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Oakland teachers strike on 4/20-Cheetos sales triple

By Robin Higgins

Teachers in Oakland chose April 20, 2006 or 4/20 to protest against Randolph Ward, the proposed cuts to their health-care plans, "the man," war, and everything that squares stand for.

In addition to shouting slogans and holding signs outside schools and downtown, some teachers decided to go for a more "natural" look by letting their hair down, wearing loose clothing, not shaving, and going braless.

4/20 was chosen as the date to strike because teachers felt the powerful, earthy vibes of that day would allow them to stand united in body and soul more than any other day. Also, many of the

teachers expressed a wish to have that particular day off as they had, "things to do."

Hey...we took this day off cause we have stuff to do...yea

-Mary Blunt

Mary Blunt, an environmental science teacher, was interviewed at 4:26 and summed up the feelings of most of the teachers.

"Hey...we took this day off cause we have stuff to do... yeah, like no one should be holding us back and stuff...yea."

Although Skyline and the rest of the Oakland schools were technically open, attendance

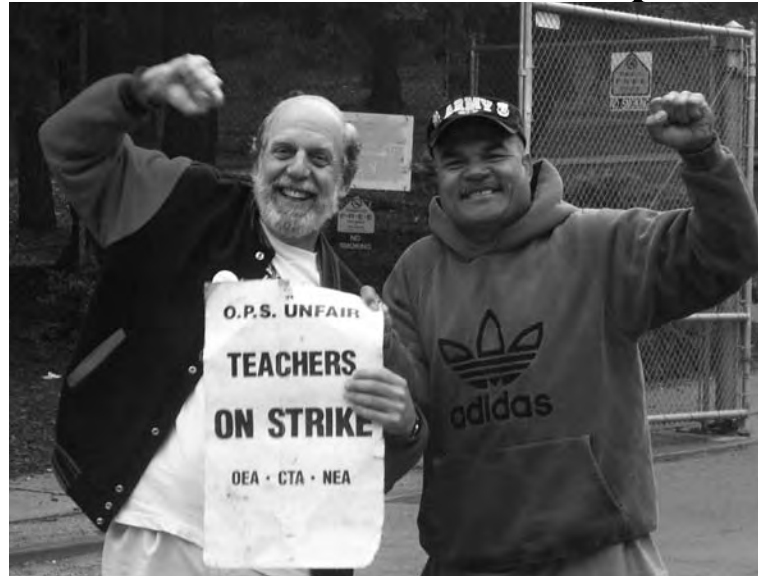
was much lower than usual. Students chose to be truant to show support for the teachers, and to enjoy certain relaxing and mind blowing activities.

Gan Ja, a Caribbean exchange student welcomed the day off school.

"Ya, the break from school was great. This way I could celebrate the holiday and not piss off my teachers for coming to school intoxicated."

The activity filled day ended with a Bob Marley tribute band playing outside of city hall.

"All in all, the day was a perfect combination of rebellion and relaxation," said Junior Bud Reeper.



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Teachers Michael Zak and Leone Iosefa strike on 4/20.

Skyline receives vintage portables

By David Okikawa

Skyline has recently acquired two brand new state of the art portables now located in the parking lot.

The new portables are equipped with air conditioning and heating systems, laptop computers

at each student's desk, wireless internet, and vending machines in the back corner of each room.

"All these new additions are so exciting," said Bobby Sue.

The paint of these new portables, official title "Vintage Rust," was an outstanding investment for Skyline.

"It took us 50 years to find this specific tint of Vintage Rust, and cost us an additional \$50,000," said project organizer Lay Zee.

The paint was also peeled and chipped off in certain areas to add to the vintage look of the portables.

In addition to the paint, much landscaping labor was put into the beautification of the new portables. Yellow tape encircles each portable, brightening up the entire parking lot, and freshly diseased pine needles were scattered around along with bird droppings to give the portables a more natural look.

"We all put a lot of hard work into making these portable look as nice as possible," said Chi Po.

The light fixtures, barely dangling from the ceiling, are designed to hang and look as chandeliers do. And the ramps are specially oxidized so holes gradually appear as students walk up them to class.

These portables are also fitted with the latest earthquake proof foundations. Underneath each portable are stacked up blocks of wood used to hold up the buildings and to keep those inside safe from the Oakland faults.

"In these portables, I know I will feel so much safer knowing I have blocks of wood underneath me to keep me safe from natural disasters, especially earthquakes," said Anthony Smith.



Katie Hauser- Staff

One of Skyline's new vintage portables in the parking lot.

Unprecedented accident brings Skyline fencing team to a bloody end

By Daniel Ha

With an unprecedented accident, the Skyline Fencing team has suffered a terrible disaster that forced the team to disband. On the evening of March 20, while the fencing team was practicing their routine drills, senior Eric Stylings was accidentally slash in his face by his sparring partner freshmen Eduardo Coodiar. Stylings suffered a few minor injuries, but he will be unable to smell again. The cause was faulty gear

protection that was not regulated by the American National Fencing Federation (ANFF).

"This has never happened before. It was unimaginably horrible when I saw huge amount of blood spurt from Eric's face. Eric is my best friend and he is the best on the team. It was a shame that this happened to him," said senior Justin Punishlet.

After an investigation by the school officials discover

that the fencing team had purchased protection gear from Eduardo Coodiar's grandmother who went under the alias named Ruth Hassleberg.

