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OGT: The Students' Perspectives

By: Elizabeth Polley

OGT. Every sophomore's worst nightmare. But, every upperclassmen's dream came true as of this year. What's the difference between this year's and last year's OGT week?

This year there were some changes done that were in the favor of juniors and seniors. They did not have to come to school until 11:35, and if they showed up in the morning, they went to the gym and hung out.

The OGT this year wasn't as bad as most people thought it would be. The schedule was a little weird though. Every morning started out the same. Students went to first period for about five minutes and then were released to their assigned OGT test taking classrooms where the test started at roughly 8:30. But, throughout the week, class schedules were a mess.

After OGT:

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday:

Lunch

5th period

6th period

7th period

8th period

Tuesday and Thursday:

Lunch

1st period

2nd period

3rd period

4th period

In total there were five tests taken: math, read-

ing, writing, science, and social studies. Monday was reading, Tuesday was math, Wednesday was writing, Thursday was science, and Friday was social studies. Every sophomore (and those who had to retake the OGTs or are foreign exchange students) let out a huge breath that they had not even realized they had been holding at the end of Friday's test.

Let's hear what some of the sophomores thought about the OGTs:

Chelsea Rumfield said, "Overall they [OGTs] were easy, and for future sophomores, don't stress. They are not impossible to pass; you'll do great."

"Teachers stress that 'Oh my Gosh, these tests are hard! STUDY STUDY STUDY!!! Honestly, they're a piece of [(pi)," said Ashely Miller.

Kelsey Bengtson gives advice to sophomores next year, "Watch your time!!! Take your time, but not too much."

Derek Eberle has some more advice, "They [OGTs] were easy. Don't stress and read the questions thoroughly."

Brandon Seitz said, "The OGT wasn't as bad as they [most people] say!"

Cody Matthews simply said, "It [OGTs] sucked."

"The OGTs were so easy. Most of the stuff was what we learned in Jr. High. Good luck future sophomores," says Nicole Reeder.

Tony Page says, "It was a bad experience that I never want to have again."

Another sophomore, Ashley Howe, says, "I think they were okay. I didn't really enjoy taking it, but I felt well prepared."

Birthday Extravaganza!

Seniors:

Adam Cockrell, 19 on 4/19
Stephanie Cran, 18 on 4/13
Jasmine Harper, 18 on 4/7
Desiree Johnson, 18 on 3/5
Michael Johnson, 18 on 4/12
Drew McFarland, 18 on 4/21
Tony Rhoden, 18 on 4/25
Nathan Stephens, 18 on 4/10

Juniors:

Jayde Boyd, 17 on 3/17
Tyler McFarland, 17 on 3/26
Joel Sturgeon, 17 on 4/25
Travis Ward, 17 on 4/14
Nick Warfe, 17 on 4/14

Sophomores:

Kelsey Bengtson, 17 on 3/30
Paul McCartney, 16 on 4/21
Corey Bowens, 16 on 4/12
Megan N. Brown, 16 on 3/24
Ainsley Camp, 16 on 3/19
Travis Harris, 15 on 3/4
Ronald Hopkins, 16 on 3/5
Gerald Hutton, 17 on 3/2
Adam King, 16 on 4/13
Ashley Miller, 17 on 3/24
Tony Page, 16 on 4/5
Elizabeth Polley, 16 on 4/30
Cyler Pottorf, 16 on 4/4
Deanna Randolph, 15 on 3/14
Kaitlin Salmons, 16 on 4/25
Kristin Salmons, 16 on 4/25
Brandon Seitz, 17 on 4/23
Wyatt Shively, 16 on 3/6
Adam Smalley, 16 on 4/1
Doug Tolle, 16 on 4/5
Haleigh White, 16 on 4/30
Kenneth Wilson, 16 on 3/11
Kristina Barth, 16 on 2/17

Freshmen:

Lindsay Creech, 15 on 3/20
Samantha Daugherty, 15 on 4/15
Kayleigh Gross, 16 on 3/12
Dylan Hunt, 16 on 3/17
Alexandra McFarland, 15 on 4/17
Felicia Mefford, 16 on 4/24
Destiny Rinck, 16 on 3/14
Austin Setty, 15 on 3/6
Brooke Smalley, 15 on 4/9
Aaron Snodgrass, 16 on 3/31



8th Grade:

Dylan Arden, 14 on 4/1
Marjorie Bayless, 14 on 3/14
Mollie Hill, 14 on 4/17
Jesse Jewett, 14 on 4/9
Chance Merrick, 14 on 3/30
Sidney Pell, 14 on 4/6
Sabrina Vanwinkle, 14 on 4/5

7th Grade:

Clarisha Adams, 13 on 3/29
Derek Doerfler, 13 on 4/8
Kirsten Fuentes, 13 on 3/7
Chris Jones, 15 on 4/24
Karlie McCoy, 13 on 4/22
Steven Partin, 13 on 3/13
Meagan Powers, 12 on 4/10
Jessica Shelton, 14 on 4/29



Selfish teens

By: Amber Latham

Most will say that girls are more selfish than guys, and in most ways they are. From 'Mom I need this makeup', and 'Mom I need that shirt', girls can be selfish and a little vicious to. Being a girl myself I realize around the holiday season all the useless material items we tend to cherish. For example, most girls can't even leave the house without a layer of makeup a 'cute' outfit and their hair done. There is Rue 21 to Veara Bradley, Victoria Secret, Charlotte Rouse, and Express. Most girls and women think that they absolutely need these brands when these things are all material and don't mean anything. When you are old and you are remembering your

life memories; will it really matter what you wore? It won't because material things won't matter only; the things like who, what, when, and where will, not what you were wearing or how perfect your makeup was.

