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## HOMECOMING: A TIME TO REMEMBER

By: Stephen Boehme, Carrie Chalker, and Elizabeth Polley

Homecoming 2010 at Peebles High School was held Saturday, February 13th. The theme: Deep Blue Paradise. Oh, what a paradise it was!

This year there were three Senior attendants. Olivia Fulton who was escorted by Eric Collier, was the first attendant. She is the daughter of Chris and Mary Fulton. Emily Hoop escorted by Nathan Stephens was the second. She is the daughter of Vohn and Kathy Hoop. The final attendant was Paige Staggs. Paige was escorted by Andrew Seaman and is the daughter of Jodie and Terri Staggs.

There was a tie between two juniors. One was Jayde Boyd, the daughter of Heather Boyd. She was gracefully escorted by Andy Countryman. The other junior was Breanna Unger. Her parents are Bret and Phyllis Unger. Breanna was escorted by senior, Drew McFarland.

There was one Sophomore attendant and one Freshman attendant. The Sophomore attendant was Ainsley Camp, the daughter of Jerry and Stacey Camp. She was escorted by Anders Bengston. The Freshman attendant was Ashley Toller who was escorted by Michael Johnson. Her proud parents are Steve and Mollie Hoop.

PHS voted Paige Staggs as our wonderful 2010 Homecoming Queen.



Special thanks goes to the Peebles Lion's Club, the PHS Art Department, PHS Administrators & Athletic Directors, Beth McElwee, Norma Brown, Denise Johnson, and Dawn Wallace.

Though not all of our teams were victorious that evening, we still came out triumphant. The excitement in the gymnasium's air was overwhelming for the roused audience. Our varsity Indians trailed the dominant Eastern Warriors for the entire first half of the varsity game. By the second, the tension could not be ignored. With every seat filled, and limited standing room, the remainder of the game was a war for players and audience alike. Everything led down to the final moments of the game with the scores tied up. It was only by a final foul shot by junior Blake Justice that the Indians managed to pull ahead with just seconds remaining on the board. As the buzzer

screamed Indian victory so did the ecstatic fans! Varsity won a tough battle 68-67.

Now on to the dance. It was a paradise in itself. This was one of the few dances that people did not have to wait forever to get in and start boogying down. D.J., R.D. Malcom, played many popular songs. Lady Gaga's Bad Romance, the Cha-Cha Slide, Hinder's Lips of an Angel, Tik-Tok by Ke\$ha, Nickelback's Never Gonna Be Alone, and many more. Deep Blue Paradise was a splash.





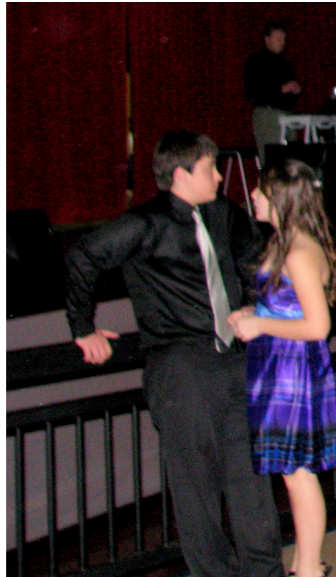
Below: The "Court" for Mock-Homecoming







Above: The dance to "Cupid Shuffle"





# AROUND THE SCHOOL

By Stephen Boehme

## Life Without the Agenda

This year the school stopped issuing "agendas" with hall passes. Instead, we have gotten a piece of paper for this purpose. Why the cut? Unfortunately, it's not to save money for something useful like a school-wide pizza party.

After about the second week of school, one out of every ten agendas is lost. Those with lost agendas must borrow someone else's for the hall passes, which isn't even legal. Usually they write their name at the top, which works unless the teacher checks the label too. Such is still the case even with just the paper. But there are other reasons. By the end of the third nine-weeks, so much has been drawn in the agendas from the ridiculous to the obscene, that ten of them put together in a book would make a best seller. Day after day they are stolen, vandalized, and abused. I couldn't tell you about one agenda whose planner or calendar had been used. I could tell you about ones that had been dropped in the hall, ripped up, thrown away, shoved down people's pants, and even flushed down the men's toilets. So if this is to happen, it should happen to a 1 cent piece of card stock and not an expensive planner. Like people say nowadays, "with the economy the way it is," we just can't afford to waste money.

## Why is Twilight so Popular?

I'm still wondering why even though the fad is finally starting to die down. The Twilight series was so popular that even though I've never read the books I can piece together a large amount of information through movie trailers, YouTube parodies, and the endless gossip that's been going around since the second semester of last school year. What I understand is that there's this 17-year-old girl named Bella who's being stalked by this pale dude who sparkles in sunlight (Edward Cullen). He's supposed to be like a hundred years old and a vampire, but looks like a starved person who plays World of Warcraft too much and cares a lot about his hair. She's also being stalked by a guy who's supposedly a werewolf (Jacob) who has his shirt off all the time. I mean, come on! The vampire doesn't even melt! And somehow the pale guy has made this situation possible: Average guy asks average girl out.

