

Warrior Wrap-Up

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Closed Campus?

“A campus works amazingly like a parachute, it’s best when open.”

Written by Melinda Anderson

Don’t you miss the great laid-back days when everyone was allowed to go off of campus? Don’t you miss being able to go down to Casey’s or BP and get lunch, instead of having to eat school lunch or bring your own? Don’t you miss actually being able to walk around, more than just in the ‘front yard’ of the school? Those were the nice days, weren’t they?

Why doesn’t anyone fight closed campus? Really, it seems that no one even tried. I mean, it was nice to be able to go to Casey’s or BP in the first place but now that there is a Subway too, don’t you think that someone, maybe more than one person, hopefully, would try and fight this closed campus? We had open campus last year, and Mr. Fennell seems to be willing to try something ‘new’ like the new homeroom rule.

So, with this, would I think that anyone would try and fight it, other than myself, should I be able to get anyone to support me, do you think I would? No, I really don’t. Everyone wants open campus again, but no one is willing to get down in the mud and work for it, it seems. Everyone complains about it, well they did at the start of the year and I’m sure if the topic was brought up, they would say that it stinks or whatnot, but no one is going to want to fight it.

What are the pros and cons of having open campus? Well, a few pros are that everyone is able to get what they want to eat; the students feel as if they have some sense of control, which, believe it or not, can be good; there is a good disciplining method; and the local businesses get more customers.

What do I mean? Well, they can get what they want, whether this something is pizza or a sub sandwich, or heck, a bag of chips, for all I care, but the students can get it. The snack machine may have a lot of options, but when it comes to high school students in a town like Warren, it’s just not enough.

Also, when students feel as if they have control, they will step up. Yes, this can be good. It can give someone a sense of pride... if that makes sense.

Also, it’s a good disciplining method. Should a student not be eligible, they shouldn’t be allowed to have open campus. Should a student get in so much trouble, for say a detention, they should not be allowed to get off of campus. See how this works?

And the local businesses get more customers. I bet Casey’s enjoyed having hungry high schoolers and hungry junior-highers pile in to get something to eat. I bet they enjoyed being able to meet the variety of students in Warren.

Plus, one more thing that is *great* about open campus is that students could go home and eat there. That could even help with the homework ‘attendance’ since kids were allowed to go home, and going home, they could pick up anything they forgot in the morning. It was a great thing in Warren High School, and I’m sad to see it go.

Is there a con of open campus? Heck, I can’t think of a single one.

So, seeing all this, which way do you think is ‘better?’ Would you pick the freedom, or would you choose to be locked up in the school and its ‘front yard’ all day? Seriously, think about this and maybe try to put an end to closed campus.

Facebook Makes Big Mistake... Again.

Written by; Melinda Anderson

So you’re working really hard and really long on this poem, or maybe a short story, or something of the sort for school or whatnot then you put it on to Facebook, to show your friends and family of course. About a month later, you start seeing this poem or short story appearing on the web, and you even see it in other places, on ads for the website *you* put it on, Facebook.

Now, the first question that comes to mind, is this legal? According to the new terms of service, that little ‘okay’ button you click when you create your account, it is very legal. A new term of service states that Facebook gets a “perpetual worldwide license” to anything posted on their site. Mark Zuckerberg, co-founder of Facebook, says that this was not to steal the work of the members of Facebook. Then, I have to ask, what was the point?

Unknown to me, that’s for sure.

Another new thing in this ‘bill of rights’ for Facebook is that they now keep all members data on file, even after the account is deleted. This includes the comments they post on another user’s page, this includes the content of their own page, the pictures they put up, and all of it is included in the new Facebook ‘bill of rights.’ So, what’s the point of this? Once again, I don’t know.

Now, the question is, is this right, in any respect? Surely it can’t be. The content of your page can not be deleted, even if you delete your account? Anything you post on another member’s page can not be deleted, even if you delete your account? Does this make a lick of sense? Not quite, not to me. So, the question is, what are they allowed to use your work for?

Promotional Purposes.

So, this means for ads for Facebook, for commercials, if they make any, for any of it. And, let me put it this way, lets say that you wrote a poem, for say, for school, and then you put it on Facebook, just to show a few friends, what happens with it then? Well, Facebook has complete rights to use it for ads, then what? Well, what if your teacher sees one of these ads, and then they read your piece of work. Guess what, from that simply, you get an accusation of plagiarism. Wouldn’t that just be lovely?

So, is this part of the Facebook ‘bill of rights’ unacceptable? A lot of people think so. Several Facebook members have protested it, creating a group against it with thousands of people and doing anything else that they think physically possible to stop it. I guess they think that if enough people boycott it, it will end.

