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The making of a tradition

By ERIN WENTWORTH
MANAGING EDITOR

The gate swings open as ten boys and ten girls enter the stadium with a mission. They are the chosen ones who have the privilege to run the game ball into the football stadium for the homecoming game. Waiting in anticipation for an hour and a half seemed like a small amount of time compared to the four years of planning that went into the activity.

"When I was a freshman, **Kris Achter** mentioned to me that at his other school the cross country teams ran the game ball into the stadium during homecoming," senior **Roozbeh Ghaffarzadeh** said.

After 3 years the seniors put the idea into action. Ghaffarzadeh took the idea to the homecoming committee earlier this year.

"I asked the homecoming committee what they thought of it, and they loved the idea. They became just as excited as we were," Ghaffarzadeh said.

Along the way Ghaffarzadeh and the cross country teams ran into some slight problems. They were told by the administration that it would not be possible to run the football from Ankeny because of liability issues. Had they run the ball from Ankeny, the State Patrol would have had to block off Highway 69 so the runners would be safe. Instead, the teams decided to run the 30 miles around Ames.

"It was a little upsetting to find out that we couldn't run the ball from

Ankeny as we originally planned, but we can still run the ball around town. That is better than not being able to run the game ball at all," Ghaffarzadeh said.

The runners from the cross country teams ran the 30 mile course. They were selected by the coaches and most were seniors on the teams. The first team started at 5:45 P.M. and the last four runners ended at the stadium right after the coin toss. The ball they ran into the stadium

was not the actual game ball, but a ball signed by the football team that was raffled off at half time. Ghaffarzadeh and **Zach Keller** were formally presented the game ball, by the home-

coming committee at the bon fire the night before the football game.

"There has always been a grudge match between the cross country teams and the football teams, so this is our way of showing good sportsmanship. We also wanted to promote the cross country teams so people will come to our meets and support us," Ghaffarzadeh said.

Getting people involved in activities and supporting activities is always a large factor in sports. The fans at the homecoming game found that the running of the ball in was very exciting.

"It really pumped me up to see the cross country teams running the ball into the stadium," junior **Megan Popelka**, a cross country member said. "I just can't wait until I'm a senior so that I can do the same on homecoming night."

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The 10 senior girls cross country runners and the 10 junior and senior boys cross country runners chosen to run the game ball into the stadium gather for a picture. These runners started a tradition when they ran the ball 30 miles around Ames and into the homecoming game.

Photo courtesy of Autumn Hickman



Being all that they can be

HEATHER McELVAIN
FRONT PAGE EDITOR

Senior **Umar Mujeeb** could have been in the majority of high school students who disregard the Army recruiting officers that visit high schools each year. Although Army Recruiting officer S.S. Jeffrey Hegarty estimates that anywhere from 12-15 Ames High students have been recruited in the past 4 years, most of us pass them by with little thought as to how their "Be all that you can be" message could become a theme in our lives.

"I had never really thought of joining the army but I sat down and talked to them (the recruiting officers) my sophomore year and they seemed like really cool guys," Mujeeb said.

It was because of that visit that Mujeeb decided to attend a basic training camp in Fort Leonardwood, Missouri last summer. "Basic training was really fun and exciting. I learned a lot," Mujeeb said. "I had never shot a gun before, and I qualified as a sharp shooter. I was really excited about that."

After attending basic training camp Mujeeb is now in the army reserves. By joining the army Mujeeb is eligible to benefit from the Montgomery G.I. Bill, which can pay for 2 years of his college tuition.

"The money for college is a great help, but that's really just a small thing compared to the other benefits," Mujeeb said. "Through my experiences so far I've gained a sense of pride and discipline. Being a part of the most elite army is a great feeling. And knowing that I could be called on at anytime is cool too."

Senior **Sam McDuffee** decided to look into becoming involved with the military as an 8th grader in 1993. "I went to the recruiting office in Ames with my older brother to see what kind of opportunities they had for kids," McDuffee said. "I went into Sea Cadets that year and went to basic training at the Great Lakes Na-



Photo courtesy of Umar Mujeeb

Senior **Umar Mujeeb**, who is currently in the Army reserves, poses at boot camp. "Boot camp was hard work but the rewards are immeasurable," Mujeeb said. Mujeeb attended basic training at Fort Leonardwood, Missouri last summer.

val Training Center a few months later in the summer of '94."

McDuffee is not enlisted at this point and is not sure what he will choose to do in the future as far as the military goes. "Being in the military has a lot of benefits--it makes it easier to get a job anywhere and you get college scholarships. That's what really attracted me to the Navy; I'm not into combat. But as far as what I'll do in the future, that's pretty open ended right now," McDuffee said.

Whatever he decides to do, McDuffee believes he has learned a lot of life lessons through his naval training. "If you ask anybody who has been through any kind of military training, they will tell you that you definitely learn a lot of technical skills and tons of self-discipline," McDuffee said.

Both McDuffee and Mujeeb seem to have gained many important skills and lessons through their experiences with the military that will help them with whatever they choose to do in the future.

'Dialing and driving,' Cell phone safety put on the wire

By **ARLENE BIRT**
NEWS EDITOR

With today's high tech, low-on-time pace of life, cellular phones could, quite possibly be time machines for the '90's, but studies and safety concerns 'ring up' issues that put these wireless time savers on hold.

