realize that judgment shouldn't be passed about others.

Then everyone could pretty much do whatever they wanted, wherever and whenever they wanted, and not be harassed for it. Just a thought.



## FIRST PERSON SINGULAR

### Silverado junior learns DJ gig

Adapted from a report by John Langelier, Silverado (right)

KUNV is a radio station different from others in Las Vegas: all the disk jockeys are unpaid volunteers. And unlike other stations, KUNV has its DJs go through a class to learn the basics of radio.

I took part in these sessions in the hope of getting on the air.

The program managers met with our group of about 20 hopefuls to explain how the station works and to introduce us to KUNV format and the studio. This is the site of the sound board, where volume is controlled and CDs, records and cassettes are turned on and off.

My first time in the studio was intimidating. "Sure," I thought, "I know what to do. Just remember what the man said." But my mind blanked. I had brought in all my records and CDs and didn't know what to do.

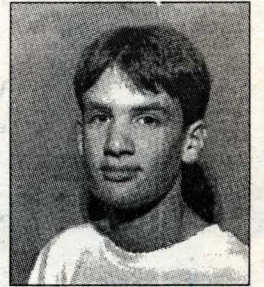
When I awakened from my coma, I decided to get the ball rolling by playing some Pink Floyd songs from "The Wall."

I found out early that talking into a

microphone was difficult. At first I felt like a fool because I was talking to no one, but I got used to it after talking a while.

Then I had to make a demo tape. KUNV plays music not often program-med in this area (Rock upstart bands, rap, sonic, garage, punk, jazz and blues, bluegrass, folk, hard-core metal, African and Latin, for example). I played a mix of rock and blues. But my new problem was to find enough music to play, then condense one-hour of music, commercials and talk into a 15-minute demo tape.

At this moment, I am waiting to hear from the station manager: do they think the tape is worthy of giving me air time? If, in the end, they don't enjoy the same music as I do, at least I'll know I tried.



### When in Silverado do as the Grecians do!

By Mia Thomas (below)



Togas! Wreaths! Greek Week at Silverado!

For one week, two daring teachers paired up to show a little Grecian spirit and provide an unusual learning experience.

"We hoped that by immersing students in the culture, they would have an appreciation for the foundation of our civilization," says Grabovoi.

All week, Grabovoi's room was inundated with semi-convincing Greek temples and a golden palm tree. (There was to be a peacock but he caught a virus.)

Students learned ancient Greek myths and fables and acted them out for their peers. Posters were made to promote Aesop and Sophocles.

On the final day of Greek Week, Toutounji's government classes held a campaign and election for their favorite Greek politician. Candidates included Sophocles, Oedipus, Aristotle and Plato, plus popular favorites Agamemnon and Antigone.

Each campaign team wrote speeches and made signs, then presented them to the rest of the "conventioneers."

Students were invited to dress in togas and enjoy an authentic Greek food festival, with food provided by the students. Dishes included stuffed grape leaves, tabouli, and Mediterranean chicken.

"The thing I loved most about Greek Week was the enthusiasm it brought out in



ABOVE: English and Government AP classes show their Greek spirit! Clockwise from top left: Mary Davis, Anne Kingsley, Tim Neal, Lisa Lindsay, Tim Tra and Lisa Cowan.

the students," says Toutounji.

"We were hoping King Midas would drop by and turn a little something into gold," adds Grabovoi.

"Greek Week was a great way to become familiar with more than literature or biographies," says senior Robbi Dunn. "Participating in projects is more enjoyable than taking notes. And I've learned a lot."

Ancient Greece. What a great excuse to have a party!



## FUTURE EDUCATORS

### COME TO VALLEY



By *LaKenya Nelson (left)*

Twenty new members have been inducted into the Future Educators of America, one of the Valley's many clubs.

FEA is an organization of students who are interested in pursuing teaching as a career. This club gives members the chance to experience first hand what it is like to be an educator in Clark County School District.

As the year moves on, club members go to other schools in the Las Vegas Valley and shadow some of the teachers.

Some members have already gone to Chaparral High for their first experiences as teachers. It worked out perfectly! A very excited club member, **Zack Pogues**, states, "It was great, I enjoyed it because the classes were dealing with Science."



By *D'Ana Gallegos (left)*

Valley's JROTC Armed Drill Team took its first-ever first place trophy in the Bonanza Drill Meet. The team won in the Uniform Inspection Drill.

The team placed third in two other categories as well: Exhibition Drill and Regulation Drill.

Cadet Captain **Shaun Knittel** says, "I am extremely proud of my team...we are not going to stop at one trophy, we want them all!"

## Old-Timers showing off

*Shaun Borges (right)*

Coming back to Valley to show off their impressive skills were some of the best basketball players from the 60's, 70's, & 80's.

The Old-Timers Basketball Game was held at Valley against our old arch rivals, Clark High School. This game was a reunion for the players and the coaches. Many laughs and memories were shared by all. Unfortunately Valley lost to Clark by a score of 77-74.

This game, we hope, will blossom to an annual event. It was a fund-raising event and it brought in a good-sized crowd for both schools.

The roster for Valley included



the great Freddie Banks, Class of 1983. Banks is the only Valley Viking who played in the Old-Timers Game that made it to the NBA.

Also on the Valley Old Timers squad were Max allen (1984), Perry Bass (1969), Melvin Givens III (1972), George Glasper (1974), Tom Hausman (1969), Andre Johnson (1978), Ronnie Jones (1971), Walter Jones (1981), Jeff Kaufman (1980), Andy Riley (1969), Derrick Ross (1989), Dwayne Ross (1983), Mike Wheatle (1980), Victor Wiley (1981).



**THREE COOL CATS.** This work by **Ray Figueredo**, a senior at Valley, was selected to represent September in the 1997 calendar published by the Silver State Schools Federal Credit Union.

## Eating in silence

*Jacob Papenfuss*

Valley "Hi" Sign Club is a club for students interested in learning American Sign Language. Students learn the basics of sign language such as finger-spelling, vocabulary, and expressions.

Valley "Hi" Sign Club is involved in a variety of activities this year. For example, students sign the fight song at assemblies, and during the Holiday Season students signed the

holiday carols with the choir. Also, students have the opportunity to practice what they learn by conversing with the deaf students enrolled at Valley.

Near the end of the school year, club members attend a silent dinner in which members go out to eat, but cannot speak while ordering or socializing. One student is chosen to interpret the orders of the other club members, and that student is the only one allowed to use his or her voice.

Club members carry on conversations using all the sign language they've learned throughout the year.

## AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

*By Elizabeth O'Donnell*

On a recent weekend, I attended the Amnesty International Western Regional Conference in Irvine, California.

The theme of the conference was the plight of refugees throughout the world. Among the refugees whose stories we heard were Tibetans talking about the death penalty.

Refugees are people who leave their country because of a "well-founded fear of persecution due to their race, religion, nationality, membership in a social group or their political opinion."

The conference opened with a photo display and discussion about Tibetan refugees who had to flee Tibet because of severe religious persecution from the Chinese government.

We saw the documentary film "Calling the Ghost," a film about three women from Bosnia who were tortured. Two of these women spoke at the closing ceremony.

The types of torture that were discussed at the conference included rape, battery and electric shock.



## Classes without 'talking heads'

By Sari Aizley, Editor of CLASS!

If the purpose of school is to prepare teenagers for life in the adult world, then the School-to-Careers Program has added new dimensions to the goal. This state-funded program brings practical experience right into the classroom.

But classrooms are no longer just four walls, desks, and a "talking head" at the front. Chaparral High School is a great example of these changes.

Our cover photo was taken in one of these innovative classrooms: a television production studio, where students learn to be TV reporters, to operate cameras, maintain equipment, and produce actual programs televised within the school.

This is just one of 15 School-to-Careers programs at Chaparral, made possible by some \$135,000 in grants over the past two years

Another is **The Branding Iron**, a small business run by students in the Fashion class. It produces machine-embroidered specialties such as monograms for towels and patches for jackets or book bags.

Students manage the Branding Iron, do the bookkeeping, learn to operate specialized equipment, and apply all those math and computer lessons in a realistic setting.

**YES**, The Youth Entrepreneur Services is a business corporation within the school. Combining English and Computer credits, it prepares students for their roles as future business leaders.

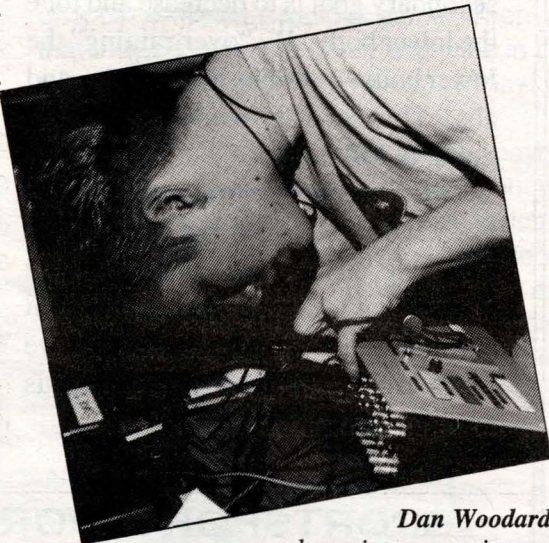
This is Chaparral's second year in the School-to-Careers program; the school offers programs that serve more than 1,400 Chaparral students.

If you have questions about School-to-Careers, please contact Kathleen Frosini at 799-8462.

*The Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce arranged the Legislators' tour of Chap.*



**DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.** Members of the Nevada Legislature and First Lady Sandy Miller visited Chaparral's School-to-Careers programs last week. Above: teacher/producer Paula Naegle explains the technology as student **Austin Grimes** videotapes the talk.



**Dan Woodard** leans into an equipment repair project

### ON THE COVER

Senior **Rose Delledonne** signed up for the TV tech class "just to fill space" in her schedule. Then she got hooked! She plans to major in broadcast journalism at UNLV and hopes to make a career as TV anchor.

**Reshad Mahan**, a junior, is eyeing UNLV (as his shirt hints), but he plans to go into premed. Reshad took this class "to get an overview of what it's like to be in the TV business," but adds, "If all else fails in college, I can refer to my experience in TV."

Photography by David Phillips.

## Other School-to-Careers programs at Chap

**Painters' Pre-Apprenticeship.** Seniors learn commercial and residential painting and have priority for entering the formal apprenticeship program of the Painter's Union — gateway to employment.

**Real Estate Survey.** Hands-on experience in all aspects of this booming industry.

**Technical Writing.** A great addition to a student's work portfolio and a doorway to a variety of job markets — how to use computers to create brochures, reports, technical manuals, etc.

**Electronic Publications.** Page design, graphics, layout, multi-media creations, video production — a hands-on program that educates while providing services to school.

**Government Internship.** Five-plus hours per week working with government or public service sponsors in the community to understand how such agencies operate.

**Principles of Technology.** Hands-on skills in electronics, mechanics, hydraulics, and heating and cooling systems — skills necessary for many technical and vocational careers.

**Computer Graphics.** An introduction to computer-assisted design.



**Bridget Waldman**, junior, and senior **Mike Webster** discuss the script before taping a newscast.

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## Students turn drab & grubby into colorful school spirit!

By Jonlyn Vaccaro (excerpts)

Standing in the Faith Lutheran gym, at the beginning of this year, was a big, ugly, white, drab wall. The wall was built between the bleachers and the chapel — now the music room. Frankly, it was an 'ugly duckling' of a wall.

Most people would not think that a big, ugly, white, drab wall would look good. The administration agreed and to cure the problem they decided to spread a little color on the subject.

Several art classes have brought their efforts together to construct a large mural. This will effectively perk up the gym,

adding to the atmosphere and the Crusader spirit.

To pick a theme for the mural, the students participated in a vote. The results were unanimous that the theme would be sports and how sports effects the school.

The mural is expected to be finished this month.



## Let Go Of Your Lego(s)!

Around Faith, you often hear, "How's the Lego class?"

There is a course at Faith that uses Legos, but the class is Robotics. Students program computers to operate miniature models or machines. Lego blocks are used to create these miniature structures. The students have built and programmed bridges, greenhouses, robotic arms, vending machines, dinosaurs, automobiles, and much more.

Each student individually synthesizes an entire project to answer a question that he/she created. These projects include research, construction drawings, and completion of the actual building and programming of these models.

At the end of the semester, the entire class will collectively build one "site" using 4 or 5 computers to operate the systems. Such a system could include an entire city, a factory or whatever the students imagine.



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## Body building is different for women

By Angel Galasso

Generally speaking, men are interested in bodybuilding, while women are not. If women train like men, they're going to look like men. Do women want that? Most don't...they want to be smooth and toned.

In the past, women never had a option in the way they trained, but now freestyle is the new thing. Women have been getting larger by bodybuilding, when in actuality women want to get smaller. Makes sense, right? Freestyle puts maximum attention on weight control and fat burning.

The primary goal of freestyle is weight management and fat loss. The secondary goal is to decrease and tone the lower body. By "overtraining" the lower body, it shrinks hips, thighs, and abs. This is a safe work out. It isn't going to kill anyone.

Men generally work on their upper body with rests in between days. Freestyle, on the other hand, is six days a week with no rest, and that's what shrinks the lower body. that's what we want, right? Believe it or not, this actually works.

## VoTech student wins Ad Club scholarship

A senior in graphics at VoTech has won the first annual Catherine Collins Scholarship award.

**Milissa Marsh** competed against students from UNLV, the Community College, and A-Tech. She won a \$1,000 scholarship presented by the Las Vegas Ad Club.

For the award, she presented the judges with her portfolio of projects she made in Graphics. The judges said that if the competition had been close, they would have split the money between the schools. However, they were so impressed with Milissa's portfolio that they awarded her the whole amount.

Milissa says she plans to go to Mesa State College or to the Phoenix Institute using the money that she was awarded, but she'll still need a lot more than that to make it completely through college.

## SPORTSPORTSPORTSPORTSPORTS

Reported by Ricardo Herrera

### Chess Team places second

VoTech's varsity chess team lost in the playoffs against the undefeated zone champions, Durango High School. The only varsity player to win was **Jason Walthers**, who played in fourth position.

VoTech came in second out of all the high schools in the divisionals. That is the best VoTech's chess has ever done. Varsity players who competed against Durango were **Joe Gomez, Francisco Valenzuela, Wally Atterberry, Jason Walthers, and Jade Dunham**. The team was upset with their loss but happy they came in second in the divisionals.

### Basketball promises good season

VoTech's basketball teams are back in action. The boys' team is looking to improve on last year's record, something that won't be difficult: varsity had a record of seven wins and nine losses. Most of last year's players will be back, including seniors **Adrian Hunt and Leonardo Shelton**.

The girls' team ended last season with a perfect record: no wins and 18 losses, but they played better as the season progressed. Last year's Most Valuable Player, **Crystal Sales**, and sophomore **Tangela Sardney** will return to spark the team. Coach Barbara Yohnka says she hopes to win even 50 percent of their games, which would be an improvement.



# MOVIES



## 1996 holiday movies rate thumbs down

*Oldies still offer better viewing.*

By Steven Smith, Faith Lutheran High School

After the onslaught of violent movies (Oh, we hate violent movies!), it is hard to remember the classic movies that our parents enjoyed so much.

The horrendous accounting for the violence in our homes and in our theaters started this year with **Independence Day**. This movie had a graphic depiction of death and destruction. And even after all the chaos, the writers saw fit for the characters to swear and take the Lord's name in vain.

The next movie on my hit list is **Sleepers**. This flick shows young people swearing and cursing at adults. They commit violent acts and break laws. **Sleepers** also gives a close up of a murder, in which there is blood everywhere and the victim's guts and brains scattered all over the set.

Next up is **101 Dalmatians**. Though set in winter, this is far from a Christmas movie. It contradicts the season completely, with scenes filled with hatred, jealousy, and boredom. It also speaks of cruelty to animals. Parents are advised to keep their children away from this movie. Don't even buy the toys, it will give your children an incorrect guide to the treatment of animals.