"We never knew that Hassleberg was related to Eric. It was suspicious that the equipment was cheap, but we were in desperate need. The school wouldn't help us out, and it was hard to fundraise," said senior Peter Calward.

The Fencing team was established 10 years ago by a group of freshmen students who believed that none of the school sports were as competitive as this one. Over the years, the Skyline Fencing team has gained popularity and recognition as it has become the undefeated champion in the OAL.

With the disbanding of the team, many Skyline Fencing members protested, but school officials decision

remained unchanged. Many members have joined outside fencing organizations.

"Even though the Fencing team is disbanded, I've had great memories of the whole experience. It may be a tragedy, but I find it unfair that the school shut us down. We will continue to fight for the revival of the Fencing team and we hope everyone in Skyline will support us," said senior Sir Kevin Fencealot.

Upcoming Events

April/May

Tuesday 04/25
-Reguylar Day, release 3:05 p.m.

Wednesday 04/26
-Regular Day, release 3:05 p.m.

Thursday 04/27
-Senior Full Attendance Day

Monday 05/01
-Skyline Badminton
Homecoming Spirit Week
-Swahili AP Exam
-Freshman Project Due

Tuesday 05/02
-Ceramics AP Exam

Thursday 05/04
-Physical fitness AP Exam

Friday 05/05
Badminton Homecoming
Dance @ Skyline Gym, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 05/06
-Sophmore Ball

Senior Prom will be taking place in the Skyline cafeteria

By Tiffany Luong

Due to the high number of tardies and unexcused absences, Skyline Senior Prom "Bella Noche" will be held in the Skyline cafeteria.

Sixty percent of seniors have too many tardies and excessive cuts; therefore, the senior class was not able to sell enough tickets to put a down payment for the Nikko Hotel.

Because prom will be held in the cafeteria, girls will not be permitted to wear heels because it will damage the cafeteria floor. Girls are to wear flats, but not flip flops or sneakers. According to the administration, flip flops and sneakers look "distasteful."

This means I will be able to get into prom free

-Kim Tran

The only food that will be served on prom day will be cafeteria food, as it is all that can be afforded. The lunch ladies and the

student cafeteria workers will be making and serving the food with the supervision of Senior Class President Sean VanStraatum.

This is great, because I can play the songs I want to listen to
-Nancy Stewart

"I am happy to be serving my friends; this means I will be able to get into prom free," said sophomore cafeteria worker Kim Tran.

For music, the senior class will have teachers disc jockeying with stage crew's audio system.

"This is great, because I can play the songs I want to listen to," said English teacher, Nancy Stewart.

"We keep stressing over the fact that students need to get to class on time, but they do not listen. So, this is as good as it gets," said Senior Class Sergeant at Arms, Judy Saechao.



Geoffrey Bantilan- Staff

The Skyline cafeteria, the site for the upcoming Senior Prom.

Since there will only be twenty couples at Senior Prom, the class has decided to sell disposable cameras for ten dollars. Senior class will also have the option of a Polaroid

with a pose and a background for just three dollars.

"I am so happy about prom because there are more girls than guys attending, so I would get two dates instead of

one," senior Indar Smith

Although the cafeteria is not the typical place to hold a prom, the senior class officers are doing their best to make their prom the most memorable of all.

Say goodbye to the United States

By Jaredt Hunter

Lately, the tardy policy has been the talk of Skyline High School. As many students know, the current tardy policy rules are as follows.

Two unexcused absences or five tardies disqualifies any student from attending any high school funded activities such as school dances.

Most seniors and juniors have been in up roar against it. "It only effects those who are actually involved in school. Like Dance Production members and athlete's" said Senior Chris Watson.

As if the consequences of the tardy policy weren't enough, shortly after all California Schools adopted the policy President Bush felt as though all United States High School students could learn a few

this with a Nation Wide Tardy Policy.

Unlike the consequences set by Skyline High School principal Amy Hanson the rules are a little different. If a student is tardy six or more times in one marking period then a student is revoked there license and is set a curfew of 10:30. If student is absent two or more times a week then the license is revoked, curfew and any accreditations such as awards, scholarships and honors are erased from record.

I broke all the rules and now I am being forced to move back to Liechtenstein.

-Helga Brukler

And since America is such a diverse Country the last rule is as follows: Any and all students who

break all of the rules above will be deported back to their primary country of origin. If he/she's point or origin is America then the student must choice another country to live in.

"I broke all of the rules and now I am being forced to move back to Liechtenstein. My family has not lived in that country for 150 years but I still have to go. My parents are not even allowed to come with me," said student Helga Brukler.

Petions are being signed and Rallies and strikes are in process. If you though missing prom would be devistating, think about haveing to pack up your bags and leave your country alone. Which one is more valuable?

Currently no student from Skyline has been deported, it seems as though it is only a matter of time.



<http://images.google.com>

People effected by the new tardy policy leaving the country.

Time capsule found beneath senior lawn

By Simone Strunin

Early, on the morning of April 3, 2006, a time capsule from 1984 was discovered buried three feet beneath the senior lawn.

The recent stormy weather has been taking its toll on Skyline's shrubbery. In reaction to these unfortunate weather patterns, volunteer staff members, who wish to stay anonymous, have been working in a secret coalition called Preserve the Skyline Wildlife. They have been meeting at nights and on weekends working painstaking hours cleaning up debris from the storms so that the campus looks as usual for students when they arrive in the mornings.