And it has, temporarily.

But will they bring this back up? They took it off of their little bill of rights thing. Well, one thing is for sure, I wouldn’t want to be the unlucky person who Facebook finds and gets a hold of their work, their pictures, and their own words, all of it. And really, who would?

In the past, they have made similar mistakes, you know, things bringing up an uproar of members, making them leave the very site that facebook assumes they

belong to. In the past, they actually made a new application where friends could track anything and everything another friend was doing on facebook.com. And what was worse about it was that there was no way to turn off this feature, so people were pretty much stuck with knowing that their friends could be watching them.

Will it ever end?

“Good Day to You!”...Getting to know Mr. Fennell

By Jami Hicks

Many of you have probably already heard Mr. Fennell’s friendly voice saying these words, but what else do you know about him?

Where was your last position held?

“Pecatonica Community Middle School”

How long were you there?

“12 years. 8 years as a teacher, 4 as the principal.”

What caught your attention about Warren High School?

“I am part of the community, the staff seems nice and the closeness. I don’t have to drive 35 minutes to work anymore.”

What are the biggest differences between this school and Pecatonica?

“Size. Warren has 110 less students than Pecatonica.

What are some of the improvements you have already made to our high school?

“The skills from the standards have been brought up front.”

Are there any other things you plan on changing?

“Positive atmosphere and students’ enthusiasm in classrooms and in extra curricular activities.”

Do you plan on adding or dropping any programs?

“I have a high hope to add art back into our program.”

What is it like to work with your wife everyday?

“We have more in common now. We used to talk about our schools, but now we come home and talk about the same school district. We have become closer.”

What is the one thing means more to you than anything else?

“Family! Eventually this school too.”

What are your hopes and wishes for the students here at Warren School District?

“A high goal is that they will still want to learn when they leave here.”

How will you leave a lasting impression on your students?

“...by being myself. We as a staff, work for the benefit of the students.”

How do you want to affect us?

“Be conscientious, considerate learners. I want you to be conscious of the world around you and the effect you can have on people. That’s why I say ‘Good day!’ to everyone. Everyone likes to be recognized-even if it is only a ‘Good morning.’ ”

You seem like a very respectable person. What is it that makes/keeps you that way?

“I believe in hearing others’ opinions, even if I may not agree.”

How did you stay motivated back in high school when it got hard for you?

“I have always liked challenges, which is why I ended up here. It was a challenge for me.”

Any advice for this year’s seniors?

Get along and make the best of this year because it will never repeat itself. Do it in a way that you would be proud of-5, 10, 20 years from now!”

Any thing you want to say to your students?

“I am happy to be here. Thank you everybody for being respectful to me and for listening to me.”

“The Day the Music Died”

Krystal Francis

On February 3, 1959 there was a tragic plane crash carrying very well liked and very young musicians. Buddy Holly, J.P. Richardson, and Ritchie Valens were killed on the plane because of a bad snow storm. The musicians were going to take their bus but the heater broke, so it was too cold to ride on. There were only 3 seats on the plane and there were four people on the tour. Someone was going to have to ride the bus. Ritchie and Buddy’s drummer had to flip for the plane seat. Ritchie won the coin toss and got to ride the plane. It was snowing like crazy in the sky. People say the plane got out of control and crashed into the ground just northwest of Clear Lake around 1 in the morning. All three of the musicians were thrown out of the plane and killed from impact. The pilot was trapped in wreckage and was also killed from impact.

Charles Hardin Holley also known as “Buddy Holly” was born on September 7, 1936 in Lubbock, Texas. Buddy was introduced to music at a young age and was fascinated by it ever since. He particularly likes to listen to blues and country. His favorite musicians were Hank Williams, Jimmie Rogers, Bob Willis, and Hank Thompson. In the 7th grade, Buddy met Bob Montgomery. Bob played guitar so they soon became best friends and started a “band” together calling it “Buddy and Bob.” The two of them would play at school concerts and some local radio broadcasts. They remained together for a long time until Buddy got a contract offer but Bob didn’t. Buddy decided to take the offer and start his solo career.

Jiles Perry Richardson was born on October 24, 1930 in Sabine Pass, Texas. His nickname “The Big Bopper” came from setting a world record for longest continuous broadcast which lasted for 6 days. Richardson wrote many famous hits including “Chantilly Lace.” He also wrote many country and western songs.

