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HATCHET

April 1, 1995



April

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*Class nose ring sale

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*Running of the bulls (700 hall)

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*No school

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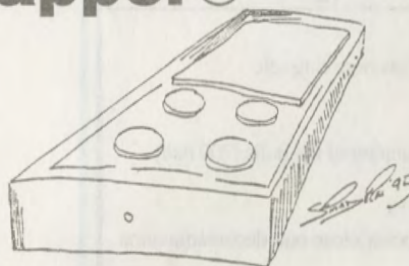
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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing because I am concerned about the issue of the usage of the dictionary in everyday life. When one is contemplating the correct spelling of a certain word, he is told to look up the puzzling term in a dictionary. How, may I ask, is one to look up this problem word if he does not know how to spell it in the first place?

He would end up travelling in vicious, misleading circles trying to find the answer to this complex dilemma. If one does know how to spell a troubling word, let him help his fellow neighbor when he is in distress! Where is the humanity in present-day society? English teachers, please offer us a guiding hand! Bad spellers of the world untie! So, in closing, I say—help those bad spellers in need!

Sincerely,
Joe Nonspell
Dictionary Atheist

Dear Editor,

I understand that violence has become a major problem in schools, classrooms, cities, and homes across the country. I believe, however, that the hidden video cameras and microphones in the classrooms and cafeteria, placed in order to keep a better eye on student activities, is taking security a bit too far.

No longer can students enjoy a private conversation or a special moment with a friend. How will the student body learn the complicated method of conveying secrets in secret? The faculty is depriving the students of valuable communication skills. The world may be a tougher place to survive in without these important methods being learned. Please think about any future changes in the student environment.

Thank You,
Fran Kely Secret
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Hallway problem solved

Laura Borlik
Staff Writer

Walking down the halls of WHS has always been a problem. Students crowd around the junctions of the halls causing traffic jams, and many are frequently late to class. But starting in the fall of 1995, people movers will enable everyone to travel the halls more easily.

People movers are often seen in airports. They are motorized tracks like escalators, but flat. Two movers will be installed in each hallway, one going in each direction.

Students will be able to get off or on at their lockers or class just by jumping on or off. "I have such a hard time getting to class," said junior Rick Borkowski, "these movers

are just what is needed to make my life easier."

The reason that they are being installed is because of the amount of time students use to get to class. The South Bend Community School Corporation received the annual review of WHS. It was found that this school had more students tardy to class than any other school in the corporation. Now the students can stand in place and be moved rather than having to walk. As a result, traffic jams will no longer be a problem.

The decision was made in February at an emergency meeting to test the people movers at WHS.

Even though the movers seem like a great idea to get kids to class on time, some concern is

expressed about the temperatures in the hallways. Due to the lack of heat at WHS the movers might freeze up and not work. But many are hopeful that the movers will be able to function properly.

"This will make the jobs of the security guards much easier," said WHS security guard Amos Vann. "Overcrowded halls are a major problem because of all the traffic jams. But with the movers we can concentrate on more important matters of security."

"I think that WHS students need an easier way to get to class," said principal David Kaser. "The tardy problem has certainly gotten out of control, and this just might be the solution that is needed." □

New cafeteria supplement found

Mark Sniadecki
Layout & Design

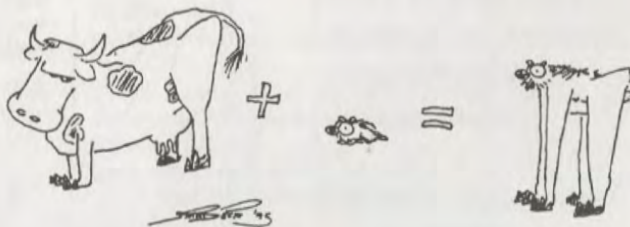
With the new USDA regulations, the South Bend Community School Corporation has turned to modern science in order to obtain meat for the schools. Scientists are using their newly-acquired skills in genetic mutation to alter cattle genes. They have taken genes from lemmings (a species of small arctic rodent famous for its peculiar habit of jumping into the ocean every three to four years when the population becomes overcrowded), and created a very specialized hybrid.

"This is a completely new species, almost a new genus," stated Prof. Edgar E. Stutenhausen of the University of Chicago. "The process isn't that new, but we've never had success between two species with such an incredible size differential before."

They've crossed the lemmings with ordinary cattle, and in the process, created an animal that has some interesting improve-

ments over "usual" bovine.

First, the new breed retains the form of the cow, while expressing the behavior of the lemming. "I've seen those little doggies eat a 49-acre field of grass in under an hour," said Nebraska farmer Jed Livingston. "I had to build this giant exercise wheel so they could get their energy out." The "clemmings," as



they've been tentatively named, eat at fantastic rates and are ready for slaughter in only a few months.

This leads to the second and most interesting aspect of this new animal: the slaughterhouse may soon become a thing of the past. Clemmings reproduce quickly, like most rodents; they double their numbers every

three days. When overpopulation becomes a problem, they stamp and throw themselves into the sea, where they drown (this makes the meat a bit salty).