In my opinion, some teens just need to get a clue! No one is going to care what name is on your tag, and if they do then maybe they need to get a clue on what really matters. Like my Mom and aunt always say: "Yea, you need that like a hole in your head." There is so much truth behind this.

Next time you're at the mall and about to pester and bug your parents for money to get designer clothing, think: Does it even really matter what name is on your tag?

Doctor Stella's Stellar Advice

Dear Doctor Stella,

I'm really worried about my friend. She's come to school some days with bruises and cuts, and I know they can't be from just "accidents." Her family is super nice, but I don't really trust her BF. He can act rough and mean sometimes and I can't stand it, but whenever I ask her about it she says things are going great and that I shouldn't be so worried, but I am... I'm afraid he's abusing her, but she says she loves him so much and would never let anything ruin their relationship. The more I keep trying to ask her about it, the angrier she gets with me, and I'm afraid of losing my friend, but I'm also scared to see her get hurt. I want to tell someone, but I don't know the whole truth... what do I do? My friend needs help.

Sincerely,
Deeply Concerned

Deeply Concerned,

One, try to stop asking your friend so much about the issue. You have told her your opinion and all that you can hope is that she will listen to you. Also, it may be a good idea to go ahead and tell an adult. Just keep being her friend. She will need you now more than ever if what you suspect about her boyfriend is true. Yes, it is a natural to worry about her, but you cannot do anything if she is unwilling to be helped. Two, if you think she is spending too much time with him and want to get her away from him for awhile, ask her to come over to your house and hang out or go see a movie. Do what you are comfortable with doing. I hope this has given you some insight on how to handle your friend.

Your Friendly Advice Columnist,

Dear Doctor Stella,

My parents have been fighting so much lately, and I just found out this week that they want to file for a divorce. This can't happen to my family!!! We used to be so happy and everything was fine, but when my dad lost his job due to the cutbacks, everyone's been angry and tired. It always scares me when they fight and argue, but I'm even more scared to think of my family breaking up... I cry myself to sleep now just thinking about it. I keep wondering if there's something I could have done to keep this from happening. Maybe I did something wrong and they don't love each other anymore because I'm not good enough to make them happy. What do I do? How do I keep this from happening to us? Did I do something wrong?

Sincerely,
Breaking Heart

Breaking Heart,

You did absolutely nothing wrong! Trust me on this. Your parents may still love each other but just not be in love any more. This has happened to many children and teenagers around the world. Almost always, they turn to themselves to blame. But, it is not their fault. I have been through your situation before. I thought the same things; then I actually looked at why and what my parents were fighting about and how often. I thought my grades were the reason. But then I got my grade card. Straight A's. Just because you happen to know that they are fighting and thinking about a divorce does not mean it is your fault. You did nothing wrong! I doubt there is anything you can do to stop the outcomes of your parents' verbal battles; just let them work it out themselves and let life take its course. Whether the outcome be bad or good, never ever believe you are the reason.

Your Dearest Friend,
Doctor Stella

Dear Doctor Stella,

People expect me to do things for them. They think I'm such a "goody goody" and am softhearted. Some people want me to lie to get them out of trouble because I'm a "good girl" and authority figures listen to me. Others believe that since I'm softhearted I'll take pity on them and give them the answers to all their work, a test or not. It gets so annoying. Sometimes, they even threaten me if I don't help them. I don't know what to do anymore. Most of these people are my "friends." But they don't seem much of friends if they just use me! A couple have even back-stabbed me. They have ratted me out to other people for telling an authority about a problem or turned their backs on me when I needed help. Once they even turned around and told a couple people who want to "beat me up" everything that I had been talking about and that I had said I wasn't scared of them. Now I am scared, annoyed, and angry. Please help me with some type of advice other than violence.

Sincerely,
Back-Stubbed

Back-Stubbed,

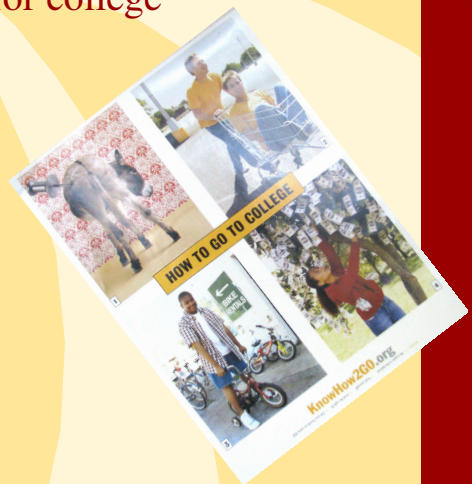
These friends aren't really friends. Forget about them and move on. They **ARE** just using you. Also, if these people are wanting you to cheat for them, tell an authority. Yes, I know that is one of the problems you are having, but it will show that you are not a wimp and are not scared of their threats. So, what if you are a "good girl" and softhearted? Those are good qualities and are hard to come by in just one person. I promise you that things will get better if you just tell them no and possibly even quit hanging around them. One of your excuses might be that they are your only friends, but that is not true. They are most likely acting like your friends just to get what they want from you. Also, they probably seem like your only friends because you hang out with them too much and don't have time to look around and see who your real friends are.