Ritchie Valens whose full name was originally Richard Valenzuela was born in 1942 in the suburbs of Los Angeles. He grew up teaching himself to play the guitar. He played his first public performance at a local school dance. He also opened a few minor shows in Los Angeles at the age of fifteen. Bob Keane discovered Valens at one of these shows and offered to give him a record deal. Ritchie’s first single was “Come on Lets Go.” This song made it to number 42 on the pop charts which motivated him to go back and record some more songs which he would then make into a record. He also agreed to go on a tour throughout the Midwest. In October of 1958, Ritchie wrote and recorded the hit of “Donna”, which was about a girl he liked back from school, and the hit “La Bamba”, which he first heard from a band in Mexico. During the tour in 1959, Ritchie won the coin toss to ride the plane instead of the bus. Ritchie always had a fear of flying because his father was killed by a plane.

All of these artists had a very great impact on the history of music in the United States. Each artist had his own way of making their music stand out from all the rest. They also had different sounds making each song and artist unique in their own way. I have heard some of Ritchie Valens’ songs, and I think he was a great artist who would have swept the nation with more great songs if it weren’t for the tragic plane crash in 1959.

What Do You Think?

By: Alyssa Koeller

The company Ty Inc. likes to name their Beanie Babies after celebrities, such as Bubbly Britney, Precious Paris, and Happy Hillary. Now they have come out with the first brown-skinned dolls in the collection. They have named them Sweet Sasha and Marvelous Malia. President Obama's daughters are named this. The First Lady Michelle Obama is not very happy about this. The company claims that they did not name the Beanie Babies after the girls. The First Lady Michelle, though, doesn't think they should have made their first two brown-skinned Beanie Babies and name them after her daughters. She feels it is "inappropriate" to use "young, private citizens" like her daughters to sell products. The company claims that the Beanie Babies were not modeled after the daughters, and neither were the names, therefore they did not ask the White House permission to use the names. The public doesn't yet know if the company's lawyer has been involved yet.

My opinion is that this was wrong of the company. Even though the company claimed that they did not model the Beanie Babies after Sasha and Malia, I don't believe them. They have named other Beanie Babies after other celebrities. I don't think that it's a coincidence that the first two brown-skinned Beanie Babies happen to be named after them. I think that if they are going to use names that happen to be a celebrities name they should ask permission. Even if the Beanie Babies aren't modeled after them, I think that they should still run the idea past them. I think that they should have talked to Michelle, and informed her that they really like the names Sasha and Malia. The company also should have informed Michelle that they were going to be the first brown-skinned Beanie Babies. They should have just been up front about it. Even if they don't look like them outside of the color skin and the names, it would have been the right thing to do. I also think that had they been up front about it, they could have modeled that Beanie Babies after them. I think that had they asked permission about it from the start that Michelle would have probably let them. When you go and do something like this without permission people get mad, but if you ask you just might get farther then you would have thought.

Being Pregnant

By Autumn Kuhse

I am in Adult Living and I have to wear the empathy belly witch is like a 9 month pregnant lady, but I only have to wear it for a school day. It is so heavy it makes my back and hip hurt real bad! The point of the belly is to make teens realize how hard it is to carry a baby. I know its making me think twice. Also, when we get done wearing the belly we get a synthesis baby that needs to be taken care of like a real baby. You have to change, feed, rock, and burp it. If you don't, it shows up on the teacher's reading that you neglected your baby and you get points deducted off your final grade. I think this assignment is a really good idea for teens because it really makes you think twice. I asked a classmate Alex Raab questions about caring for her baby...

1. **Did this assignment make you think twice about having a child?** "Yeah, because it kept me up all night."
2. **Did taking this class make you realize what responsibilities you have to take when you become an adult?** "Yes, it made me realize the cost and time a baby takes."
3. **Did doing this assignment make you realize that having a child at a young age isn't such good idea?** "Yes, because it takes away your life."

This was a great assignment that our entire class learned many life lessons from.

The Best Eats!

By Coral Wuebben and Cynthia Waters

We wanted to figure out what the most popular lunch in school was, so we took a poll based on 24 people. Our conclusion was that Stuffed Crust Pizza was the most popular with 7 votes. Coming in second was Taco Max Snacks with 6 votes. Easter/Christmas Dinner, Cheese

Stix, and Tater Tot Casserole all tied with 2 votes each. Next, with one vote each was Taco Salad, Cheeseburger, Breakfast Pizza, and Chicken and Waffles (which we are not sure is on the menu). These are all very scrumptious lunches!