This, in turn, solves two problems: first, it saves time and energy, not having to round up the animals. Ranches on the West Coast are proving to be very efficient.

Second, and most lauded, is the fact that it's the most humane method of providing meat to date (except for the famous Spam® groves of Montana). The clemmings kill themselves, much to the delight of animal-rights activists.

So what's next for this incredible technology? Try cows and co-

coa trees for cattle that give chocolate milk (but lose their leaves in the fall); cows and mesquite bushes that yield naturally barbecued meat; and cows and Richard Simmons that provide extra lean meat. These and other experiments represent the future of genetics and the food industry. □

Block-8 to be instituted at WHS

Kelly Wyant
Co-Editor.

Beginning with the 1995-96 school year, WHS will be the only South Bend School to institute the new block-8 schedule. Classes will be held every other day for 90 minutes. With this new method of scheduling, students will be able to sign up for seven regular classes and one seminar class.

"IT USED TO TAKE ME WEEKS TO REBUILD AN ENGINE; NOW THAT TIME WILL BE CUT DRASTICALLY. I WISH I WAS GOING TO BE HERE NEXT YEAR, SO THAT I COULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN EVEN MORE ABOUT CARS," SAID SENIOR JOHN LESTER.

Many students think that the extra time spent in classes will benefit their education in the long run. "Now I have 90 minutes to figure out what I'm supposed to be doing in health. My grades will probably improve because I still have time to learn something after I wake up from my naps during my classes," commented sophomore Sara Young.

For many students the new scheduling is a dream come true. With the extra class time, teachers will be able to complete many lessons and films in one day.

Imagine being able to spend 90 minutes listening to social studies

teacher John Kileen lecture on economics. According to junior Laura Borlik, "I'm very glad the class time is extended. I love listening to the lectures and watching the movies!"

Not only will history videos be condensed into only one and a half class periods, the home-ec classes will also benefit from the longer periods. With this amount of time, students in the foods classes will be able to burn twice as many batches of cookies as they previously could.

Junior Emily Przybysz said, "With the old schedules, I was only able to use the fire extinguisher once in a class period; now I will be able to use it as many as three times in one class! That foam is so cool!"

The band will also receive help from the new schedules. Previously, the band could only practice their marching show for 45 minutes each morning. Now, they will be able to spend over an hour marching and playing in the sweltering heat.

Assistant band director Bill Rinne commented, "We are really excited about the extended periods. We only lost two kids from heat exhaustion per week last year; now we can build these figures up to nearly double that number!"

Some members are not so thrilled about an hour and a half of playing. Freshman Dave McCray commented, "In a regular class hour, we trumpet players are said to get 'lip ring' from playing so much. Now, it's going to be like the cartoon where the guy's lips come out the end of his

horn. Talk about painful!"

Many other programs will also profit from this scheduling. Normally, the auto shop class is zero, first, and second hours; now, this class will last virtually all day. Next year, it will only take two days to build a car from scrap metal and recycled glass, the economy car for the future.

"It used to take me weeks to rebuild an engine; now that time will be cut drastically. I wish I was going to be here next year, so that I could have the opportunity to learn even more about cars," said senior John Lester.

All in all, most students are excited about the new schedule. They think that that this is an excellent way for them to become better prepared for college.

Freshman Ryan Kring said, however, "I just didn't feel as if I was being prepared for college. I'm not sure if this scheduling will help prepare me either. With all of my classes, when will I find time to practice the social skills I will need in college?"

Principal David Kaser stated, "I certainly believe our young people will be able to accomplish more academically. The student body, as a whole, is expected to be more enthusiastic about attending our campus next year."

The staff is to be applauded for its efforts in this daring endeavor. Daring, because more security is going to be needed to ensure that those rebuilt cars don't cause a safety hazard. More nurses will be needed to revive the heat stroke-suffering band members. And finally, more fire extinguishers will be needed to quench the home-ec foam frenzies. □

Hussein to attend WHS in fall

Memo to WHS Faculty:

It has recently come to our attention that this fall we will be welcoming, for the first time ever, a foreign-exchange student from Iraq.

Through a strange turn of events, he has no host family, but rather a host fortress will be constructed in his honor. The College Football Hall of Fame, which has been undergoing construction in downtown South Bend, will be modified to fit the unique specifications set by this student.

By now you may be wondering, what type of a student would require a fortress?

This exact question, and many more, will be addressed at the next faculty meeting by special guest speaker, General Colin Powell.

We ask that you please save any questions or comments on the subject for the meeting. At this point in time, this is all the information we have.

Once again, we ask that this information be kept confidential.

Sincerely,
The Administration

P.S. This letter will self-destruct in two minutes.



General Colin Powell addressed a faculty meeting concerning a soon-to-be WHS student, H. W. Hussein.

The HATCHET recently obtained a copy of this TOP SECRET faulty self-destructing letter from an anonymous source. Apparently WHS faculty received this letter two days ago, and just last night was the faculty meeting where Gen. Colin Powell made a brief but astonishing presentation.