Although it was not apparent on the morning of April 4, 2006, the night before

the senior lawn was flooded due to unknown circumstances and so the coalition was called into action at 11:00 p.m. As they began the task of re-placing the corroded soil and re-setting the misplaced grass, one of the members found something buried deep beneath the school that they could not have anticipated.

I landed on something hard..... we realized it was a time capsule
-coalition member

"When we arrived, the lawn was a mess. There was a gapping hole smack dab in the center of it. We still have no idea how this fiasco came to be, but when I jumped into the hole to assess the damage I landed on

something hard. When the team finally dug it out we realized it was a time capsule from 1984," said anonymous coalition member.

The time capsule contained a number of the hottest people and products from the 80's. The first item pulled out of the capsule was a cell phone the size of a small T.V.

"It was so big I could barely hold it. It must have weighed ten pounds," said anonymous coalition member.

Next a pair of fuchsia leg warmers, an eight-track tape player, and a 10 x 10 poster of Cindy Lauper were revealed. And Lastly a cassette of the horror flick "A Nightmare on Elm Street," and a seven pound bottle of hair mousse were found which concluded the class of 84's most prized possessions.

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EPIC CLASH OF THE COLORS

By Geoffrey Bantilan

The color blue is superior to the color orange in all aspects due to the fact that it represents the essence of life: water! We all know that over 70% of the earth is water and represented by the color blue. Water is 70% of our biological make-up, which makes the color blue the essence of life. Blue is one of the only colors that can be used for a wide range of descriptions. Blue is used to describe eyes, a mood and even a genre of music. No other color can describe all these aspects of life. 95% of the US population wears blue everyday because blue jeans are the most popular pants worn daily.

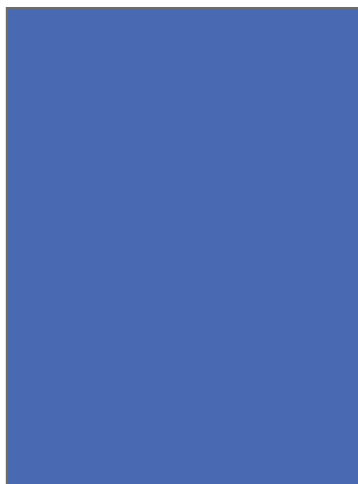
The oceans and the sky, two wonders of this earth, are both blue. The beautiful blue things we take for granted would truly be missed if they were nonexistent. It is nearly impossible for me to imagine the sky a different color than blue. In fact it makes me quite blue. Imagine a green Blue Jay or a red Blue Whale a different color. Also America, and the freedoms we treasure, was founded by the color blue.

The soldiers that fought against the Confederacy to preserve the Union and free the slaves proudly wore the color blue.

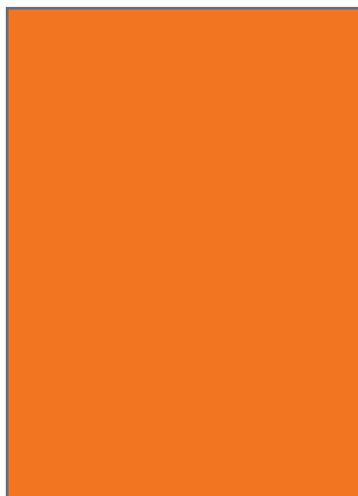
The fact that my fellow students could find that the extremely loud, obnoxious color orange is beautiful makes me want to sing the blues. There is a reason why our best convicts wear orange jumpsuits; it shows the angry fire that burns within their soul and has come out in the act of a crime. Orange is a truly disgraceful word to the English language for it is impossible to rhyme. Another pint is that an orange a day does not keep the doctor away. Blue collared workers live an honest life and pay their dues to live the life they choose to lead.

While orange corrupts our cultural values, blue soothes our depressed feelings and acts as a relief like the soothing blue ocean. Orange continues to burn like the orange sun that causes millions of cases of skin cancer.

Until society realizes the corruption that orange has caused to us all, we can never move on and evolve. When this glorious day occurs, we can transcend into a new era, the era of blue.



VS



By Ben Dalgetty

When one thinks of colors, most people think of blue for water or green for nature. However they are all wrong, because the color orange dwarfs them all in its awesomness. Without the sun, that giant burning orange ball in the sky, there would be no life. Because of the sun's energy however, bacteria were able to produce oxygen and build a stable atmosphere that we are currently destroying today. Without the radiation the sun produces and the subsequent mutations, life as we know it would never have evolved. So without the sun, we would be a species of giant blobs who would be instantly vaporized because there is no atmosphere and we'd be subject to the vacuum of space. Doesn't that sound fun?

The sun is just one of the many instances where the color orange shows ultimate supremacy over all other colors. There would be no oranges. That delicious and healthy fruit would no longer exist because really who would want to drink "blue juice?" The only blue fruit is blueberries and

we all know what a failure of the fruit those are, half the time they don't even make the cut as a candy flavor and blueberry smoothies are a complete joke. Orange, however, loans itself not only to its namesake fruit, but also such delicious delicacies as mangos, tangerines, loquats and many many more.