My Sincere Apologies,
Doctor Stella



Nada,
Zip,
Zilch
(What most kids
know about
preparing for
college.)

Know-How-2-Go is a state sponsored high school program that teaches high school students about college and how to prepare for it. The Know-How-2-Go advisor, Serpell Adkins, helps students find their perfect colleges and helps students think everything out in order to be ready for college after high school graduation.



LOST.
(How most kids feel
about preparing for college)

challenge artist

Can you match the hit songs with their artists? The person to get the most right will be awarded candy. Your answers can be turned in to Mrs. Grooms, Stephen Boehme, or Elizabeth Polley.



1. Angel of Mine
 2. Arlington
 3. Beautiful Bride
 4. Beautiful, Beautiful
 5. Blah Blah
 6. Blinded by the Light
 7. Bubbly
 8. Cats in the Cradle
 9. CREAM
 10. Fire
 11. Firebomb
 12. Forever & Always
 13. Friends in Low Places
 14. I Tried
 15. Guys Do It All the Time
 16. High Tech Redneck
 17. Homecoming Queen
 18. Hotel California
 19. Hound Dog
 20. Irreplaceable
 21. Knock you Down
 22. Kryptonite
 23. Louisiana Woman, Mississippi Man
 24. Maria
 25. Metamorphosis
 26. My Personal Moon
 27. Next Contestant
 28. Red High Heels
 29. Sarabeth
 30. Smoke on the Water
 31. Song of the South
 32. Telephone
 33. Ten Rounds with Jose Cuervo
 34. The Sweet Escape
 35. Third Rock From the Sun
 36. Walk the Line
 37. Weight of the World
 38. What Kind of Name
 39. When You Lie Next To Me
 40. Whispers in the Dark
- A. Alabama
 - B. Beyonce
 - C. Big Kid
 - D. Bone Thugs N' Harmony
 - E. Colbie Caillat
 - F. Deep Purple
 - G. Elvis
 - H. Flyleaf
 - I. Francesca Battistelli
 - J. Garth Brooks
 - K. George Jones
 - L. Gwen Stefani
 - M. Harry Chapin
 - N. Hillary Duff
 - O. Hinder
 - P. Jimi Hendrix
 - Q. Joe Diffie
 - R. Johnny Cash
 - S. Ke\$ha
 - T. Kellie Coffey
 - U. Kellie Pickler
 - V. Keri Hilson
 - W. Lady Gaga
 - X. Loretta Lynn and Conway Twitty
 - Y. Madison Park
 - Z. Manfred Mann
 - AA. Mindy McCready
 - AB. Monica
 - AC. Nickelback
 - AD. Rascal Flatts
 - AE. Rihanna
 - AF. Santana
 - AG. Skillet
 - AH. Taylor Swift
 - AI. The Eagles
 - AJ. This Fires Embrace
 - AK. Three Doors Down
 - AL. Trace Adkins
 - AM. Tracy Byrd
 - AN. Wu-Tang Clan

Survival of the Generations

By: Amber Latham

Have you ever noticed that with generations there are different styles, including clothes, cars, music, and hair styles? As my family gathered for the holidays I noticed the differences between my grandparents, aunts, uncles, my mom, and then my generation.

My grandparents tend to wear mostly homemade clothes, generally polyester and elastic, and all bland neutral colors. Their hair short and curly, this may be due to their age, but it was also the style then as well. Their cars were very 'boxy', and their music was typically blues, jazz, and the classics (the kind that puts you to sleep, mostly elevator music).

My parents' generation hails from leather and tassels, the bee hive hair due always big and wild, the muscle cars were hot, and the music was rockin'. From Kiss to Lynyrd Skynyrd, The Beatles to Elvis, The Who, to Madonna, their music was fierce, wild, and fun. But nothing compares to my generation.

My generation shows off graphic tees, designer clothes, short skirts, and a ton of accessories. Our hair is straight, silky, and beautiful. Our cars are sleek, smooth, and shiny; they look awesome and go very fast. Our generation's music is hard, scream-o, country, and rap. From Brokencyde, to Weird Al, Taylor swift, Rihanna, from Michael Jackson to Lady Gaga our generations' music is unique and fun.

My theory from the different styles from in between the generations in America today is that because every teen thinks that their parents/ grandparents are 'lame'; they tend to rebel and go the opposite direction than the things their parents like. But eventually things come back into style like Converse the shoes. Material things undergo changes, but not things like family. No matter how embarrassing they are or how stupid they look in the leather jacket with tassels or bright orange polyester jumpsuit, they are your family, so you have to love and accept them.