According to United States Cellular sales associate **Mike Leonard** only 3%-5% of high school students carry cellulators. The easily accessible phones serve useful in contacting parents, time management, and emergency situations. Junior **Krissy Quinn** said her cell phone has bailed her out of bad positions including flat tires, running out of gas and getting her car stuck in a ditch.

The usefulness of cellulators cannot be overlooked, but sometimes the portables cause the emergencies themselves.

According to traffic safety specialist **Scott Falb** from the Iowa Department of Transportation, studies have shown an estimated 10%-20% increase in the risk of being in an accident while on a

phone.

According to Falb, there are no current laws restricting the use of cell phones while driving, but, "I suspect as states have problems... all it seems to take is one high profile crash and some data to verify it to get it [law] moving," Falb said.

Leonard said the risk is greater when drivers use small, portable models that require one hand to hold the phone in place while talking.

'Safer' car phones, often called hands-free kits, come with the ability to rest between the driver's ear and shoulder enabling freedom of both hands.

Junior **Annie Wacker** said she uses her cell phone 2-3 times a day, including while driving, but considers dialing the number more dangerous than the actual conversation.

"They should, in the future, have it mandatory to have a hands free kit," Leonard said.

But even these kits do not allow the driver to dial "hands-free."

Excluding the price of safety, cell phones can be as expensive or inexpensive as the amount of time spent on the cell.

Companies offer packages including a phone and a chosen number of minutes ranging from under \$20 to hundreds of dollars.

Quinn said though driving and dialing is dangerous, one of her greatest disappointments was when she had put to use all the incentive time given for

buying her phone. "The biggest downfall is when you've used up all the free minutes," Quinn said, "you get so used to using them."

New AIDS group 'aware' of issues

By **AMBER ERICKSON**
SPORTS EDITOR

AIDS: a disease that attacks the body's immune system, rendering it unable to fight cancer, pneumonia, and a wide variety of other diseases.

Senior **Katherine Anderson** has formed the AIDS Awareness Group to inform

students of AHS and the surrounding communities about AIDS. This group not only addresses AIDS; they will also stress other STD's as well. "These are not visible problems," Anderson said. "I know teenagers are having sex. I just want them to do it safely."

"I believe that there is a need for information in AHS and the surrounding communities for that type of information," Anderson said.

Everyone is welcome to join, from the involved to the uninvolved. "I would like to try to get people involved who aren't involved in the traditional high school club. You don't have to go to all the meetings. You can just show your support by helping out

at events."

The group is aiming to spread awareness and will begin fundraising directly for the Story County AIDS Coalition. "We will be having a pop and donut day sometime," Anderson said. "We will also have activities for AIDS Awareness Week (Dec. 1-7) and National Condom Week (Feb. 9-15). Also on October 8 we will have a sticker day and we will be selling T-shirts sometime."

The members of the AIDS Awareness Group are enthusiastic about their new club want everyone to know they are welcome at the meetings. Sophomores **Alyson Propes** and **Jessi McCauley** think it's the best since sliced bread. "It rocks! Everybody should



photo by Jason Clark

The logo of new radio station **KLRX (96.1 FM)** located on east 13th street. The station covers **AHS sports events**.

New station broadcasts AHS sports

By **JASON CLARK**
FYI EDITOR

A new radio station has joined the Ames community. 96.1 FM KLRX began its broadcasting six weeks ago on August 21.

The new station is owned by **Glenn Olson** and son **Brad Olson** from Ames. "Ames is a great, growing town. It was an excellent market in which to open up this station," Olson said.

The music is designed to appeal to the local adult community. "We play classic hits," Olson said. "Classic hits" are popular songs from the late 60's, 70's, and 80's.

KLRX is also involved in

covering Ames High sports and other activities. "We noticed [KLRX] starting at our first meet," girls cross country Coach **Kirk Schmaltz** said. KLRX has been present at football games, boys cross country meets, and girls meets giving play-by-play coverage.

Principal **Chuck Achter** is on the air at 7:15 a.m. every Monday morning on 96.1 FM to talk about upcoming events at Ames High School, as he does on Saturday mornings on 1430 AM KASI. "This (broadcasting) is a really neat way to communicate to the public all of the great things that go on here," Achter said.

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Hear ye, hear ye.....

Students visit Minnesota Renaissance Festival

By GINA RUSSELL
STAFF REPORTER

Sophomore **Andy Cowan** was enjoying the sights and sounds of the Minnesota Renaissance Festival when he heard a commotion at one of the booths. A man had a hammer and was attacking a seemingly harmless pickle on the ground.

"There were all these pickle vendors, and if they didn't get enough business, they'd grab a pickle and start beating it with a hammer. Most often quite a crowd gathered at this," Cowan said.

Cowan was one of 88

students who traveled to the Minnesota Renaissance Festival grounds near Minneapolis Saturday, September 20.

Roger Jacobson, a business teacher, sponsored the trip and chaperoned along with seven other adults.

The group met at school around 5:30 a.m. and spent the day immersed in the Renaissance-era settings which included stores, exhibits and performances, and returned to school around 11 p.m. Once they arrived, the students were given brief instructions as

well as some colorful limericks from the employees. They then were able to do as they liked throughout the day.