What does the color blue have on this miraculous life giving flavor of life? This color has a wide variety of uses, meanings, Blue is the color of the ocean, the ocean that drowns thousands of people every year and prohibited the world from communicating for thousands of years. Blue is the color of the screen of death that haunted computer users around the world for decade. In Australian slang "blue" describes a fight. In German "blue" means drunk. In Russian "light blue" is slang for gay. And in our own language, American, "blue movies" are pornographic films.

It becomes evidently clear then that not only is orange a necessary color without which we couldn't survive, but that it is so superior to blue is well, singing the blues.

Top 5 Zombie Tips

By Loyola Landry

If you, like me and many other enlightened beings, believe every word of the Resident Evil movies and video games, then you know that dark days are ahead. Too many people remain ignorant of the horrible truth that zombies will soon inherit the earth. The human species needs to be preserved, but people simply do not know how to save themselves. By borrowing many ideas from the National Zombie Control Agency's (NZCA) handbook, I have put together the Top 5 Things to do *when zombies attack*.

1) Save your career- A zombie attack would be even better than a strike from the teachers standpoint. And who knows? Dr. Ward might become a zombie himself, and then all the teacher's problems would be over. NZCA says the best way to settle a contract dispute, or a simple grudge, is be to have one party make zombie control helmets. The teachers could use them to let zombies loose at the next round of negotiations and finish the Salary Wars for good.

2) Don't be afraid to protect yourself- According to the NZCA, everyone has a right to protect themselves in case of a zombie attack. Of course, it wouldn't always be possible to tell who was

a zombie and who wasn't. Once again, according to the NZCA, no one would be held responsible for any false accidental murders caused by such a case of mistaken identity. Of course, the NZCA also says that you should not take advantage of the situation to exact revenge on anyone. That coworker that pissed you off at the Christmas party. The teacher who refused to give you that A. The opportunities are limitless, and no one would ever know.

3) Zombie Olympics- Zombie attack got you down? Find a way for you and your friends to turn being besieged by flesh eating monsters into a good thing. The NZCA has many creative solutions for this problem. Try having a zombie-skull bashing contest. Whoever can bust the most heads in a minute wins! Or you could try zombie chicken. Have two people stand outside in clear sight of the zombies. Eventually, the zombies will start going for the people, and the first one to run away loses. Of course, getting eaten also counts as a loss.

4) Get a weapon- No matter what, every zombie movie or video game involves a hero with a super crazy weapon. The first rule of the NZCA handbook clearly states that anyone and everyone should arm themselves

to the teeth. Be it a cricket club, a shotgun, or the classic chainsaw, having some kind of zombie shredding object is essential to survival. Heavy blunt objects work best, as destroying the brain is key. One of the best defenses is to keep a bat near your bed in order to be ready to fight at any moment. Or, like me, you could fashion for yourself a club out of any desired material. Zombie hunters must always be prepared.

5) Get the essentials- Aside from a weapon, there are a number of other things that are essential for survival during a full fledged zombie attack. Food is a must, as is a flashlight with lots of spare batteries. There are few things worse than fighting zombies in the dark. Of course, gathering supplies doesn't have to be as commonplace as going to the supermarket. The NZCA has this to say on the subject: "With zombies running amok, most stores won't be open, and the police will either be dead or very busy. Take the opportunity to break into any store that you think looks nice, even if you don't actually want anything from there. Its not everyday that you get to smash windows without getting into trouble, after all." **Disclaimer:** do not listen to the NZCA under any circumstances, ever. They give horrible advice.

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Help From the "Clean and Tidy

By Rachel Scott



Where's the rest of it? This dress looks like a baby's christening gown. I mean, leave something to the imagination. With this dress we can see everything...every flaw. Just think, what would your mother say? Surely you wouldn't want to disappoint her.



Would you look at that. This is a replica of Princess Amidala's dress, and we know how gorgeous that dress is. Can't you just admire it's gigantic size. Now to wear this, you definitely have to be confident. No one would ever call you insecure.



Okay, we understand all girls of different sizes want to look nice. But, in this situation, size isn't the biggest issue. Cleavage out is highly suggestive. Surely a more covering dress would complement you. Sometimes more actually is better. Let's get real.



Now this is a great way for you to cover up. It is classy and a definite eye catcher. And, just to top it off, the fabulous long waves are just the touch to put you at the top of the charts. Just look at her. She is confident, and beautiful. You would be every girl's role model.

To protect the well-being of young and impressionable minds from obscene, and perhaps even lascivious upon its innocent young; the Oracle We have conducted a survey of student and classy student body- who have ideas of appropriate prom attire. The Tidy Squad. Keep in mind they re

Best Prom Picture



This is the latest style of the year. Instead of much attention to themselves, they are certainly looks like they are in love. Now to look at ten years from now. It is sin



What else could go wrong with this dress? There are way too many slits, and the chest area is too revealed. Now this is the dress that will leave you sick and in bed for months. There are other ways to be elegant rather than having a dress torn into pieces.



Now this is what we call class. And what kind of cloth was used? Probably something from the Caribbean. If you wore this to prom, you'd look stunning, and you'd probably be the only one wearing it. Originality is the key to beauty, and you will be pretty.



Where's the color? This tux will make you look like you are going to a funeral! Haven't you heard, the duller the color, the duller the attitude. Brighten up!!! Besides, spring is the time to broaden your horizon and let it shine. Trust us you'll be happier.