2009-10 Student Council

7th Grade:



President: Timothy Smalley
 Vice President: Lexie Doddridge
 Secretary: Abby Deardoff
 Treasurer: Lane Hanson
 Student Council Representatives:
 Steven Partin and Breanna White



Freshmen:

Vice President: Haley Greene
 Secretary: Not pictured
 Treasurer: Taylor Brown
 Student Council Representatives: Xavier Newman and Tristen Phipps



Seniors:

President: Andrew Seaman
 Vice President: Brooklyn Kitchen
 Secretary: Olivia Fulton
 Treasurer: Katie Johnson
 Not Pictured: CTC Representative Emily Hoop



Juniors:

President: Eli Scott
 Vice President: Breanna Unger
 Secretary: Ciera Seaman
 Treasurer: Dalton Fischer
 Student Council Representative:
 Amy Myers



Sophomores:

President: Elizabeth Fulton
 Vice President: Chelsea Rumfield
 Secretary: Katie York
 Treasurer: Megan Thomas
 Student Council Representative:
 Ashely Miller and Cyler Pottorf



8th Grade:

President: Callie Ralston
 Vice President: Katie McFarland
 Secretary: Dallas Butler
 Treasurer: Brian Ayers
 Student Council Representatives:
 Clay Brown and Sidney Pell

MUSIC REVIEWS

Ratings:

7 Classic, 6 Excellent, 5 Good, 4 Mediocre, 3 Poor, 2 Pitiful, 1 Absolutely Horrible

Sade: Soldier of Love (Single, 2010, Soul): I found this track to have a very enticing quiet power to it. This compensated for its length and songwriting. 6/7

Cage the Elephant: Cage the Elephant (2009, Rock): A fairly solid garage/punk rock revival album, though sticks to a formula for the most part. Worth a listen. If you only listen to one song, check out "Lotus**". 5/7

Broken Bells: The High Road (single)(2010, Pop): I've never listened to Gnarls Barkley, but after hearing this collaboration I might start. Good solid song: 6/7**

OK Go: Of the Blue Color (2010, Rock): This album was very forgettable, and it surprised me when I found out that OK Go was a band, not just one person. It has the sound of something a computer geek put together in his basement. The vocals are laughably weak, and are boosted by a heavy bass-filled synth backup. "I Want You So Bad I Can't Breathe" is probably the best track, but I could take or leave the whole album. 3/7

Alicia Keys: The Element of Freedom (2009, R&B): Good female vocalist R&B album, which doesn't happen often anymore. It does hit a plateau after the halfway point, (so 4/7) but it contains some decent soulful tracks. Give it a listen.

30 Seconds to Mars: This is War (2009, Rock): This is an overproduced contemporary alternative rock album. It has some more substance than the average album from this genre, but gets repetitive. Check out "Night of the Hunter", "Kings and Queens". After that you'll get the point. The fake crowd choruses get old after being used in two, three, four, or five songs (half of which are about "war"). And one of the guys wears eye makeup. 4/7

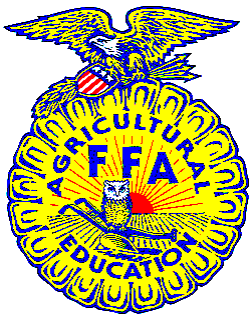
Mary J. Blige: Stronger with Each Tear (2009, R&B): Totally forgettable. It was the stereotypical boring contemporary R&B. The only song I actually remembered is "Good Love" which is decent, but I'm not planning on putting it on my "Best Of" playlist any time soon. 3/7, not worth the time to listen.

Joss Stone: Colour Me Free (2009, Soul): There are some songs here that just seem to be ripping of classic 60's soul. Then there are songs that stand on their own. "Parallel Lines**" featuring Jeff Beck and Sheila E. was my favorite. "Lady" was another good one. "Governmentalist" (with Nas) seemed to be going for a anti-war/government anthem and almost succeeds. This album is worth a listen, though as I said some of the songs are mediocre and drawn out. 5/7.

The Clipse: Til the Casket Drops (2009, Rap): A mediocre rap album, like most released this year. "There Was A Murder" is something anyone who watches "The Wire" would appreciate. "I'm Good" is fun and catchy. Those two were worth a listen; otherwise it was pretty mediocre. 4/7

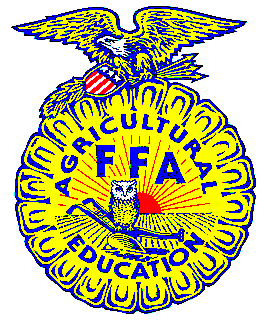
Salvador Santana: Keyboard City (2010, Pop) This album departs from the fun & funky latin beats of 2007's SSB. It goes for a more generic and electronic pop sound, but is still fun to listen to. There is some album filler. "Video Game Save my Life", "Don't Do It**", and "Truth Fears No Questions**" were the standouts, but don't be afraid to give this album a listen 2-3 times. 5/7.

Los Lonely Boys: Solid Ground (Single)(2010, Latin Rock) A laid back and somewhat typical LLB song. Still worth the listen. 5/7.