The HATCHET put to use some of its high-tech investigative reporting equipment and was able to obtain pictures and information from the meeting.

Attention, Panthers, the nephew of Saddam Hussein will be an exchange student at WHS. He is part of a special program between Future Leaders of the Middle East (FLME), A/K/A Young Nuclear Warriors, and the Society for Open Relations Between the Students of the World (SORBSW).

Powell quoted H.W. "Insane" Hussein as saying "I chose Washington High School after playing pin the tail on a map of the United States."

While living in South Bend, "Insane" hopes to visit the University of Notre Dame, travel to Chicago, the Cook Nuclear Plant, and the Pallasades nuclear plant.

Powell informed the faculty that "Insane" poses no threat to the school or the United States.

He did, however, list of a few phrases that are under no circumstances to be mentioned in "Insane's" presence:

- * Desert Storm
- * "Saddam sucks"
- * Homework
- * pop quiz
- * Spam
- and
- * "I'm proud to be an American"

"These are just a few things which Hussein would rather not hear. He is not, however, resentful in any way to the U.S. or to attending school," according to a source at SORBSW.

Keep this in mind for the fall and stay tuned to the HATCHET for more late-breaking news.

Missing person shocks nation

by Steven Rosetto
Layout & Design Editor

Police were called to the scene at WHS on March 26, 1995. At about 11 a.m. the police said that junior Kelly Wyant, the co-editor of the WHS newspaper, the HATCHET, was working on her article for the April issue when she mysteriously disappeared. They found only one piece of evidence, a scanned photograph of Wyant, which was soon on every milk carton in town.

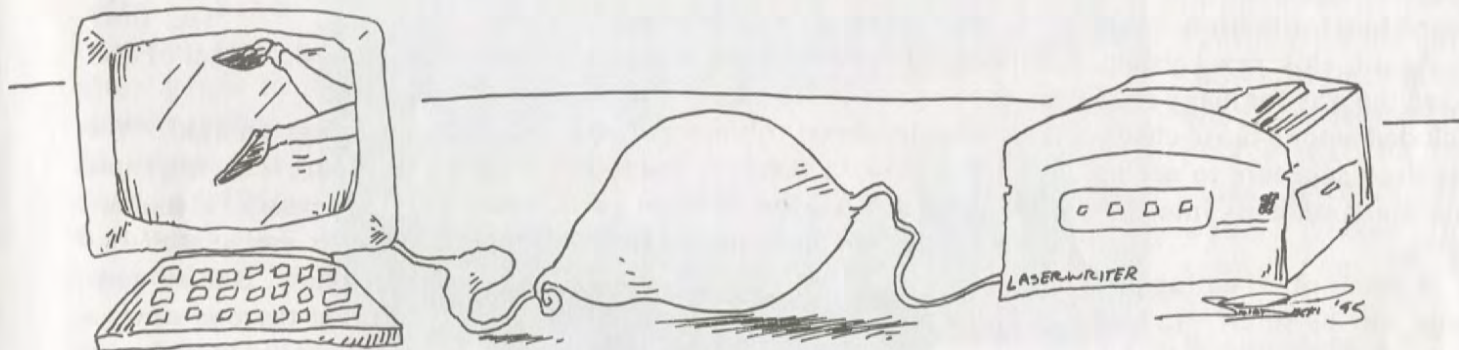
clined to be interviewed for this story, but said that there is nothing wrong with their product; that this is just a plot by Microsoft™, manufacturer of Windows®, to put us out of business.

On March 31, 1995, a new lead was brought to the case. Assistant layout & design editor sophomore Brad Pianstki was working in the office on March 30, 1995, at about 11:20 a.m. and claimed to hear Wyant's voice from the computer. Pianstki said the com-

life."

Swintz then sent for Pianstki. "Mr. Swintz, you're a lifesaver, and I don't mean a little round candy with a hole in the middle."

Little did Pianstki know that he would be a lifesaver, too. Swintz quickly briefed him on what was wrong with the computer and that he had found Wyant. "I found her, yes, but there is little time and the only thing that can save her is Norton Disk Doctor!" he told the roving reporters for CNN news.



Wyant's best friend, junior Laura Borlik, commented, "When I walked into the office, it was filled with smoke. I tried to find Kelly, but I couldn't see. Then I realized she was gone. I hope we can find her soon. The office is just not the same with..." Borlik became emotional and didn't finish her statement.

When asked for a statement, the layout & design editor, junior Steven Rosetto, said, "I always told her I would be the editor senior year."

The rest of the staff was too shaken up about the incident to give a statement, as was the world. The police closed the investigation calling it unsolved due to lack of evidence. Wyant wasn't heard from since, with the exception of reruns on NBC's *Unsolved Mysteries*.

Apple computers, Inc. de-

puter kept saying, "Shut up, Steve."