*Average guy: Will you go out with me?*

*Average girl: I'm sorry, but no.*

*Guy: Why not?*

*Girl: My true love is Edward Cullen!*

I'm not sure if that's actually ever happened, but it could have with Twilight being such an obsession. Some girls even want to become a vampire so they can "get" this character. I realize that girls need a character like Bella to live vicariously through, but why someone who has a crush on this Edward person?

What are you listening to? Write the name of an artist, song, or album you can't stop liking! For those of you who don't know me very well, music is a huge part of my life. Nothing is too weird. Tell me your favorites! Write to Stephen Boehme and drop it off at the library. Maybe I'll feature your picks in an article! We'll just see where it goes...



### Correction:

I am very grateful for the recognition as having the most creative Halloween costume, as shown in the last issue of the Tribal Times. However, I hereby grant the award to the man who actually deserves it: Senior Chris "The Fuzz" Dunlap. Mr. Dunlap was the person who actually brought it to school. The outfit was genuine Iraqi, sent by his sister who is stationed in the country. Chris wore the outfit during 1<sup>st</sup> period, I did during 2<sup>nd</sup> period, and sophomore Jacob Stone wore it during 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> periods. I have not yet decided whether to give fuzz the \$1000 in prize money. I did wear it most of the day anyway...



# CAST SPECTACULAR:

## Cast Members of Tom Sawyer Shine in the Spotlight

The cast list for Peebles High School's school production of *Tom Sawyer* was released on Friday, January 15th, 2010. The following is the full cast list:



### Male (children) Cast

Tom Sawyer—Justin Morgan  
Huckleberry Finn—Jack Chalker  
Sidney Sawyer—Tim Smalley  
Ben Rogers—Trae Ewing  
Joe Harper—Clay Brown  
George Bellamy—Stephen Reynolds



### Female (children) Cast

Becky Thatcher—Paige Staggs  
Amy Lawrence—Kayla Keidel  
Lucy Harper—Kayleigh Humphrey  
Sabina Temple—Ashton Clough  
Susie Rogers—Molly Arey

### General Back-up/ Choir Member Cast

Mareike Kahrs  
Katie Schwamberger  
Stephane Whitley  
Tasha Risner  
Jaymie Lee  
Kayla Clough



### General Back-up/ Choir Member Cast

Madison O'Connor  
Jackie Deardoff  
Caitlin Lauders  
Jodeci Moore

### Female (adult) Cast

Aunt Polly—Carrie Chalker  
Widow Douglas—Kelsey Bengston  
Sereny Harper—Ashley Howe  
Jessica Rogers—Elizabeth Polley  
Naomi Hollis—Whitney Applegate  
Sally Bellamy—Isabella Curdsmith

### Male (adult) Cast

Judge Josiah Thatcher—Dallas  
Butcher  
Alfred Temple—Justice Bishop  
Lanyard Bellamy—Travis Laxton  
Lemuel Dobbins—Robert Stone  
Reverend Joshua Sprague—Brian  
Ayers  
Injun Joe—Anders Bengston  
Muff Potter—Jacob Stone  
Doc Robinson—Clay Brown  
Pap—Matt Mahoney



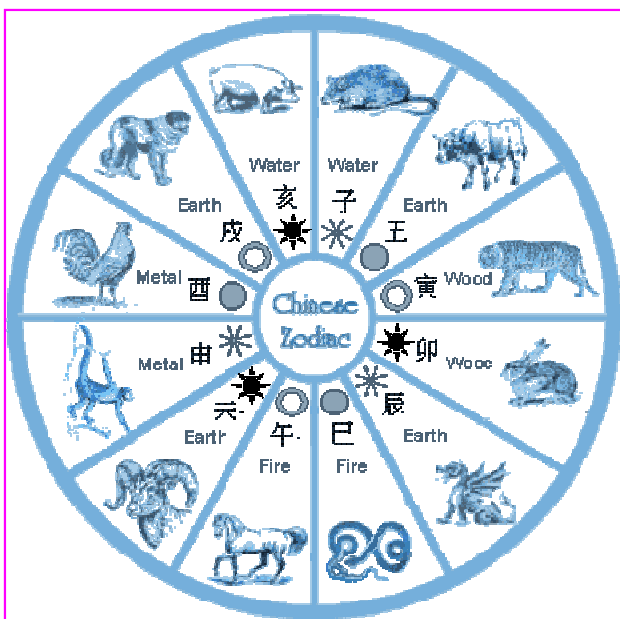


# Madame Stella's Year of the Tiger



The year 4108 or 2010 is the year of the tiger. A mighty year. The Chinese believe the stripes of the tiger represent the 'yin' and 'yang.' The Chinese's New Year Horoscopes actually run from February 14, 2010 until February 2, 2011. This is because they base their calendar on the solar and lunar cycles.