FFA Week

February 20-27



Monday - Blue & Gold Day

During Lunches – Straw Bale Toss (Girls & Boys)

Tuesday - Carhartt Day

During Lunches – Egg Toss (2 people) & Milk Chug

Wednesday - Favorite Tractor Day

Thursday - Camouflage Day

During Lunch - Teacher Luncheon

Soups & Sandwiches

Bring Your Own Drink

Friday - Farmer Dress-Up Day

FFA Assembly – Entire School

8th Grade - Called out at 2:00

H.S. - Called out at 2:30

Lead Out LOUD!

FFA WEEK

AG OLYMPICS — TEACHER SUNDAE



Get ready! Get set! Corn Shuck!



And the gun is shot! Mrs. Marshall is in the lead!!

Mrs. Minton will be the next corn shucking champion...again!!!



The turkey ignores her suitors...

Fuzz's awesome corn shucking expertise.

Eli Scott rides that stallion.

Corn Shucking Jesse!



Mrs. Reed and Mr. Doddridge as a teacher sundae.

Running for State Beta Office: The Inside Story

By: Carrie Chalker



This weekend, I attended the Ohio Beta Club's State Convention. For starters, I must begin by saying that this entire experience has been a journey, and one that has not only been a growing experience but also an enjoyable one as well. This journey began for me not within the past several days but over the course of several months. It began with the moment I signed my name on the registration form accepting the new role of running as our school's candidate for the office of Ohio State Beta President. Within 24 hours, my classmates and I began out of fun to prepare what was becoming my campaign by inventing slogans and themes. I was not sure what I was getting myself into, but I relished the excitement of the idea of running for a state officer.

For the next several weeks we planned and schemed. Mr. Vogler and Mrs. Reed were hard at work actually preparing the club for the trip to convention, which left the rest of us to brainstorm ideas. I was hard at work preparing speeches and slogans within the first 24 hours of being the candidate although it certainly took more time to develop these themes. Before too long the campaign committee, with the help of Mr. Vogler, had prepared two possible slogans with different themes. When we manage to call together a club meeting, one of the first orders of business was to vote on a slogan and theme. The two pending ideas were, "Chalk it up with Chalker" and "Get CarrieD Away." The club voted almost unanimously for the latter and then picked the theme of superheroes. I frankly didn't know what I was going to do with this theme. Actually I didn't even like it at first. I had already, for the most part, written my speech for the "Chalk it Up for Chalker" theme, and I was not thrilled about changing my previous work. However, I eventually came to see that it would all work out for the better.

The next important part of my campaign was to make shirts for the club and to create a skit for my campaign at convention. The shirts were quickly handed off to be designed by

committee members Ciera and Breanna and Mr. Vogler on the side. This left us with the dilemma of putting together a campaign skit. We finally came up with the idea to have the super-girl and the boy/man in distress. This took careful scheming as we needed to conjure up an adequate cast. I'm actually joking; this part took no time at all. We already knew Beta member Paige Staggs can easily lift someone up, and we chose member Drew McFarland as a suitable actor for the male role. Additional roles came together with the meeting we had to write the actual skit. Finally, completing our cast with Jasmine Harper, Kelsey Bengtson, and Megan Brown, we created a humorous 1-minute skit consisting of gangsters mugging an old man and "Super Carrie" coming in to the rescue and carrying the victim victoriously off the stage. We were all rather pleased with our work.

Upon the week of convention, I experienced stress and pressure like I have never known before. For the entire week, I worked and scrounged to make sure I was ready. Aside from pestering Anders Bengtson (current President at time) and Erin McCarty (Current VP), I spent most of my time preparing my board and speech. While everyone told me that I would be fine, nothing could calm me down. The day of convention was the worst because that entire day I would do something wrong or forget something really important, or something would just go totally wrong! That day would just NOT END! Additionally I forgot my second outfit for campaigning and important papers, so my dear parents were running everywhere for me along with everyone else. All too soon, it was time to leave.



The trip to Columbus was fun and enjoyable with the filled bus, and we were staying in the Crowne Plaza, a very nice restaurant in the north section of the city. Everyone managed to calm down and relieve some of that stress with a fun-filled evening of swimming and goofing off. It did not take long for me to meet the other candidates as well, and I quickly began to like their personalities. By this point, I was certain that my adventure would be fun.

The first morning was the craziest for me. It began at 7 o'clock in the morning while I took plenty of time to prepare myself for the day. With many thanks to the wonderful hair stylists, Paige and Kelsey, my morning was not as nuts as it could

have been, and this gave me enough time to prepare my speech for that afternoon. At 11 o'clock I attended a discomfoting meeting with the candidates, current officers, and state sponsors. We thoroughly discussed the rules and aspects of what would be expected of us as candidates and officers. I don't remember ever feeling so scared and intimidated in my entire life, and I was terrified about what I was getting myself into. By noon, I was expected to have my campaign board assembled in the pavilion for meet-and-greet, a time where the club members meet the candidates and can talk and ask them questions. I mostly would talk to members about their schools, the drive, activities we are involved in, and a few of my goals for Beta. The main point was to be friendly. Still, I felt very uneasy because my fellow presidential candidates, Melaina from Lakeview and Ryan from Van Wert, were both being very successfully with the members, and I would occasionally be left waiting for people to talk to. This was only the beginning.