The recently released **Beavis and Butt-head Do America**, is also a bad influence on children. This depicts young male adolescents wreaking havoc on innocent people. Their tyranny and oppression towards anyone they don't like is unacceptable to any person with a decent set of values.

Finally, there is the movie **Scream**. This movie is not for the faint of heart; it is a very violent movie, filled with stalkers, murder, premarital sex, and bad language.

(From previous column)  
subject matter, it may not have an easy road to Oscar.

**8. Shine.** The Oscar buzz is huge on this movie. It tells the story of pianist David Helfgott, who went from child prodigy to a nervous breakdown in his late teens to redemption through romance. Geoffery Rush stars and Scott Hicks directs.

## 'To Gillian' draws tears

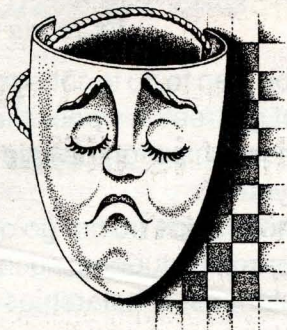
By Barbara Tejada, Chaparral

*To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday* is a romantic movie — a must see for everyone. I haven't seen a movie like this since *Ghost*, one of the most romantic movies I have ever seen. We need a little romance in our lives... and hope of course...the hope that all of us have of

finding that right someone and loving them eternally. On Gillian's 35th birthday, her husband David Lewis (played by Peter Gallagher), daughter Rachel (Claire Danes), and aunt and uncle Ester and Paul (Kathy Baker and Freddie Prinze, Jr.) go boating on the water near their house. Gillian (Michelle Pfeiffer) was the daredevil of the family. The boat bumps into a rock causing an accident that changed their lives forever.

Someone always has to die or get killed. The movie would be boring if people didn't die...to thicken the plot and, in some way, pull away from reality. Isn't that one reason why we go to movies, to get away from reality?

Another question is: why must people who are really in love have something go wrong?



For heaven sakes, it took them a long time to find each other! Whatever happened to all those happy Disney movies? Sure, Snow White went through some difficulties, but she went to that castle and lived happily ever after.

These days, "To Gillian" is the closest I'll get to those fairy tales I loved so much when I was little.

Some nights I dream of a prince carrying me to his castle — preferably Keanu Reeves or Dean Cain. Either one will do; I'm not picky. The moral of this movie is that true love never dies, it lives forever and is carried with us by our souls.

I give *To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday* four stars for the way the story was carried out and for the great actors. Of course, this is from a woman's point of view.

## OVER MY SHOULDER

### A Look Back at Holiday Releases

By Branden Ledesma, Gorman High

Through marketing magic, Hollywood would have us believe that the holidays started November 8 with the opening of "Ransom." But then a barrage of holiday films came out and another 25 movies are scheduled for release through January. Here are a few that should please all types of movie-goer.

**1. The Crucible.** Daniel Day-Lewis and Winona Ryder team in Arthur Miller's play about the Salem Witch Trials. Reviews so far have either been excellent or mediocre. This should not take away from the likelihood of Oscar nominations.

**2. Everyone Says I Love you.** Woody Allen's next film is, surprise, a musical. However, with an exciting cast that includes Drew Barrymore, Billy Crudup, Goldie Hawn, Edward Norton, Julia Roberts, and Tim Roth, the singing will be interesting to hear.

**3. Ghosts of Mississippi.** Rob Reiner directs the true story of D.A. Bobby DeLaughter (Alec Baldwin), who finally convicts Bryon de la Beckwith, the murderer of 1960s civil rights leader Medgar Evers after two mistrials. Unless Reiner really screws up, this is sure-fire Oscar material.

**4. Jerry Maguire.** Tom Cruise plays a sports agent who grows scruples and gets fired. Along the way he learns to love a single mom (Renee Zellweger). Cameron Crowe writes and directs, so the film is close to a can't miss.

**5. Mars Attacks.** Tim Burton's new film is about aliens taking over the planet (sounds familiar). Despite likely comparisons to "ID4," Burton's film is a satire with an A-list cast: Jack Nicholson, Glenn Close, Michael J. Fox, Danny DeVito, Annette Bening, and Tom Jones.

**6. Marvin's Room.** Meryl Streep, Diane Keaton, Leonardo DiCaprio and Robert DeNiro star in this melodrama about a dysfunctional family. The performances are enough to make the movie worth seeing and garner Oscar attention as well.

**7. The People vs. Larry Flynt.** Woody Harrelson plays the infamous *Hustler* magazine publisher who fought for his first amendment rights. Milos Forman (*One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*) directs. This movie will probably get rave reviews, but given its tough ↗

## MUSICALLY SPEAKING

Each of the following performers or groups can be found in a straight line in the puzzle: vertical, horizontal or diagonal. Circle them when you find them!

Brian Adams	Hootie	Marilyn Manson	Answers on page 34
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## Disabled people don't seek pity

By Mary Chester (below)

Have you ever thought what it would be like if you couldn't walk or use any part of your body?



That can be humiliating. The spotlight is almost always on you. People seem to stare at what

they don't understand. School sports, dances and other activities are just a few of the things that the disabled sometimes cannot participate in.

People who have a hard time doing things seem to receive a lot of pity. We seem to feel they need special treatment, but we fail to realize that special treatment is the last thing the disabled want.

They just want to be treated like normal human beings. Reminding them constantly of their disability isn't right.

One disabled person here at Cheyenne says, "Not being able to do all the

things the so-called normal people are able to do doesn't make me any less of a human.

"I might not be able to walk perfectly, but I am a person and I do have the exact same feelings as everybody else."

Any of us, at any time, can get into an accident and get hurt permanently. That wouldn't make us so different that we have to be ignored or pitied.

Some people are born with handicaps. If your child were born with a handicap, would you love him or her any less?

The point is: the disabled do not deserve the unusual treatment they sometimes get.



## College money is available...

and you have a REALLY good chance for financial aid if your name is Smith or if you're left-handed

By Jenna Gonzalez, Sophomore

If you plan to go to college, why not go free? It's possible to get scholarships for the little things you do.

Scholarships do not go only to high-profile students such as valedictorians; scholarships are given also based on things such as ethnic background or race. There is even a scholarship for those who are left handed!

Thanks to a generous man who attended college in North Carolina, there is a scholarship for people who can prove their last name is Smith. This man left money for scholarships under his last name "Smith."

You can qualify for a private scholarship, grant, or loan program based on academic achievement, religious affiliation, community activities, hobbies or

special interests, organizational memberships, artistic talents, athletic ability, other special skills, career plans, or for proposed field of study. Even technical or trade schools offer scholarships.

If you plan to go away for college, remember: there are two types of college expenses for you to think about: direct educational costs and living costs (room and board, books and entrance fees).

Get to know your counselors so when scholarship applications come around they'll think of you. Also they could help with other questions you might have.

Apply within a year or so before you would attend the school. It's never too early to start planning for scholarships.



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# DIGANOS



## te ayuda para el futuro

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También tienes otros programas de cuales escoger. Puedes obtener entrena-

miento para ser un músico, un actor o un artista. También puedes escoger uno de los 19 programas vocacionales —estos te pueden llevar a un trabajo mejor en el sur de Nevada, o en cualquier parte del ¡mundo!

Los programas Magnet te ofrecen muchos beneficios. El tamaño de las clases es más pequeño, así que puedes trabajar con tus maestros más cerca. Algunos programas tienen tutores. Además, usarás la mejor y más nueva tecnología.

Mira en la página dos de este periódico. Ahí encontrarás la información que necesitas. Es el camino que te guiará a una vida mejor para ti y para tu familia.

## Rancho se Divierte

El lunes 9 de diciembre fue un día diferente de todos los demás. No fue un lunes tradicional, perezoso ni aburrido. Fue un día de diversión, fue un día de fiesta. Ese día el Club de Español, que dirige la Sra. Donosso, nos dio una gran sorpresa: oraganizó un grandioso programa, como inicio a las fiestas de Navidad.

Para comenzar, el grupo de baile del club, nos deleitó con algunos bailes étnicos como La Macarena, la salsa, la punta, el meregue y por supuesto el tan alegre baile de La Quebradita. ¡Que bien bailaron!

A continuación la voz de oro de la estuidante de Rancho, Esperanza Contreras, esto sí fue ¡¡¡un deleite!!! Nos interpretó varias canciones rancheras, acompañada del mariachi de la Banda Kora. Esperanza fue muy aplaudida por su bella voz y profesionalismo.

Para completar tal alegría, empezó el baile con la participación de los estudiantes que hasta entonces habían sido la gran audiencia. Amenizó el baile la Banda Escuadrón Kora, también integrada por estudiantes de Rancho como Octavio y Rodrigo Carrillo, Fidel Cervantes y Marcos Ledesma. La banda tocó por dos horas, haciendo que todos bailarían, compartieran e hicieran nuevas amistades, además de que fue una gran experiencia cultural.

Muy bien por el Club de Español. Por lo menos 600 estudiantes pudieron participar. Esperamos que un programa como estos se repita, ya que nos dejó un bello recuerdo, sin dejar de mencionar la gran colaboración y comportamiento de todos los estudiantes de la escuela RANCHO.

## ¡Muchachas!

¡Inscríbanse Para Jugar Softball en Una Liga Para Jóvenes!

¿Te gusta jugar softball? Entonces inscríbete en la liga de mujeres de softball "Sunrise Bobby Sox". Tienes tres oportunidades para inscribirte.

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Se tiene que pagar una inscripción. Pero, si no puedes pagar, por favor llama a Lily Raygoza al 643-7894

## Actividades dignas de admiración!!

Los estudiantes de las preparatorias locales están ayudando a construir una casa en Henderson para una madre soltera y sus tres niños. Este es un proyecto de Habitat for Humanity. Es construido totalmente por voluntarios que trabajan gratis. Phill Dwyer, un estudiante de primer año de Las Vegas Academy, es un explorador aguileño local que ayuda a recaudar dinero para comprar madera para construir el armazón de la casa. Era su proyecto el hacerse un explorador aguileño.

Otros estudiantes de secundaria que ayudaron para hacer esto posible son los estudiantes de primer año de Roger Bridenburg de A-TECH, Stephanie Joseph de Cimarrón. Los estudiantes de tercer año son T. J. Banks de Cimarron Memorial, Stephanie Heller y Evelyn Goldstein de Cimarron; y Sammy Robbins un estudiante de último año de The Meadows.

Trabajando como voluntarios par Habitat for Humanity es un modo positivo para ayudar a otra gente, aprender como construir un hogar, y ¡estar orgulloso de si mismo! Si quieres saber como tú y tus amigos pueden reunirse a está organización, llama el 453-0406.



Phillip Dwyer, arriba, trabajo más de 100 horas en proyecto explorador aguileño, recuadando dinero, organizando voluntarios y ayudando a construir el armazón de una casa para una familia sin padre. Este proyecto de Habitat for Humanity, es una organización nacional sin fines de lucro y fue fundado por el Presidente Jimmy Carter.



# Frente a Frente

## Inmigración en Ellis Island

Por: *Adriana Menegatos, Chaparral*

¿Quién será permitido venir a América? ¿Quién será regresado? El Club de Relaciones Humanas patrocinaron un evento últimamente para educar a los estudiantes acerca de las experiencias y los sentimientos de los inmigrantes que vinieron de Europa a Ellis Island en Nueva York.

El Club trata de tener estudiantes involucrados en actividades que les pondrá al tanto de las culturas que los rodean y de sus propias culturas y ayudarles a crear una cadena de unidad.

La actividad de Ellis Island les dio a los estudiantes la idea de eventos actuales que se llevaron a cabo cuando millones de personas llegaron a los Estados Unidos para ser rescatados o para vivir una vida mejor.

Cuando los estudiantes caminaron en el puerto de llegadas "fuimos tratados como inmigrantes". Pera entrar, tenían que tener un "pasaporte" con el nombre, estatura, peso, edad y nacionalidad. Fueron mandados con el "guardia" quien decidía si el estudiante iba a ser deportado, poner en cuarentena o admitido. (Yo fui uno de los que fueron deportados). Otro guardia tomaba la decisión de quien estaba embarazada o enfermo mental, y estos eran rechazados.

Después, los estudiantes Susan Fullman y Mike Webster, presentaron un pequeño teatro explicando como los inmigrantes nuevos pasaron por tiempos difíciles para encontrar un hogar y trabajo, todas estas problemas basadas en su nacionalidad.

Yo pensé en mis antecesores, quienes vinieron de Grecia para hacer una vida mejor para su familia. Los guardias de Ellis Island cambiaron nuestro apellido. Esta experiencia ha cambiado mi perspectiva de otras culturas.

### Campeones de Ajedrez

El equipo de ajedrez de los Bachilleres de Nevada quedó en segundo lugar en la competencia de todos los americanos de los Estados Unidos que se llevó a cabo en Arizona recientemente.

Tres miembros del equipo Bachiller son de la escuela Cimarron Memorial.

Ellos son: Adam Carbajal, Marco Barajas y Patrick Flynn. Adam y Marco se ubicaron en el puesto 35 en el país, Patrick llegó al número 21 en el país.

El equipo de junior high quedó en el lugar tercero en la nación. Harold Collins, un freshman de CMHS, estaba entre los jugadores de 9no. grado.

## Un Reporte en Clases de ESL en Stupak Center

Por: *Odon Romero, Valley High School*

Yo creo que deberían mejorar las clases de segunda lengua (ESL). La verdad, pienso que están demasiado atrasados, conforme a las clases regulares. También deberían dar más información sobre los programas de segunda lengua. Por ejemplo, cuando uno llega de su país de origen, no sabe nada sobre el sistema de educación en los Estados Unidos. Llegamos ciegos acerca de las clases que debemos tomar, también como no entendemos inglés; los créditos, las transferencias de las materias y todo esto nos confunde, no sabes si las hicieron bien o no. En pocas palabras, no sabes ni que está pasando. Los programas de segunda lengua deben tener personas para que orienten a los estudiantes acerca de cuales clases deben tomar. También las consecuencias de las clases (ESL), porque cuando te graduas dicen que el inglés (ESL) casi no tienen válides en la universidad (UNLV) y que si piensas ir allí, tienes que tomar otra vez esas clases, pero regulares. Y por si fuera poco, te ponen en un nivel bajo a comparación con los estudiantes americanos. También creo que los maestros de (ESL) deben saber más

acerca de estos programas, porque en mi opinión y en mi caso, yo les pregunte a todos si las clases (ESL) me servían para la universidad. Unos me decían que sí, otros que no, y que si queria ir (a la universidad) tenía que ir primero al "college", para tomar primero las clases regulares. La verdad es que nadie se pone de acuerdo. El sistema (ESL) está mal organizado, deberían de poner un inglés intensivo, que fuera acerca de lo fundamental, que es la gramatica y las reglas del idioma. No que enseñan como si estuvieras en una mediocre escuela de inglés en otro país con un maestro que ni siquiera habla el idioma. En mi opinión esto ayudaría a los estudiantes a aprender más pronto el inglés, y no se atrasarían tomando clases que parece que están llendo al kinder y no a high school. Con esto les digo a todos los estudiantes de (ESL) que son recién llegados, que traten de que les den las clases que se necesitan tomar y no las que ellos quieran. También que deben tratar de salirse lo más pronto posible de las clases (ESL). No porque sea fácil y tengan buenos grados sigan allí. No se conformen, que vale más una D aprendiendo que uno A copiando.

## Graduarte...?

Por: Miguel Mora

La importancia de la graduación de la high school es realmente importante para los padres, porque los padres siempre quieren ver a sus hijos hechos todos unos hombres y mujeres que sirvan tanto a la sociedad como al país. Tambien, el graduarse de la high school da la oportunidad de conseguir un trabajo mejor, y empezar otra de las grandes metas, tanto para los padres como para mejorar la vida futura, y es empezar el "college". La graduación de la escuela de high school es un paso para una vida mejor en el futuro. Especialmente las personas que tenemos raices hispanas, tenemos la oportunidad de hablar dos lenguajes, como es el español e inglés, así tenemos más oportunidades de obtener un mejor futuro.