Mr. Drake : Letting Your Voice Be Heard

By Melinda Anderson, and Kayli Harwick

Have you ever wondered anything about Mr. Drake? What was it? Was it about his favorite song? That's here. How about his favorite movie? That's here, too. What did you wonder? He's the choir teacher, here at Warren High School, and he enjoys it. One thing you will know when you come into one of his classes is that he loves to give the students an opportunity to be heard, and to have a good time.

1. Where did you attend School/High School/College?
 - Elementary – Peotone
 - High School Freshman – Peotone
 - High School Sophomore-Senior – Manteml
 - College - Monmouth
2. What's your favorite Movie? Album? Song?
 - Movie – Mr. Holland's Opus
 - Album – London Cast of Les Miserables
 - Song – “Barber's Agnus Dei”
3. Why did you choose the job you have?
 - “I wanted to pass on my love of music to other people.”
4. Where have worked before?
 - Server at many restaurants
 - Rodeo Clown for two seasons
 - This is his first teaching job
5. What's your favorite place you have ever visited?
 - Scotland
6. Why did you come to Warren over any other place?
 - Saw a great potential in our program
 - Wanted to help it grow
7. Do you have any pets?
 - Yes – white cat named Moe-Zart
 - Black cat named Saulieri
8. What kind of car do you drive?
 - 2002 Mercury Sabel
9. What's the hardest part of your job?
 - Getting up so early
10. What are any of your outside hobbies?
 - Acting
 - Volunteering at animal shelters
 - Used to play in a cover band
11. What's your favorite color?
 - Red
12. What's the best part of the job you have?
 - “Seeing my students everyday.”

How Well Do You Really Know Her?

By: Ashley Kent and Alyssa Koeller

Warren High School has a lot of students. We decided to interview one of them and see how well you know her!

1. What is your name?

Alicia Ann Schetgen

2. How old are you?

Sixteen

3. What is your favorite color?

Purple

4. Who is your favorite teacher?

Mr. Nelson

5. What is your favorite school lunch?

Cheese Max Snax

6. What is your favorite subject?

Mass Comm.

7. Where did you grow up?

Galena and Warren

8. What is your favorite school memory?

Falling and messing up my ankle

9. Where are you planning to go to college at?

M.E.S. or Colombia for art and design

10. What do you want to be?

A musician, youth pastor, or a photographer

11. What is your favorite hobby?

Dance

Mills, Mills, Mills

By: Ella Wybourn

When you're thinking about mills you think about the world making something good for us that will come out of that mill. That is not the case when it comes to puppy mills. The only thing that comes out of puppy mills is under fed, under socialized, and under loved puppies. Puppy mills are cruel and inhumane. People need to take a stand and try to stop things like this from happening.

Puppy mills are places where mass dog-breeding operations take place. The reason these puppy mills are still around today is because they prey on unwitting consumers who love to take home that doggy in the window. Puppy mills are most definitely the dirtiest place to keep dogs. The dogs are kept under horrible conditions. They are kept in overcrowded cages, never get to visit a vet, and they never see a toy or a treat ever.

When people see the ad on the internet or in the newspaper they think "look at that adorable puppy, we should get it". What they don't know is that the puppy they are about to buy may have a disease of some sort. Some dogs get inbred which could cause many problems in the future. Other dogs are born with diseases which won't show up until they are much older. Watch out for false advertising when it comes to puppy ads. Most of them will say something about never selling puppies from a mill and other false statements like that.

There are some things that everyone could do to help shut down these mills. The first thing that you should do would be to become educated about dog mills and the types of things to look for. The second thing you could do is to join special groups on Myspace or Facebook. Another thing is to help the HSUS put ads into newspapers and magazines about stopping puppy mills. You can go out and buy the Dog savers kit which has everything you would need to help save dogs around the world. You should pass on the word about these websites so that everyone knows about the animal cruelty going on. You can donate money, buy some merchandise, put up flyers, and talk to your federal and state legislators and try to convince them to do something.

I know that no one would want to spend their lives stuck in a cage with 5 other family members never to see sunlight, to never be fed or to be able to have fun. If you don't want to be treated like garbage then I don't think that dogs do either. Learn about how to stop dog mills and do something about it. Don't just sit watching TV and every time an animal cruelty commercial comes on sit there and say "that is so sad, I don't know how anyone could do that". You need to go out and do something about it rather than just say something about it. If you want to say something start a rally and tell everyone else about dog mills. Join a group today.