Pianstki was working on a page design for the upcoming issue of the HATCHET when he made a mistake. The computer indicated the error by using the warning beep. The beep can be modified so that a person's voice is the warning. This is what he thought he heard, but the computer kept repeating the phrase. He tried everything to make it stop. It wouldn't stop. Pianstki, not experienced in problems such as these, sought the help of WHS computer consultant Bob Swintz.

Swintz kept the computer for about two days and still couldn't figure it out. He checked all the files and all the folders except for the one called "HATCHET articles." Swintz proceeded to open the file and found many files in there, but one stood out, "KW

Swintz and Pianstki worked effortlessly to save Wyant from total digitalization. Everything was ready and waiting for Pianstki to press the button that would bring her back to life. He hesitated, and then hit the button. The computer started to shake and smoke.

The network cable connecting the computer to the printer began to bulge in the back of the computer, as if it were one of those water hoses that gets clogged in a Warner Bros. cartoon. The bulge made its way, slowly, to the printer.

Then the most unthinkable thing happened: the toner ran out. Wyant popped out of the printer. Taking into consideration what she had just gone through, she didn't look as colorful as usual. □

Closed lunches become reality

Stacey & Stephanie Kaufman
Feature Editors

The most-discussed topic of the year has been the school lunch issue. The decision is clear, that every South Bend school will have closed lunches next year. This will necessitate many changes. It is up to each school's staff and administration to develop its own policy towards closed lunch. Principal David Kaser and a selected board of faculty members have compiled a detailed structure for WHS's closed lunch situation.

Again, this new system has paved the way for many changes. Included among those changes is a revised schedule to accommodate more students into the cafeteria.

A series of six eating periods will be in effect. The first one will begin at 9 and end at 9:40. This period will be known as the breakfast interlude. The next period will run from 10 until 10:40 and will fill the brunch interlude. Next, pre-lunch will begin at 11 and end at 11:40. Following pre-lunch, lunch will begin at 12 ending at 12:40. From 1 until 1:40 post-lunch will be added. Finally, the last period will begin at 2, end at 2:40, and will fill the supper interlude just in time to catch the bus home.

One lunch lady commented, "I am just so excited about it all. I think it will be fun with the variety of food choices we can fix now. We can make breakfast, lunch, and supper. And yes, ev-

eryone says that it will be so much more work, but we don't mind; we love it here at WHS. All the kids are such angels."

Well, the lunch ladies are not the only ones who are excited. Many teachers are bubbled over with glee. Within the new curriculum, teachers are needed to serve lunch duty and devote their time to the general welfare of the students. In fact, so many teachers volunteered that some unlucky teachers had to be turned down. Most of them gave up their own lunch period for the

cided that in order to help the lunches run more smoothly, military-style lines will be enacted.

Students will also be requested to salute the lunch ladies before entering the lunch room. If students fail to do so, they

will be made to do a total of 100 push-ups.

Major Livingston said, "We weren't quite sure if such actions were very necessary, considering the students are so well-behaved already. But we concluded that there is always room for positive reinforcement."

Due to popular demand, another surprise is in store for next year's lunch experience. Dr. Virginia Calvin has gladly agreed to be our lunch guest every day. Along with this occasion, one student's name will be selected daily, who will have the fortunate opportunity to sit next to Dr. Calvin during his lunch period.

This outline of next year's lunch periods are structured to make a safe and happy environment for the students. Hopefully, it will make each and every student's experience at WHS even better. After all, Panthers are special people. □

"WE TEACHERS DON'T LIKE TO REFER TO THIS SERVICE AS 'LUNCH DUTY' BUT RATHER, HAPPY TIME," SAID MATH TEACHER MIKE ALSPAUGH.



Superintendent Dr. Calvin will be eating more often in schools next year during closed lunches. Here she chats with senior Marcy Ross.

thrilling opportunity to spend more quality time with their "special Panthers"!

"We teachers don't like to refer to this service as 'lunch duty' but rather, happy time," said math teacher Mike Alspaugh.

The J.R.O.T.C. officers have included their expertise in the situation, as well. They have de-

Senior class joke turns into

Brad Pianstki

Assistant Layout and Design Editor

At WHS, it has always been a tradition that every graduating class gives the school a

gift out of gratitude for their education. Over the years, senior gifts have ranged from glass panes to stone benches. This year the Class of 1995 has successfully found a way to merge the future of WHS with the trends of the past.

Senior Tony Scott, in order to obtain more ideas and keep up on new designs for his car, journeyed to Chicago in February to attend the auto show. He was really enthusiastic about all the brand new models and designs. "I have always been fascinated by cars," Scott said.

He went to each and every car on display until he came to a very unique vehicle, upgraded from an original that first rolled through the streets of Chicago in 1936. It was the Oscar Mayer Wienermobile.TM

This tribute to tantalizing hot dogs was first created to haul

little Oscar the chef all around the country. He was cooking and selling the delectable food that took America by storm in the back of his "hot dog hot rod." He toured the country and created a financial empire while doing it. The Oscar Mayer

hood. Scott said, "I didn't know whether to examine it or laugh at it. One way or another, I will never forget it."