Por otra parte, uno de los problemas de hoy en día en la juventud, es no darle importancia a las relaciones sexuales. Por eso encontramos en nuestro salón de clases, muchachas con apenas 16 años de edad embarazadas.

Pienso que todo lo que se haga con responsabilidad está bien hecho, pero tenemos que ponernos a pensar en nuestro futuro, una criatura no es cosa de juego, todo tiene límite, y yo pienso que una relación amorosa tiene que sentirse, no solo tener sexo, si no hacerlo con responsabilidad.

Por otra parte el uso de drogas, provoca un poco de atención por parte de todos

nosotros. Cuando un joven usa drogas no sabe que parte de su vida se esta muriendo poco a poco. Al terminar de usar drogas, ese joven se va a sentir super enfermo.

Gracias a la comunidad encontramos propaganda, donde nos enseña todo acerca del uso de drogas. Pero sobre todo la parte importante de todos los problemas es la familia, porque a veces la familia no habla acerca de los peligros que encontramos en la calle. Hablar y hacer entender es más importante que lamentar.

P. S. Todo lo que hagamos tenemos que hacerlo bien y pensarlo no una sino dos veces. Pensar en que el futuro esta en nuestras manos y que por ello tenemos que luchar para hacernos mejores hijos y ciudadanos y poder demostrar que como jóvenes también pensamos como adultos. Por favor piensen y hagan las cosas con responsabilidad. Todos podemos ser mejores. Piensa.

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# OPINIONES

## Centros de Cuidado Infantil

### • Ayudan a Madres Adolescentes



**Por: Heather Dohney, Rancho**

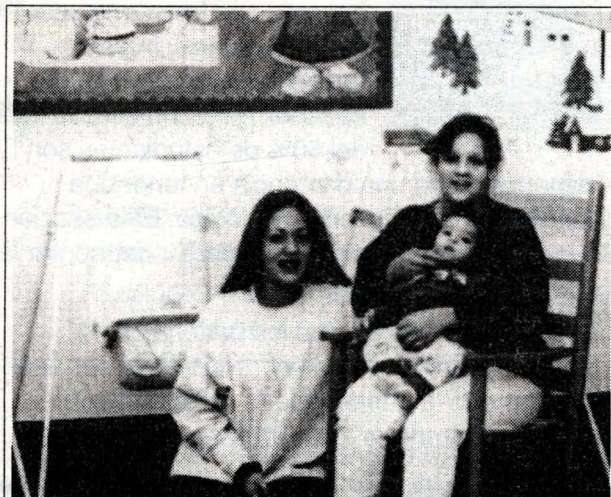
Fannie Cisco se levanta temprano cada mañana, prepara a su hijo y se van a la escuela. Jesse está inscrito en el programa de cuidado infantil de Rancho, y a través de este programa a su mamá se le hace posible continuar su educación. Rancho no es la única escuela que ofrece este programa. La escuelas Cimarrón, Valley, Las Vegas y Horizon/Sunset también tienen un alto número de madres adolescentes que se benefician de este programa.

"Es duro ser una madre adolescente", dice Fannie, "pero este centro ha hecho posible el continuar mis estudios".

El centro de cuidado infantil es federalmente patrocinado por el subsidio de Carl Perkins. Tiene seis años de operación. Lo único que pagan las madres es el cobro del laboratorio. Hay muchos requisitos para tener un niño ahí. Los padres deben estar registrados en la escuela y no deben de estar reprobando ninguna materia. También deben de demostrar que necesitan ayuda financiera. Traen su propia comida, ropa, pañales y otras necesidades.

Los niños son supervisados por estudiantes que apoyan el cuidado infantil y usan esta clase como experiencia de trabajo. A propósito, la mayoría de las alumnas registradas para tomar esta clase tienen a su propio hijo en este programa. La alta calidad de cuidado, le da a la madre la oportunidad de compartir más tiempo con su hijo y ofrecerle el amor y cuidado que se merece.

El centro tiene un ambiente limpio y



agradable. Unas 50 madres están esperando la oportunidad de tener a sus hijos en este centro. Debido a la falta de espacio, el centro tiene capacidad de inscribir a 20 niños solamente.

La estudiante de último año, Melanie Munson, en un ejemplo de la ayuda que este centro ofrece. "Sin este programa no se me hubiera hecho posible graduarme". Su hijo Andrew está en el centro todos los días mientras que ella atiende sus clases. Si no existiera el centro, tendría que abandonar sus estudios para trabajar y pagarle a alguien que le cuide a su niño, aparte de que no quiere estar manteniéndose en welfare.

Siete de las veinte madres son estudiantes de último año y todas van por el camino de la graduación. Estos padres pueden proveer un futuro mejor, porque obtendrán un diploma, algo que no sería posible sin la ayuda del centro de cuidado infantil.

## ¿Porqué Me Siento Orgulloso de Mis Padres?

**Por: Lucero Olmedo, Valley High School**

Yo me siento orgullosa de mis padres porque ellos para mi no son nada más mis padres, sino también mis amigos. Me dan consejos y también su apoyo cuando lo necesito. Ellos todo lo que hacen, lo hacen pensando en nuestro futuro, para que tengamos una mejor educación de la que ellos pudieron tener. Para mi, mis padres son lo más importante y siempre estaré orgullosa de ellos.

**Por: Everardo Mendoza**

Me siento muy orgulloso de mis padres porque ellos han hecho muchas cosas por mi sin yo haberlo merecido. A veces me siento mal por lo que hago, pero ellos me dan consejos diciendome lo que está bien y mal. Me dicen que si estudio y me preparo, tal vez tendré un mejor futuro. Mis padres quieren lo mejor para mi y por eso me piden que le ponga interés a mis estudios ahora que tengo la oportunidad, ya que ellos no pudieron tenerla cuando tenían mi edad. Pero no estoy orgulloso de ellos por lo que me han dado, sino por lo que me han enseñado, y porque ellos se sienten orgullosos de mi por lo que hago, aunque no sea algo importante. Juntos formamos una de tantas hermosas familias, con algunos problemas, pero espero que siempre nos mantengamos como una familia unida. Estas son mis razones de porque me siento orgulloso de mis padres.

## Nuevo Programa Ayuda a los Estudiantes a Combinar el Estudio y el Trabajo

**Por: Bianca Passarelli, Vegas High**

Atender la escuela y trabajar es muy duro. Los empleadores a menudo no consideran las demandas de la escuela y la escuela no considera la demanda de tener un trabajo. Es duro para los estudiantes escoger entre trabajar y estudiar, porque ambos, una buena educación y la experiencia en el trabajo, son requeridos en el mercado laboral.

Con esto en mente, un grupo de profesores y administradores de Las Vegas High School desarrollaron el PAL "Programa de Socios en Las Vegas". El PAL es un programa compuesto de 100 a 150 estudiantes, 5 profesores y 50 socios de la comunidad. Los estudiantes fueron seleccionados basados en su asistencia, desarrollo y disponibilidad para las demandas del programa. Los 5 profesores fueron escogidos de 36 profesores que sirvieron de voluntarios en el programa.

Los estudiantes van a la escuela 4 días a la semana. En el quinto día ellos se reportan en varios sitios de trabajo como aprendices sin pago por el término de un semestre.

En el trabajo cada estudiante consigue instrucciones de un instructor y aprende destrezas laborales. El estudiante también obtiene créditos académicos por el internado.

En la escuela ellos atienden cinco clases por día. Sus clases son más largas que las clases regulares, pero el tiempo en el día escolar es el mismo. Los profesores de PAL chequean en el sitio de trabajo para asegurar que los estudiantes están ejecutando su trabajo apropiadamente y obteniendo la atención que ellos requieren.

Los profesores también tienen discusiones en clase acerca de los estudiantes y sus percepciones acerca de los trabajos, de las reglas de etiqueta, etc.

Estos profesores tienen mucha confianza en los estudiantes, su asistencia y desarrollo del trabajo. "Yo no creo que nadie realmente vea cuánto tenemos que creer en estos estudiantes" comenta una profesora de inglés Jenny Kucan. "Pero tenemos mucha fe en ellos. Realmente creemos que ésta es una experiencia maravillosa para ellos y ellos verán qué tanto talento tienen". Recientemente 19 estudiantes fueron enviados a una entrevista con gerentes de diferentes casinos. Todos ellos fueron contratados ahí mismo.

El último propósito del programa PAL es motivar a los estudiantes y darle a ellos una amplia gama de opciones después de su graduación.

Se espera que el programa tenga éxito. Luego se extenderá dentro de las escuelas y dentro del estado.



# ¿DEBERIA DE HABER ARTICULOS EN ESPAÑOL EN EL PERIODICO DE LA ESCUELA?

## “Vivimos en Tierras Americanas”



Por: William Webb,  
Rancho

Como han de saber, nuestro periódico Rampage es conocido por sus fascinantes artículos que le ofrece al lector. Ahora, Rampage, está tratando algo totalmente diferente. Están considerando publicar un artículo por mes en español. ¡Esto no debería suceder!

“Yo no creo que ciertas culturas deberían tener los derechos que otras no tienen”, dijo Darius Worrell.

Despierten, estamos en América, no México. El hombre que peleó las batallas de nuestro país, peleó por América, no por otro país.

“Si quieren leer un artículo mexicano, deberían leer un periódico mexicano”, dijo Jason Dudley.

América nos está proviendo con libertad, trabajos y paz. No veo como México nos está cuidando, entonces ¿porqué deberíamos de publicar un artículo en español?

“Si a ellos se les da un artículo, entonces, todas las razas deberían de tener uno”, dijo el estudiante de segundo año Willie Cordell.

Yo digo que mientras estes en América, deberías de respetar nuestro lenguaje y cultura. Si seguimos cambiando todo a español, ¿cómo van a aprender inglés? La última vez que revise, el idioma de este país era inglés.

Mi cultura es asiática, pero me considero totalmente Americano. Ningún otro país me esta cuidando. Vivimos en tierras americanas, no mexicanas. Además, ¿qué hace al español tan poderoso?

Entonces, si el Rampage decide no escribir un artículo en español cada mes, no empiezen a poner quejas. las otras culturas no lo hacen.

## Debe de haber una sección en español!



Por: Oscar Espinoza,  
Rancho

Muchos estudiantes de Rancho, no están de acuerdo con tener una sección en El Rampage, nuestro periódico de la escuela, en español. El hecho de que más del 60% de estudiantes son hispanos, hace una diferencia en tener una sección en español en el periódico. Esta sección serviría como un instrumento para incrementar la educación de los latinos.

“Está mal de que los materiales mandados a la casa estén traducidos a español. Yo creo que la gente debería de aprender el lenguaje extranjero” dijo Chris Avron.

Este es el tipo de comentarios ignorantes que recibimos de gente que no sabe apreciar la cultura de otras personas. Los Estados Unidos, no se compone nada más de la cultura Inglesa, sino de una olla de diversas culturas, eso es lo que la gente tiene que apreciar.

El periódico que publica esta escuela, es dirigido a los padres. Si hubiera una sección escrita en español muchos padres tendrían la oportunidad de leer la sección de español primero, y luego leer la traducción a inglés, incrementando así su habilidad de hablar inglés y también estarán al tanto de lo que sucede en Rancho. Le daría a los padres la oportunidad de envolverse en lo que pasa en la educación de sus hijos. No tan solo ayudaría a los hispanos, sino también sería una guía para todos los estudiantes que están interesados en aprender español.

“Esto debería de haber sucedido hace años, no apenas este año. Creo que es una gran oportunidad para que nosotros los latinos estemos orgullosos”, dijo Jennie Rodríguez, una estudiante de segundo año.

Al tener una sección en español más estudiantes de habla hispana leerán así incrementando su inglés. Todo el propósito de este periódico es presentarle a los lectores la verdad y los hechos aunque los lectores sean de otros países. Las Naciones Unidas tienen documentos y traductores para ayudar a los representantes de todos los países. Las

Naciones Unidas no obligan que todos hablen inglés.

Todo el propósito de tener un artículo es español es para informar a la gente. Cuando fui designado para hacer este artículo escuche muchos comentarios hechos por estudiantes “Estamos en América y si ellos (los hispanos) están aquí, deben de aprender inglés”.

Nadie discute ese punto, pero los hechos son que: estamos en América, es tu derecho hablar el lenguaje que mejor te agrada. En nuestra declaración de derechos la primera enmienda es libertad de expresión. En ningún momento me acuerdo que mi maestra de gobierno dijera que nuestros fundadores especificaron que teníamos que hablar un cierto lenguaje.

Las leyes que indican “inglés solamente” son inconstitucionales, porque violan las provisiones del derecho de expresión en la constitución. Si una persona se siente paranoico o inseguro de si mismo cuando se habla otro lenguaje, deberían de salirse del cuarto e inscribirse en un curso de lenguaje.

Parte de América es tomar orgullo y aceptar las culturas de otras personas. Si esta bien el tener un lenguaje en común ¿porqué no dos? Si cambiamos todas las palabras que usamos en español a inglés, eliminaríamos casi todas las palabras que todos usamos diariamente. ¿Cómo les gustaría que el nombre de nuestra escuela fuera oficialmente cambiado a The Ranch; El Paso a The Step, Río Grande a The Large River? ¿Qué tal la ciudad de Las Vegas, o el nombre de este estado? ¿Acaso todos estos nombres no se deben al español, ya que los exploradores españoles nombraron y colonizaron la costa oeste?

Un perfecto ejemplo de tener otra cultura existente dentro de la nuestra es la de los Amish. Ellos mantienen su lenguaje, costumbres, y modo de vida, sin embargo participan en la sociedad Americana.

Nuestras responsabilidades como americanos son aceptar las nuevas culturas, lenguajes y hacer que los extranjeros se sientan bienvenidos dentro de nuestra sociedad, mientras expandimos nuestro propio conocimiento y aceptamos los de ellos.

## Debemos aprender inglés

Por: Osvaldo Moreno

Cuando nosotros llegamos a los Estados Unidos, es importante que todos nosotros aprendamos el idioma inglés. Todos nosotros necesitamos aprender esto, porque así nosotros podemos comunicarnos mejor. A parte nosotros podemos tener más oportunidades. Otra de las razones es porqué podemos obtener mejores trabajos y recibir más salario.

Si nosotros no aprendemos el inglés nosotros vamos a tener los trabajos más duros y por el salario mínimo. Por esto es importante que aprendamos el idioma.

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esquina noreste de Sahara y Decatur. No tienes que pagar por la audición.

Culture Shock, dirigida por Darryl Thomas, usa bailes de calle para llegar a los jóvenes y desviarlos de las drogas, pandillas y violencia, y guiarlos a buen camino para que tengan una vida mejor y que tengan respeto hacia ellos mismos.

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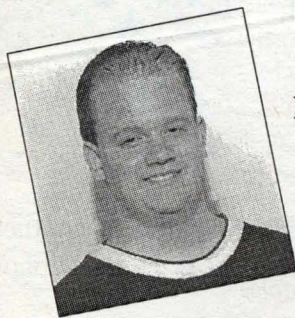


# CIMARRON MEMORIAL

## A PIECE OF MY MIND

*Teens should be able to stay out late*

By Josh Markeson (left)



The city of Las Vegas has designated hours for teens under the age of 18 to be in their homes.

If teens are not hurting anyone or causing any problems, what is the harm in letting them be on the Strip? The police devote so much time to hassling people to get off the Strip that minor crimes go unnoticed.

Most teens choose to be indoors early enough on week nights so they can get enough sleep for school the next day. Even for the ones who choose to stay out, the law is not even enforced. If the police don't enforce this law, what is the point of having it?

If you violate curfew, chances are you will not even be stopped unless you are on the Strip. The curfew for teens will probably get stricter as time goes on, and we may not be allowed on the Strip any night of the week.