The Chinese also believe that if you have a Tiger in your home you are protected from fire, theft, and evil spirits. Tigers are very lucky and courageous and should expect a year full of drama and unpredictability. Tigers can be stubborn, impatient and tremendous leaders.



## Horoscopes for the Year 2010

**If you were born in the year of the Rat** you should curb your natural impulsive nature and try to avoid taking unnecessary risks during the Year of the Tiger. Travel can be good for you this year.

**If you were born in the year of the Ox** keep your head about you this year, as the year of the Tiger is not always easy for the stability of a loving Ox person. There could be friction at home and work. However, your natural perseverance will get you through this dramatic year.

**If you were born in the year of the Tiger** it is time to kick the Year of the Ox out of its spot and usher your way in. This will be a good year full of energy and activity for you. Just be cautious not to overspend.

**If you were born in the year of the Rabbit** put plans and projects into gear this year! It is a time to prosper.

**If you were born in the year of the Dragon** your relationships may be difficult in the Year of the Tiger. This is a good year to take courses and learn new skills. Remember to stay positive this year.

This is the Zodiac sign chart. It tells who you are compatible with and what element is the animal's original element. For example, if you were born in the year of the Dog you would be most compatible with a person born in the years of the Horse or Tiger. You would be least compatible with a person born in the year of the Dragon or Rabbit. The incompatibility is not always true however; there are other things the Chinese say that prove your compatibility.

**If you were born in the year of the Snake** this is a good year to keep a low profile and a level head.

**If you were born in the year of the Horse** this is a vibrant time of great socializing. You can keep finances under control and you will have smooth sailing.

**If you were born in the year of the Sheep** an interesting and busy year is ahead of you. This could be a bewildering year, but stay positive and all will turn out well.

**If you were born in the year of the Monkey** it will be best for you to keep on working steadily and keep a low profile.

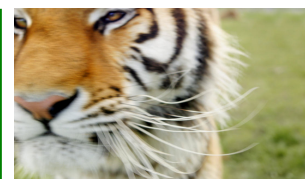
Rat	1924	1936	1948	1960	1972	1984	1996	2008
Ox	1925	1937	1949	1961	1973	1985	1997	2009
Tiger	1926	1938	1950	1962	1974	1986	1998	2010
Rabbit	1927	1939	1951	1963	1975	1987	1999	2011
Dragon	1928	1940	1952	1964	1976	1988	2000	2012
Snake	1929	1941	1953	1965	1977	1989	2001	2013
Horse	1930	1942	1954	1966	1978	1990	2002	2014
Sheep	1931	1943	1955	1967	1979	1991	2003	2015
Monkey	1932	1944	1956	1968	1980	1992	2004	2016
Rooster	1933	1945	1957	1969	1981	1993	2005	2017
Dog	1934	1946	1958	1970	1982	1994	2006	2018
Pig	1935	1947	1959	1971	1983	1995	2007	2019

**If you were born in the year of the Rooster** do not be afraid to make commitments and set up plans for this year. This will be a busy year for you.

**If you were born in the year of the Dog** this is a good year for romance. Your past hard work will start to pay off this year and it will be a busy year for you.

**If you were born in the year of the Pig** you should keep your head down. It will not be a very good year for you even though you may experience some luck.

To the left is the Chinese Zodiac sign calendar. It shows the Zodiac signs and the years that fall into the signs' categories. For instance if you were born in 1994, you are a Dog.





# Doctor Stella's Stellar Advice

Dr. Stella,

I always get depressed this time of year because everyone else has a boyfriend or girlfriend, and I don't. It makes me so upset how some people can get a new bf/gf almost every week, and I can't even seem to get one! Valentine's Day is supposed to be spent with someone you're dating, right? I mean that's how it has always been. But it makes me wonder what I don't have that everyone else does. I mean, I'm a good friend and I'm nice to everyone, but still nobody seems to notice me. Something must be seriously wrong with me. I can't even seem to get a date for Homecoming...

Sincerely,  
Out of Love

Out of Love,

Do not think you do not have something else that others don't. That is not the reason why you do not have a boyfriend, or girlfriend, or the reason you cannot get a date for Homecoming. Most likely, people are scared to ask you. Maybe since you're always nice and help people they believe that is all you do. Just maybe they believe that you THINK that you are too good for them? I know that is just answering questions with questions but evaluate yourself and others with those questions. If you look at yourself through their eyes, maybe you will find something out about yourself.

Good Luck,  
Doctor Stella

Dear Dr. Stella,

My whole life I have struggled to fit in. Now that I'm in the tenth grade, I am fitting in. But there is a lot of drama. People say they're your friends, but then they lie to you and backstab you. I can't trust anyone now. People are always lying to get you in trouble. I need help to just walk away and to know when someone is lying. How do I do that? Should I just turn my back on my friends?