Approximately one week later, the senior class officers randomly handed out suggestion forms in order to get a feel for

what the students wanted to give the school. "I was just fed up with all the forms, so I figured I would suggest something absurd," said Scott. With the auto show still fresh in his mind, he decided to play a joke on the class officers. He wrote, "Give the school an Oscar M a y e r WienermobileTM."

Although he was joking, he soon found out it would go much further than he had expected. Very soon the results of this opinion poll came back to class president Zayed Henry who surprisingly thought that it was a wonderful idea: "It enabled us to solve the problem of the senior class gift and help our fellow students in the process," Henry said.

After a lengthy discussion with the other class officers, they thought that it would break from the traditional stone benches and was worth looking into as a creative legacy.

The senior class contacted Russ Whitacre, a public rela-



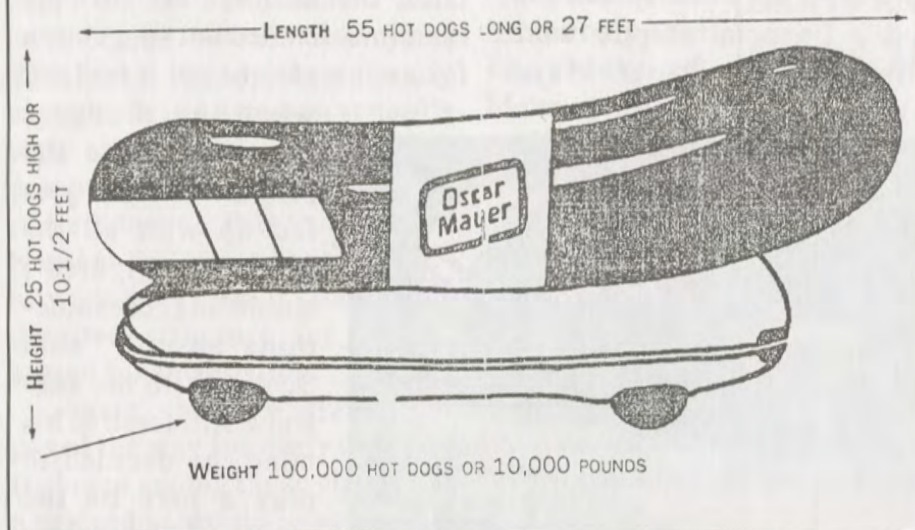
The new wienermobile.

WienermobileTM was a legend in its own time.

Although the original WienermobileTM was a tribute to its maker, the new version has been improved upon in numerous ways. The new WienermobileTM is 10,500 pounds of pure innovation. It is completely furnished with computerized control panels, big screen TV's, and VCR's. It sits on a General Motors chassis and stretches an incredible 27 feet long, and is 10 and 1/2 feet tall and 8 feet wide. It is fully equipped not only in luxury, but with power. It is complete with a powerful V-8 engine under the

senior class gift

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tions adviser of Oscar Mayer Foods,TM who stated, "The timing is great. This will be one of our top points in a new campaign that is scheduled to be launched in a few months."

Oscar Mayer FoodsTM further explained that this idea would aid in their promotional campaign and put them back on top with today's youth. They just needed to set up a program. After many conversations with the president and vice president of the company, the plan was arranged and approved by principal David Kaser.

The contract stated that in exchange for WHS's auto shop to aid in the complete restoration of the original Wienermobile,TM Oscar Mayer Foods, Inc.TM will reduce the price to approximately \$2,300. At this price the senior

class can purchase one of the new 1995 versions. Sophomore Matt Pawelski said "This enabled the auto shop to have a long-term project and display our work." A WienermobileTM will very likely be seen on the streets near the school with a license plate name like YUMMY, BIG BUN, OUR DOG, HOT DOG, or OSCAR.

Oscar Mayer Executive Vice President and General Manager, Consumer Products Division, Rick Searer stated, "If this venture works, it may pave the way for more WienermobilesTM to roll towards schools all across the country."

With this new prospect in mind, Henry added, "A new chapter in WHS history has been written which will, hopefully, have many more to follow." □

Trivia Quiz

Q: Who took a Wienermobile for a test lap at the 1988 Indy 500?

A: Al Unser Jr.—topped off at a speed of 110 miles per hour.

Q: What famous baseball player ate 12 hot dogs and drank eight bottles of pop between games of a scheduled double-header?

A: Babe Ruth

Q: Which three presidents served hot dogs at an official White House function?

A: Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1939, Jimmy Carter in 1977, and Ronald Reagan in 1980.

Q: On what national television shows has the Wienermobile appeared?

A: *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, *CNN Headline News*, *The Late Late Show with Tom Snyder*, and *Love Connection*.

Q: In how many movies has the Wienermobile co-starred?

A: Two: *Ladybugs* starring Rodney Dangerfield and *Another You*, starring Richard Pryor and Gene Wilder.