What to Name Your Dog

By: Ashley Kent and Alyssa Koeller

So you've just gotten home with your new American Cocker Spaniel. It doesn't have a name yet, and you're not sure as to what you want to name it. So you get on the Internet and the search begins!! When choosing the name of your new dog, the name usually reflects the dogs or your own personality. Some simple steps to follow when choosing name are: 1. If you keep the name short, like one or two syllables, then it will be easier for your dog to learn and remember its name. 2. Choose from some usual dog names such as Spot, Patch, Poochie, or Rover. 3. Try to match the name of the dog to its personality. Like a noble hound may be named King. 4. You could also name your dog after your favorite food like: Brownie, Sugar, Cream Puff. 5. You could express your sense of human like naming your growling bulldog Cuddles. 6. Or you could be creative and name your dog after your favorite book, song, or actor. A tip that is very useful is to get your puppy familiar with its name as soon as you pick it out. Always say it in a pleasing voice, and when it recognizes its name give a treat and pet it. Another tip would be to make sure that you keep its name distinct from any other commands you are trying to teach it. For instance, if you name your dog Noah then you should probably come up with some creative ways to teach your dog the word "NO" otherwise it might confuse him or her. If your dog is an older dog and you would like to change its name you should be very careful. You should try and stick to similar sounds, like if your changing your dogs name from Barney it should be Farley or something similar. It's more important to keep the vowel sounds the same than the consonants, since vowels are easier for the dog to pick up on. So if your dogs name was Pikey you should change it to something like Mikey, but not Picky or Pokey.

The top ten dog names for males are: Max, Buddy, Jake, Rocky, Bailey, Buster, Cody, Charlie, Bear, and Jack. The top ten dog names for females are: Molly, Maggie, Daisy, Lucy, Sadie, Ginger, Chloe, Bailey, Sophie, Zoe. Have fun and good luck choosing your dogs name.

Coach Kills Player?

By Jake Reynolds

A high school player in Kentucky died of dehydration after a Coach refused to let him get a drink during practice. Several I-witnesses state that he threatened to run them until someone quit the team. It was recorded that they received 3 water breaks in 30 minutes, but none afterward. This usually would not cause severe dehydration. The only factor is that they were playing in 94 degree weather.

The player was Max Gilpin, a 15 year old player. Now the coach is being charged with reckless homicide. I could understand the feelings that the family must be going through. I agree that it is the coach's fault as well. The coach should have been giving constant water breaks if they were playing in 94 degree heat. No student especially one that's 15 years old should be denied water breaks, especially after asking the second time. So does the family have right to press charges against the coach.

I don't think that he should be guilty of homicide. I don't think he wanted to kill the student and he probably already can't live with himself. He shouldn't be charged, but stripped of his coaching ability forever. Something that will set an example for other coaches. Don't scare the crap out of the countries coaches. Coaching in high school can be very harsh and should probably be monitored much closer.

The most the coach should be charged with is a couple years hard time. He should definitely be fired though. Hopefully it will inspire schools to regulate the amount of conditioning during extreme heats. If it were cooler I doubt any of this would have happened. The player could have just got a drink as well. So no, a coach should not be charged with homicide, but should be stripped of coaching for life. I'm sure the fact that he is being blamed for the death of a 15 year old boy is enough punishment for him.

Basketball's Mount Rushmore

By Ryan Vick

The Mount Rushmore version of the best basketball players to ever play the game in my opinion would be Michael Jordan, Kareem Abdul Jabbar, Wilt Chamberlain, and Earvin "Magic" Johnson. Michael Jordan is known for his extreme finishes and team leadership. Wilt "the Stilt" Chamberlain is best known for his high scoring games and outstanding rebounds. Kareem Abdul Jabbar is known for the famous sky hook. Finally, Magic Johnson is known for his ability to win games and championships.

Michael Jordan attended Emsley A. Laney High School in North Carolina. Jordan tried out for the varsity basketball team as a sophomore and didn't make the team because he was too short, standing at 5' 11". He grew four inches over the summer and made a perfect fit for the team the next year. Michael averaged over 20 points in his last two seasons. His senior year he was invited to the McDonalds Classic. In his senior year he averaged a triple-double with 29 points, 11 rebounds and 10 assists. Jordan earned a basketball scholarship to North Carolina and after 3 years he entered the NBA draft. Jordan was drafted by the Chicago Bulls in 1984. Jordan quickly became a fan favorite. He earned many awards throughout his career but nothing is better than the 6 championships in the 1990s. Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls became the first franchise team in history to win that many in a decade.

Kareem Abdul Jabbar is also considered one of the best basketball players of all time. He scored a total of 38,387 points which still is the record high. Not only did Kareem score the most, he also has the most MVP titles (6). With his tremendous size at 7'2", Kareem was the one that was known for his sky hook. Abdul Jabbar attended college at UCLA. In his 3 year career at UCLA he won an amazing total of 88 and had only 2 losses.