Junior **Abby Hade**, who attended the festival, enjoyed the stores. "They had a lot of stuff you couldn't find anywhere else, and a whole lot of hats," Hade said. She found some of the employees a little pushy and very aggressive to get customers to look at their wares.

Though the students were on their own, the day was trouble-free according to Jacobson. "The kids that go on this trip are interested in the

arts and performance. I've never had any evidence of problems," Jacobson said. If needed, an adult was stationed at a meeting spot on the hour to aid students.

Though Jacobson thought the \$38 price was too high, the experience was positive for all. Cowan found the antics of the employees to be the best part. "If you asked someone for directions to the restroom, they'd pick you up and carry you to the farthest one, screaming for people to make way for a privy run," Cowan said.

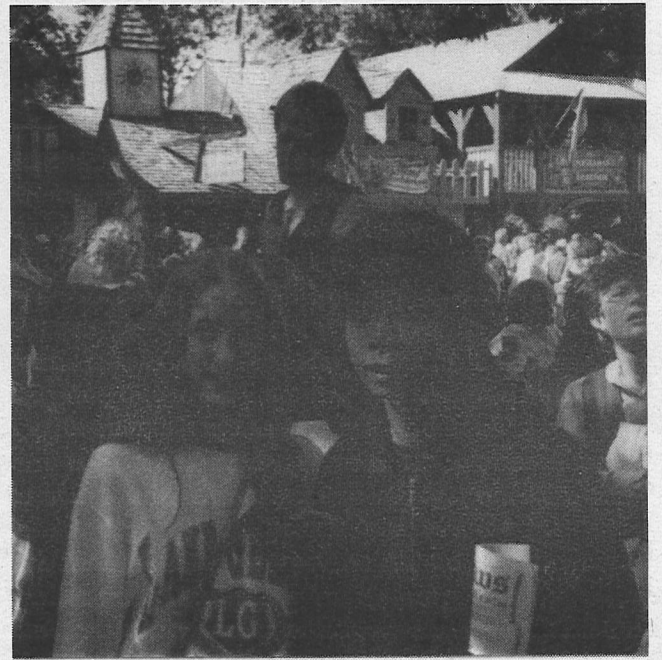


photo courtesy of Roger Jacobson

Juniors Lisa Homstad and Sam Wong were two of 88 students to attend the Minnesota Renaissance Festival Sept. 20.

Computer crashes, technology causes headaches

By GINA RUSSELL
STAFF REPORTER

Ames High acquired around 200 new computers for this school year, and with them came nearly as many headaches.

These headaches have been in the form of printers not working, computers crashing or networks being down. With 1600 students using computers daily, even one computer going down in one lab can cause major problems.

"The computers are slow, and they crash all the time," senior **Karl Dyszinski** said.

Freshman **Mark Bokhoven** agreed, but said only certain programs were faulty, not the systems themselves. "A lot of times the internet won't work," Bokhoven said.

This new technology, however, has enabled students and teachers in the school to incorporate computers into the

curriculum in many ways. Labs are open more hours with better computers and printers for student use. In addition, 24 Emates (portable computer) are available for word processing so those without access to a computer can type their documents.

The school works hard to keep the technology running with four new computer associates, field engineers from the district and a technician to maintain the technology. "What I do is help those who aren't computer literate and get scared. We try to put them at ease," technician **Lawrence Hill** said.

Another resource the school has for technology help besides the associates, engineers and technicians are the TEK students, sponsored by teacher **Shelly Hassebrock** and media specialist **Lilith Dorr**. If a staff member has a

problem, he or she can call an extension, report it, and one of the students will work on the problem during her/his next free period.

Though the problems with technology seem frustrating and numerous to many students, computer associate **Kathryn Serby** says it is to be expected. "Anytime there are this many computers and this many students, you're going to have some problems," Serby said.

Computer Lab Hours By Room	
Room 9	8 am - 3:30 pm
Room 222	7:45 am - 3:15 pm
MC Lab	7 am - 5 pm MRF 7 am - 8:30 pm TW 1 pm - 4 pm Sat.

'pushing the pedals...'

Key Club bikes for Beloit

By MARY RUSSELL
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Key Club members, calling themselves the Blue Fireflies, joined other community members in support of underprivileged children by riding 8.7 miles in the Blue Sky Bike Ride last Saturday.

"We carried cups around school to collect money and asked people to sponsor us so we could ride," Key Club president **Darci White** said. "We called ourselves the Blue Fireflies and wore T-shirts signed by the students that donated money."

Beloit Lutheran Children's Home is a part of Lutheran Social Services. The bike ride was a fund-raiser for the program and the organizers wanted to involve students from the high school.

"It is good to see so many businesses and people donating their time to a good cause," said senior **Robbie Smalling**, Key Club vice

president, "It is a way to help people in the community and that is what Key Club is all about."

Along with raising money the group turned the ride into a fun way to spend the day.

"The bike ride itself was a lot of fun, but we were also doing something for other people so it make you feel good," junior **Lori Olsen** said.

"We were introduced to some of the kids that we were giving

money to and got to know them," White said, "Some of us rode with the kids and played with them afterwards."

Acknowledging the need of the kids in the

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-junior Lori Olson

Beloit program was an important part of the project and may lead to more activities for Key Club in the future.

"I think maybe later in the school year we will have a buddy day with some of the kids," White added, "We will probably pick an afternoon and do activities with them or take them somewhere."