Now this is more like it. Not only has the suit managed to step away from the dark side, but it has also managed to kick up the style. In this type of suit, fun is guaranteed, and a psychedelic tone is sure to be set. Everyone say "cheese!!!" A perfect 10!

Worst Prom Picture



Okay, so they do look a little like they are in love. The dress is way too revealing. The tux is way too revealing. The picture that you look back on and scream at. R

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"Prom Squad": Prom Do's and Don'ts

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Who would want to buy a dress
with so many holes in it? Don't
you want your money's worth?
This dress would give people the
wrong idea about you, and, your
reputation is all you have. Without
it, what's the point. Think about
that when buying your dress.



Now this may not look like your
typical prom dress, but this is the
new style of the year. It provides
comfort and beauty all for the
price of one, and for just a few
bucks more you can purchase
the beautiful hat. You wouldn't
even have to do your hair.



This dress failed the decency
test by just a bit. From the bottom
up, it is beautiful. But, at the top
the cleavage is too much to bare.
Many things could go wrong.
You could catch pneumonia, or
even worse, people would see
your chest. That would be bad.



A dress inspired by Cinderella
is the way to go. Everyone can
appreciate some culture. In this
dress you can be pretty. And, even
better all of your figure flaws
are hidden. No exercise need-
ed. Turn a size 12 into a size
4 instantly. It's just like magic.



We will say that the fabric is
quite lovely. But it is skin tight.
There is a slight chance that in
this dress, you would be unable to
breathe. And, you know what that
means...suffocation. Besides, all
of your friends would probably
say you looked like some drapes.



Now here is a resolution. If
you insist on wearing a dress
that is a bit clingy, this is what
we recommend. This dress is
clingy and loose at the same.
And, as a great complement,
you can wear a graceful bonnet
and apron. You'd be a looker.



Do we hear peacock? Killing
is very wrong. And what's with
the top of the dress. Have people
forgotten that showing cleavage
is out of style? The wind would
definitely blow this dress right up
to the sky. How embarrassing!!!
How would you explain that?



What a great way to incorpo-
rate the Goth style and the so-
phisticated look all at once. Talk
about originality, you would be
the first person in history to ever
come to prom with this beauty on.
Soon everyone will be out to get
it. You would be a trend setter.

The GoRillaz Uncovered!

By **Brittant Chenier**

Over the years there have been many hidden identities that have captured the attention of the world. Prince, who is he really? Where did he come from? Spider Man : who is the man behind the mask? KISS the infamous group that never showed any of its member's faces. Well there was that one time.

Inspired by the unmasking of KISS I went on a quest if you will to find another mystery and solve it. After much toil I discovered my purpose in life. I decided to try and find out who the Gorillaz really are.

You know the group with all the members animated. Nobody has ever seen who this group is even on tour. I became obsessed with the idea of finding out who these guys or girls really are.

After months of toil, strife, and endless dead ends. I finally had a breakthrough. The moment I was waiting for

finally came. The Gorillaz were so impressed with my desire to find them they had decided that they wanted to meet me too.

Oracle: So why did you



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 Popular Alternative group Gorillaz

decide to finally reveal yourself?

Gorillaz: We felt it was time to reveal who we are. Let the world see our faces.

Oracle: Why the hidden identities in the first place?

Gorillaz: It is obvious we are trying to cover up all the

acne that plagued us throughout our teen years.

Oracle: So years of secret identities are all behind a little Acne?

Gorillaz: Yeah, pretty much.

Oracle: So you mean to tell me that you never show your faces because of pimples? Some of the hottest and richest celebrities have the worst skin. what the difference? Have you ever heard of Proactive

Gorillaz: Nope, not really.

Oracle: Not trying to give some kind of subliminal message?

Gorillaz: No. Our reasons are completely vain and superficial.

Oracle: Wow that is really surprising. But I have to say I am inspired by your honesty.

Gorillaz: Yeah I just felt like it was time to be real with it you know.



<http://www.skphoton.com/albums/GA-Tech-Friends.jpg>
 Skyline's new Teacher is excited for his first day on the job.

Mr. Goodson 272

By **Raymond Lo**

Mr. Rod Goodson, is the new Home Economics teacher at Skyline.

Oracle: First off, what experience have you had teaching Home Economics before Skyline?

Goodson: To be frank, I have no background or qualifications to be a Home Economics teacher. I graduated from Dingle University with a degree in English, but I never learned how to cook.

Oracle: It must have been tough for four years without ever having a home cooked meal.

Goodson: You are right! I was struck by the Freshman-Fifty every year in school, but I now weigh a healthy hundred and one pounds.

Oracle: What inspired you to come to teach at Skyline and its wonderfully diverse campus?

Goodson: I thought that it was the right time, at the age of 35, to leave my parent's basement and finally become independent. However, I had trouble cooking for myself, so I devised the perfect plan. I would first take

a job as a cooking instructor, give all my students cookbooks, and have them cook delicious meals for me to eat everyday!

Oracle: Do your students ever feel like they missing out on an education because you refuse to teach them anything?

Goodson: Of course not. My students enjoy devising their own assignments and are use to not learning much at school anyways.

Oracle: What was your first impression of Skyline?

Goodson: I have never been in a happier environment! The bathrooms are clean, the light fixtures in my room shine brightly, and there is not one below average paint job found throughout the entire campus. This place looks even better than Michael Jackson's Neverneverland.