Wilt Chamberlain is highly known for his scoring, he is the only player to ever score a 100 points in one game and average 40 to 50 points in one season. Wilt has to be part of these 3 other amazing athletes for this reason only. I mean 100 points in a game is just insane, some teams together don't even achieve that. Wilt wasn't only known for his scoring ability but also on the rebounding side. Wilt played college ball at the University of Kansas.

Earvin "Magic" Johnson was also an NBA All Star. Magic won championships in the high school, college and professional levels. Magic didn't win all of the individual awards but focused more on the team goals and championships. Altogether these four would make an unstoppable Mt. Rushmore of Basketball.

Drugs in Sports

By Jake Hille

The worst era baseball has ever seen has come. This era is the "Steroid Era". Steroids are starting to show up everywhere in the sport. The players think that they need to use these drugs so they can cheat their way to being a better player. Instead of just putting hard work in the weight room and just plain training hard, they think steroids are the way to go. They just need to stop being so lazy.

The people that use them really think they're sneaky about it too. They think that they will never be caught. Take a look at Barry Bonds and Roger Clemens. They were two of the biggest baseball stars to ever come to baseball. Then just recently they have been accused of using steroids. This really changes the public perception of once amazing stars.

Another thing is if their statistics should be affected at all. Barry Bonds currently holds the home run record, but should it be taken away because of his performance enhancing drug use?

Many people say that it should. Roger Clemens being one of the greatest pitchers ever with so many records; should his records be taken away? It doesn't matter how good or bad you are, if you take steroids you should be punished in some kind of way. Even if that way is taking away some of the statistics they earned because they didn't really put in the time and effort for them. They let the steroids do all of the work.

The drugs aren't particularly good for you anyway. Yeah, they may boost your muscle size greatly, but they do have side affects. They can cause weird and crazy behavior which is known as a 'Roid Rage. This is an amazing rage of anger where the body and brain go crazy and they can't control their actions. They just plain aren't good for you.

Sports should really have stronger penalties for steroid use. The athletes are just going to keep doing it unless they get punished for it. Someday it will happen and all professional sports will be because of hard work and not cheating.

Greatest Rivalry Ever

By: Jason Brinkmeier

When I think of great rivalries, Packers vs. Bears, Lakers vs. Celtics, and Yankees vs. Red Sox come to my mind, but none of these are the best rivalries ever. Duke vs. North Carolina men's basketball is. The rivalry started in 1920 and has been producing some of the best games since.

North Carolina leads the rivalry with 128 wins compared to Duke's 97 wins. The first game they played against each other was on January 24, 1920. North Carolina won the game 36-25. North Carolina also won the latest competition 76-68 on March 8, 2008. The two teams have only met once in postseason history as North Carolina beat Duke 73-67 in the NIT playoffs in 1971.

One of the most memorable games ever happened on March 4, 2006. It was Duke's senior night and they were honoring the National Player of the Year and the ACC all-time leading scorer J.J. Redick. Also being honored was the two-time National Defensive Player of the Year Shelden Williams. A record number of viewers were watching this game as an estimated 3.78 million households tuned into the game. Redick would go on to miss 15 of his last 16 shots as Duke lost 83-76.

In postseason history Duke has won three championships and appeared in the Final Four 14 times ranking them third all-time. North Carolina on the other hand has won four championships and appeared in the Final Four a record 17 times.

Whether the game is in the Dean Smith Center in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, or at Cameron Indoor Stadium, you should tune it to watch it because it could get crazy and it is the greatest rivalry in the history of sports.

A Race to Gamble for

By Dylan Dawson

The race at Las Vegas proved to be exciting as well as devastating for many drivers. Some were looking to beat records while others were looking for their first Vegas win. Both the Nationwide Series and the Sprint Cup Series were great races. In the Nationwide Series it looked more like a demolition derby than a race due to all the wrecks. Throught the destruction of the field that 18 of the 43 cars that started the race weren't running at the finish, and another five were more than 26 laps down when the race finally ended more than three hours after it started, with the help of two stoppages totaling nearly 20 minutes. With cars slipping, sliding, spinning and crashing, Greg Biffle won the Sam's Town 300 Nationwide Series race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway. It broke a 76 winless streak that was way past due. The race also bumpped Greg Biffle to first place in the points standings with Carl Edwards in second. Of all the wrecks Denny Hamlins cut tire was probably the worst of them all. He had a tire go down and moved up the race track to avoid traffic. The only problem was Mike Bliss was going to pass him up high and ran right into the back of him sending Hamlin straight into the wall. It was a very hard hit that took both drivers out of the race. The race was very intense and full of action. The NASCAR