Great leaders not always best athletes

By MIKE MEIER
STAFF REPORTER

It takes talent, determination and leadership to make a good sports team. "Leadership is very important on a swimming team," said Nancy Svien, the AHS girls swimming coach. "In this sport, you learn by example. Older swimmers must show maturity and work ethic."

Seniors **Adrienn Lanczos** and **Margo Levine** are the co-captains on the team. "It is difficult to give encouragement to people on such a large team," Lanczos said. "That is why a lot of good leaders is so important."

Sometimes the best leaders are not the best athletes. Senior **Roozbeh Ghaffarzadeh** is such

a leader. Ghaffarzadeh runs on the J.V. cross-country team and does not always have the best times but is still a huge leader for the team. "Roozbeh leads us in the calisthenics," junior **Jeff Kinley** said. "He is also a great encourager."

Ankur Amin is a leader on the soccer team. "Ankur really gets us focused on the game, and he gets us psyched up," said senior **Ethan Dunham**, a member of the team. Although Amin does not play very much, he still makes an important contribution to the team.

In any given sport, good leaders are the ones who motivate players to perform up to their potential. Great leaders are those who find such potential.

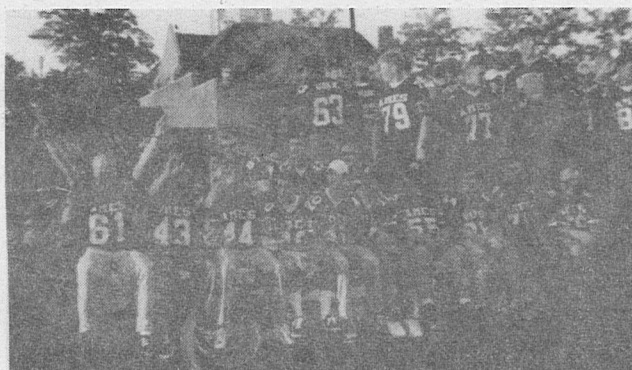


Photo by Erin Wentworth

The Varsity football team show their school spirit on their float in the homecoming parade. They won the homecoming game against fourth ranked Ankeny, 17-14. Good job, guys!

Athletes in the off season

By JASON CLARK
FYI EDITOR

Keeping in shape during the sports season is easy. A coach drives athletes along and athletes practice every day. In the off season, however, even varsity athletes need a lot of commitment in order to keep in shape.

Senior James Grant participates in both football and track. To keep in shape during the winter, Grant lifts four or five days per week and runs two or three times. He lifts in three-day cycles of pushing exercises, pulling exercises and leg exercises. He also alternates long distance and sprints. "I try to eat a well-balanced diet as much as I can," Grant said.

Junior Heidi McElroy plays volleyball and has been involved in track, softball and intramural sports. During the summer, McElroy attended three volleyball camps. "Our coach got unlimited contact with us for the summer," McElroy said. "That means she was al-

lowed to help us train as much as she wanted to." She also trained with the volleyball team throughout the summer.

Coaches play an important role in keeping athletes in shape. Head Football Coach Kirk Daddow helps his athletes train in the winter, spring and summer. "We really try to encourage our players to do a winter sport, but we have training programs for those who don't," Daddow said. The football players are given a packet on lifting for the winter and summer and run mainly in the spring.

Junior Kevin Wilson plays soccer and was on the varsity team last year. During the off season Wilson does a variety of physical activities such as running long distance and sprints, weight lifting and other sports like basketball. Wilson also tries to practice soccer skills every day. "Training is hard, but once you get to the real thing, the real fun starts," Wilson said.



Photo by Erin Wentworth

The Golf team show off their stuff in the Homecoming parade. With their record of 6-2-1, they should have a good chance at their state meet on October 10-11. We would like to wish them good luck.

NEW COACH BRINGS IN NEW ASPECTS OF RUNNING

By THERESA NASSIF
STAFF REPORTER

Todd Vollstedt comes to Ames High with years of experience and plenty of enthusiasm. He's been running for 21 years including cross country and track in college and

Keller said. "It's really great to have him as an assistant coach; he's always fired up about us running."

Running has always played an important part in Vollstedt's life. "It's basically changed my life," he said. "Not

only has it put me in better physical shape, but it's given me the self-confidence I've needed to succeed."



Photo by Theresa Nassif

Mr. Vollstedt is a new math teacher and the new assistant coach for the cross-country team. He moved here from Minnesota, where he taught and coached for 14 years.

"I improve is easy to measure in running and success can be based upon improvement," Vollstedt said. Cross country is one of the few sports that gives everyone the opportunity to succeed.

Running develops self-confidence and helps you to become more disciplined, Vollstedt said. "The best thing about running is the feeling you get after a race, a real feeling of accomplishment from day to day."

As an assistant coach Vollstedt's number one role is to be a support person for head coach John Sletten. That includes timing splits, entering results and giving input when asked. Just as important is the role he plays for the athletes. "Mr. Vollstedt knows a lot about sports," senior **Zach**

Wilson said.

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TENNIS COURTS NEEDED AT AHS

By THERESA NASSIF
STAFF REPORTER

The girls and boys tennis teams are faced with a facility problem. Ever since the program began over 40 years ago, the teams have been using the city courts at Brookside and Emma McCarthy Lee parks; each park has only four courts.

