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The Chatter

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Best Easter Gifts:



BY: HALEY STRATTON

- Perfume gift basket
- Spa gift certificate
- Engraved jewelry
- Easter themed scrapbook (for the mom in your life)
- Stuffed Animals
- Baby ducks, chicks or bunnies
- CHOCOLATE!



2011 Beta Convention

BY: MRS. REED

On April 7 and 8, the Peebles High School Beta club traveled to Columbus, Ohio to take part in the annual state convention. This convention was the 60th consecutive for the state of Ohio. This year's convention consisted of academic and artistic contests, a campaign for new state officers, and displays of club activities and service projects. Additionally, Beta members heard an inspirational speaker and attended the infamous Beta dance on Thursday night. This year PHS represented our club and school well competing in several scholastic tests, quiz bowl competitions, and fine arts contests. The scrapbook—which depicted the members and activities of the club—received first place while both Kayleigh Humphrey and Kelsey Bengtson received second place for art projects.

The most exciting news, however, was when our very own

Marissa Phipps was elected as the 2011-2012 Ohio state Beta president. All members wore t-shirts with Marissa's slogan "Phlip for Phipps" on Thursday. This same day, the campaign committee performed their skit, urging Beta members to vote for the PHS candidate. Marissa gave an impressive two minute speech to a crowd of hundreds of students. Marissa will serve as the state president for the next year and will also have the opportunity to attend Broyhill Leadership Academy and the National Beta Convention.

Despite the organized events of convention, the best part of Beta convention is always the in-between times. The bus ride to and from, card playing in the rooms, swimming in the indoor pool and ordering pizza are always favorites. Courtesy of Brian Seaman, PHS students also enjoyed Thursday morning doughnuts and late night

sundaes in the hallway (barring any grumpy hotel workers) as a special treat. Additionally Beta members got to take part in a traffic accident clean-up, an eye witness report, and a cell-phone retrieval.

Although Mr. Vogler and Mrs. Reed are still a bit tired after two sleepless nights, the sponsors are proud of all Beta members who attended the convention.



Every Rose Has Its Thorn

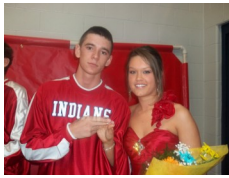
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"YOU CAN COMPLAIN THAT ROSES HAVE THORNS OR YOU CAN REJOICE
BECAUSE THORNS HAVE ROSES."

Why is it that no matter our age, we have a difficult time avoiding negativity? We are quick to complain about our looks, our school, our town, our country, and our environment. In truth, most of us tend to see the glass half-empty instead of half-full. Is this because its what everyone does? Is it because it is easier to criticize than compliment? Is it because we are simply spoiled? With the turmoil in this district, the devastation in this world, and with the economy as it is, certainly the easiest thing to do is to concentrate on the thorns. To appreciate the roses each day, takes a conscious, positive effort that is certainly difficult. If we constantly choose to see the thorns rather than the roses however, think of the beauty in the garden that will miss out on. What can you do or say today to draw attention to the roses?

Senior Spotlight

Jayde Boyd



Jayde Alexa Victoria Boyd is the daughter of Heather Boyd. She has an older brother, Storm, and two younger sisters, McKenna and Kailyn.

In her spare time, she just likes to hang out. In her words, her favorite memory at PHS is “softball!”

For her future plans, she just plans to take it day by day.

Before she’s 30, she wants to have her own interior design/architectural design firm, live on the ocean, have a Range Rover, and have a really awesome bucket list.

A random fact about Jayde? She used to think her name was Jayde Alexa Victoria “Secret” Boyd; she legitimately got mad if people didn’t call her that.

Blake Justice



Blake Justice is the son of Brett and Billie Jo Justice. He is the brother of Beau Justice and Jacey Lynn Justice.

Blake enjoys playing basketball in his spare time. He plans to play basketball for Akron in the future.

His favorite memory at PHS is when he scored his 2,000th point.

Before he is thirty, Blake wants to graduate



“It is indeed ironic that we spend our school days yearning to graduate and our remaining days waxing nostalgic about our school days.”

- Isabel Waxman

Back to the 80’s

In the middle of all the April showers, the Peebles High School music department brought a ray of sunshine to our lives. On April 14 and 15, students from the elementary and high school got the privilege of watching “Back to the 80’s” — a musical about a changing and colorful time in American history. Despite the neon spandex, side ponytails, and leg warmers, it was still

easy for each audience member to see ourselves in the characters of the play. From the jock, to the nerd, to the bully, we have all fallen victim to a high school click in our lives. This play reminded us not of the differences in people, but rather in the commonality that we all have. It reminded us that popularity is fleeting and that often times our brightest days are those days when we decide to

step away from the crowd.