Sincerely,  
Your friend

My dear friend,

All of your problems can not be solved by just walking away. Stand up to the friends who are telling you these lies and getting you in trouble. Then there is the issue that if these friends are lying to you in the first place, they are not really your friends. I am not telling you to just not be their friends; that would be cruel. I will leave that up to you. What I am saying is that you should tell them what they are acting like and how they make you feel. Also, do not get into situations that do not involve you. Getting involved into others' business when not wanted can become dangerous. Guys—do not get involved with a "girly" problem. That can be asking for a whole lot of trouble. Girls—let the guy ask you for help before you budge in. Learn to trust again; it is an amazing thing.

Hope everything works out,  
Doctor Stella

Dear Dr. Stella,

My best friend got killed in a car accident. I'm having a hard time dealing with the whole deal. My grades are slipping, and I have started using drugs. My friends are telling me I need help. I don't know what to do anymore. I really don't. I need help with finding better coping skills. How do I do that?

Sincerely,  
Please help me

I will help,

I cannot give you very much advice but what advice; I do give you is vital and a lot of help. Please listen carefully. Get off the drugs. They can mess up your brain and your body. Drugs affect your moods, so that could possibly be a reason why you are still not coping with the loss of your friend. Also, find someone you can trust, an adult, and tell them what is going on with you. Ask the adult for help or a reference for professional help. Or you can seek the help yourself. Step up and take a stand. Get off those drugs, seek counseling for your grief, and seek drug counseling as well.

Listen to me (after all I'm a doctor),  
Doctor Stella



# POETRY

## **Love?**

By: Elizabeth Polley

Who is Love?  
Anyone.  
Pleasure like no other.

What is Love?  
Love is Life.  
Enduring forever.

When is Love?  
At first sight.  
Someone is there for  
you.

Why is Love?  
For pleasure.  
Comforting, Wonderful.

Where is Love?  
All around.  
Everywhere you are  
now.

How is Love?  
It just is.  
Everlasting greatness.

Love is past.  
Love is present.  
Love is future.

Love is forever.  
Love is everything.  
Love is just Love.

You make Love,  
Who Love is,  
What Love is,  
When Love is,  
Why Love is,  
Where Love is, and  
How Love is!

## **Electric Storm**

By: Jaymie L. Lee

My heart is beating like a drum  
I cannot wait for the light to come  
The air is cold  
The feeling fierce  
The howling wolf hiding in the wind

The creatures stir  
The moon shines bright  
The howling continues throughout the night  
The feeble current  
The electric storm

The mountain stands  
True and strong  
Waiting all along  
For the trees to bow  
Before the mighty electric storm

The night takes up  
All reality  
The howling lurks beyond the trees  
How I wait in woeful luck  
In the eye of the storm

## **2010 Is My Year!**

By: Jackie Deardoff

2010 is my year now let's all stand up and cheer;  
I shall show no fear of the year 2010!  
Now we all may bow our heads,  
and thank God once again 2010 did begin.  
I want to give thanks to all our soldiers across the seas  
but how can this be?  
A soldier without his family indeed,  
and here over the seas we sit and watch  
but only complain when they're going through the pain.  
We stay up for hours of the night,  
but they stay up for days,  
but all we can do is hope for the best as we sleep our nights away.

## **Falling Thorn**

By: Nikki Sheeley

The thorns are a blood-born natural defense  
for something so wondrous!

Yet no one will hesitate to claim it, for its  
beauty is too powerful to the untrained eye!

Colors blend to confuse you, so hard to de-  
cide, but other spirits would prefer some-  
thing much more wildly!

Nothing can break the phase of it...the temp-  
tations to steal it from one's grasp.

Yet danger lurks within the stem. The petals  
try to cover its weapon.

Dew slowly slips down its one standing  
body.

The rose shall forever remain master less!



# What Do You Know About Valentine's Day?

"A Path to Love"  
A poem by Caleb A. Gibbs

Love is so splendid and sweet  
It is like having a wonderful  
dream  
Love in this life, will not admit  
defeat  
No matter, if you be yourself do  
things you do  
It doesn't matter how someone  
looks on their appearance

There is someone out there that  
loves you, for you  
And you will know, by one hold  
of a hand and a slow  
dance  
Don't be nervous on which path  
you shall choose

Because love is about taking  
chances  
So don't hide yourself anymore,  
what do you got to lose?  
So take a step, take a chance this  
Valentine dance.

2. Who was St. Valentine?

1. What happened on February 14th of the year 278 A.D.?

3. What did Europeans believe about February 14th in the Middle Ages?

4. In what nations is Valentine's Day known as "Dia del amor y Amistad"?

6. What is April 14th known as in Korea?

5. In Japan and Korea, what is March 14th known as?

8. How did chocolate become known as a Valentine's Day gift?

7. What does a gift of 108 roses mean in Taiwan?

9. How many cards are exchanged each year on Valentine's Day?

10. What kind of flowers are exchanged in Denmark as a gift?

*Tribal Times* last contest was won by Marissa and Mariah Phipps. The answers to the *Where Am I?* challenge were:

1. On the stage on top of the American flag
2. On a bathroom sign
3. In the Distance Learning Lab
4. In the office
5. In Mrs. Burke's classroom
6. In the library
7. In the office
8. In the office
9. On a school bus