For a varsity meet, a minimum of six courts are needed. This forces the varsity team to be split between two sites with only one coach. "It's frustrating to not have your coach there to support you," junior **Stacey Chung** said.

Almost every team in the CIML has between six to ten courts at their high school. "We're one of the best teams in the state. It's ironic that we're one of the only teams without courts at our own school," Chung said.

Friends of Ames Tennis, a committee formed by parents and coaches, has been working to come up with a solution. They designed a plan to build eight courts near the old softball diamond at the high school. The estimated total cost for the project is \$305,000.

Not only would the tennis teams benefit from the building of the eight courts, but the whole community would be able to take advantage of them. "Everyone at Ames High and throughout the community would benefit from the new courts through physical education and other activities," athletic director **Dave Posegate** said. "The court situation has been past due for over 20 years. Hopefully this will be the end to the facility problem."

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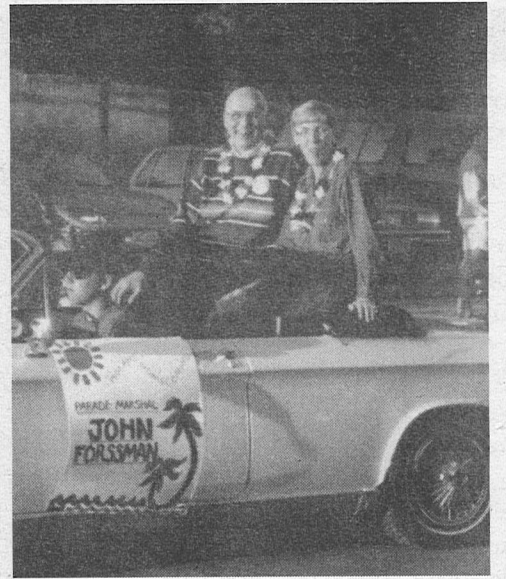
Photo by Theresa Nassif

Senior Todd Shirk shows off his talents in the junior/senior room during Hawaiian day. Students enjoyed the dress up days to show their wacky side.



Photo by Erin Wentworth

Seniors Todd Shirk, Todd Schweikert, James Grant, Matt Miller and Brenda Jones throw candy from the senior senate float. The senior float won the class competition in the parade.



Photoby Erin Wentworth

Mr. John Forssman and his wife pose for a picture during the parade. Mr. Forssman was the parade marshal for this year.



Photo by Jason Clark

Band raid members enjoy a friendly moment with those guarding the school. Band raid played through town Thursday night around 3:30 a.m.

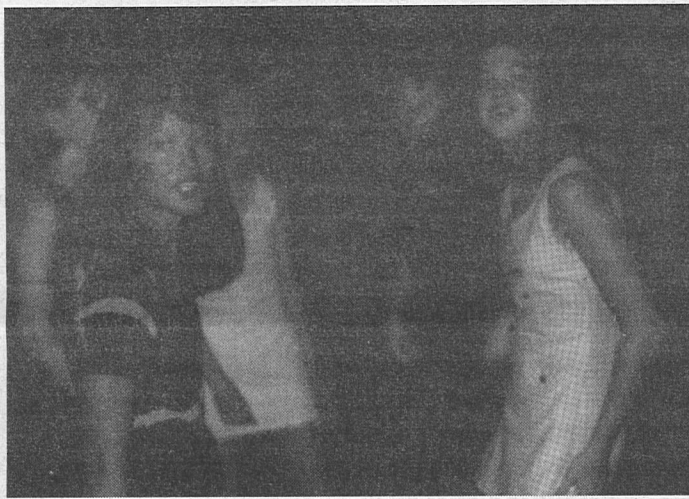


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Students enjoy the homecoming dance on Saturday night. Many students came out to enjoy the festivities during homecoming.

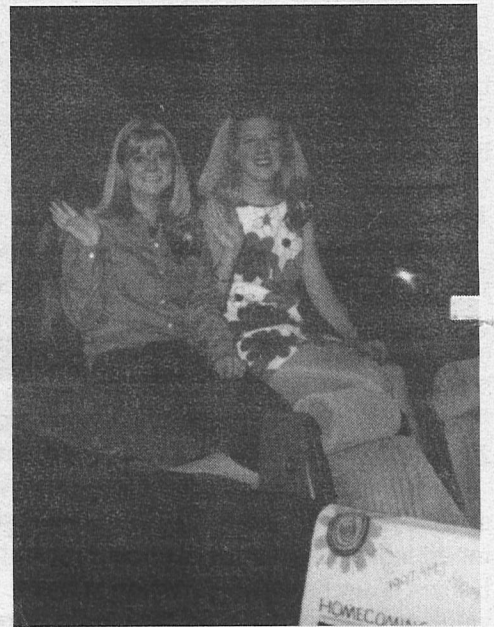


Photo courtesy of Erica White

Co-chairs Erica White and Ginny Cronin show their SPIRIT during the parade. They spent many hours over the summer planning the event.



Photo by Theresa Nassif

Senior students enjoy a moment during the game to show who's the best. Students found many ways during the week to show their school SPIRIT.