School board restricts student drivers

Recent studies by the Department of Energy have been a hot topic with the public. The government has moved for a bill, called Proposition Transmission, to use public transportation or car pooling because it is more energy efficient and creates less pollution.

Editorial

Since teenagers make up a large percentage of our population, the South Bend School Board has created a plan to restrict student drivers. If the school board restricts student drivers, more public transportation will be put into effect. The bill will go into effect in the fall of the 1995-96 school year.

This plan will not only be beneficial to our environment but also to our economy.

The South Bend School Board recently was forced to terminate five bus-driving positions due to lack of student passengers. The bus drivers interviewed said that high-school students driving their own vehicles to school was the cause of these employment terminations. Bus driver Jimmy Kobold expressed his views of concern by saying that he missed seeing the sweet faces of the students on his bus every morning. "The enthusiastic smiles they expressed as they hopped onto the bus just made my day!"

This restriction will not only help bus drivers retain their jobs, although it is the main reason the school board decided to pass the bill, but will also be advantageous to students in many ways.

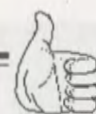
Students will be able to interact with their peers more. Riding to and from school every day will give peers the chance they need to talk amongst each other about their day and/or any problems they might be having. This will free students' evenings, giving them more time to study than talk on the phone to friends.

Students' education will definitely be an advantage of the school board's decision. The loud, obnoxious "boom, boom, boom," of the car radios that surround the campus at lunch time would dramatically decrease, because students will now have to walk to lunch. Walking to lunch will give students the exercise the need to stay in shape. This will give students inside the classroom the benefit of concentrating more on their studies than on the activities going on outside. The screeching of tires and the honking of horns will also be eradicated from the class atmosphere.

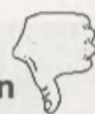
Students riding the school bus every day will decrease tardiness. The buses, arriving at school by 7:15 every morning, will give the students time they need to go to lockers, use the restroom, and mingle with friends.

The problem of parking will no longer exist. Students won't have to deal with overcrowded parking lots and traffic jams. Neighbors, as well, will no longer complain because students park in front of houses and driveways.

Students need to keep an open mind about Proposition Transmission. At first, this new bill might be a nuisance, but in the long run, it will have a profitable effect both to students and bus drivers. □



Thumbs Up
Thumbs Down



Thumbs Up

...to the Mars colony; go red planet! Future exploration may be possible because of this great endeavor. In the future, maybe we can expand as far as Pluto!

...to year-round school. With more time spent in school, the student body will, as a whole, learn more and do better in school academically. Adjustment to college life will become much easier, and partying can be placed at the top of the To Do list because of all the extra study time in high school.

...to the new student salary. Attendance in school is severely dwindling. With the new policy of paying students for attending school, students enjoy going to classes more. Maybe if the corporation would have established this policy earlier, illiteracy would not be a problem.

...to the invention of the car. Walking to and from places was starting to become monotonous, especially in the cold winter months. Now, with the travel time cut enormously, many people can spend more time heating water on the stove for their weekly baths. A big congratulations to Mr. Ford.

Thumbs Down

...to the "incident" in the cafeteria. Not only was the staff disappointed with the actions of those in the cafeteria, many students were also discouraged by the childish behavior. Let's hope another "episode" like this one doesn't occur in the near future.

...to the Ice Age. All that snow and ice; who needs it! Many cave homes were destroyed in the blizzards and glacier movements. Come on, Mother Nature, give us a break; we need time to thaw out.

...to World War III; it was a bomber! As if the first two weren't bad enough, Antarctica had to go and start the third. The world was finally trying to straighten itself out until the Antarcticans got cabin fever from all the snow. Let's try vacationing next time, shall we?

Panthers

By Derek Dabrowiak
and Christina Fidler

Fountain of youth discovered by teachers at WHS

Dropping 20 years, **Mrs. Richardson** returns to the days of her youth.



Undergoing one of the most drastic transformations was **Mr. Kileen**, turning into a young, energetic teacher.



Mrs. Moriarty is ready to teach another 27 years after regaining her youth.



After sipping the magical water, **Mr. Foley** appears now as he did when he first walked into WHS almost 30 years ago.



Upon chugging two gallons from the fountain, **Ms. Krueger** dropped 15 years, returning to his/her glory days.

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Art Gallery



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Color the picture and return to room 711 to claim the prize!

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Boys basketball going small

By Ryan Hanyzewski
Sports Writer

A rumor has been going around school for the past couple of weeks in regards to the boys' basketball team.

The rumor was that Coach Milton Cooper was only going to keep players on the team who were under 5'2" tall. This was considered only a rumor until it was confirmed by Cooper himself last week in a press conference.

It all originated when Tom Noie, of the South Bend Tribune, wrote an article on the boys' basketball game against Gary Mann.

The headline of the article was "Panthers came up 5-foot-2 short." This was in regards to the little sparkplug coming off the bench named Jamal Henry: "The 5-foot-2, 105 pound freshman guard helped ignite the Panthers when they needed it most against Gary Mann,"

wrote Noie.