# PEEBLES FFA

## Parliamentary Procedure

The Sub-District Parliamentary Procedure Contest was held on December 1, 2009, at Hillsboro High School. The Parliamentary Procedure CDE is an assessment of students' abilities to participate effectively in a business meeting or other group decision making situations. There were 7 teams that competed from Adams & Brown County Schools. Each team was allowed 16 minutes to run a business meeting; at the end of the meeting each team was scored, placed, and given a rating. The team of Brooke Dunn, Abby Rogers, Breanna Unger, Ashely Miller, Cheyenne Lloyd, Steven Shiveley, Stephaun Peyton, Chantell Blakley, Mariah Page, and Paige Staggs competed for Peebles FFA. They received a gold rating for their performance; which is the highest rating to be attained.

**Congratulations!**



*Pictured ( Left to Right)*

*Front:*

*Cheyenne Lloyd, Brooke Dunn, Ashely Miller, Paige Staggs*

*Back Row:*

*Abby Rodgers, Stephaun Peyton, Chantell Blakely, Steven Shiveley, Breanna Unger,*



**From Left to Right:** *Breanna Unger, Tabby Wheeler, J. P. Wheeler, Abby Rogers and Jayde Boyd.*



Jayde Boyd placed 1st in Division V at the District Contest; this allows her to compete at the State Contest at Tolle's Technical Center on March 6th.

**CONGRATULATIONS  
& GOOD LUCK!**

## Job Interview

The Job Interview CDE is designed for FFA members to practice and demonstrate the skills needed in seeking employment in all areas of agriculture. Each part of this event simulates real-world experiences that students will have when seeking employment in the future. The District Job Interview Contest was held on January 28, 2010, at Lynchburg-Clay High School. There were five divisions for students to participate including the following: Division I Freshman, J.P. Wheeler-4th Place; Division II Sophomore, Abby Rogers-7th Place; Division III Junior, Breanna Unger-6th Place; Division IV Senior, Tabby Wheeler-4th Place & Division V 1st year Junior or Senior, Jayde Boyd-1st Place. There were 13 schools represented at the contest and our students definitely held their own.

**Congratulations to these students!**

# The Secret Notes

By: Emily Rogers

It was my friend's favorite hangout in town, so I decided to try it out. So fine, it was a café, but that's not the reason everyone loves it--it's the secrets. There is a space just under the top of the tables where everyone writes their secrets on pieces of paper and leaves them there. Anybody can read them, but they are anonymous. Well, today I was bored and thought I could pass the time by reading the secret notes.



I ordered 'Today's Special Blend,' a warm cinnamon scone, and picked a table in the corner. As I nibbled on my scone, I pulled out the first note: 'I love him?' Lame! Where is the juicy stuff, I thought as I grabbed at another. Some were sad, others were great, and a couple even made me smile. Next thing I noticed was the annoying sound of slurping and realized my coffee was gone. "Fine," I thought, "I guess after reading everyone else's thoughts I should add

my own." So I shoved the heaping pile back under the table top and scribbled some random thought down. As my secret was placed in the front of the pile, I didn't realize I was being watched. I just picked up my bag and left.

Two days later I did the same thing, but I picked a different table. As I sat down, I realized that I did enjoy reading the secrets. I started to read the notes and a cute guy walked in and sat close to me. "Oh," I think, an added plus to today!" We exchanged 'Hi's' and I continued reading. The current table was filled with tons of jokes. "Whatever," I thought, "at least these are good." As I left, I jotted down a quick thought and pushed it in.

I came back again the next day, thinking that at least this was better than watching reruns. As I sat down yet again, I took a sip of coffee and pulled out a secret. It was a number though, not a note. "Ok," I think and go on. As I started getting out notes, I saw that almost all of them are that same number, so I became curious. I wondered whose number it was and reached for my phone. I'm a friendly person and wouldn't care to start a conversation. As I turned to get my bag, I saw that cute guy there again. It all clicked then. My notes. I try to remember what I wrote as I grabbed my phone. I thought, "No way, he wouldn't have put his number in here, especially for me to find." I wrote on the first one: 'I just want to smile more' and the second: 'I want a talkative friend'. It must have been him! I typed the number in and his phone rang! I stopped the call right then and thought: "Could he be a stalker or something? No way! What could it hurt anyway?" I got up and went over to his table and sat down.

"Um, hi. Did you read my secrets?"

"Maybe."

"Thanks for the jokes yesterday. Wait, it was your jokes, right?"

"Yeah. It is always fun to reply to the secrets. Sorry if I scared you."

"You didn't scare me!"

"Good! By the way; my name is Dillon."

And a friend-ship began, all because of revealed secrets. Friends are for life, so keep them close. You never know when you will meet your life match.