The actors and actresses in the play had a difficult task of taking us “Back to 80’s” but did so with ease and entertainment. PHS is proud of all of our students involved in the play from the cast to the stage crew. Hopefully, there will be many other plays performed by PHS students in the future.

What Does Your Favorite Easter Candy Say About You?

BY: KAILA RUDD

Chocolate bunnies, eggs, and anything Reeses—You’re very traditional, down to earth, and jolly. You like to cheer people up but you don’t like to share. If someone takes something that belongs to you, you’re willing to fight to get it back; however, you usually lose because the chocolate has weighed you down.

Jellybeans, Sweet Tarts, Starburst—You are sweet and caring. You believe we will one day have world peace. You secretly love dressing like a hippie and would love to be vegan. You have a cat named Kitty.

Peeps, marshmallow suckers, jello—You try telling people you’re “unique and different” when in reality, you’re just trying to be cool. You want people to think you’re one of a kind and this usually involves telling lies and forgetting which lies you have already told, so you contradict yourself often.

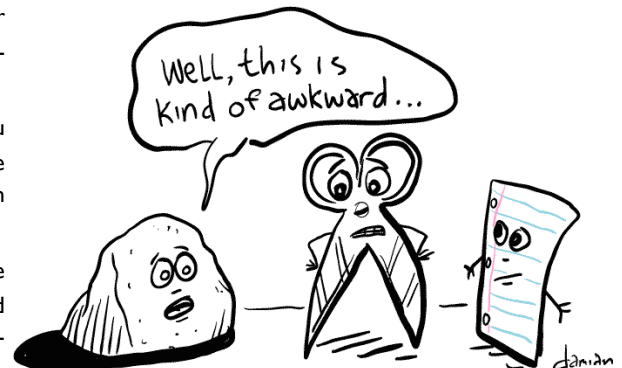
From: *The Book of Awesome*

From: *The Book of Awesome* by Neil Pasricha

- Pulling into your destination right as your favorite song on the radio goes off.
- Mrs. Reed.
- Roasting your marshmallow to a perfect golden brown.
- Waking up and realizing you still have four more hours to sleep.
- Unpeeling your orange into one giant swirl of peel.
- When the vending machine gives you two Snickers instead of one.
- Acing a test you thought you failed miserably on.
- Perfectly toasted toast.
- When you're laughing so hard you make no sound at all.
- Snow falling on Christmas Eve.
- High-fiving babies.
- Popping bubble wrap.
- Tripping and realizing nobody saw you.
- The sound of scissors cutting construction paper.
- The five second rule.
- The last day of school.
- Eating the extra fries at the bottom of the bag.
- Getting gas just before gas prices go up.
- Sneaking under someone else's umbrella.
- Neighbors with pools.

That Awkward Moment When...

- Your friend gets yelled at by her parents while you're sitting right beside her.
- You're alone in the elevator with someone you don't know and you're both going to the very top floor.
- You see Mr. Edingfield in Bath and Body Works in his motorcycle gear.
- Your mom starts a "your mom" joke.
- Rebecca Black asks Justin Bieber to do a duet and he has to say "never."
- You find yourself gossiping with your teacher.
- A rapist really climbs in your window and starts snatching yo' people up.
- You pass your principal in the middle of the hallway as you're skipping class.
- When you send the "winking face" text message to your parent instead of who you meant it for.
- When you're singing a song and the artist gets the words wrong.
- When a fat kid says, "That's how I roll."
- When you catch Justin Bieber singing *If I were a Boy*
- When you go in your closet looking for Narnia and you find the door to Monsters Inc. instead.
- When you say, "Like a good neighbor, State Farm is there!" And no one appears.
- When Waldo and Nemo turn out to be on vacation together
- When a silence isn't awkward until someone says it is.
- When you post a picture of your new beard on Facebook and Keshi "likes" it.
- That awkward moment when you realize you've been singing the Macarena wrong for sixteen years.
- When you're watching a movie with your parents and you're old enough to understand all the sexual innuendos but can't laugh lest you raise suspicion.
- When you've been personally victimized by Regina George.
- When you realized your friends cropped you out of the picture.
- When your teacher starts yelling at you and all you really want to do is laugh.
- When you find out your toys have made three movies behind your back.



Easter

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BASKET

CHOCOLATE

EGGHUNT

HAM

PEEPS

SUNDAYCLOTHES

BUNNY

EASTER

FLOWERS

JESUS

RESURRECTION

SUNRISESERVICE

CHICKS

EGGCOLORING

GOODFRIDAY

PASTEL

SPRING