Photo courtesy of Erica White

Homecoming court members: Mark Anderson, Darcy White, Katie Finn, Elizabeth Hallem, Chris Gardner, Hillary Barta, Roozbeh Ghaffarzadeh, David Cheney, Devashis Roy, Jessica Larson, Emily Kell and Jamie Theilen. The homecoming king and queen were Jamie Theilen and Darcy White.

Horoscopes

By AMBER ERICKSON
SPORTS EDITOR

Capricorn (12/22-1/20)

Because of your decision to do the Macarena during the Homecoming dance, you have been outcast by your friends. Please don't try to make it up to them by singing the Barbie song.

Aquarius (1/21-2/19)

Love is in the air. Wait, it's toilet paper. You'll go on an environmental kick and decide to pick up the earth. Especially the AHS parking lot and court yard.

Pisces (2/20-3/20)

Just because someone interrupts your conversation today doesn't mean you should punch them. Instead place duct tape over their mouths and then rip it off when you're done talking.

Aries (3/21-4/20)

You will get in touch with your id. You'll have an impulse to pour ketchup and mustard over your head and wrap yourself in a big hot dog bun. Enjoy!

Taurus (4/20-5/21)

You'll stop saving for college or that new car. Instead you'll invest it in a collection of Beanie Babies. They have a good resale value, you know.

Gemini (5/22-6/21)

You won't be your usual self at the football game tonight. You'll dye your hair orange and black. You'll scream "Smash the Maroons!" What is a Maroon?

Cancer (6/22-7/23)

Because of your wonderful job in the class Olympics, you have requested to join the All-American Body Spell Team. Watch out for the Mongolian team. They can get a little crazy.

Leo (7/24-8/23)

Is your job too stressful? Don't let them make you flip those burgers. Say "I want to fill the ketchup dispenser." Without ketchup how will we go on living?

Virgo (8/24-9/23)

You are a flower. You are a dog. No, you're a human being. Perfect yourself and let your ideas be known.

Libra (9/24-10/23)

You will need a massive blood transfusion because of a freak paper cut. Don't worry. A cute nurse will help you, which will lead to a date on Saturday.

Scorpio (10/24-11/22)

Because of the huge cash flow you've been experiencing, you'll invest your money into a scheme to counterfeit coffee punchcards.

Sagittarius (11/23-12/21)

Walking is great exercise and you sure need it. You could walk in circles or around town. The added bonus to walking in circles is that you could eventually make your way to China.

By AMBER ERICKSON
SPORTS EDITOR

If you are wondering how to survive this crazy, harsh and hypocritical world you should listen to Ben Harper's new and third CD, *The Will To Live*. In this album, Harper addresses the challenges and strains of life, but also suggests how to correct them. He addresses such challenges as homelessness, dysfunctional families, racial tension and bad relationships. In "Widow of a Living Man," Harper sings about a wife who is having a bad relationship with her husband. "Mama why does he treat me so cold; why do I feel so old; how long has he treated me unkind; or have I always been so blind."

Along with addressing bad relationships, he sings about and how we shouldn't take good relationships for granted. In "Roses From My Friends" he sings: "This may be the last time I see you; forgive me for holding you close; this may be the last time I see you; so of this moment I will

make the most." I take this to mean that you shouldn't wait until you are on your death bed before you acknowledge your friends. You need to not only acknowledge them, but also appreciate them.

Not only are good relationships the key to living on this earth, but you also need to have hope in this life and your eternal life. Hope in this life is the theme of the title song, "The Will to Live." He sings about different situations that challenge a person's life, but they must have the will to live. Otherwise there is no reason to keep going. "Some are born with more; and some are born with less; so don't take for granted; the life we've been blessed."

He takes the theme of eternal life and turns it into eternal hope in a few of his songs. "Ashes," "I Shall Not Walk Alone" and "I Want to be Ready" make reference to an eternal being to guide and help you. In "I Shall Not Walk Alone" he sings: "When I am tired and weary; and along way from home; I reach

for Mother Mary; and I shall not walk alone." I believe this verse is stating that when we are lost we need to find something to hold on to. He chose Mother Mary, the mother of Jesus. This gives you some clues on his religious standing.

This CD is not only filled with meaning, the instrumentation is wonderful. He plays the acoustic Weissenborn guitar beautifully, and it has become his signature instrument. All the songs can be enjoyed by young and old. He incorporates pop culture with the problems in society. There are some more lively songs and some slow ones. All are classified under the roots rock category.

I like the slowness of "Roses From My Friends" and "I Shall Not Walk Alone." "Faded" is more of an electric song and is great.

Seeing that there is something for everyone, this well-rounded CD should be at the top of everyone's gift list. *The Will To Live* has a message to tell.

'Team Tailgate' grills up school spirit

By ARLENE BIRT
NEWS EDITOR

Bearing lawn chairs, briquettes and obnoxious orange T-shirts, "Team Tailgate" migrates to the parking lot before each home game to grill up some support for their football team.

Consisting primarily of 25-30 junior and senior guys, this student initiated tailgate party has been around for approximately a year, courtesy of an unknown founder.

From 5:30 to 6:30, the group meets in the north lot to "grill out, play loud music with lots of bass, catch, and harass people," in the words of senior **Todd Schweikert**.

Carrying a "bring your

own beef" theme, the members and anyone who chooses to show up with a chunk of meat can roast it on the large grill provided by a student.

"Football and tailgating go together like steak and A1," senior **Joe Ward** ("smuck").