# Welcome to Our New Foreign Exchange Students

**Andreas (Andy) Zehetner**

**Julia Pernthaler**

**Paulo Duarte**

## 1. *What country are you from?*

**Andy**—Austria

**Julia**—Italy

**Paulo**—Brazil

## 2. *Why did you decide to come to America and more importantly, Peebles High School?*

**Andy**—It's always been my dream to come to America. I didn't choose Peebles, my host family who lives here chose me. I'm glad to be here in Peebles. I love it here.

**Julia**—I wanted to improve, my English, to get to know another country, it's people and its habits so I took part of an Exchange Student program. I wasn't allowed to choose the high school, so I came just by chance to Peebles High School.

**Paulo**—I don't know what to do in college so I decided to go on with high school here, I already finished it in Brazil.

## 3. *In your home country, what is your favorite food and what does it have in it?*

**Andy**—Weiner Schnitzel with French fries. It's a meat with fries.

**Julia**—Pizza, pasta, and "knödee" (: typical Tyrolean food. A knödee is a ball at the size of an orange that contains pieces of bread, eggs, milk, salt, and pieces of cheese.

**Paulo**—There are rice, beans, pork, bacon, pepper sauce, "farofa," and "fergoada."

## 4. *What are the flag colors of your country?*

**Andy**—They are a red stripe, a white stripe, then another red stripe.

**Julia**—Green, white, red are the colors of my flag.

**Paulo**—The colors are green, yellow, blue, and white.

## 5. *What rules do you have at your school that are, or are not, at our school?*

**Andy**—We have to wear house shoes and some other rules, I like it better here at PHS.

**Julia**—We don't have to change classrooms because teachers come to ours. That's why we have just one

"class." Furthermore, we always stand up when a teacher enters into the class.

**Paulo**—We have to wear uniforms everyday and we can't choose the classes.

## 6. *Do you have a favorite food here? If so, what is it?*

**Andy**—The hamburger from the school cafeteria. :) The food is very good at school.

**Julia**—Apple pie, brownies, and peanut butter & jelly sandwiches (recently I've eaten the first brownie and PB&J sandwich of my life! :))

**Paulo**—No, I haven't yet.

## 7. *What is the capital of your country?*

**Andy**—Vienna is the capital.

**Julia**—The capital is Rome.

**Paulo**—Brasilia is the capital of Brazil.

## 8. *What town or city do you live in? What part of the country is it in (north, south, east, west)?*

**Andy**—I live in Wolfsberg in the south of Austria.

**Julia**—I live in the northern part of Italy, close to the border of Austria. Most people speak German there because South-Tyrol used to be a part of Austria until World War I. The town where I live is Brixen.

**Paulo**—I live in Guaruga; São Paulo. It is in the south-east.

## 9. *What is your favorite thing to do?*

**Andy**—I like playing sports and hanging out with my friends.

**Julia**—Doing sports, meeting new people, and singing are what I enjoy doing.

**Paulo**—I play the guitar and other musical instruments.

## 10. *What are the names of your family and your relationship with them (mom, dad, brother, sister)?*

**Andy**—Mum: Irmgard

Dad: Peter

Sister: Sabine

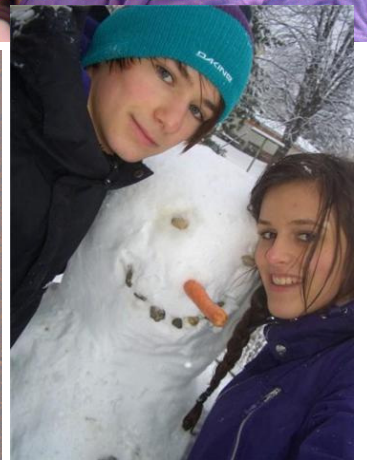
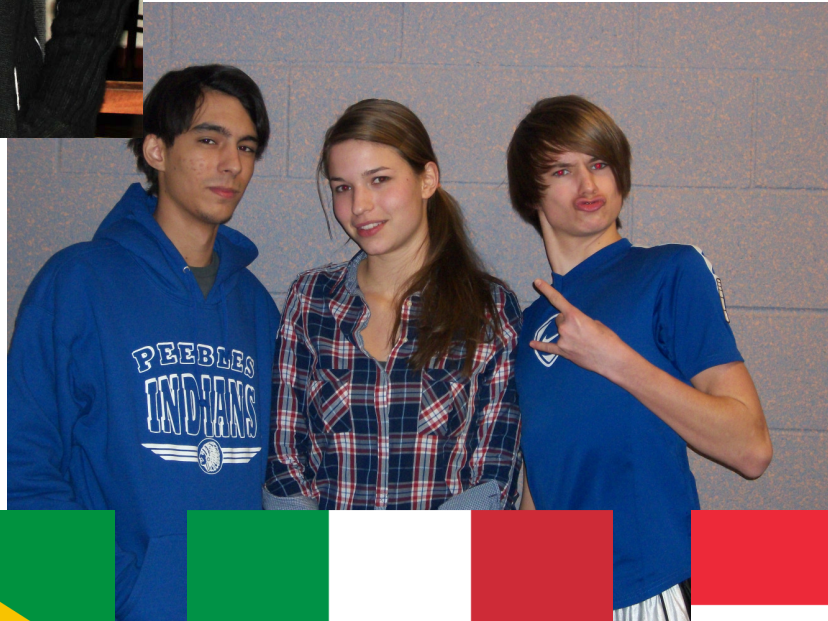
**Julia**—My mom's name is Mathilde, my father's Friedrich, and my little brother's Lukas.