In the early afternoon was the first grand session. There are only two sessions in the entire convention, and they are both very big and very long. It began with commencement of the convention and roll call of the clubs. Following was a marvelous speech giveFollowing was a marvelous speech given by the 09-10 year President, Anders Bengtson. Following this were two more exceptional speakers who never once lost the audience's interest, Wood Smith (National Vice President) and Mr. Clayton King (popular national Beta speaker). Both kept the session fun and extremely amusing for everyone; however, it lasted over half an hour longer than expected. At the very end of the session was the rally in which the candidates would have to give their two minute speeches, answer a question, and have their skit performed. I was first for the presidential candidates but thankfully not first to speak. When it was finally my turn, I was almost unaware of myself walking up to the podium; it felt like a dream. I have to force myself to smile and begin, "Who is your hero?" It felt like hours before I finished, and thankfully my question was one that had much correlation to the main point of my speech.



As I finally sat down, the Peebles campaign committee/cast members was already ready to perform and what a performance! It was no surprise that the skit took 2nd place.

The remainder of that day I spent campaigning as best as I could to anyone I met; however, I was not very good at it. Aside from attending several mini conferences by one of our

funding autism organizations and children's heart disorders, there was not too much for me to do aside from eat at the hotel restaurant and get ready for the dance. This was everyone's favorite part of the evening without a doubt as we danced until 11:30. Back in the hotel rooms, the club members all took a few seconds for the most crucial part of my stay, voting...

The next morning was similar to the first, only this time I would learn if I had won the office. At the beginning of the session, I was petrified when we were told that the naming of the new officers would fall first instead of last as scheduled. The first new office to be determined was President... I felt like I could not breathe for a whole minute. I was frozen in my chair and could only listen when the sponsor said, "The new 2010-2011 Beta President for the state of Ohio is... Ryan Todd of Van Wert High School!"



In one second I went from fear to sudden relief to great disappointment. All of my hard work from the past several months had failed, and I could only watch as my friend and fellow candidate rose to the stage to accept his well-deserved position. The remainder of the session was centered around the spectacular talent show performances, with an outstanding job by Peebles student, Paige Staggs, and fabulous group performances by West Union and North Adams as well. Following this was the awards ceremony. Although we did not receive as much as we hoped, Peebles still won places in many of the competitions. I was shocked when I was called for being reserve champion with my campaign speech, which I had not been aware was judged. After the session had convened, I quickly made my way over to Ryan and shook his hand in congratulations. He is a fantastic person and a worthy candidate, so I was happy that he had been chosen.

All too soon, we had grabbed our bags, loaded them up on the bus, and were finally going home. I will admit that although the ride was tiring and disappointing for me, it gave me time to think. I was fine with Ryan winning, but I was disappointed in myself for not doing my best. However, if you truly think about it, did I really lose? I embarked on a life-changing experience, learned more about myself, and gained experience in something I had never dreamed of trying before. The way I see it now, I have truly won something that I will never forget: confidence and adventure.

POETRY

The Kiss

By Crystal Reeder

Point your lashes down and you can picture my face
I'm smiling...

Open your mouth, speak with your heart and you can
see my soul

I'm waiting...

Place your arms around my waist and you can feel my
uncertainty

I'm shaking...

Press your lips against mine and try to catch me

I'm falling...

Withering away...

.....into blissful and painful times.

Oh, how we all wish
we could wither away.

.....in times of severe pain;
in times of ecstasy.
Just withering away.

.....it is how we cope'
how we guard ourselves.
How we wither away.

.....with no intentions;
with nothing in mind.
We are all withering away.

Ending

Follow me
Do as I say
You can be
What you may

Stay close
Listen now
Fix your pose
Take a bow

HIM

By Elizabeth Polley

*Can you see it?
The way He looks at you?
How He loves you?*

*You must see it.
It is a Blessing.*

A Blessing from Him.

The Almighty.

The Omega.

Emmanuel.

Jesus.

Our only God.

Can you see it?

*The way He protects you?
How He shields you from all
harm?*

Embrace His warmth.

His Grace.

A Grace like no other.

The Father.

The Son.

The Holy Spirit.

Yah-weh.

All Him.

You will see it all.

You will see Him.

Just believe,

Love,

Forgive.

You will see the Lord.

Come here
Talk it through
Do not fear
All is true

Close your eyes
Think of peace
No lies
Nightmares will cease

Southern Ohio Origins

You know you're from Southern Ohio when...