Team Tailgate has also been rumored to harass "enemy" teams and compete with parent tailgaters for the "best party."

Orange and black T-shirts worn by the members don the team's logo of a cyclone on top of a grill and the wearer's nickname, which range from "the widow maker" (**John O'Connell**) to "the ghetto

chicken" (**Jeff Kinley**).

Though the administration has not objected to this unsponsored event, the group has been confronted by police. "The cops came once to see if there was any drinking going on," senior **Mark Gardner** said.

The tailgating is alcohol and drug free. "We're just a bunch of guys having fun." Schweikert ("crazy uncle") said.

"What goes better together than raw meat, guys, loud music and fire?" junior **Chad Eichorn** ("shaggy") said.

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IN A MAN'S BRAIN: IMAGES OF WOMEN

By JANE KLOCKE
 STAFF WRITER

Imagine entering a room containing 400 years worth of artwork with images of women ranging from very youthful innocence to later stages of life. "In a Man's Brain--Images of Women" is now at the Brunnier Gallery. The exhibit is part of the permanent collection of the Hunterian Gallery at the University of Glasgow in Scotland.

Amy Worthen, a

Des Moines art historian, writes in the exhibit's catalogue, "This exhibition is not simply a collection of pictures of female subjects by male artists. It deals, rather, with the question of how women have been depicted in art by men."

Curator Mary Atherly wanted a complete chronological selection. She also wanted to address the fact that many artists were mentored by women and

their influence on artists.

Chris Allen, deputy director of the Hunterian came with the artwork as a curator. He is working in a makeshift studio in Brunnier and

can be seen working throughout the day.

The collection on display contains 86 prints. Some of the most well-known artists and their work include "La Repas Frugal

(The Frugal Meal)," by Pablo Picasso and "Beggars Receiving Arms," by Harmensz van Rijn Rembrandt. The most recognized piece on display is "The Gleaners," by Jean Francois Millet.

The exhibit seems to tell a story and has a special meaning. The signature piece is titled "In a Man's Mind" by Edvard Munch. It shows a man's head and face and above him is a woman. I liked it because it really looked

like the woman is in the man's mind. My favorite piece is called "La Paresse" by Felix Vallotton. It is of a woman laying on a bed with a patterned quilt while scratching a cat. The contrast of black and white makes it really stand out. It isn't just an exhibit, it's an experience.

"In a Man's Brain--Images of Women" will be on display at the Brunnier Art Museum through January 4.

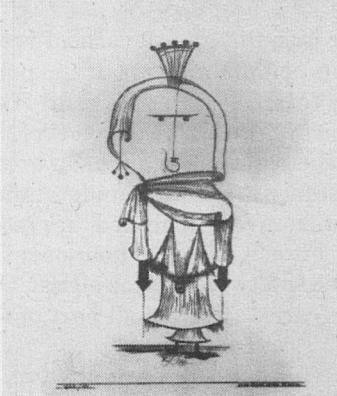


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 Die Hexe Mit Dem Kamm by Paul Klee

You did what?: Embarrassing stories Hawaiian Wordsearch

Match the embarrassing moment to the person!

COMPILED BY MIKE MEIER AND THERESA NASSIF

1. "I was taking off my shorts after practice, and I pulled down my underwear too, and mooned the whole volleyball team."

2. "On the way to the football game at Sioux City, I had to pee, so we pulled over so I could go in the ditch. While I was peeing, the people I was riding with started to drive away and I had to run after them."

3. "We were stunting before a pep assembly and I started to fall. Someone tried to catch me and grabbed my underwear. My butt was hanging out in front of everyone."

4. "I was running at the Rec, and there was an aerobics class up there. I was trying to impress them, looked over, and fell on my face. I heard some one say over the loudspeaker, "Did you see that, girls? He was staring at us and fell on his face."

5. "I was in third grade, we were at recess and a couple of us guys were standing around Jaelyn Sprong trying to impress her. I wanted to throw her down and catch her, but I just threw her down and couldn't catch her."

Todd Schweikert

6. "When I was little I was playing at the park with a friend and I had to go to the bathroom really bad, but I didn't want to go home. So I went over to the neighbor's yard and was going to go behind a tree, and I sat down on a bunch of cacti. I was wobbling home and it took an hour to get all the prickles out."

Lindsey Wright

Morgan Quinn

Janell Hutchison

Amber Engelen

Todd Shirk

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Answers:
 1. Amber Engelen
 2. Janell Hutchison
 3. Morgan Quinn
 4. Todd Shirk
 5. Todd Schweikert
 6. Lindsey Wright

AS WE SEE IT



Ames could use some cool new traditions and running the game ball into the stadium is a wonderful start.



The people who climbed on the roof the Sunday before homecoming managed to ruin TPing for the rest of the students during the week.



Congratulations to Joe Mowers and Devashis Roy for fulfilling their campaign promise of an Activities Fair. Now where is our student lounge?



Where are the TV monitors that were supposed to be installed before school started to give us announcements and messages?



Thank you for the letters to the editor. If you have anything to say (under 250 words) we would LOVE to hear from you.



Joe's sob stories on the oral announcements are all very depressing for him, but they keep us entertained. Thank you Joe!