Most teens are responsible enough to know when to be at home. We don't need anyone to tell us when we have to be indoors.

Clark County law requires teens, 14-18 years old, to be indoors from midnight to 5 a.m. every night.

Teens under the age of 14 must be indoors by 10 p.m. every night. The cities of Las Vegas and North Las Vegas require all teens under the age of 18 to be indoors by 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday. On Fridays and Saturdays, teens may stay out until midnight.

The strictest curfew in Las Vegas is on the Strip. No one under 18 years old can be on the Strip between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. The reason teens are on the Strip is because of the entertainment or lack thereof. There just isn't a lot to do, but the Strip is always a place to go for fun.

## Child Care program helps teenage mothers graduate to better life

By Katy Kelly (below)



Cimarron has one of the few on-campus child-care programs in the school district. The program is there for those students who have babies from at least six weeks up to the age when they are able to go to kindergarten.



This program is offered to Cimarron-Memorial students who have had children and would like to remain in school to get their diploma.

Having child care on campus gives the parents a sense of security. It also allows the parents to pop in and see their children if they are worried about them. The program was set up so that teen mothers are able to graduate high school.

Last year all the mothers were seniors except two; the senior mothers were able to graduate.

"That's the whole idea, to get the mothers graduated," says Glenna Gaudy, supervisor of the program. The program has been open six years, and she believes it has been successful and hopes it will continue to be. Besides Gaudy, a full-time assistant and student aides help with the babies as well as with the older kids.

There is another program affiliated with the child-care program: the Early Childhood Special Education Program, which is offered four days a week. It is for those children who may be delayed

in such areas as speech and language development, and those who have social, emotional, and self-help needs.

Students who are interested in working in the program must have taken Child Development I and also have instructor approval. CMHS students play with babies and keep the children entertained. Program workers are trained in all aspects of child care.

Other classes also use the child care. The Child Development class uses it as a lab; the psychology class uses the skills learned in the classroom when they are with the children; English classes occasionally come in and read to the older kids; art classes have assisted with egg hunts; and the shop classes have fixed the cribs and done general repairs for the class.

The daycare is filled with a total of ten children. The cost of the program is \$10 per quarter.

## Security helps keep school safe, orderly

By Josh Markeson

Enrollment at Cimarron-Memorial is now over 3,300 students, and with the increased population, there is a need for more security to patrol the halls.



With the installation of security cameras two years ago, some students feel they are always being watched. Some say Cimarron has become more like a prison than an institution of learning.

In reality, however, video cameras help to prevent fights, theft, and vandalism. At the beginning of the school year, a counselor at Cimarron-Memorial had her car stolen out of the parking lot. School security simply checked the video tape of the parking lot; they could tell what time the car was taken and who committed the crime.

Even though you may feel like you are always being watched, the video cameras do help to prevent

many problems.

Hall monitors also benefit the school. They, too, act as a deterrent to illegal activity and help to prevent fights. If a fight

breaks out, usually it is kept very short because of the quick response from teachers and security.

Hall monitors are also very strict on the dress code, hats on campus, beepers, walkmans, and other such items deemed unnecessary by the school board. Unfortunately, security personnel cannot be everywhere at once, and there is still a need for additional security to patrol the halls.

The school police at CMHS patrol the halls and parking lot before and after school and between classes. Security personnel are not here to just baby-sit students; they actually help out more than you may think.

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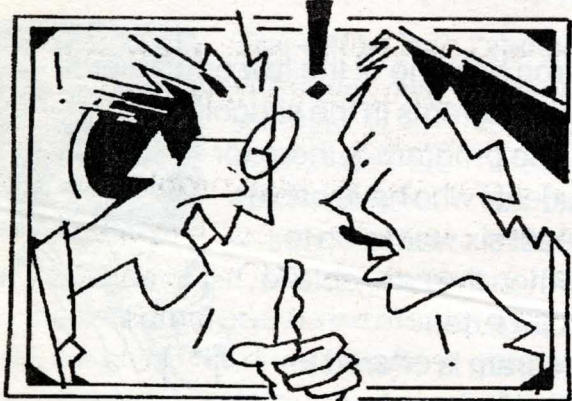
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## HE SAID....SHE SAID!



### Why do guys...?

By Destiny Bakken, Las Vegas Academy

Why is it that most guys insist on holding onto the remote control while watching TV with you, even if they are at your house?

And why it is that males insist on choosing where to eat when out on a date, or what movie to see? It wouldn't be so bad if they would pick a decent movie, but they always have to pick the macho, adventure-packed movie that most girls don't want to see on a first date.

Most girls like that romantic type of guy who is still willing to open doors for her and walk her to the door at the end of the night. But I think the guys couldn't care less about girls, in general, and are more interested in what their friends have to say and what their friends are doing.

I just don't get it. Why can't a guy sit down to a romantic dinner and a halfway decent movie without worrying about what he is missing with his friends?

All you guys out there who believe you don't need females, how would you like to live your life only with your friends?

### Why do girls...?

By Bryan Wilson, Las Vegas Academy

We men don't always insist on being in power. Don't get me wrong; power is good. (I noticed that during the blackouts). But to say that we always pick where to eat or what movie to see is simply not true.

Girls have to have their way. That's all there is to it. We can't just let them choose what kind of food to eat — they have to go to a specific restaurant. In other words, if they want pizza and we take them to Villa Pizza, we're in the doghouse because they really wanted to go to Mamma Ilardo's.

As far as movies go, a good suspenseful picture hits the spot. Or maybe

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## Question: Should a high school newspaper print one article each month in Spanish?

**Background:** This debate is going on at Rancho High School, where 48.3% of the students are Hispanic. Good news: these students settle their differences by discussing...not cussing!



### "No. We live on American soil"

By William Webb (right)

The *Rampage* is known for producing great articles for its readers. Now the *Rampage* is trying something totally different. They are considering writing one article each month in Spanish. It should not happen.

"I don't think certain cultures should have rights which others don't get," says **Darius Worrell**.

Wake up, this is America, not Mexico. The men who fought our country's battles fought for America, not another country.

"If they want to read a Mexican article, they should read a Mexican newspaper," comments **Jason Dudley**.

America is providing us with freedom, jobs, and peace. I do not see Mexico taking care of us, so why should we write a Spanish article?

### "Yes. Increase literacy, education level, pride"

By Oscar Espinoza (right)

Many students at Rancho disagree with having a Spanish section in *The Rampage*, our school newspaper. The fact that nearly 50 percent of Rancho students are Hispanic should make a difference. The Spanish section will serve as a tool to further Hispanic students' education.

"It is wrong that materials sent home from school are printed in Spanish on the back. I think people should take it upon themselves to learn a foreign language," says **Chris Avron**.

This is the kind of remark we get from people who do not appreciate someone else's culture. The United States is many cultures that people need to know and to appreciate.

If there is a Spanish section in the school newspaper, many parents and students will be able to read the Spanish articles first and then the English translation. This would further their English skills and the parents will know what's happening at Rancho. This will help, not only Hispanics, but other students who are interested in learning Spanish.

A Spanish section would get more Hispanic students to read newspapers and increase their English literacy.

The United Nations has documents and translators to help representatives of all countries. The U.N. does not make them all learn English. The whole purpose is to inform the people.

When I was assigned to do this article, I heard many negative comments about having a Spanish section in *The Rampage*. One of the most common remarks made by the students were "This is America and if they [Hispanics] are here, they

"If they can get [an article written in another language], so should the other races," says sophomore **Willie Cordell**.

I say as long as you are in America, you should respect our language and culture. America does not go to other countries and force them to change their language to English. If we keep changing everything to Spanish, how is anybody going to learn English? Last time I checked, our country's language was English.

My culture is Asian, but I consider myself to be full-blooded American. No other country takes care of me. We live on American soil, not Mexican soil. What makes the Spanish Language so all-mighty?

So, if the *Rampage* decides not to write a Spanish article each month, do not start complaining; the other cultures are not.

should learn English."

No one disagrees with that, but the fact is: this is America and it is your right to speak any language you want. In the Bill of Rights, the First Amendment is Freedom of Speech. I don't remember my government teacher saying that our Founding Fathers specified that we must speak a certain language.

"English Only" laws are unconstitutional because they violate the free speech provisions of the Constitution. If a person feels paranoid or insecure about someone else speaking a different language, they should walk out of the room or enroll in a foreign language class.

Part of America is to take pride and accept other people's culture. Yes, it is okay to have a common language, but why not both? If you change every word to English and do not have a single Spanish word in this nation, you would have to cut out words we all use.

For example, how would you like our school name to be changed officially to The Ranch? El Paso to The Step? Rio Grande to The Large River? How about Las Vegas, and Nevada? All those names are derived from Spanish language because the Spanish explorers named and colonized the West Coast.

Our responsibility as Americans is to embrace new languages and cultures, and to make foreigners feel welcome within our society while expanding our own knowledge and acceptance of theirs.





## Techies work hard behind the scenes



While actors or dancers are on stage, techies are back-backstage making sure everyone is in costume, in place and ready to go, and that all the lights are cued and the sound just right.

“There are very few people who are serious about tech,” says

technical theatre major **Steve Erbele**, a sophomore.

Within the technical theatre major there are many specialties including drafting, costume, stagehand, light or sound.

Technical theatre takes as much after school time and dedication as the other majors. It takes not only time to set up and take down a show but the time and practice to learn the special field you wish to go into.

## Graffiti is historic ...but obnoxious

By **Ryan Lee Brooks** (below)



Tsssst. Tsssssst. It's a common sound to anyone who works in an auto body shop. Artists hear it a lot too. It's the sound of an aerosol spray paint can. Sadly, a lot of other people are hearing that same sound. It's called graffiti, and it's becoming more and more common.

Evidence of graffiti has been traced back to prehistoric times, and can now be found in almost any stall in any bathroom, on any overpass on any highway, and you can find it in most schools, too! Well, now it's come to the Academy. It's always been in the bathroom stalls, but it's never been painted on a huge wall. About three weeks ago, a name (we'd print it, but we don't want to give them the satisfaction) was found tagged outside the Black Box.

Most Academy students didn't even get a chance to see it because our custodians were so quick to paint over it. But, it's still a shame that it even happened in the first place. We'll never know whether or not it was a student from the Academy, but we can be sure the defacement in the bathrooms is.

To those of you out there who think it's cool to scratch messages into toilet paper holders, we're just letting you know it's not. To the rest of you who already know it's not cool, help keep our schools beautiful by reporting it when you hear that sound.

Tsssst.

By **Chrystal Peters** (below, left)

From beginning to end, the technical theatre majors are the ones who set up and tear down all the sets. It takes more than just performers to make a show — it takes the hard work of techies as well.

Whether it involves building a set or programming and designing lights for the shows, techies are the ones who get it done. Without the technical majors, the shows just wouldn't be the same.

## Modern woes include travel through 'war zone,' growing dropout rate

By **Freedom Dumlao**

Dating, cars, smoking and alcohol — just a few of the distractions your parents or grandparents may have faced during their daily high school routine.

Teenagers today face a new world, new problems.

When the bell rings, teens step off campus into a virtual war-zone, where they battle everything...AIDS, pregnancy, drugs, gang violence, even problems in their homes. Two of the biggest issues pressing teens today are STD's such as AIDS, and, even more common, pregnancy.

“Adults are always telling us that sex is wrong, but everywhere we go, it's all we see,” says senior **Jimmy Porter**.

But teens today aren't just seeing it, they're doing it. And as the number of impregnated and H.I.V. infected teens grows, so does the drop-out rate.

Also, many students have been born into or have grown up associated with gangs. Gangs can take up a lot of a teenager's time and even keep them from going to school. One Academy student says she “can only come to school like three days a week, and sometimes I have to leave early,” because of the gang she belongs to.

Sadly, there is little that can be done for kids in gangs because it is either impossible to get out, or they don't want to, because without the gang, they “wouldn't know how to survive.”

And many teens have to work. Some families don't have enough combined income and need every family member to do what they can.

“Sometimes,” says junior **Peter Smith**, “when I worked for K-Mart, I wouldn't get home until 11 p.m. If I didn't go to bed right away, I would not be able to get to school on time. I never had time for homework.”

So how does our school system meet the needs of today's teens? Many high schools around the valley now offer day-care programs (the Academy has yet to become one of them) and night courses are offered at Sunset.

Still, most students who try to complete school, despite the problems they face outside, find themselves persecuted and even punished for circumstances beyond their control. Eventually, they just stop going.

## WAR OF THE ... DANCERS?

### She said...

By **Destiny Bakken**

O.K. so it's the same scenario every time. The male species seem to think they automatically look good; therefore, they feel there is no need to *really* prepare for a school dance.

I wonder what they do with their free time since there is no need for them to get their nails or hair done. Probably go over to a friend's house to work on a car or watch a football game. Then, at the very last minute, they decide that they should head home and jump in the shower, throw on a tux (surely not ironed) and drive over the speed limit just to make it to her house. In my opinion, he deserves to wait.

By the time we get to the dance, maybe it will be possible for us to have a good time. A dance is for dancing, but there is a bit of problem when your boyfriend is doing the running man, which is so '80s and you're

standing there feeling like a total idiot, because your boyfriend can't dance. So, maybe we do take a little longer to get ready. If guys don't like it, maybe they should go with their football buddies.

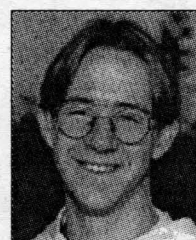
### He said...

By **Bryan Wilson**

Aren't dances wonderful? They allow us to enjoy the true meaning of high school: a place to socialize with all your best friends, dance with the girls you like, and spend as much money as possible trying to please your date. Kind of different from those junior high dances that we went to not so long ago.

Unfortunately, many times we guys are unable to enjoy ourselves at these dances because it takes us so long just to get to the dance itself. By the time we get to dinner, we've had to wait endlessly for our dates to get ready. While it rarely takes us as long as an hour to get ready, it takes girls the whole day. Granted, we usually like what we see when our dates are ready, as long as we're still awake and haven't been thrown out of the house by the girl's father.

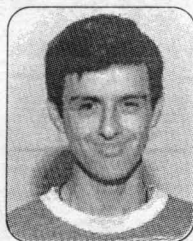
Yeah, dances can be lots of fun, but it is hardly worth it if we spend the whole time sitting or standing around while our dates are in the bathroom gossiping about the most insignificant things. C'mon. Isn't the whole point of going to a dance actual dancing? So maybe that's not always the case. But at least the girls will be caught up on the other girls' boyfriends.





## Chess player

### holds national ranking



By Oscar Espinoza (left)

Who said that "chess is for nerds and geeks?" Chess is a challenging sport/activity that requires a lot of practice, patience and hard work.

**Princess McGauhey** is a 14-year-old Rancho freshman who has been playing chess since she was two. Her dad, who is secretary of the Nevada Chess Association (NCS), got her involved.

McGauhey ranks in the top 17 in the nation in the High School Division. Her brother, Laymon, ranks #15 in the Junior High Division.

"Princess is a very lucky person who has found her niche in chess, which will get her many scholarships when she goes to college," says \*Perez, Chess Club advisor.