By Emily Rogers Info. Taken from Internet Webpage

1. It takes you more than an hour to cut your lawn.
2. You measure distance in terms of time; as a result, everything is at least 45 minutes away.
3. The County Fair is on your calendar...and has been since last year's...
4. You call goin' to Eastgate area goin' to "the city."
5. Your home is mobile but all 14 vehicles in your yard aren't.
6. When you own a "dress hat." (Your clean John Deere hat)
7. Everyone you ask knows where Mrs. Green's store is.
8. Someone asks you where you are from and you tell them they ask, "So, what part of Kentucky is that?"
9. You have to introduce yourself as 'I married Fred's oldest son,' and they don't ask who Fred is.
10. Your favorite past time is cruising town...dairy bar to dairy bar.
11. There are roads called Tator Knob Ridge and Burnt Cabin Road.
12. You go to WalMart to see all your friends and family.
13. You owe more on your 4-wheeler than your car.
14. Most of your friends are related to you in some way.
15. You know what going snype hunting is.
16. You know where McMillans pond is.
17. You can name at least one cousin who drove his tractor to school.
18. You let your 10-year-old son miss school on the first day of Deer Season.
19. The big thing to do Friday and Saturday is hanging at the WAL MART parking lot.
20. You find out the word 'creek' doesn't rhyme with 'pick.'
21. You open an Adams County phone book and randomly flip the pages, close your eyes, and point to a name, and most likely it will be a 'Grooms' or a 'Young.'
22. It takes a snow plow over a week to go down your road and your electricity still hasn't come on yet...
23. You are going to go "uptown" to the store, but you're only about two minutes from town.
24. You are driving and perfect strangers wave as you go by...you don't get that in the city.
25. You have to ask your parents before you date somebody to make sure you're not related.
26. It's the only place you can live "in town" and also across from a dairy farm at the same time.
27. Someone says 'Jaw-P,' you understand that it means 'Did ya'll pee?'
28. You know that 'oneed' and 'twiced' are words.
29. You go muddin' before church.
30. You know that hitting deer with your truck is a sport.
31. You know that 'Knee high by the Fourth of July' is talking about corn.
32. 'Fixinto' is one word.
33. You switch from heat to AC in one day.
34. You carry jumper cables in your car for your own car.
35. The first day of Deer Season is a national holiday.
36. You believe that going to the mall is going to Wal Mart.
37. You know that a opossum is a flat animal that sleeps in the middle of the road.

¿Fashion or our Economy?

By: Amber Latham

Today's economy is a nightmare, and that's just a simple common known fact. But do we really know where this money is going? And how much of it are we actually seeing? Of all the billions and trillions, do we honestly even know?

I live in a small friendly country town, Peebles, Ohio, and some of the stimulus money has reached us. But we have not seen a cent of it. Instead of using it to help the people, it went to remodeling the stores like 'Save-A-Lot', 'Wal-Mart', and 'Fifth-Third Bank'. Don't get me wrong, it looks pretty, but it isn't helping us any. What is the point of having a good looking store when in this economy the average person won't even have the money to shop there anymore if they have not already gone bankrupt, let alone even have the gas money to get there. So who would care about having a good looking store or bank?

So that makes you think out of all of the stimulus money how much of it even benefits us and not the big businesses. In my opinion, to

revive the economy instead of helping the big industries the government should help the small companies that are dying and actually care about the people.

We have such a variety of choices when it comes to a specific product. It dawned on me one day that maybe our economic situation came from all the Americans with the 'American Dream'. For example, if you want a soda pop, you have thousands of choices, from name brands to off brands, to diet and no caffeine. I think that if there was just one company for each product that offered all kinds of options, then there wouldn't be so much competition. Another plus would be that the company would prosper so they would expand and more jobs would come about. Also more inventions would come about, more improved inventions, and there would be more educated people also. This is because if you want to have your own company then you would have to invent; if you are more educated you would invent better. But then again, that is just a fourteen-year-old girl's opinion.

TEACHER THEME SONG

CHALLENGE!

1. Mrs. Adkins ____
 2. Mr. Arey ____
 3. Rachel Baker (M.H. Aid) ____
 4. Mr. Berridge ____
 5. Mrs. Boling ____
 6. Mr. Branham ____
 7. Mrs. Burke ____
 8. Mrs. Cracraft ____
 9. Mrs. Dettwiler ____
 10. Mr. Doddridge ____
 11. Mrs. Grooms ____
 12. Mr. Kempf ____
 13. Mr. Lewis ____
 14. Mrs. Lewis ____
 15. Ms. Long ____
 16. Mrs. Marshall ____
 17. Mrs. Mason ____
 18. Mr. Parker ____
 19. Mrs. Reed ____
 20. Mr. Reed ____
 21. Shari Rider ____
 22. Mr. Robinson ____
 23. Eleen Smalley ____
 24. Mrs. Swayne ____
 25. Mrs. Turner ____
 26. Mr. Vogler ____
 27. Mrs. Wallace ____
- A. Hang on Sloopy by The McCoys
 - B. Kokomo by the Beach Boys
 - C. I've Always been Crazy by Waylon Jennings
 - D. I Am Woman by Helen Reddy
 - E. North to Alaska by Dwight Yoakam
 - F. She'll Leave You with a Smile by George Strait
 - G. Here I Go Again by Whitesnake
 - H. Don't Stop Believing by Journey
 - I. Life's a Climb by Miley Cyrus
 - J. Free to be Me by Francesca Battistelli
 - K. Life is a Highway by Rascal Flatts
 - L. She Thinks my Tractor's Sexy by Kenny Chesney
 - M. Not Ready to Make Nice by the Dixie Chicks
 - N. James Bond Theme Song
 - O. Hot and Cold by Katie Perry
 - P. I Will Survive by Gloria Gaynor
 - Q. A Country Boy Can Survive by Hank Williams Jr.
 - R. King of Nothing by Jimmy Seals and Dash Crofts
 - S. The Beverly Hillbillies Theme Song
 - T. Same as it Ever Was by the Talking Heads
 - U. Working in a Coal Mine by Devo
 - V. Play That Funky Music by Wild Cherry
 - W. It's My Life by Bon Jovi
 - X. Welcome to the Jungle by Guns and Roses
 - Y. Sitting on the Dock of the Bay by Otis Redding
 - Z. Living La Vida Loca by Christia Poveda
 - AA. How You Live (Turn Up the Music) by Point of Grace