Oracle: To wrap this interview up, what message do you have for your students and the staff of Skyline?

Goodson: You guys have taken care of me better than my mother and grandmother combined! To my students: continue to cook delicious meals. After you guys graduate, please do not visit me empty handed!

Red Bull Gives You Wings?

By **Spencer Fang**

Due to the issues safety issues and limited parking at Skyline, the school administration has announced a partnership with Red Bull to give students wings. A test is being conducted with a small sample of students, and if successful, the program will be opened to the entire school.

Assistant Principal Bobby Pinne said that Red Bull will eliminate the issue of the parents' incessant attempts to drive their children up the hill, the students' inability to find good parking spots, and any excuses for being tardy.

With their new-found flight abilities, many students will choose to fly rather than ride buses.

AC Transit was interviewed regarding the possible loss of hundreds of daily customers. "We regret the loss of Skyline's once loyal customer base, and feel truly saddened by this act of consumer betrayal. We did everything in our power to ensure that buses arrive on schedule, have spacious and sufficient seating, and most all, have a safe and relaxed atmosphere. I am sure that once the novelty of flying wears off, stu-

dents will miss the quiet comfort of AC Transit buses," said company spokesman Anthony Claire.

tion Administration held a secret emergency meeting regarding this "alarming development."

According to a press release, the FAA plans to have every student screened with metal detectors and have backpacks and bags inspected by X-ray each day before students are allowed to fly, but did not specify on details. The statement also said that flyers should expect to arrive two hours early at their inspection stations to ensure a timely departure. Skyline's student testers have also found other ways of using Red Bull's wings besides for transportation. Aside from members of the swim team, all other athletes reported marked improvement. Mayachela Velez, a member of the Skyline track team, said, "These wings lowered my mile time by a whole minute. As long as my feet touch the ground once in a while it's not flying."

Other Oakland schools expressed that they felt Skyline's teams have an unfair advantage, but currently there are no plans to discontinue the testing of Red Bull.



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Who Cares?

It People of the millennium

By: Brittany Chenier



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Name **Joshua Charmin**
 Grade: **Pre-school**
 Birthday: **June 4, 2001**
 Sign: **Pisces**
 Nickname: **Joshie**
 Describe your personality:
Outgoing, very optimistic, and a really great guy to get along with.
 What's your favorite sandwich?
Sorry I don't eat food.

How long do you take to get ready in the morning? **About 45 minutes to 2 hours.**
 What is your favorite cologne/perfume?
Curves, because that's what I like in my woman.
 Where do you see yourself in 10 years? **Out of college with a good job and in a stable relationship.**
 Who is your favorite teacher?
Mr. Peabody.
 Do you prefer the *Cosby Show* or *Run's House*?
Run's House.
 Who inspires you?
My parents and friends.
 Where do you hang out on the weekends?
At home, the movies, and partying with me and my padnas.
 What is your favorite Cartoon Character?
Cartoons are for children, not men like me but Spongebob and me do go way back.
 What is your status?
Single and looking for that lucky person.
 Who is your favorite band/genre?
I like any kind of music.



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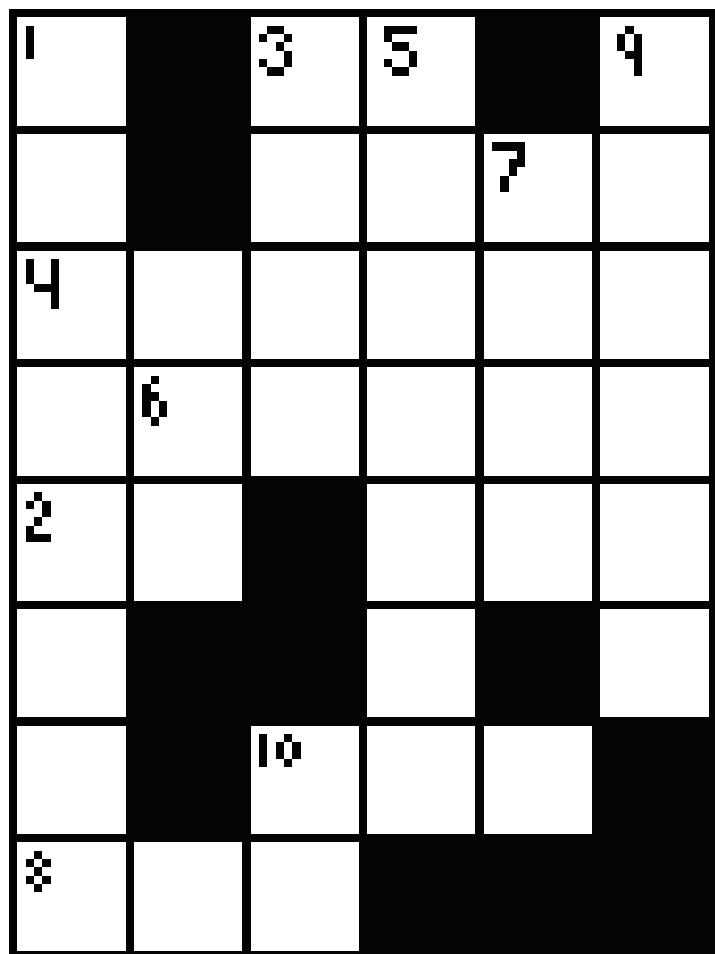
Name: **Sarah Brown**
 Grade: **4th**
 Birthday: **February 20, 1996**
 Sign: **Taurus**
 Nickname: **Ms.Talk Alot**
 Describe your personality:
Everything is a mystery.
 What's your favorite sandwich?
I don't eat sandwiches I only eat sushi.