Sprint Cup Series race was just as good. Matt Kenseth was looking to win his third straight win until his engine blew up on lap 7. It was the worst thing that could have happened to him all year. He is very lucky it only dropped him to third in points instead of more. The wrecks continued in this race too. Top drivers like Jimmy Johnson, Jeff Gordon, and Denny Hamlin. Although they were some drivers that weren't expected to do anything that finished toward the top. David Reutimann at similarly hefty 75-to-1 odds also found themselves sitting atop a potential fortune as the final laps wound down. He ended up finishing fourth in his Toyota. Another 75-1 odds driver was Clint Bower who was leading the race until Kyle Bush passed him. He also had a great race and finished second. In the end it was native son Kyle Busch taking the checkered flag, and bowing to the crowd and even kissing the start/finish line after a performance as impressive as any of his eight victories a year ago. The race at the city that never sleeps was very intense and some drivers who we thought would do good didn't. Maybe that's why it's better not to bet on something that isn't always going to turn out the way it's supposed to.

For the Love of the Game...Baseball 2009

By: Dylan Riggle

The high school baseball team started practice last night and it was a good start to the year. This was the beginning for most teams as this week and it's time to buckle down and get ready as many teams' first games are less than a month away. Both JV and VS have about 12 guys for their numbers. We don't have the biggest squad for numbers but we do have a good squad. The Varsity squad has won their division for the last two years and is looking to do that. A somewhat young JV team is also looking to have a good year.

Warren and Stockton co-op for baseball so that we can play and it takes a lot to come together and play as a team against kids that you face in other sports. But we get it done we treat it as we are one school we play as a team and we will win as a team. Warren has 3 seniors 3 juniors 1 sophomore and 3 freshmen. The squad is looking to practice hard with only having 3 weeks to prepare for the first game that what it's going to take to win is hard work and practice. Not sure on how the year is going to go we have a little less guys for both JV and VS squads than we do usually but we're not going to let that slow us down and we will work to get the job done.

Last year we weren't really known for our awesome hitting but for our good defense and awesome pitching. That is what it is going to take again this year to win conference we will need to have a good pitching and a good defense. It should be a good year for the team but with the numbers that we have everyone is going to have to work hard. There isn't going to be that many people on the bench at a time which means that a starting spot is probably going to go to the kids that work hard and want to play and win. I have been looking forward to high school baseball since I was a little kid and now that it's here I can't wait to see how it goes.

The Best Monday Night Ever

By Jacob Walter

On Monday October, 27, 2008 there was a rock concert in Rockford Illinois. This was not known at the time by Mike Thompson and me until about 4 o'clock that night. We got the tickets for free from his sister. Without knowing where we were going to sit and no plans we got there. Then we asked where we were sitting we were on the floor 10 rows back. The concert started with a cover band for AC/DC that was named Back in Black. They started the show off with "Back in Black", "Dirty Deeds", "Thunder Struck", "Highway to Hell" and ended their set with "Hell's Bells". Needless to say when this was done I was not able to hear anything. While the stage was being set for the next band I went to see the AC/DC band and got my ticket signed by the entire band while Mike got his shirt signed. The next band to play was the Pink Floyd cover band the Pink Floyd Experience. They started the set with "Shine on you Crazy Diamond". They also started the light show within about the first minute of the set. The next song was "Money" one of their more popular songs. While they were still playing they released the flying pig. If you don't know about the pig it is one of the things the band does for their show. The last song was "Comfortably Numb" The best part of the set was the light show in my opinion. The last band to

play was the Led Zeppinites the cover band for Led Zeppelin. The singer even had an English accent like Robert Plant. They started with “Black Dog” and next was “Arabian Nights”, “Immigrant Song”, then “Stair Way to Heaven”. I was ecstatic to go to the concert even though they were cover bands but the bands sounded and looked the exact same as the real thing. So, all in all, this was by far the best Monday night I have ever had so far even though I was not planning on it. So if I was to give advice I would say be more spontaneous in this adventure called life you never know when you will be given the chance to see awesome bands.

Boom Boom Boom!!!!

Pioneer Electronics

By Jake Hille and Dylan Dawson

What are the best and the loudest systems and speakers on earth? Pioneer car stereos are top of the line. They give off better sound than all other car stereos. Pioneer also makes great amps and subwoofers. They make amps that give off up to 4000 watts and their speakers and woofers give you great loud sound and bass.