Can you match each teacher and staff member with his or her theme song? The person who turns in the most correct answers will be given a candy reward. Answers can be turned in either at the Library or to Elizabeth Polley and Stephen Boehme.

March SNR

By: Carrie Chalker

Another month has come and gone, and with it another fantastic Saturday Night Revolution! An old tradition resurfaced this past month as summer begins to fill the air. It is called Octaball! For those who may be unfamiliar with this addicting game, it is similar to dodgeball, only you are in a small “corral”. The goal is to hit the ball at other opponents while keeping your legs and the rest of your body from getting hit. If you have never tested this fun activity before, I recommend a test run some time.

This previous month also headlined a new and fairly unfamiliar band, The Great Transparency. The group brought a slightly different style to the table as they not only had a wonderful vocal sound but enhanced it with a heavier rock style with great acoustics. Although the number of people present was significantly smaller than the average, the enthusiasm by the audience was no weaker than if a hundred people had been present. Another change to the usual program was the change in the speaker. Instead of one of the youth leaders, Grace Fellowship’s Pastor Glazebrook delivered the lesson with a testimony from church member and state trooper, Donnie Edgington.

Even at the end of the evening’s activities, the now popular band was seen mingling and hanging with all of the teens. Everyone appeared to be having a fantastic time, and all certainly looked forward to April’s festivities. You should have marked your calendars because this month of April was the rising band, Our Heart’s Hero, and there was a dramatic skit as well as fun for all!



Mrs. Boling continued to make headlines as she required her Spanish II classes to shoot a news report complete with headlines, weather, style, cooking, and sports segments. Both classes were creative and had a good time filming though none of the segments seemed quite as much fun as first period's weather report. Derek Eberle reported from the scene of a "hurricane". He stood by one of the school's back doors while partner Zach Swayne poured on the water. Justin Morgan and Julia Pernthaler proved their natural modeling talent in the first period style segment. Tawni Caudill and Chelsea Rumfield fought bitterly about Team Edward vs. Team Jacob in eighth period's video.



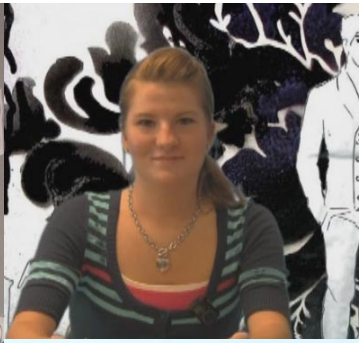


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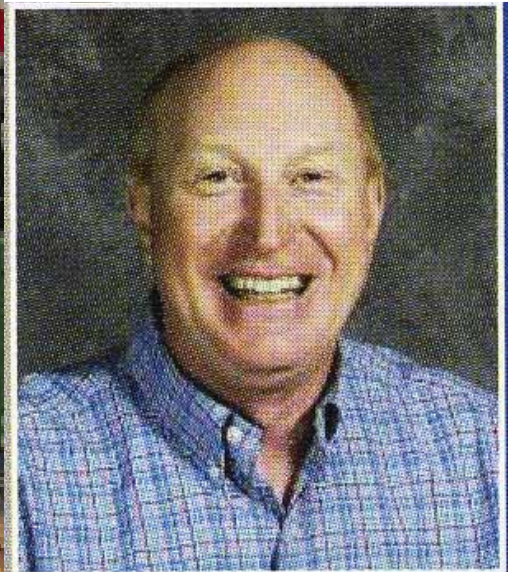


Miscellaneous shots from the videos of both Spanish II classes.



Mr. Anderson May Have Gone into Witness Protection


Beloved teacher “Doc” Anderson is believed to have gone into Witness Protection after going missing for a majority of the school year. Students are now wondering if the “humble teacher” has more to him than meets the eye. What caused this disappearance? Was it a deal gone wrong? Or did he owe money to the wrong people? His friends are mystified and have neither seen nor heard from him for months. However, sources in Florida have located a mysterious man identified only as “Sparky” who wanders around the streets dressed in a green Hawaiian shirt and top hat, whistling Jimmy Buffet’s “Margaritaville”. Whether this mysterious man is Doc or not, all who knew him are anxiously anticipating his return.



Mr. Anderson

A picture of the man sources call “Sparky.”

April Fool's

A man with short, light-colored hair and glasses is smiling slightly. He is wearing a white dress shirt with a dark vest. He is holding a silver handgun with both hands, pointing it upwards. The background is dark.

His bad side is
a dangerous
place to be.

Mr. Lewis
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COMING JULY '10

April Fool's

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Creatures of the Deep