How long do you take to get ready in the morning?
One hour and thirty minutes you can't rush perfection.
 What is your favorite cologne/perfume?
Romantic wish.
 Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
Married to a football player with two kids.
 Who is your favorite teacher?
Mr. Shaman.
 Do you prefer the *Cosby Show* or *Run's House*?
The Cosby Show.
 Who inspires you?
I inspire myself but with out my fam I aint got nothin.
 What is your favorite dance move?
Turf dancing.
 Where do you hang out on the weekends?
At Kimbels carnival shaking my groove thang, or kicking it with my squad gurls.
 What is your favorite Cartoon Character?
Paris Hilton.
 What is your status?

Boyfriend we been together through everything we been together for like 8 years man. That's real.
 Who is your favorite band/genre?
New Edition they go man for real.
 What's a common misconception people have about you?
Most people think I have an attitude and most think I do not like anybody, but really, I am a cool person that likes everybody.
 Who is your Celebrity Crush?
Evan Ross from ATL he look so good.
 Where do you like to shop? **Up against the wall, Macy's, and Forever 21 cuz they be havin hecca cute stuff**
 What is your favorite sport?
Volleyball.
 Who is your best friends? **Niah and Savana Dean and let me give shout outs to my patnas on da block and I got to shout out my nig tupac man were every you at we holdin you down out here in the down and mad love to Too Short.**

Crossword

By: Spencer Fang



Down

1. Theater benefactor
3. Appointed administrator
5. Number of trees on senior lawn
7. Payton's team
9. Mandatory exam

Across

2. Meaning to life, the universe, and everything
4. Why is a raven like a writing desk?
6. Air speed of an unladen swallow
8. Schrödinger's cat is _____
10. Location of Iraq's WMDs

Dear Hatie

By: Hatie

Dear Hatie,
 My boyfriend just broke up with me, and I have been feeling really down lately. Do you have any tips on how I can bring up my confidence?
 Sincerely,
 Saddened Female

Dear Saddened Female,
 Ok, I have one major tip for you: get prettier. So here are a few ways to accomplish this: plastic surgery is always an option, and ultra heavy eye makeup sometimes can help but I wouldn't count on it. If this doesn't work what I really suggest is that you wear a bag over your head. I know the old bag over the head trick seems extreme, but I personally know of seven instances where it led to love eternal. So why not give it a try? Plus a Safeway bag is cheaper than surgery.
 Sincerely,
 Hatie

Dear Hatie,
 I am pretty happy except for one thing. I have no street cred. For some reason due to the fact that I reside in Montclair Village, I get absolutely no respect. What can I do to change this?
 Sincerely,
 200 MV Boy

Dear 200 MV Boy,
 What you need to do is go kick it on Killa Keller. Just don't be afraid; everyone who lives there gets mad respect. Like Dill Pickle, Sara Lee and their zoo crew. Everyone knows who they are and

not to mess with them. So if you move, everything should be all right since we all know that Montclair is the least hard place ever.
 Sincerely,
 Hatie

Dear Hatie,
 I have a problem and I don't know what to do. I'm just too talented for my own good. People are always jealous of what I'm capable of. What can I do to make people feel better about themselves when they're around me?
 Sincerely,
 Tragically Awesome

Dear Tragically Awesome,
 If this were a real question, then I would say that you need to bring your awesomeness down, but since I know that this is Bobby all I have to say is shut up. You are not that great, and did you really think that this would fool anyone? Get a life. You really aren't as clever as you think you are.
 Sincerely,
 Hatie

Dear Hatie,
 I have a problem its my nose hairs it is extremely long and I have a bad booger problem they always seem to get caught in my abnormally long nose hairs. Hatie what should I do about my booger problem? My friends have commented on many occasions that I have boogers in my nose and each time I get really embarrassed
 Sincerely,
 Filmoisha

Dear Filmoisha,
 You need to carry a compact mirror so that you can dig those suckers out. Boogers are definitely not attractive so you need to take care of that. Also I suggest that you stay away from dust and flowers since that can increase your booger production. As for the nose hair there have been great advancements in nose clippers so I suggest that you buy one, they have some very nice mechanical ones.
 Sincerely,
 Hatie

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Skyline thumb wrestling team ready to rumble



Thumbs wrestlers battle

Katie Hauser - Staff

By Hin-ho Choy

In an attempt to get more alternative sports represented at Skyline, junior Daniel "The Thumbinator" Pollux started Skyline's own thumb wrestling team earlier this year.

Inspired by his favorite nighttime hobby of gaming, Pollux realized that he had a natural ability for thumb wrestling.

"One day while I was playing Mario Party, I noticed that my thumbs were getting bigger. I challenged the captain of the football team to a thumb wrestling match and won easily. Ever since then, I knew I was destined

to bring Skyline to thumb wrestling glory," said Pollux.