**Paulo**—Charlglie Penhz, mom.

Sergio Pinto, dad.

Isabel Pinto, sister.







# ¿REBELLIOUS TEENS OR REBELLIOUS PARENTS?

By: Amber Latham

In my opinion, parents don't misunderstand their teens, teens misunderstand their parents. I stopped and thought about this before I was about to get mad and yell at my mom one day. She had grounded me for one month and had taken my phone as punishment for two weeks. Even though I knew I deserved it, I didn't like it. Before I got upset, I thought about the 'world' and the kind of people who are in it today. I also thought about the fact that my mom was once a teenager too. That's when it hit me, maybe she really isn't just torturing me for her own pleasure, "Maybe she really is grounding me for my own benefit."

Being a teenager I understand and sympathize with teens too, but for once teens should have an open mind and look at it from their parents' point-of-view. Their motives may not always be fair or 100 percent visible to you at the point in time that they make it, but most of the time the decisions they make are to benefit your over all well-being.

For example, if you're grounded and you beg your mom and dad many times to "trust you because you've learned your lesson and you won't do it again and you're sorry," and it doesn't work, before you get upset, think logically about what your parents are trying to teach you. When we turn 18 and get in trouble with the law, they will not just take your word for it and let you off the hook. Our parents discipline us this way so that we understand there are consequences that we must learn to live with and no amount of begging and/or reasoning can get you out of it.

So next time your parents yell at you for not doing the dishes, cleaning your room, skipping school, or maybe just not taking out the trash, think about what you did first before you decide to rebel against your parents.

## What we want\*:

47% Caffeine

47% Sugar

5% Carbonation

(1%) Fruit juice

\*A very extensive survey of approximately 2 people

Last year a line of beverage called "Switch" was added to the case in the cafeteria. The label on the can proudly claims: "100% of what you want, 0% of what you don't". After long days of philosophizing over the summer, I questioned the truth of this slogan. The only ingredient was carbonated fruit juice, no sugar or caffeine added. Over the course of the first semester I conducted a huge survey (left) costing \$8.3 million and determined that the labeling was indeed false. The amount of people who wanted caffeine and the amount who wanted sugar was exactly the same; 47%. 5% wanted carbonation, and only 1% chose fruit juice. With Switch costing a princely \$1.25 per 8 oz. can, officials are worried a black market will arise dealing Mountain Dew out of lockers. —Stephen Boehme

# FRUIT SALES

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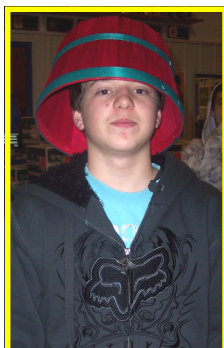


The Peebles FFA chapter annually sells fruit to help raise money for the chapter. The money that is raised from fruit sales pays for contests, activities, banquets, and supplies for the shop and classroom that we use throughout the year. The fruit sales are a very important part of the organization. Without funds, the program wouldn't exist. This is where the students help. Each student received an order form to take around to family, friends, neighbors, etc. to see if they would help support our FFA by buying fruit. Each student was required to sell \$400.00 worth of fruit. They began selling fruit on October 9th and set the deadline to end sales for November 13th. In one month's time, the FFA members sold **846** Boxes of Citrus, **444** Bottles of BBQ Sauce, **85** Fruit Baskets, **148** Boxes of Apples, **100** Gallons of Apple Cider and **181** Boxes of Sausage and Cheese. By the end of fruit sales, FFA members sold **\$26,782.00** dollars worth of fruit and profited over **\$7,300.00** dollars. Each student also had the opportunity to make some money for themselves; each year the chapter hosts a contest and whichever student sells the most boxes of fruit wins the contest. The first place receives \$200, second-\$150, third-\$100, fourth-\$75, fifth-\$50 and sixth-tenth receive \$25 each. The top 10 sellers are listed in the column to the left.



### TOP 10 FRUIT SALESPEOPLE

1. J.P. WHEELER \$3877.00
2. EMILEE SWAYNE \$2214.00
3. TRISTEN PHIPPS \$1146.00
4. TYLER NEELEY \$963.00
5. NIKKI REEDER \$866.00
6. BROOKE DUNN \$864.00
7. HAYLEIGH SWAYNE \$610.00
8. ASHLEY TOLLER \$587.00
9. ABBY ROGERS \$582.00
10. KRISTINA BARTH \$581.00





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Nominated blonde of the edition:

**Kayleigh Humphrey**

A ninth grade blonde, who if you know, you would understand why she was chosen for the acknowledged blonde for this edition. She can be seen oblivious or flabbergasted and doing some of the most outrageous 'blonde' things I have ever witnessed.