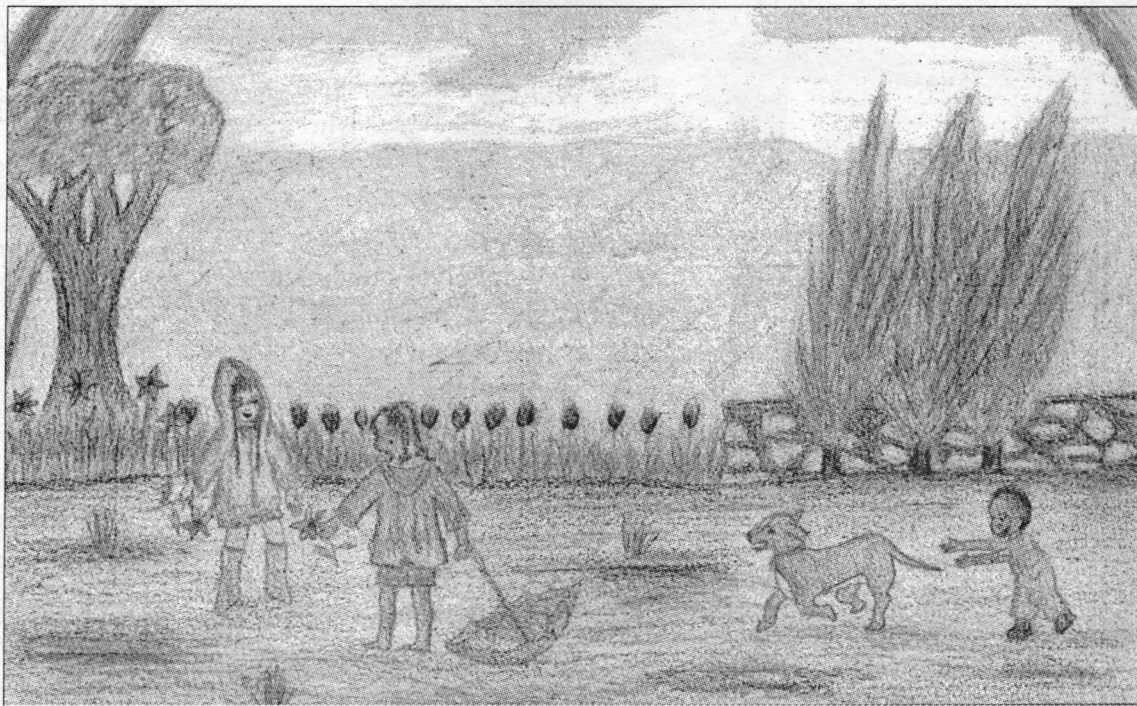
McGauhey was undefeated in all her matches in the Sunset Division.

"Princess is the best player on Rancho's Chess Team. If she wasn't playing, we wouldn't amount to anything," says **Nikki Page**, her best friend.

McGauhey also plays the flute, makes porcelain dolls, and likes to hang around with her friends.

To become a prominent chess player, one must be dedicated and go to tournaments. "People who say that 'Chess is for nerds' are stupid," says **Jesus Becerra**, another chess player.

"Chess makes you smarter, it requires a lot of skill and not everyone can play."



**SPRING SHOWERS BRING HAPPY TIMES.** This is the title of the artwork, above, by Rancho freshman **Amy Walter**. The drawing represents March 1997 on the Silver State Schools Federal Credit Union calendar.

## Life as a sportsman

By Carrie Thompson

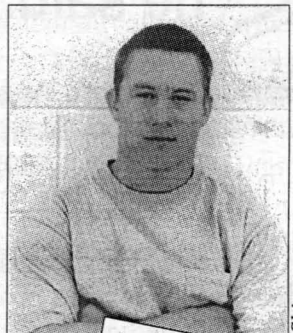
Playing sports for Rancho High School is an important part of **Steve Shimp's** life. A junior, Shimp has played football, volleyball, and is currently wrestling for Rancho's "Gang Green" team.

Shimp became interested in wrestling when he took first place in the P.E. tournament during ninth grade. He wrestled and played volleyball that year and would have done both sports again in tenth grade but his grades made him ineligible.

Shimp has played football all of his three years at Rancho as a defensive lineman. He enjoys sports because it helps to keep him in shape and, he says, it makes him a better person.

When Shimp is not practicing for one of his many sports, he likes to ride his dirt bike, race off-road bugs, work out, and work on cars.

After he graduates with the class of 1998, Shimp plans to attend a trade school to become a professional welder. Then he wants to start a business and build race car cages.



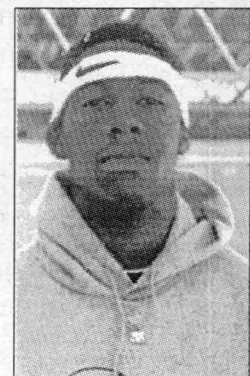
Shimp



Thompson

## Basketball is No. 2, but that's pretty high

By Cynthia Bolt (Below)



And now, the starting lineup for Rancho High School, at 6'2", Number 32, **Dwayne Rogers**.

The fans yell with all their might, the Men's Varsity team chants, the cheerleaders leap, the noise grows to a roar as the 17-year-old junior enters the basketball court. He is surrounded by his team and his opponents. He positions himself as a forward, ready to rebound the ball. Because

he is also a defensive player, he must be ready at all times for the opposing team to attack.

Rogers has played for six years, including three at The Ranch. He enjoys basketball because "it's fun and people are into it." He ranks basketball second in his life, after his family, and will play as long as he can. Rogers would consider playing pro basketball. His favorites are Shaquille O'Neal and Kobe Bryant. His favorite team, the Lakers.

The coach describes Rogers as "an extremely hard worker who accepts challenges...his work ethic is exceptional and second to none in the basketball program."



## 'Women perfected soccer,' says Reyes

By Silvia Ortiz (below)

As a little girl in a home filled with soccer fanatics, where all she could hear and see on weekends were men playing soccer, senior **Veronica Reyes** found the sport very unappealing.

Her interest in soccer kicked in when she accompanied her brother and sister to their soccer practice a couple of years ago. Since then, her view of soccer only as a man's sport changed. Now every time she steps on the field she proves that "Men created soccer, but women perfected it."

Reyes' skills have given her a chance to start on the varsity squad for a second year. She has been on a soccer league team on weekends for four years. She



Reyes



Ortiz

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## REFLECTIONS

By Dawn Turner

Throughout the four years of high school, teachers have the power to make a tremendous impact, negative or positive, on a student's life. When I moved back to Las Vegas from Long Island, NY, during the 96-97 school year, I started at Rancho High School as a senior.

Even though I had attended the school before, I had no idea that this year would offer

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## Student show raises money for uniforms

By Dawn Turner (excerpts)



The Rancho Wrestlerettes recently sponsored a Talent Show and Step Contest to raise money for new uniforms.

Some students disagreed with the idea and said it would not work because Rancho students would not take an event such as this seriously.

The Wrestlerettes gained permission to use Rancho's Little Theatre, but with strict guidelines. Even so, the team was determined to put on a good show.

It was a great success! By show time, the theater was packed — a sell-out performance — and, with the exception of just a few who needed minor attitude adjustments, the students were well behaved.



## P + E = Pretty Exciting

Reported by Darla Dearborn

Girls' P.E. classes at Rancho are covering a four-week dance unit that includes Yoga, introduction to ballet, ethnic dance, stretching and conditioning, basic movement and choreography. The girls put together their own dance routines. They also learned BoxAerobics from (above from left) assistant trainer Todd Huggins; Ted Concepcion, silver medalist on the U.S. National and Puerto Rican Olympic Teams; P.E. teacher Stark; and Neil Sobelson, Certified BoxAerobics trainer.



## Seniors boycott Spread

By Anna Blackburn (Excerpts)

The Senior Class of Rancho High conducted an orderly boycott of a scheduled Senior Spread.



Blackburn

Traditionally held during first period (so seniors can arrive early to put up signs and pick a spot near friends), the Spread had been cancelled twice and was then set for sixth period. This hour was not possible for many seniors who work.

To make matters worse, the announcement was made the day before the Spread was scheduled, so many seniors did not know about it. The reason for this sudden rescheduling was the fear that anything photographed later would not be included in the yearbook.

Three Rancho students sent around fliers asking fellow seniors to boycott the Senior Spread. Principal Ernie Jauregui met with the three to arrive at a

compromise. They called the yearbook photo company, who agreed that the photo could be taken the following week during the traditional first period.

Jauregui said the students who organized the boycott did a good job and credited them for the leadership and responsibility they showed.

"Once they set their minds to something, they made it happen," Jauregui says. "Tradition is important and needs to be kept alive."

"The seniors stood up for what they believe in and it paid off," says **Jesse Medina**.

"It was a battle for the class of '97 and we pulled through together...we saved tradition," adds senior **Mike Villa**.

Medina and Villa expressed their appreciation to the principal for working with them and compromising to help the students to meet their needs.

## FROM BASKETBALL COURT TO COURT OF LAW

By Mina Calaunan (right)



Top, dedicated players are hard to come by, but **Tinesha Boles** is definitely one of them. Boles, known as NuNu, has been playing on the women's basketball team since ninth grade. Now a 17-year-old senior, Boles hopes to get a basketball award this year.

"I think we are going to succeed this year even though we lost two good players," says Boles.

Without inspiration, giving up would be easy, but Boles says her coaches

and friends inspire her to keep on playing. "They tell me what I'm doing wrong and they push me to succeed," she admits.

Basketball occupies most of Boles' time but she still manages to make room for a little fun. Like other girls, she likes to go shopping. Who doesn't? If not that, she enjoys just "kicking it with friends."

What does life hold for Boles after graduation?

"I plan to go to college, and I don't know which one. But I do want to major in pre-law," she says.



## VQ kids have good season

Reported by Nohemi Morales (left)

Mark Bryson, Russell Namanny, William Dastrup and Chris Quimby brought Rancho's Varsity Quiz one of the best records in the past five years, ending the season in third place with a 3-3 record.

"The reason I joined Varsity Quiz was to show other schools that we are smarter than they think," says Namanny (above right). "I thought it would be stimulating to be challenged mentally," says Dastrup (above center).

"It's fun to show that you are smart," says Bryson (above left).





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## DRUGS AND TEENS

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heavier drugs, but marijuana is still almost as available as a pack of cigarettes. Teens were asked what was easier to buy, cigarettes, marijuana or beer? Fifty percent of teens think it is easier to buy cigarettes, 35% think it is easier to buy marijuana, and only 9% think beer.

58% of parents who used drugs when they were young, think their children will have a drug problem. According to these statistics, they might be correct.

**National Drug Abuse and Crisis Intervention: 1-800-234-0246.**

## Playful teasing? Too often it's harassment.

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told that the only part of them that is attractive is their butt or bust starts to feel that they are really nothing more than just body parts...and they stop feeling like a person.

What is sexual harassment? I don't think it can be narrowed down to just one thing: what one person sees as harassment may be considered playful teasing by another.

Does snapping a girl's bra constitute sexual harassment? Depending on what that girl has been through in the past, she may take it lightly or very seriously.

I have walked into a store and had a man say that I was very attractive. This, by itself, is fine—but the guy was in his thirties and looked like an Elvis impersonator. I felt ashamed; I knew he wasn't talking about my face or personality.

If I had not gone through a great deal of previous harassment during the summer, at work and at school, I might not have taken his remark the way I did. But my history has made me suspicious of compliments.

### READ. UNDERSTAND.

The student handbook has an outline of what these offensive statements include. Here are the most important:

- Uninvited and repeated offensive sexual flirtations, advances and propositions.
- Graphic verbal or written commentaries about an individual's body.
- Uninvited and deliberate touching.
- Retaliation against classmates for complaining about any of the behavior described above.

These are just a few of the most common violations endured by those who are harassed. Granted, there are those who are thin-skinned and consider everything said to be sexist. But those of us who have been victims know when a joke is a joke and when the teasing has gone beyond innocent.

## Women perfected soccer

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hopes that, with the new staff and players, this year's Women's Varsity Soccer team will seal their season with a happy ending.

An active member of the Hispanic Student Union for two years, Reyes serves as Sergeant at Arms this year. When her agenda is not full, this 17-year-old loves to hang out with her friends and listen to music.

Reyes plans to enroll in a community college for two years and then transfer to a university and study to become a teacher, preferably a high school teacher. She also wants to train to become a soccer instructor.

Reyes sticks to this motto: "Don't let minor setbacks get in the way of your goals!"

## QUIT KNOCKING GUYS FOR FAULTS!

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a horror flick. Romantic movies? Who wants to see an unrealistic film about a girl who falls in love with some good-looking guy? Not on my priority list. It's much better to go to a movie that keeps us more or less interested throughout.

Romance is good. Opening doors for girls and being courteous is fine as long as the girl actually notices what I do. Even a simple "thank you" once in a while would our spirits up. If all these actions go unnoticed, how are guys supposed to know that the girl actually likes it? Mental telepathy?

In response to the attacks made about guys worrying too much about their friends, girls need to take yet another look in their compacts to realize who the worriers are. Can we be blamed for being a little curious about what our friends are up to? Or is dead silence better than small talk that doesn't revolve around our dates specifically?

Attacks are OK if they're legitimate. Attacks without justification are simply out of line. We try our hardest to please girls at all costs, without totally emptying the wallet, and shouldn't be criticized for every little fault.

## LISTEN TO YOUR DAD!

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"My dad wanted me to enter because he won when he was in high school," she explains.

Janae is deeply involved in school activity. She is the southern zone representative for the State Student Council, has played varsity volleyball and soccer for three years, is first vice president of the student body, and is a member of the National Honor Society and Math Tutoring Club.

Janae was one of three to receive awards at Silverado: **Lorraine Witt** won second place in the competition for school representative and **Tyler Hammon** took third.

To enter, participants wrote essays on the theme "Above and Beyond," then they audio-recorded the essays.

"It was weird hearing myself on tape," Witt comments. "Do I really sound like that?"



Blackmer

## Blackmer has great impact on Rancho students' lives

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more to me than the other three years combined at other schools. During the first week of school I found myself in fourth period adoring my College Survival Skills teacher.

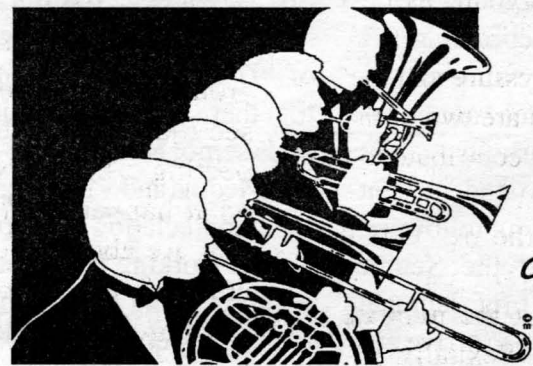
Over the past four months this teacher, Dennis Blackmer, has become the most influential person in my life. Mr. Blackmer may not realize his influence on the students of Rancho High School. The time he takes to prepare us for college is something that we students will carry with us for the rest of our lives. Not only does Mr. Blackmer take time out for his students academically, but he cares for each one on a personal level. To many, here is a father figure, a mentor and a friend.

Students around campus have stated what Mr. Blackmer means to them.

"He is really an inspirational teacher. He pushes his students to work hard and prepares them for college," says student Oscar Expinoza.

"Not only is he intellectual, but he has the ability to stimulate my mind like no other teacher can," says Mina Calanan, former College Survival Skills student.

Mr. Blackmer has taught at Rancho High School for 20 years and has offered endless support to the students. We the students and staff of Rancho would like to thank him for his leadership and commitment.



HELP!  
My son  
needs  
a trombone  
tonight!

That's just how it was recently. Michael was scheduled to play in his school's holiday concert, but that day his trombone fell apart!

Unfortunately, Michael's mom could not return it to the store where it was rented from because times were a bit hard and they were behind in their payments.

Then...MUSIC FOR HOPE to the rescue!

Michael's mom had read about this non-profit organization — that it provided musical instruments to kids who cannot afford to buy or rent. She called the Music for Hope Hotline and Michael played in the concert! A local couple had donated a trombone to the Youth Program.

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## A BAD CASE OF SENIORITIS

By *Melissa Moss*

Throughout high school, you look forward to your senior year — the year of power, freedom and parties.

Lower classmen watch you in awe, not realizing that, after the fun, the games and the parties, you're left not only with memories of good times, but with important decisions you must make.

No longer do you have the security of high school and friends. The decisions you make after high school affect the rest of your life.

So this is it for the seniors, the last carefree year before entering the strange new world of bills, rent, college and work.

And how do the seniors feel about it? GREAT! They have Senioritis!

Seniors were asked what the best part of being a senior is; here are some of the replies.