Since the beginning of the year, the team has been training intensely for the upcoming season, which will start on April 17th. Team recruits were invited to a training camp at Pollux's tree house over the summer. The three-week training camp involved intense thumb exercises including playing 20 hours of video games and button pressing practice. The team pressed elevator buttons, cell phone buttons, and belly buttons.

"I'm pressing buttons all the time. When I'm sleeping,

when I'm in the bathroom, and even when I'm showering. My favorite thumb exercise is to press those bottle caps," said freshman Ai Pushalot.

A week into the season, Skyline has already won the Oakland Athletic League title. Because of the lack of interest at others schools, there are no thumb wrestling teams to compete against and, therefore, Skyline became champion by default. The team went undefeated in OAL play going 0-0.

"We trained hard for the season and the results we got were well-deserved. We are OAL champions!" said senior Cho-King Wong.

Many of the people on the team have high aspirations for their future in the growing sport of thumb wrestling. Many of them want to one day become professional thumb wrestlers and compete in the National Thumb Wrestling Association.

"I hope to one day become a professional thumb wrestler in the NTWA, just like my idol Big Pop'n Lock," said Wong.

The team practices everyday after school in Pollux's backyard. If you are interested in joining the team for next year, tryouts start in June. But before you decide to try out, Pollux has a word of caution.

"Thumb wrestling is a very intense sport, weaklings need not try out," said Pollux.

Staff threatens prom and grades to win basketball game



Ms. Stewie celebrates the teacher victory

Katie Hauser - Staff

By Damon Mok

On Monday, March 27 a faculty/staff team, comprised of various middle-aged teachers and administrative workers, narrowly defeated Skyline's Varsity Basketball team. The game, held inside Skyline's gym, was a fundraising effort to improve the quality of lighting at this year's prom.

"The lighting is always horrible," said Principal Ahmee Hennesen. "I get complaints every year; this time, we're installing extra-bright florescent lighting."

As for the game itself, Hennesen showed great talent as a leader, scoring the majority of the points during the first half of the game. Clad in her signature red-colored jersey, Hennesen often executed orders to her teammates, further displaying her highly authoritative figure.

Although the faculty/staff team emerged victorious, 68-66 against Skyline's varsity team, they were highly dysfunctional and suffered from a lack of teamwork.

"Few of our members worked well together," said Hennesen. "I'm not going to mention any names, but most of the problems were between our History and English departments, particularly with two of our AP English teachers."

"I was wide open!" said an enraged AP English Language teacher. "That woman merely looked at me smugly and chucked the ball to an opposing player. It was ridiculous."

When asked, the AP Literature teacher denied such from ever happening.

"That silly man's obviously seeing things," she said. "Besides, you simply can't trust him when you want to win. Got to take it into your own hands for that; know what I mean?"

As the game wound to the final heated quarter, the agitation rampant among the faculty/staff team became further obvious to the spectators. After minor physical conflict between the two feuding teachers, a time-out was called and the two were promptly escorted from the facility.

"It was really scary," said junior Shera Wutserphace, a first-time attendee of a Skyline sporting event. "That one teacher was throwing some pretty big words at the woman. Then she started to intimidate him with yoga! I'm glad I came here today."

Principal Hennesen didn't share the same enthusiasm.

"I think the two dragged us down immensely," she said, referring to the faculty/staff team's abysmal score of 20-66 during the time-out. "They're giving our school a horrible face in front of all the parents."

As a final act of desperation during the last five minutes, the faculty/staff team not only to revoke senior prom tickets, but also to lower grades if the basketball team was to win.

"Mr. Periwinkle, the new Math teacher, told me he was going to give me an F if I kept scoring," said player Bill Sureshot. "So I just stopped."

During the free rounds of shots for the faculty/staff team, in which 48 points were scored, senior Science teacher Michael Zak made more than 30 points worth of three pointers. Known as Grand Slam during his youthful days, Zak was glad to improve his reputation once more.

After the game, Principal Hennesen appeared jubilant and ecstatic.

"We won by two points!" she said, "an expected victory, of course."

Mathlete of the Month: Liston Hulse



Liston Hulse (above), working on very difficult math problems (right)



By Awakiko

Name: Liston Hulse
Specialty: Double Integrals
Birthday: April 24, 1988
Class: 2006

Liston Hulse, long time mathlete and hard core calculator collector is the mathlete of the month. Hulse displays exceptional skills in all math departments, regardless of the current shade of blonde her hair may be during any given season.

"Liston is always hard at work plugging away numbers and using proofs to

check formulas given in our text books," said her math teacher.

Hulse has won 34 math competitions in a row and is going for her 34th today after school.

"I work really hard. Sometimes I need to wear rubber glove so my fingers don't get blisters from overusing my calculator," said Hulse. "My customized TI-9087 fits my hand perfectly and is ready at any moment to solve the most difficult of derivatives."

Hulse's passion for math developed after watching her favorite movie and role model in "Legally Blonde"

"My dream now is to become one of those few blondes who make it into Harvard," said Hulse. "After watching 'Legally Blonde' I knew that Harvard is where I wanted to go. I can't wait for my admission decision."

Hulse also idolizes Steve Urkel, Albert Einstein, and Steven Hawking.

"Urkle let me know that it's okay to be a loser, and that people will like you no matter how smart and dorky you are," said Hulse.

Her success can also be greatly accredited to extremely pushy parents and supportive friends at school.