Henry, with only one quarter of eligibility left due to playing three quarters in the JV game, made the best of it; he led the Panthers back into the ball game with his ball handling and great defense.

"I am just doing what needs to be done to help the team at this time, and right now going small is the solution," commented Cooper.

The only problem for the Panthers will be rebounding the basketball on the offensive and defensive ends of the floor.

A major advantage for the Panthers, however, is that they will be able to run their opponents up and down the floor. While the opponents' "big men" will be getting tired, the Panthers will still be running.

The position that will hurt the Panthers most is at center, but this position is expected to be filled by Henry, who is a towering 5'2" tall.

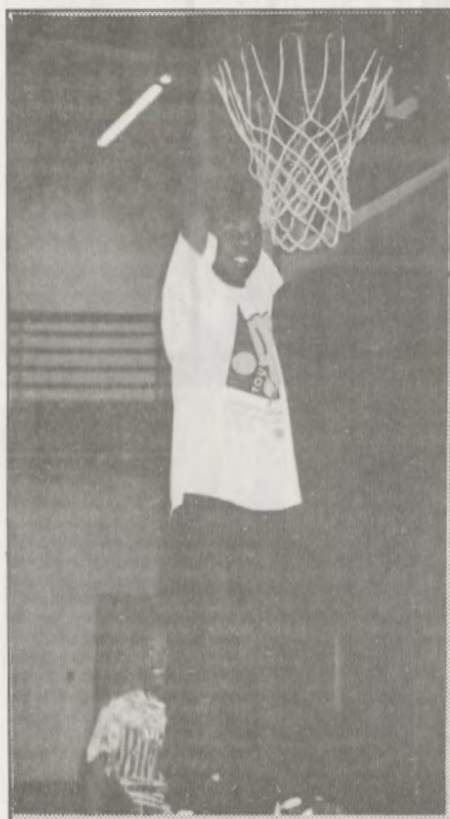
"It will be tough to hold the opposing big man, but there is no way he can hold me," commented Henry.

Other "small wonders" expected to be on the team are freshman Luke Allen and sophomore Jeff Poe, who will both be three-point threats for the Panthers next season, and Michael Stuckey and Richard Dockery.

"Anyone who meets the height requirement is encouraged to go out for the team. Expect to be in good shape though, because we will have to run our opponents," commented Cooper.

Cooper sends his sincere apology to the juniors who will be cut from the team next season.

This means that the four non-senior starters from this year's team will be cut next year. They are juniors Matt Wood and Matt Johns, as well as sophomores Edmund Kyle and Cedric Moodie. Good luck to next year's squad. □



Little freshman Jamal Henry hangs on the rim with a cocky look in his eye after he slams one down during practice.



Freshman sensation Richard Dockery smiles as he rises above the competition, dunking one down.



Rising easily and slamming down a monster dunk is 5'1" freshman Michael Stuckey.

Guns now part of sporting agenda

By Andrew Zima
Sports Writer

With the recent discovery of guns in the school and in cars on school grounds, some students have become alarmed. In the mid 70's this would be no big deal, if the student was in WHS's very own gun club.

The gun club was organized by counselor/baseball head coach Rick Tomaszewski. The South Bend Recreation Department asked if he would like to start the gun club, be in charge of it, and open the range for each session.

To do this, Tomaszewski first had to earn his gun license, which meant 200 hours of instruction and actual shooting. Anyone in the South Bend Corporation could go with him to the South Bend Recreation Rifle Range and shoot. So many kids signed up for the club that they organized teams by schools.



Because of taking pointers from Dave Kolacz, 1978 Gun Club member, this year's team is expected to do well.

The schools then competed in matches, shooting at targets from positions; offhand (standing), kneeling, sitting, and prone (lying on the ground). Targets were set up which had sections on them worth up to 10 points.

Each person could shoot 10 times from each of the four positions. A perfect score would be 400 (hitting

the bull's-eye every time on all 40 shots).

Everyone shot .22 rifles which were provided by the Recreation Department, with the exception of Clay who brought their own specialty rifles.

Many times the Panthers could not afford to buy shells, so they brought their rifles out and used PMI (Positive Mental Imagery). They imagined themselves squeezing off a shot and being successful.

The WHS team won city championship one year, beating Clay and their specialty rifles.

Another South Bend team had a girl that would frequently shoot in the 390's out of the 400 points possible. She later went on to the Olympic trials.

The club only lasted a few years, because Tomaszewski became a full time teacher and helped out with the football team at WHS.

Tomaszewski said, "In those few years that I had the gun club, we never had any horseplay. Everyone had total respect for the guns."

Now, in 1995, five people here at WHS have started their own gun club outside of the school. Seniors Mike Whitlock, Tony Scott, Mike Makowski, Andy Miller and junior Matt Andrzejewski have organized the new club.

One unfortunate thing has happened. Whitlock sustained an injury to his finger after shooting himself.

He commented, "I just picked the dang thing up and it went off! Man, that really stinks!"