"Freshmen listen to you."  
(**John Cochrane**)

"Pushing around lower classmen." (**Flo Spencer**)

"Easy classes and no homework." (**Jesika Klopp**)

"Games. When the season is over and you realize you won't be playing that sport anymore."  
(**Nichole Cortez**)

"Graduation." (**Tina Hansen**)  
And what are some of the hardest parts of being a senior?

"Preparing to leave home."  
(**Mary Wells**)

"Making sure you graduate."  
(**Justin Halamka**)

"Leaving friends behind."  
(**Vince Slade**)

Another hard decision faced by seniors is the dreaded "What to do after high school."

The seniors' answers varied from "I'm not sure" to "I'm gonna jump out of airplanes [in the Air Force]."

Regardless of what they do in the future, they are here now: the Kings and Queens of the school, the Class of '97.

## Alternative education takes off like rocket

By *Mary Wells*

Two years ago, a new program was offered to Indian Springs High students: ATTC, Area Technical Training Center. Juniors and seniors who were interested could go to this two-year school and get instruction in a wide range of careers. Some scoffed at the idea of getting up at "o' dark hundred" and going to a new, strange school just to learn how to cook or weld, but the idea has taken off like a rocket.

This year, many students have braved the early hours and are on their way to becoming employed right after graduation, through ATTC. In fact, second-year students are placed in the work force and receive apprentice-type training in real companies. Some of the students placed may even be permanently employed by these companies when they have finished the certification process.

Not only are students intro-

duced to the work force, but they are also exposed to future contacts and employers.

Asked why she attends ATTC, **Nichole Cortez** answers, "It's an advantage over flipping burgers and I get to meet more people."

The reason it gives her and the other students who go to ATTC an advantage is that she won't have to spend the time and money to get a degree from an expensive college.

There is also a wide range of careers to choose from, including Diesel Technology (in which senior **Nichole Johnson** is taking her second year), Welding (taken by **Danny Swartzbaugh**), Horticulture and Culinary.

Granted, ATTC isn't for everybody and not everybody who applies gets in, but for those who don't think that college is within their reach or plans, this may be the perfect alternative.

## DEBATE! Love, sex and STDs

### *Don't ruin your life!*

By *Jesika Klopp*

Today, kids as young as 11 years old are engaging in sexual intimacy. Peer pressure and the need to feel loved are two of the major factors that contribute to this behavior.

Not only is the percentage of teen's having sex outrageously high, but the number of cases of STD's (Sexually Transmitted Diseases) and teen pregnancies have gone up as well.

Kids who are 12 years old and intimate (having sex) are too young and immature to understand the true meaning of this act. They aren't old enough to take on the responsibilities and face all the consequences that can come from this.

For instance, a young couple in high school, both highly involved in school activities, have good grades and a promising future ahead of them. They believe

they're "in love" and decide to do what they think "all couples do when they are in love": have sex.

A few months rolls around and the next time you see that couple, they are expecting a baby. Now tell me what happens to those two kids that are about to take on a child of their own. Sure, their lives aren't completely ruined but school sports are definitely out of the picture because that job at Mickey Dee's has taken all their time. A promising future making \$15.00 an hour is replaced by \$4.75 an hour. It's nothing to brag about!

"In love." That's everyone's excuse these days. But, are you so much in love that you are ready to take care of a child 24 hours a day, 7 days a week?

Is "But I Love You" enough of a reason to risk your chances of contracting AIDS or one of the many STD's that are out there? I don't think so.



In most cases, no matter what the age, girls use sex to get love and guys use love to get sex. You're only a teenager

once. Have fun, but don't do anything stupid that could ruin that fun! Living life in the fast lane may seem simple enough, but some of the speed bumps will really send you flying. Once you've hit those bumps there is no turning back!

### *Boost self-confidence*

By *Tina Hansen*

Do you remember that in elementary school, we would express how we felt about someone? Little boys pinching the girls and pulling their hair, while the little girls chase the boys around the playground trying to kiss them.

Even now, as teenagers, we still see the same things going on, except now the guys try to make

football or wrestling moves on the girls.

That's not the only way to show that cute boy/girl in Spanish class you like him/her; now there are those who are exploring the world of physical intimacy.

Sexual intimacy has been around since the beginning of time; it is what has kept our species alive. Without it we would not be here today.

Once girls start to have sex they tend to take more of an interest in themselves, mind and body. They want to look good and impress their boyfriends, so they become more active and tend to keep themselves in better condition.

Their self-confidence gets a boost because they feel good and they have someone who loves them.

Guys tend to stick with the crowd and aren't as emotional when it comes to relationships with girls.



## Business & law classes hold mock trial

By Crissy Herbert

Durango business and law students recently held a mock trial involving an interesting civil case: a boy who bought a used automobile, later found out the car was not in good condition. The trial was a three-day event.

On the first day, the class selected the jury: five females and four males. The next day was the actual trial and testimony. On the third day, the jury deliberated.

The trial was made up of two teams, the defense and the prosecution. Seniors **Dennis Gruwell** and **Bob Amerine** were the defense attorneys, who were defending the woman who sold the car.

"This was a great experi-

ence. It was really fun," says Gruwell.

"We thought the girls would be more receptive to our case than the guys," says Amerine.

The plaintiff's attorney was junior **Ryan Pulliam**, and his co-counselor was junior **Harland Hendricks**. Pulliam represented the boy who bought the automobile.

"We should have won," Pulliam said. "The vote was five to four."

## Principal invites Durango students to serve as advisors

By Rachael Moser (below)



No matter how Durango improves its campus, staff or facilities, there is always more that needs to be done, according to students.

Now students have a chance to make their concerns

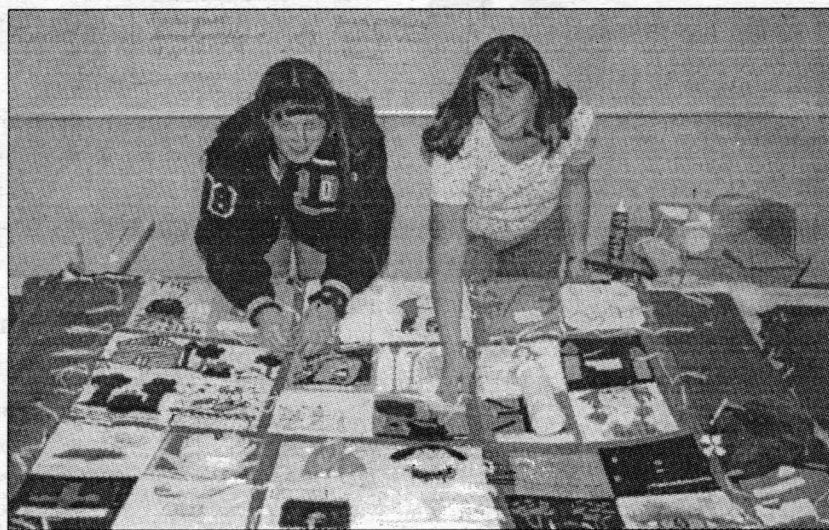
heard. Principal Allen Coles has assembled a "staff" of students that meets monthly to discuss problems and issues that concern students.

The Student Advisory Council represents all different backgrounds and interests. This is not like the Student Council — no voting or election was required.

The first meeting of the group was to gather ideas from the students and to place the most pressing items on the future agenda. These concerns seemed to be the bathrooms, the tardy policy, and school activities.

"I thought we broke the ice, which was one of my goals," says Coles of the first meeting.

Coles had hoped to get as many different types of people involved so that he could receive information about all different aspects of Durango.



ABOVE: Juniors **Alicia Fish** and **Kristen Maestas** tie signature knots on the quilt they helped make for American Literature class. (Rachael Fish photo)

## AMERICAN LIT CLASS QUILTS 'THE CRUCIBLE'

By Crissy Herbert

As a class project, several American Literature classes at Durango made a quilt in connection with their studies of the play "The Crucible," by Arthur Miller.

Students were given the assignment to create a quilt block...a nine-inch square piece of cloth that illustrates an important scene from the play. Then all the

blocks were collected by teacher Adele Bentley who sewed them together

However, the quilt is not filled with feathers or straw as the Puritans would have done; the class was 100% modern and used dacron quilt batt.

Every one who worked on the quilt was invited to tie "signature knots."

## WELL, IF YOU ASK ME!

By Josh Markeson

### Teens should be allowed to stay out late

The city of Las Vegas has set times for teens under the age of 18 to be at home. Clark County law requires teens 14-18 years old, to be indoors from midnight to 5 a.m. every night. Teens under the age of 14 must be indoors by 10 p.m. every night. The cities of Las Vegas and North Las Vegas require all teens under the age of 18 to be indoors by 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday. On Friday and Saturday nights, teens may stay out until midnight.

The strictest curfew in Las Vegas is on the Strip. No one under 18 years old may be on the Strip between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. The reason teens are on the Strip is because of the lack of entertainment. There just isn't a lot to do, but the Strip is always a place to go for fun. If teens are not hurting anyone or causing any problems, what is the harm in letting them be on the Strip? The police devote so much time to hassling people to get off the Strip that minor crimes go unnoticed.

Most teens choose to be indoors early enough on week nights so they can get enough sleep for school the next day. Even for the ones who choose to stay out, the law is not even enforced. So what is the point of having this law?

If you are caught violating curfew, chances are you will not even be stopped unless you are on the Strip. The curfew for teens will probably get stricter as time goes on, and we may not be allowed on the Strip any night of the week. Most teens are responsible enough to know when to be at home. We don't need anyone to tell us when we have to be indoors.



ABOVE: From left, **Tyler Kidd**; his mother, **Melodi Kidd**; and **Thomas McTyer** are shown at the recent signing ceremony at Durango. (Photo by Lisa Kim)

## Kidd, McTyer sign letters of intent

By Aliza Robinson & Christina Eichelkraut

Seniors **Tyler Kidd** and **Thomas McTyer** have signed letters of intent to play basketball in exchange for full college scholarships next year.

Kidd will attend Georgia Southern University, while McTyer will attend Texas Christian University.

Last year, Kidd and McTyer were part of the Nevada State Championship Team for Durango. However, they were largely overshadowed by spring graduates Ra'oof Sadat, Kevon Jones and Jared Call.

"Last year I was more of a role player. This year I have to become more of a leader and score more points," says McTyer, who averaged 5.2 assists per game last season.

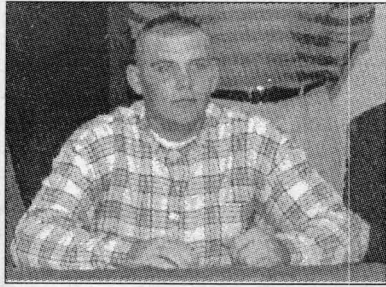
A key motivation for McTyer this year is to help Durango win a third consecutive state basketball championship.

McTyer was also recruited by other schools...but he chose Texas Christian because "it seemed like a good environment for me and...to get a good education."

Kidd averaged 10 points per game last year, as well as eight rebounds. He explains,

"Getting a scholarship takes hard work, dedication, and you have to be able to be coached."





Nick Aiello  
A Lisa Kim Photo

## Aiello signs letter of intent

By Aliza Robinson

Senior Nick Aiello, a member of last year's Durango varsity baseball team, recently received a scholarship to Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska.

Although Aiello has committed to attend Creighton, the university was not the only college to show interest in him. UNLV, the University of Miami, USC, and Loyola are among the other schools that recruited Aiello. Creighton won out, says Aiello, because "they showed interest in me from the beginning."

Before he leaves Durango, Aiello would like to accomplish, along with the rest of the baseball team, one thing—to win a State championship for Durango. Last year, the Trailblazers were the runner-up at State to Green Valley.

## Fashion review features students

By Nicole Barker (right)

The Student Relations Club recently put on a fashion show to bring students up to date with fashion

in four categories: school wear, Sadie Hawkins attire, business wear, and formal wear.

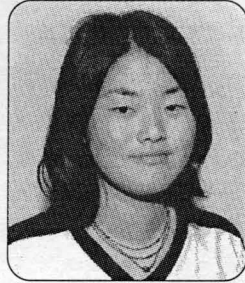
Students in women's varsity basketball, men's varsity basketball, drill team, and varsity football were all part of the presentation. The clothing belonged to the students themselves.

The band ENVY performed and the step group, The Brothers and Sisters of Tomorrow, performed. This group is made up of high school students from all around the Las Vegas Valley.



## Students enter Fair for fun (and credit)

By Lisa Kim (below)



Science students are now preparing for the Science Fair in March. The Fair gives students a chance to present creative projects

and earn extra credit. A .5 credit will appear on transcripts as "Advanced Laboratory." Students who get grades they are not happy with, can choose not to take the credits and they will not appear in their transcripts.

Each project will be graded in three areas: the research report, display, and an oral presentation that will be made before all the teachers in the science department. Students must also prove that they have put in a total of 60 hours into these projects.

There are 14 categories. Group projects with a minimum of two people are allowed.

Austin Lewis, junior, says the reason he joined was for the extra credit and "I thought it would be fun to learn more about the subject I was interested in."

Three winners in each category will be chosen. The 42 winners will all go to Southern Nevada competitions; those winners will go to the international competitions.



## Slim Pickens: a name for t-shirts & dancing

By Stephanie Domakowski (below left)

Durango students can be seen wearing "Slim Pickens" t-shirts or sporting patches on their backpacks. No, it's not a clothing line. Slim Pickens is a band

consisting of seven Durango students:

**Ave Alba**, sophomore, on trumpet; **Tom Doxey**, senior, on guitar; **Tomi Huffman**, junior, on bass guitar; **Vance Jolley**, junior, on saxophone; **Spencer Kingman**, junior, on guitar; **Joel Nelson**, junior, on trombone; **Jeff Steelhammer**, senior on drums; and **Dan Wykoff**, senior, performing vocals.

The group started as two bands. Hoffman, Kingman and Nelson were one band, and called themselves *Hui Hapa*. The rest were the original *Slim Pickens*.

The name was Steelhammer's idea. At first, the guys didn't get along, but now things are better. The two bands decided they sounded much better together.

Students heard Slim Pickens' Ska Punk Music at the Durango Battle of the Bands. According to Huffman and Wykoff, Ska is sort of an upbeat Reggae with horns. It is considered to be offbeat punk.

Students can look for Slim Pickens along with Professor Pun, Scrappy Doo, and Attaboy Skip, at <http://members.aol.com/Boombbox/SkaVegas.html>.

"Everybody should come out and hear us because it's upbeat and fun to dance to," says Wykoff.

## Student Relations Club sponsors Black History events

By Lynadius Joseph

The Student Relations/African American Studies Club educates and celebrates the African American and other cultures. President is **Nikia Wade**, vice-president is **Kelli Hill**, secretaries are **Shaunetta Wiggins** and **Demethria Hayes**, and historians are **Ashanti Givens** and **Brandy Hughes**.

The club sponsors the annual Brotherhood Assembly, Community Night and other activities during Black History month.

## VQ members say TV has downsides

By Crissy Herbert (below)



Can you imagine being a contestant on Jeopardy? The members of Varsity Quiz can.

Autumn Brewington, Paul Miller,

Andrea Kurtz, Sariah Degidio, Emily Elzeftawy, Kendall Casper, Rebecca Degidio, Cathy Kadadian, Aurora Pulley, Enrico Sanitate, Pieter Vanderielen, Brian Workman, Kohn Yu, Frinkie Li, Nicole Lovelock and Trevor Wong are Durango's members of Varsity Quiz. They compete at schools all over Las Vegas and have even competed on PBS television.

While you might think that being

on television is exciting and glamorous, the members of Varsity Quiz say that it has its downside.

"The worst part is at the beginning of the show, when they focus the cameras on your face while they tell people about you," says Degidio.

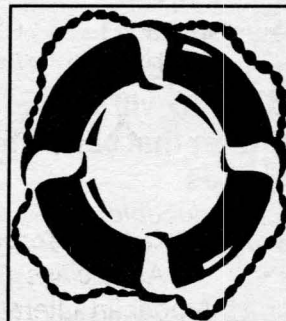
There are advantages to belonging to this club, though. "We're a small team and everyone knows each other. Some people are stronger in areas others aren't; so it balances out," says team captain Brewington.