Letters to the editor

Respect the grass

I witnessed the worst display of people not caring I have ever seen. Thursday [September 25] morning all the homerooms went out to pick up trash. My homeroom, along with the other homerooms, went to the courtyard. I immediately started picking up trash. I looked up and saw approximately twenty students out of one hundred actually picking up trash. Now, as a high school student, I thought that other students would have more respect for grass than that.

To those of you who actually picked up more than five pieces of garbage: good for you. I see that some people have respect for nature and the appearance of our school. To those of you who didn't pick up anything: get with it and clean up the mess even if you didn't put it there. You could still pick it up just to make things look nicer. Also the fact that you didn't care what the school looked like when our parents were coming for open house really made me mad.

Freshman Mary June Jackson

Column

My friends the cops

JASON CLARK
FYI EDITOR



Since the beginning of the school year, I've heard a lot of students complaining about the police. I've heard phrases like "Man, I hate cops" and "Geez, the police are always picking on us." Did you ever think, however, that maybe the police have a reason to target us?

For one thing, it is to my understanding that high school students, myself included, are *required* to drive like morons. Fifteen miles per hour over the speed limit? Hey, that's the safety zone. Stop signs? Optional. Right of way? Who cares! Yes, it's all part of the high school experience.

The police never let us have any fun, right? We TP the school and the rest of the city every year and they decided to block off the high school from being TP'd Thursday night just to make us mad. The truth is that the previous Sunday night, some of the students TPing the school decided to climb the ladder left by the roof workers and TP from above. The school decided that in order to keep TPer from getting carried away and hurting themselves or others, it would be best to not allow TPing on school grounds the rest of the week.

The police actually allow students to have quite a bit of fun. The traditional homecoming event of Band Raid, where 150 band members play loyalty and pep tunes at one in the morning, is usually accompanied by a police escort. In fact, this year the police guarding the school enjoyed a midnight serenade by the Band Raid.

Contrary to popular belief, the police are not out to get us, and they really deserve more respect than the students of Ames High School are giving them.

Explain the policy

I would like to express concern over the enforcement of the open container policy. As an athlete, it is important to stay hydrated, and so I have carried a bottle of water with me every day this school year. I have never gotten a second glance from any authoritative figure. This morning, as I walked through the hallway with my bottle capped and the seal unbroken, an administrator stopped me, and told me that my water had to be in my backpack. This was slightly confusing because the bottle wasn't even open, thus not even falling under the policy itself, and I have seen that particular administrator carrying open beverages through the halls him/herself.

The policy must be made clear as to where, when, and by whom what it is allowed to be carried. (Personally, I don't see a problem with carrying water. It is much less of a nuisance than gum stuck under desks, which no one pays attention to.) If this is such a major concern, it needs to be looked at. If it isn't a big deal, leave it alone.

Junior Katherine Acker

Editorial

Honor before success

MARY RUSSELL
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

In any competitive school there is pressure on everyone to succeed. Although some teachers try to prevent it, there will always be people who try to get ahead by cheating.

Although honor codes are associated with religious schools, they could serve the same purpose in public high schools. If students had to sign a statement at the end of every test, confirming that they did not give or receive any answers from the test, most would think twice before they cheated. It may not be a deterrent for everyone, but if it made people consider their actions it would be worthwhile.

The problem is that teachers often ignore the fact that their students cheat because they assume they will always be honest. If administrators and teachers looked closely they would see that students are not as honest as they are expected to be because some students do not consider cheating to be wrong.

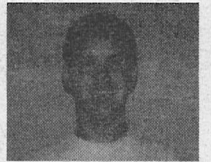
One of the reasons students and teachers don't look at cheating in the same way is that administrators and teachers rarely confront the problem. They could make their expectations for honesty as clear as their expectations for success if they required everyone to sign an honor code.

Freshman Opinion Poll

What differences have you noticed between high school and middle school?

I don't have to sit on the hill and get all muddy at the football games.

Brian Clark



There are teeny, tiny urinals in the bathrooms here.

Mitch Shaw

We have more freedom and the teachers don't explain every little thing to you.

Amanda Burke and Christine Dickson



Front page photos

Top left: Members of DECA ride on their award winning float in the Homecoming parade on September 24.

Top right: Todd Shirk, Katie Finn, Dawn Tesdall and Andrea Gunning on September 23. Wednesday was Hawaiian Day during homecoming week

The Web

The AHS journalism department produces The Web 11 times a year. It aims to inform, educate, entertain and provide a variety of viewpoints for the Web's audience. The Web seeks also to provide an open forum that encourages an exchange of ideas and opinions on issues of prominence of students, the newspaper staff and the faculty.

The entire student body, the primary audience of 1600 readers, receives the paper free of charge. Secondary audiences that receive the paper include the local community, faculty, and other school journalism programs throughout the country.

The Web staff strives to practice the ethics and skills of responsible journalism by following the Society of Professional Journalists' Code of Ethics. The Web will not publish material which is legally obscene, libelous or intended to cause a material and

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The Web will emphasize school news but will cover any community, state, national or international news affecting the student body.

Editorials will appear regularly in most issues. Stands taken in the editorials represent the opinion of the Editorial Board. Other opinionated pieces, including those differing with the editorial, will be handled through regular columns, letters to the editor and reviews.

Letters to the editor are encouraged and should be put in the adviser's mailbox in the high school main office, given to the executive or opinion

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