But besides the injury, the new club has been a success. The club has changed a little over the years.

Now instead of targets, they use windows, and instead of rifles, they use BB guns.

Sports Profile



Name: Richard McCaffery

Age: 17

Year: Senior, again.

Awards and Achievements: Being rejected from National Honor Society. All NIC for 13th man award in basketball. Being excommunicated from Missouri and being sent to Indiana. Holding a .90 GPA and being a member of the varsity basketball team at the same time.

Class Rank: 201/220

Nickname: "White Lightning," because I run a 2.3 in the 40-yard dash.

Role Model: Kurt Rambis, because in his 10-year career, he averaged two minutes of playing time per game.

Favorite Class: Weight training, because the girls enjoy seeing my huge muscles.

Favorite Food: Dunk-a-roo's. They inspire me to get my 6'9" body up to dunk the basketball.

Favorite Movie: *Come Fly With Me* starring Michael Jordan because I can get new ideas for my powerful dunking arsenal.

Favorite Book: *Green Eggs and Ham* by Dr. Seuss because I can read most of it by myself.

Hobbies: Shadow boxing and playing Jenga.

Sports played at WHS: Basketball, but in Missouri I was also an all-state tight-end.

Future Plans: To play professional basketball or to be a professional bench tester.

If I Won the Lottery: I would have all the bleachers in WHS's gym padded.

Most Proud of: Breaking a backboard after dunking on Clay's LeShawn Nailon.

Most Embarrassing Moment: When I dunked for the first time in a game, I thought it was good. Coach Cooper, however, yelled because I dunked at the wrong end and scored for the other team.

Greatest Game: The Gary Mann game on senior night, because I had my first ever quintuple-double. I had 43 points, 25 rebounds, 19 blocks, 15 assists, and 10 steals.

Biggest Disappointment: Fouling out at half-time of the sectional game. (At half WHS trailed by only one; without Rich in the second half, the Panthers ended up losing by 24 points).

Greatest Accomplishment: When I was run over by future Irish lineman, Mike Rosenthal, in a basketball game against Penn.

Summary of Sports at WHS: It's been an honor being on the basketball team and gaining friends throughout the season.

Advice to Others: WHEN you play, give your best.

PASSING TIME

If, in the course of human events, it would become necessary to wash our lederhosen in unsanitary, yet lemony fresh, dishwater, do you think it could result in the decay of a Martian totalitarian state, or even, in a worst-case scenario, global thermonuclear war here on Earth?



"Huh...?"

Freshman
Lucida Bright-



"Wha...?"

Sophomore
Gary Zapf-



"Only if the Martians strike first, and with their brain zorch missiles."

Junior
Bob Palatino-



"Save the whales!"

Senior
Dennis Gdansk-

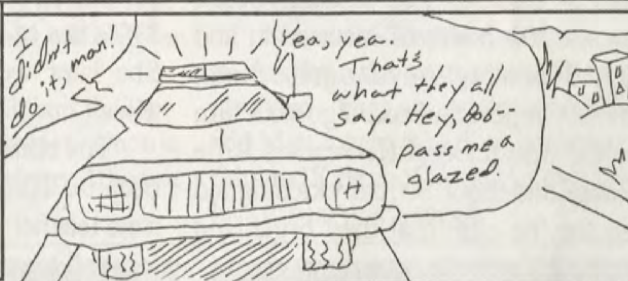
STICK-MANTM

CHAMPION OF JUSTICE

Yes friends, our hero was.....

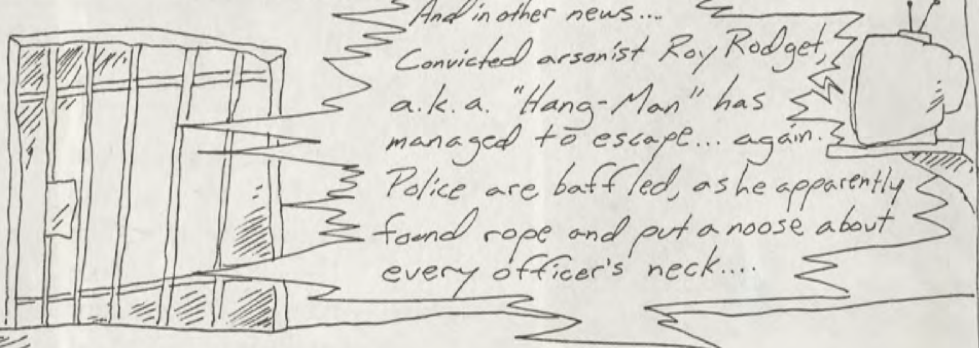
FRAMED!

...but by who??



Right out the front door..

Awaiting questioning, Stick-Man Champion of Justice, picks up a vital clue and plans his departure.



And in other news... Convicted arsonist Roy Rodget, a.k.a. "Hang-Man" has managed to escape... again. Police are baffled, as he apparently found rope and put a noose about every officer's neck....



Got to find Hangman...

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