Members of Varsity Quiz practice twice a week. The players for each match are chosen based on how often they attend and how well they do in practice.

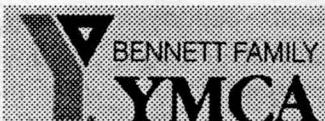
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## Dance Montage versatile

By Adrien Barker

Las Vegas High School has a dance class without bounds: Dance Montage. No matter what type of dance you are interested in, it is taught — from ballet to modern to folk.



Dance Montage performed in "A Celebration of Dance" concert last month at Durango High. Guest choreographers from such professional groups as the Dance Theatre of Harlem and the San Diego Ballet Company taught students a dance combining jazz, modern, hip hop and character. The group will also perform in several festivals this spring as well as at UNLV's Dance Day.

**Donna Manusing** and **Jennifer Garcia** are co-presidents of Dance Montage.

## Generosity does not end with the holiday season

By Christy Means

During the holiday season, it's always nice to see people generously donating their extra time, money, food, and clothing to those in need. The only problem is that, with the end of the holiday season, comes the end of people's generosity.

Now don't get me wrong. People who donate anything, no matter how little the amount, should be commended for their charity, but the fact still remains that people in need still eat, breathe, and exist after the holidays.

Thanks to everyone who donated anything this holiday season to someone in need. The fact that one donates of his or her own accord shows his kindness and benevolence. But the people who are in need should be remembered after the holidays.

## WISH LIST

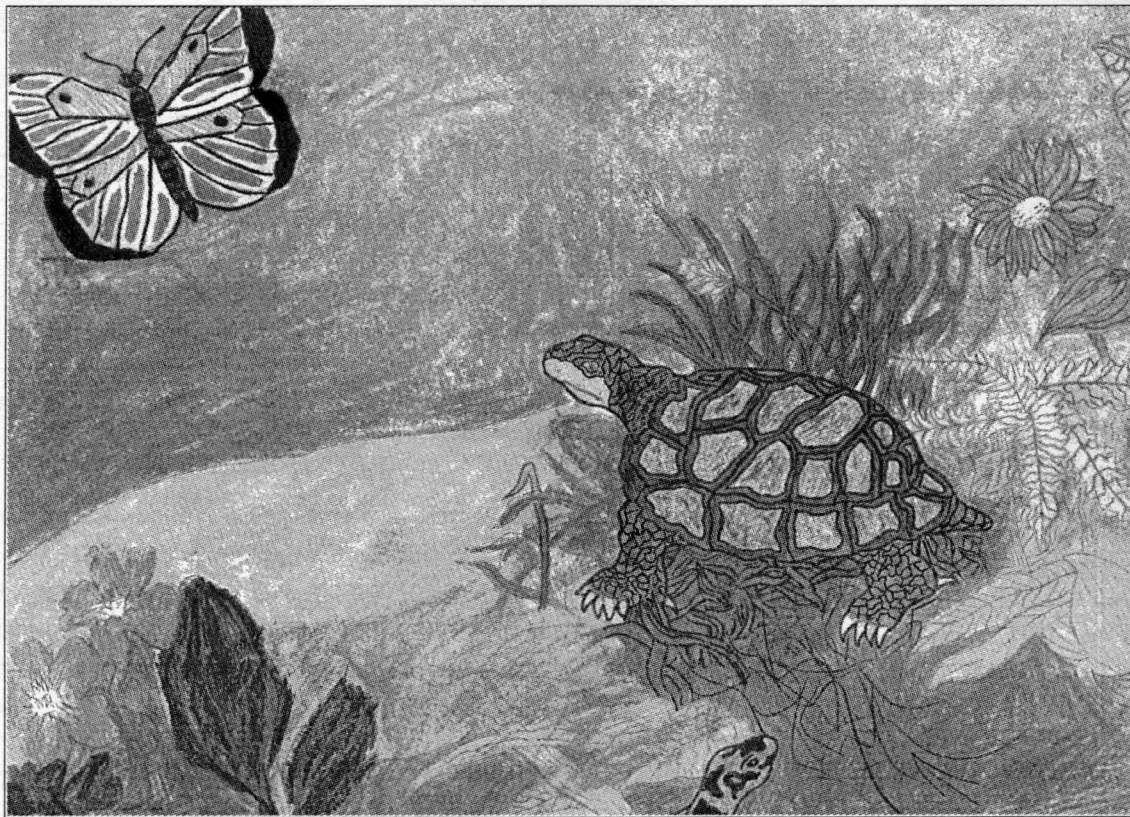
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## A PIECE OF MY MIND By Raul Daniels

### Affirmative action — hurting the dream

**I** am Hispanic; therefore, I could take your job and your scholarship to a university. Why? Is it because I am more qualified? No. Is it because I am better educated? No. It is simply because I am Hispanic.

This represents exactly what affirmative action is. It takes jobs and opportunities and gives them to people who may not be as well educated or qualified.

"We hire 60 percent Hispanics here, regardless of qualifications," says Freddie Hernandez, a lieutenant in the Miami fire department.

Companies do this throughout the country in order to meet quotas or avoid being labeled as "discriminatory." What people do not understand is that by enforcing affirmative action, they are not getting rid of discrimination, they are, in fact, creating a reverse discrimination. This reverse discrimination is created when a person is hired over another, simply because one is a minority.

#### SPOILING THE DREAM?

Civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. stated, "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

If Martin Luther King, Jr. were alive today, he would be disappointed because his children still do not live in a society that portrays his dream.

Being Hispanic should make me grateful for affirmative action because I would be the

one to receive a job or acceptance to a university because of my skin color. However, I do not feel grateful for affirmative action. Neither do I plan to take advantage of it.

I believe affirmative action makes minorities feel underestimated. It, in essence says, "It is OK, even though you are not as educated or as qualified. We will still give you a job simply because you are a minority."

#### GREATER SATISFACTION

A person would feel a greater satisfaction getting a job because of his merits or achievements, not because of his skin color.

To end affirmative action during the November 5 election, California's residents passed Proposition 209. Proposition 209 now makes California the only state in which it is illegal to hire or accept someone into a university simply because he/she is a minority. Proposition 209 states:

"The state shall not discriminate against, or grant preferential treatment to any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education, or public contracting."

Unfortunately, it's now being contested in the courts, and until a decision is rendered, Proposition 209 is on hold.

Affirmative action seems to contradict the belief of equal opportunity for all. It is time to recognize an individual for his abilities and accomplishments and not for one's gender or ethnicity.



## Climbing the walls: A sport NOT for the meek



By Shannon Wilson (below)

Red Rock park is a place where outdoor recreation flourishes year

around. From hiking the mountain to riding the loop on a bike, there is a wide variety of interests for visitors.

Rock climbing leaped into popularity just recently in the Las Vegas area. A climbing gym opened three years ago. This made all the equipment needed to participate in the sport more readily available to the public. Climbing has gained respect from both viewers and participants.

When climbing, the first thing to know is never go alone. I went with **Christine Meoli**, a Gorman junior — and an experienced rock climber.

We met at Red Rock park. Before we headed down the path to the rocks we did an equipment and supply check to be sure that we had everything. The rock that we started with had a 5.9 difficulty rating.

The system of difficulty is based on the angle of the rock, the space between bolts, and the size of the grips and holes. The rating system starts at 5.0 and goes to 5.14. After 5.10 the levels split into threes: such as level 5.10 a, b, and c; level 5.11 a, b, and c; and so on. A very small number of rock climbers can compete at these upper levels.

This being my first time rock climbing I watched several others go before me to observe the technique and strategy. After everyone had gone it was my turn on the 5.9 and I began to have second thoughts about the whole thing. There are several different pieces of equipment that a climber needs before beginning. The harness goes on first...a strap that fits between the thighs and around the stomach.

Attached to the harness is a large hook called the clam...used to tie the rope around. Climbing shoes come next; these have hard rubber soles that help the climber stick to the rock. Friction is a big factor in rock climbing. The climber has to

learn to trust his feet; even if standing on a niche the size of a thumb, the climber must be able to place all his weight on that one spot.

During my first attempt I was unsuccessful and fell about halfway up the rock. The rest of the time, my arms and legs were so tired that I had what climbers call Elvis legs: when muscles are pushed to the limit and begin to shake uncontrollably. Frustrated with my first attempt, I was determined to do better the next time.

Christine Meoli is an experienced climber. She led two climbs without the top rope. When leading a climb, you do what is called *clamming*...lacing your own rope to a bolt that is already in place. To do this you have to be very skilled in the sport and in top shape. When leading a climb you can fall up to five feet before the rope catches.

Climbing requires two people participating at all times. One person is on the rock and the other is at the bottom of the rock. The person at the bottom of the rock stops the climber from falling all the way down. They use a *blay* or a *grege*, both braking devices.

After watching Meoli lead two climbs I tried once more. The second time, I concentrated on my legs and foot placement.

By doing this I found that my muscles lasted longer than they had before. When I reached the last bolt, the relief was indescribable.

Now, to get down. I could rappel down or be lowered. Rappelling is getting down on your own, and being lowered is having help from the bottom man. I was lowered. By the time I reached the bottom I was totally exhausted and full of adrenalin at the same time.

Two important things to remember if you choose to climb: you can't be afraid of heights and you must learn to trust your body and the laws of friction.

As I walked away from the rock and realized what I had just done I was overwhelmed.



## Fashion show gets 'uniform' approval

The Spiritleaders needed new uniforms and they needed funds so they could enter competitions. What to do!?

Have a fashion show! The clothes were loaned by Macy's. Even the Spiritleaders' parents got involved (lots of Dads worked on building the stage).

Tickets went on sale (\$10 students, \$15 adults) and raffle prizes were rounded up. The singing group Harmony Express signed on to provide entertainment during the fash-

ion show. Refreshments were lined up. And the Spiritleaders started practicing their dance to the music of The Nutcracker. (This happened just before Christmas, you see.)

On a bright Sunday afternoon, more than 200 people piled into Gorman's multipurpose room — the Spiritleaders' project was a success!

## STUDY NOTES

### Mathematics and English Lab for At-Risk Students

BGHS offers tutoring several days a week for students who are struggling in Mathematics and English. The lab is staffed by BGHS faculty — two for Math and two for English. Students are welcome to attend the lab after school to receive extra help. This lab is a part of a federal grant Gorman has received.

### MORE tutoring!

National Honor Society members are tutoring BGHS students before and after school in the library on a walk-in basis. Tutors are available for most subjects. Students are encouraged to take advantage of the tutoring program, whether for occasional tutoring needs or for regular tutoring.

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## Beatles "Revolve" into '90s

By Ryan Emter, Gorman High (below)



Bored by *Bush*? Soured by *Smashing Pumpkins*? Well, you don't have to buy into these alternative mainstreamers. You can always find your way back to the Beatles.

As you sift through your parents record collection, I suggest that you make "Revolver" your first choice. The album marks an exceptionally fertile period of the Beatles' intense creativity of the late sixties.

### EXPERIMENTAL

The album came in 1966, two years after the Beatles invaded the U.S., and a year before the ground-breaking "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band." Although you'll find that the best songs on the album were from Paul McCartney, the experimental attempts came from John Lennon and George Harrison.

The opener, a number by George called "Taxman," ranks among George's best. His other attempt, "Love You To," an excursion into Eastern Music complete with sitar, is heavily experimental, but just doesn't work.

### PAUL PRAISE

Of Paul's radio-ready hits, the best is probably "Here, There, and Everywhere," a catchy love song that serves as the centerpiece for the album. The equally slow "For No One" features excellent lyrics and a demanding vocal by Paul.

Paul's other killers on the album are "Got to Get You Into My Life," an upbeat, spirit-raiser; and the orchestral masterpiece "Eleanor Rigby," one of the best Beatles songs with an orchestral arrangement — second only to "She's Leaving Home" on Sgt. Pepper.

### JOHN TAKES THE CAKE

As for John's work on the album, the song "I'm Only Sleeping" takes the cake for being both musically diverse and melodically sound. "She Said, She Said" finds John searching through new lyrical territory, using lines such as "She said she knows what it's like to be dead." The closer of the album, "Tomorrow Never Knows," is a song that gives listeners a preview of the style that the Beatles would be using on Sgt. Pepper.

And then, there's Ringo Starr, who gives trying vocals on the adventurous "Yellow Submarine." The song, to this day, is still no more than a catchy joke from our favorite drummer.

### WE NEED ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE

"Revolver" is just one example of the Beatles' influence on the sixties, but I think that you will find it an alternative to the alternative music of the nineties.

## Let me Know

By Shandell Hodges  
Cheyenne High  
(left)



Please let me know how you feel,  
And I will show you that I am real.  
I mean what I say. I have no shame.  
I will not use your love as a game.  
  
I will not take for granted a love so true.  
I want to express my love for you.  
Every moment we are together. Moments  
we are apart.  
Every second of my life....You will be  
deep inside my heart.  
  
To hold your hand, or look into your eyes.  
To hear your voice of sweet lullabies.  
To hold you close and caress your skin,  
Or just to hear how you have been...  
  
Would be the magic to brighten my day.  
The words "I love you" mean more than  
what they say.  
These words are not, for what you want  
to hear.  
It is to show my love and devotion...and  
to keep you near.



## It's TIME FOR TEENS at the

These are exciting times for teenagers. But YOU are the one who makes the choice of what kind of life you expect to have.

If you want to make positive choices — to stay free of gangs and drugs while having a great time with other teens — join the YMCA's "Yes to Youth" program.

You'll meet other kids who have the same goals you do. These are the "movers and shakers" who want the best for themselves, their families, their buddies — actually, for their lives.

### TRAVEL CLUB

The Yes to Youth Travel Club visits many fun places throughout the year. On Saturday, February 15, the club is off to Magic Mountain on a one-day trip by deluxe motorcoach. The \$45 fee for Yes to Youth members includes transportation, admission and rides.

### BIG NIGHT

It's music, dancing, and meeting new friends at the Y each month for Yes to Youth Saturday Nights. Check it out on February 15, March 22, April 19 and May 17, from 7:00 to 10:00 each evening. You'll discover a great time that's free of drugs and gangs. Just \$5 covers refreshments and snacks.

### MENTORING

Are you having trouble making choices about your future? Do you need help in dealing with things such as your job, friends, school, maybe peer pressure? Then sign up for the Yes to Youth Mentoring Program. On one Wednesday each month, from six to eight p.m., adult mentors share their experience and offer their help in these and other of life's challenges. Meetings are scheduled Feb. 19, March 19, April 16 and May 21. It's free to members, or \$2 for all others.

### SAFETY & SELF-AWARENESS

Learn self-defense from trained professionals. Learn how to get around safely by bus or on foot. Get tips on other issues such as mall safety, HIV/AIDS, babysitting, etc. These workshops are offered on Feb. 26 and May 28, 6-8pm. Free to members, \$2 for all others.

### YES TO YOUTH CLUB

Monthly meetings include field trips, workshops, community-service projects, fundraisers, discussions and social events. Regular meetings are held the first Saturday of each month, 1-4pm. Members also meet at other times, depending on what events or trips are happening. Yes to Youth Club membership is just \$2 per year.

For more information about any of these activities (or about basketball leagues, tae kwon do, lifeguard training and other teen programs), call the YMCA at 877-9622 and ask for Nora Luna or Jacqui Hilbert.



## You're quite the charmer!

By Penny Weiss

People keep telling you not to smoke, that it's not good for you. But what's really happening to your body when you smoke?

The toxic substances you breathe in are destroying the cells that normally keep your lungs clean and free of such toxins. When this begins to happen, the destruction of those cells accelerates: every cigarette you smoke becomes more and more damaging, until just one cigarette can damage your body as much as three or more packs did, say, ten years ago.