In my opinion Pioneer is best for all electronics. I have a Pioneer stereo system in my Jeep and it sounds great. Pioneer makes these car stereos that are touch screen and play DVDs. They are pretty legit and have lighting and sound to them. They also make regular car stereos that are plane Jane or they make ones where a hydraulic system pushes the faceplate down and displays where the cd's go in.

Their speakers are some of the loudest, best sounding, and dependable speakers in the history of speaker making. Their regular car speakers add an amazing sound to your vehicle. If you then add Pioneer woofers, O'man! Their woofers will rock your world. They will boom, boom you so hard you won't be able to think straight for weeks.

The Most Difficult and the Easiest Games to Beat

By Zach Wuebben and Patrick Curran

This list shows the hardest games to beat to the easiest games to beat. Personally, we like the harder games to play because they last longer and we will always be able to go back and play them anytime and they would still be great. Some of the games were gruesome and some were just fun, but no matter what genre, the game could still be great.

Hardest to beat:

1. Mario party on 64
2. Mario bros on NES
3. Gears of War 2 w/ insane difficulty
4. Halo 3 w/ legendary difficulty
5. Guitar hero 3 song: through the fire and flames

Medium to beat:

1. Need for Speed Carbon
2. Legend of Zelda Twilight princess
3. Assassins Creed
4. Resident Evil
5. Mortal Kombat Armageddon

Easiest to beat:

1. No More Heroes
2. Little Big Planet
3. Mortal Kombat Vs. DC Universe
4. Mario Kart Double Dash
5. Twisted Metal

A Night to Remember!

By: Ashley Kent and Alyssa Hess

Do you enjoy watching scary movies on a Friday or Saturday night? Prom Night is a scary movie that has you on your toes throughout the entire movie. It's rated PG-13 for violence and terror.

The movie is about Donna's senior prom gone bad. It starts off as Donna coming home from the movies and finding her dead brother and dad. She starts looking for her mom then. She then sees Richard Fenton screaming and yelling at her mom, asking where Donna is and when she's going to get home. Donna then runs into a room and hides under a bed. She sees Richard kill her mom. She then runs outside and starts screaming for help. Richard then gets sent to prison.

Then three years later it starts off as any other prom day. Donna goes and gets her hair done, dresses up nice, and gets picked up by her date. What she doesn't know is that Richard Fenton has escaped from prison. So Donna her date Bobby, and there friends Claire, Lisa, Ronnie, and Michael head off to a five star hotel for there prom. After Donna leaves Detective Winn comes and breaks the news to Donna's aunt and uncle. Richard escaped from prison three days earlier. They decided not to go pick Donna up, because it was one of the most special nights of her life and they weren't sure if Richard was even in there town or not. The Detective stationed a couple of cops around each entrance just in case he did decide to show up there. Richard then figures out what floor Donna and her friends are going to stay on. He then kills the maid so that he could get the master card to sneak into there room. After Donna, Bobby, and the rest of their friends go back down to the dance room Richard sneaks in to the room. When Claire and Ronnie got into a fight, Claire went up to the room. After a while Donna followed to make sure that she was okay. Claire said that she was going to go to the bathroom and clean herself up, she'd be down in a little bit. Fenton then kills Claire. Ronnie then gets worried and goes looking for Claire. Fenton then kills Ronnie. After a while Donna and Lisa get worried when Claire and Ronnie don't come back down. Michael said that Claire and him would go looking for them, because Michael wanted some alone time with Claire so that he could propose. They run into Fenton in the elevator. They go back to the room and start making out when Lisa realizes who it was that she saw. She then goes to find Donna to tell her and ends up getting killed. When Detective Winn figures out that Fenton is in the hotel he makes and emergency exit. Donna forgets her moms shawl up in the room and goes to get it. When she's goes to get it, she runs into Fenton. She escapes Fenton, and she and Bobby get driven back to her aunt's house. They have cops stationed outside of her house, in case he decides to go back to her house. Donna and Bobby are trying to sleep. Donna wakes up to go to the bathroom and Fenton kills Bobby. Then tries to kill Donna and the Detective comes in and kills him. Then he tells Donna that it's all over with.

The scenes could be possible when you think about all the crazy people out there. It is very possible for some one to sneak in and kill a bunch of people at a prom. They had really good special effects. The people really did look like there throats were slit and that they really were bleeding. The blood looked sooo real! They had the right type of music needed for every scene they had. They went from love songs at the prom, to scary sounding music during the murder scenes.

It's a really good movie and if you like scary movies, then this is the one for you!

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