;Puzzle Time!

What do you give a blonde who has everything?

The first person to answer this riddle will receive a mention in the next edition along with the correct answer. Contact Amber Latham with your answer.

I have researched many myths as to why people think blondes are not so intelligent. Here are my top three:

1.) One theory is that the ancient Greeks and Romans admired their flax-haired neighbors to the north so much that they would bleach their hair to make it blonde. Seeing as they didn't exactly have the health standards we have today, a considerable amount of bleach repeatedly placed on the scalp and being inhaled could have a great effect on one's mental status.

2.) Another theory is that in the Middle Ages, while the lords and ladies pranced around and shaded their delicate features, common people worked outdoors in the fields and became tanned and their hair grew lighter in the sun. As the lower classes didn't usually have a formal education, tan skin and blonde hair became associated with unintelligent, lower class people.

3.) Then there is the ever famous book by Anita Loos (that sounds like a made up name) and the movie based upon it, *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*, starring Marilyn Monroe. Released in 1953, this story is about two showgirls—a clueless blonde and a sassy brunette. While perhaps highlighting the "fun" side of blondes (brunette women held a demonstration protesting the movie, showing that brunettes could be just as much fun), this certainly did nothing to showcase their intelligence.

There are all types of smart people and dumb people. Your intelligence is not determined by the fact that you spent too much time outside last summer, felt like trying something new at the hair salon, or were born with a gene that gave you blonde hair. Intelligence is a fluid thing, always changing, always able to be used or ignored. So here's to all hair colors, even though everyone knows that blondes still have more fun...just kidding.

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# Birthday Extravaganza!

## Seniors:

Michelle Jones, 19 on 1/4  
Ngan Nguyen, 18 on 1/23  
Tyler Hawes, 18 on 1/27  
Travis Crothers, 18 on 1/27  
Tabitha Wheeler, 18 on 1/28  
Justin Morgan, 18 on 1/29  
Daniel Bryant, 18 on 2/1  
Dennis Bryant, 18 on 2/1  
Anastasia Iames, 18 on 2/1  
Chris Wolford, 18 on 2/15a  
Andy Day, 20 on 2/16

## Juniors:

Beth Newman, 17 on 1/4  
Jordan Jones, 17 on 1/18  
Eli Mefford, 17 on 1/25  
Zach Swayne, 17 on 1/30  
Eli Scott, 17 on 2/1  
Carrie Chalker, 17 on 2/5  
Kirsten Sowards, 17 on 2/15

## Sophomores:

Brittany Rittenhouse, on 1/13  
Amber Arden, 16 on 1/21  
Codie Thorp 16, on 1/27  
Chris Lockhart 17, on 1/31  
Donnie Vest 16, on 2/3  
Amber Looney 16, on 2/10  
Miranda Suggs 16, on 2/22  
Jacob Wolford 16, 2/28

## Freshman:

Randy Unger, 16 on 1/5  
Josh Chandler, 15 on 1/6  
Cierra Butt, 15 on 1/12  
Ethan Cadwallader, 15 on 1/12  
Christopher Arden, 17 on 1/21  
Makala Haines 15 on 1/23  
Cole DeMint, 15 on 1/29  
Tawni Caudill, 15 on 2/6  
Ashley Case, 15 on 2/8  
Breanna Hughes, 16 on 2/15  
Samuel Lewis, 16 on 2/16...

Tyler Gray, turning 15 on 2/17  
Samantha Wood, 15 on 2/19  
Xavier Newman, 15 on 2/24  
Skye Sarbell turning 15 on 2/27



## 8th Grade:

Callie Ralston, 14 on 2/2  
Dean Robbers, 14 on 1/21  
Jacob Stone, 14 on 1/10  
Baylee Wallace, 14 on 1/23  
Whitney Applegate, 15 on 1/24  
Breanna Lechner, 14 on 2/6  
Jaymie Lee, 14 on 1/8  
Ashlie Milburn, 14 on 1/23  
Nikki Moore, 14 on 1/2  
Scott Disher, 15 on 2/3  
Brian Boyd, 15 on 2/10  
Skylar Huffman, 14 on 2/27

## 7th Grade:

Aron Smalley, 13 on 2/14  
Ethan Smart, 13 on 1/23  
Seth Metcalf, 13 on 1/20  
Katherine Page, 13 on 1/9  
Mystic Riser, 13 on 2/25  
Hannah Rogers, 13 on 1/31  
Alexander Seaman, 13 on 1/24  
Cody Ireton, 13 on 2/12  
Starr Lewis, 13 on 2/23  
Zach Arrasmith, 13 on 1/14  
Jessica Baird, 13 on 1/14  
McKenna Boyd, 13 on 1/14  
Aaron Finn, 13 on 2/18  
Alissia Finn, 13 on 2/18



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