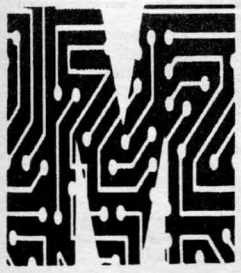
Further, smoking causes your skin to age more quickly. Looking older is OK now. But do you want to look like a prune when you're 35 or 40?

And another thing, you'll probably spend a lot of time hacking away from bronchitis, squawking with laryngitis, or gasping through emphysema before it does its killing. What a lovely picture!

Is looking cool worth it?



# MEADOWS



**Meadows School goes on line**

By Shane Goffstein (below)



The Meadows School has now become computerized on the WorldWide Web. The address is

[www.meadows-online.com](http://www.meadows-online.com).

Meadows on-line is fully animated with the Java AOL program. This program allows access to movie reviews and sports scores, as well as the UNLV Library catalog. It displays social events, clubs, the Meadows phone book and the newest issue of *Pony Express*, the school newspaper.

Additionally, users can put information on the bulletin board and upload free software such as Microsoft Explorer.

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## State x 3 = TMC

The girls' cross-country and varsity volleyball teams at the Meadows School both took state championships this year.

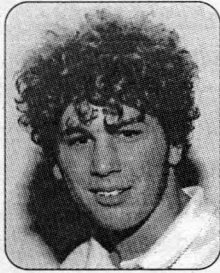
The boys' cross-country came in a very respectable second place finish, behind Indian Springs.

But most of all: TMS students were state champs in academics, with a team GPA of 3.51.

Way to GO!

## There's no 'add' in Nevada...no good pizzas, either

By Max Leinwand (right)



We all know that there are many differences between the East Coast and the West Coast. As a transplanted Easterner, I've had some shocks.

One major difference between the East and the West is pronunciation. A word that is always mispronounced is "Nevada." People here pronounce this state's name *Nevadda*. However, people on the East Coast pronounce this state's name correctly, *Nevaahda*.

You see, Nevada is a Spanish word, and there is no "add" sound in the Spanish Language.

Another pronunciation that differs is the word "tournament." Out here we pronounce the word *tournament*. However, on the East Coast the word is pronounced *toournament*. Does a band go on tur? Do you count one, two, three, fur? I didn't think so.

Another major difference between East and West is the quality of food. The only places you can find good pizza and bagels are in the East or in Chicago. I mean just think about it, John's Brick Oven Pizzeria in New York vs. any tasteless pizza place out here. It's absolutely no comparison whatsoever.

## Good intentions often do not defeat prejudice

By Todd Spector (below)

*All fall victim to it, the nation suffers because of it, but only some choose to recognize it openly. The problem: prejudice.*

Whether people know it or not, we all have some sort of prejudice. The first step is to recognize the problem; the second is to correct it.

Circumstances determine the degree of tolerance. For example, recently, a group of white women organized to fight racism. The group, "White Women Against Racism," would not allow a black woman into the group because they felt that her presence would distract from the group's progress. The group, supposedly fighting prejudice, is promoting it instead.

### MOCKING RELIGIONS

But prejudice is not only limited to ethnic matters; the problem also extends into religion.

For example, many people associate greed with the Jewish faith, or they mock the Mormon practice of tithing or their custom of raising large families. Too many people accept these stereotypes.

Another area in which people are sometimes secretly prejudiced is sexuality. Most people would agree that a person's sexual preference is not relevant, but many would have a problem if a homosexual couple were kissing in a public mall.

Many teenagers have referred to

their friends as "gay" or "queer," not meant literally but as a cut-down. These very actions are prejudice.

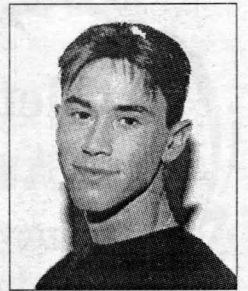
Perhaps one of the most sensitive prejudices is against those infected with the AIDS virus. Everyone sympathizes with the unfortunates who have acquired this deadly disease, and they condemn those people who are uneasy about being in the presence of people with AIDS.

But how many of us would, under certain circumstances, recoil from direct contact — perhaps in playing basketball or sharing a drinking fountain — even when scientific evidence details the specific ways in which the virus is transmitted.

### HOW THINGS ARE

Prejudice thrives because it passes as "that's how things are." It may be based in one region, or it may rise from ethnic loyalty or from economic differences. The result is the same.

The new year is a traditional time for resolutions. This early in the year is a good time for self-examination. Even a small step in recognizing our hidden prejudices would start the healing process.



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WOMEN ATHLETES:

## High school sports can change your life

By Kellie Haycock and Stephanie Stonex  
Chaparral High School

A new season, new players, a new coach and new goals. All it will take is a little hard work for the Lady Rebels to come out on top this season.

LaDona McLain, head coach of the Lady Rebels, is proof that determination and dedication in high school will lead you to a successful career in college.

McLain has been playing basketball since she was in the third grade. Her high school coach inspired her to keep playing basketball through college. However, her only path to college was through a basketball scholarship. While in high school, McLain won a scholarship to play for Missouri University.

According to McLain, the ability to work hard, athletically and academically, will enable you to play any college sport. To be eligible, you must have a grade point average of 2.0 or higher, an 18 or higher.

Athletically, you have to be quick, a great leader, versatile in your sport and have the basketball skills.

McLain agrees with most coaches when she says that academics are number one, the most important thing.

McLain is thankful for the support fans have shown for the Lady Rebels; she feels the fans get to know the players as real people, not just as actors in a show. She says that, although the men's team is more recognized, the Lady Rebels are still popular at UNLV.

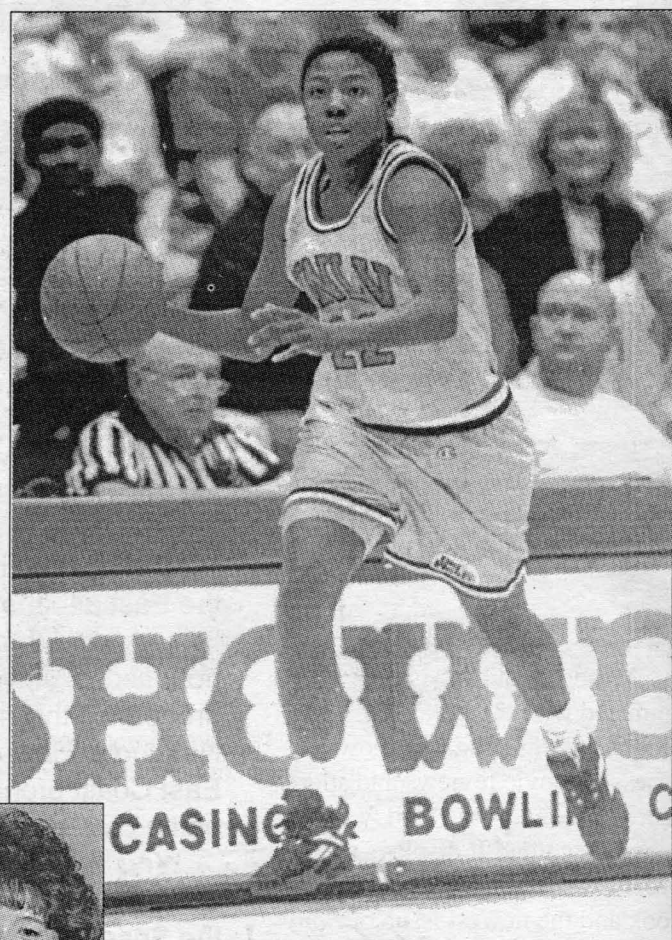
Once Lady Rebels have made the team, they begin a challenging season of practice, conditioning, study sessions, workouts, and an average of two games per week.

Their season is usually about four months long, December to March. They usually practice 18 hours weekly. In accordance with regulations, McLain does not allow the Lady Rebels to practice more than 20 hours a week.

A day in the life of the Lady Rebels usually goes like this: classes, practice from 1-4 p.m., dinner, then a study group. McLain says that, at least once a week, the team tries to get together as friends, away from the court, for activities that might range from going to a movie to just hanging out.

Although the Lady Rebels work hard, there is always time for fun! They scrimmage the men's scout teams because it gives them a more competitive edge. The Lady Rebels are friends with other UNLV sports and are very supportive, especially of men's basketball because of common interests and activities.

"Together Everyone Accomplishes More,"



says head coach McLain when asked what she considers a team to be.

The number-one factor of a successful team, she says, is unity. The most successful players are those who have the right attitude: a positive outlook, enthusiasm, discipline, hard work and toughness — mental and physical. McLain has been known to say, "Offense wins games, defense wins championships."

This year, the Lady Rebels are competing in the WAC division. Their #1 goal is to be in the tournament held in the T&M and sponsored by the MGM.

This is a realistic goal if they remain positive; they have already improved their record from last year. McLain knows that the team has a long way to go, but she says that this season's team has a lot of potential.

"Do not follow where the path may lead," she says. "Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."

## Athletics vs. Arts

The never-ending battle

By Danielle Brown,  
Durango High School  
(below)

From the beginning of our formal education, extra curricular activities are an important part of the high school experience.

Athletics is considered the hero's endeavor, and arts are often looked down upon as a "wimpy, no-brainer" event. High schools in America emphasize

athletics, overlooking the importance of other extracurricular activities, including the arts.



### HERO WORSHIP

School jocks are worshipped. ...as the heroes and heroines of our high schools.

Why are sports so heavily emphasized in high school? One reason is the competitiveness in today's society. Another reason is that parents want their children involved in some type of sport. Students want to be accepted, and sports is usually one way of accomplishing that.

Professional athletes are perceived as national idols. Young people see them as role models. The problem is, our culture does not put enough emphasis on emotional and intellectual needs. We should emphasize the more important things that will get you through life.

### LET YOURSELF GO!

The fine arts provide a way for people to express themselves...they stimulate the imagination.

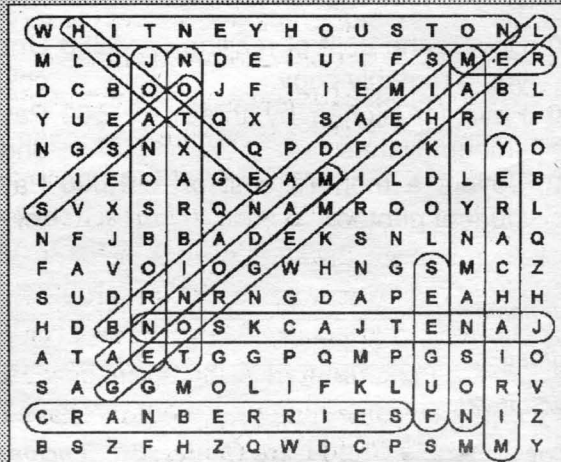
The arts are a way to let go and be creative, a chance to be you. It's the greatest feeling in the world walking on stage and realizing that the applause is for you.

Fine arts and athletics may never be equal: in order to graduate you are required to have two years of PE and only one year of fine arts.

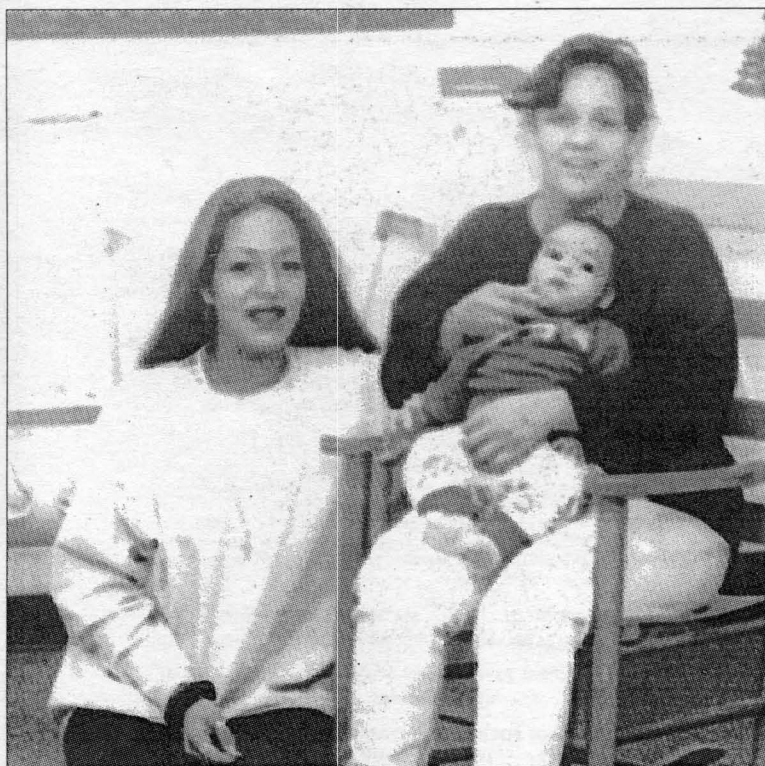
How then can we solve this? Maybe by distributing funds equally or dividing them according to how many students are involved in athletics or the arts. Faculty and staff should support the arts as well. Often students are afraid to try anything new, but once they do, there is no turning back.

Take a risk! Support and participate in the arts at your school.

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ABOVE: Caria Medina (left) with Fannie Sisco and her son, Jesse, are sharing quality time in Rancho's Child Care Center.

## 'It's hard being a teen mom'

By Heather Doheney, Rancho High

Fannie Cisco wakes up early every morning to get her son Jesse ready for school. Jesse is in the child care program at Rancho and, because of this program, her mother is able to continue with school and to graduate.

"It's hard being a teen mom," Fannie says, "but this center has made it possible for me to stay in school."

The Child Care Center is federally funded and has been operating at Rancho for six years. The only cost for the mothers is a lab fee. They bring food, clothing, diapers and any other needs.

There are many requirements to have a child there. The parent must be registered at the school and not be failing any classes. They must also demonstrate financial need.

The children are watched by students who are Child Care Aides and use this class as work experience. Most of those registered for the class have children in the program. The quality of care is high and a mother can spend more time with her child for nurturing and loving. This is something that a teen mom does not often get the opportunity to do.

The center is clean and pleasant. There is a waiting list of about 50 to have a child in this center. Those mothers are waiting not because they don't meet the requirements, but because the center only holds 20 children.

Senior **Melanie Munson** says, "Without this program I couldn't graduate." Her son, Andrew, is in the center every day as she goes to school. If the center were not there, she says, she would have to quit school to pay for baby sitting and she does not want to be on welfare.

Seven of the 20 mothers in this program are seniors and all are on track to graduate. These parents can provide a better life for their children in the future because they will have a diploma, something they wouldn't have if it were not for Rancho's Child Care Center.

### THERE IS A LINE:

## Student reports effects of sexual harassment

By Mary Wells, Indian Springs High School

What is sexual harassment? Does it mean any kind of sexual attention or just unwanted attention? How is it determined that it is unwanted? Is it really looked at as seriously as other crimes?

Indian Springs is a small school where everybody knows each other, but that doesn't mean that everybody understands each other.

### SPEAKING FROM EXPERIENCE

Being a victim of sexual harassment, I know those who participate in this degrading act do not understand what they are doing to their victims. It may be funny to try to touch someone, or to make a sexual comment to another, but the results are far from amusing.

Let me tell you what the results could be.

### PHASE ONE:

#### EMOTIONS

There are usually two phases that the victim goes through. At first, the person is confused and may even feel flattered that someone is paying attention to them, but that thought soon passes.

The victim then feels hate. Not toward those who are harassing them, but toward themselves. They wonder, why am I so "special"? How come I was chosen?

The victim may even wish that they were no longer around. That's right, sexual harassment can lead to that person taking their own life, not because of just one comment, but because of many comments or touchings or notes. They don't feel worth anything more than a piece of meat.

### PHASE TWO: HATE

The second phase is numbness. The victim changes into what they have been told they are — a piece of meat. They wear clothes they don't like. They tend not to care about their hygiene. They drop out of living.

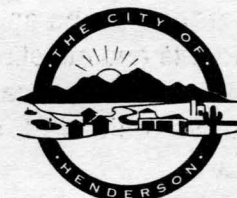
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