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## **Snowlympics:** Canada 2010

By Kate McCallan and Dan Gladis Every two years, athletes from

all around the world come together to compete in the Olympic Games. This year the XXI Winter Olympic Games were held in Vancouver, Canada from February 12-28. This was the third time that Canada has ever hosted the Olympic Games.

Before the Olympics even started, tragedy hit the Georgia team. Nodar Kumaritashvilli, a Georgian luger, was killed while on a practice run. He lost control in the final bend of the now infamous course. Kumaritashvilli was then thrown off his luge and towards the sidewalk of the track. Before he stopped, he struck a hard beam at the end of the run.. He was immediately given CPR and then rushed to the hospital where he was pronounced dead. The Georgian minister said the team would remain in Vancouver and "dedicate their efforts to their fallen comrade." The team wore black arm bands and had a black ribbon on their flag. Officials later

This year's guest for Hopewell's annual Artist in Residence program was vocalist B.E. Taylor. Born and raised in Aliquippa, Taylor has grown to become a legend in the Pittsburgh area. Taylor gained national recognition and success with his work as the lead singer of the B.E. Taylor Group during the 1980s. During this time, the B.E. Taylor Group recorded three major-label albums. Additionally, Taylor served as the music director for the award-winning television program, "LightMusic". Taylor has also done commercial work with Nickelodeon, Nick at Nite, Old Navy, and more.



Shaun White. Courtesy Google Images.

claimed it was "an unsafe track." The walls of the curve 16 were raised and the ice was modified to prevent any further deaths.

The opening ceremony was held on February 12 and was dedicated to Kumaritashvilli who died that day. It was televised internationally with over a billion viewers. During the lighting of the Olympic cauldron, there were several glitches in the hydraulic system. One of the four cauldron arms

failed to rise before it was lit. After several minutes, officials decided to carry out the ceremony previously planned by having professionally hockey player Wayne Gretzky light another cauldron outside of the arena. This small event led to some controversy over the next couple of days.

The United States won the most medals, but Canada received the most gold medals with Germany not too far behind. Some noteworthy American

athletes who won gold are Lindsey Vonn, and Shaun White. Apolo Ohno, a famous speed skater, won the silver in one of his events. Ohno has won more Olympic medals in the winter games than any other American.

Not just the Americans in the Olympics are significant to people in Pittsburgh. Several of the Pittsburgh Penguins participated in the hockey games for nations other than our own. Sidney Crosby and Marc-André Fleury played for Canada. Sergei Gonchar and Evgeni Malkin played for Russia's team while Brooks Orpik was on Team USA. In overtime, Crosby scored on Team USA's goalie Ryan Miller for the game winning goal. Many people from the area were cheering for their favorite Penguins on these teams.

The closing ceremony was on February 28, 2010. Numerous amounts of people globally tuned in once again to support their countries. These games not only unify the athletes, but the viewers as well. The next Winter Olympics will be in Sochi, Russia in 2014.

### **B.E. Taylor Comes to Hopewell**

#### By Sarah Bohy

In addition to his three solo albums, B.E. Taylor is recognized across the nation for his holiday albums entitled B.E. Taylor Christmas and B.E. Taylor Christmas 2. These albums were so successful that Taylor began an annual Christmas tour. Taylor has performed Christmas concerts at venues such as Heinz Hall, West Virginia University, and the Lamb's Theater in New York City.

High School Jazz Band took the stage, playing a few pieces on their own before being joined by Taylor. They performed "Unforgettable", featuring a slow dance between Taylor and Ms. Luurtsema. After a brief intermission, the Trinity Jazz Orchestra performed. Next, B.E.Taylor and his band performed a rousing set that included much audience involvement.

Jazz Orchestra joined the B.E. Taylor Band on stage for their final selection, "Vitamin L", a single from B.E.'s second album *Love* Won the War. "Vitamin L" was ranked at number 66 on the Billboard Top 100 in 1984. The evening ended with over 900 hands in the air, all with the forefinger and thumb in the shape of an "Ľ".

The annual Artist in Residence concert took place on Friday, February 19. The evening started off with a brief performance by the Hopewell Junior High School Jazz Band. Following their performance, the Hopewell

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Finally, the Hopewell High School Jazz Band and the Trinity



The B.E. Taylor Band performs with the Hopewell HighSchool Jazz Band and the Trinity Jazz Orchestra

# News

### **College Review**

By Sarah Bohy

Indiana University of Pennsylvania was founded in 1871 as Indiana Normal School under the Normal School Act, which required that it be a private institution, totally independent of the state of Pennsylvania. In 1875, Indiana Normal School opened its doors for the first time to an enrollment of 225 students.

In 1920, ownership of the establishment was rendered to the commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Seven years later, it was renamed State Teachers College at Indiana, Pennsylvania. Upon broadening its mission in 1959, the school's name changed again to Indiana State College. Finally, in 1965, the institution achieved university status and became Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Today, with a combined enrollment of undergraduate and graduate students exceeding 14,000, IUP has been ranked the fifth-largest university in Pennsylvania. IUP's vast list of degree programs includes 145 undergraduate programs, 61 master's programs, and 10 doctoral



Image of Suites on Maple East. Courtesy of IUP's website.

programs. In addition to their impressive enrollment and study options, IUP is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), a nonprofit organization devoted to promoting educational excellence and development through peer assessment and accreditation. The MSCHE accredits educational institutions in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Washington DC, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands.

In addition to the main campus located just sixty miles northeast of Pittsburgh, IUP has two branch campuses; one in Northpointe, and one in Punxsutawney. Offering both undergraduate and graduate degree programs, these campuses give students access to many of the academic opportunities that can be pursued at the main campus. Additionally, graduate students can take classes at IUP at Monroeville. IUP at Monroeville offers a number of graduate degree programs and gives students the opportunity to complete coursework during the evenings or on Saturdays. Graduate students can earn their master's degrees from IUP at Monroeville in two years or fewer.

Approximately two hours from Hopewell, IUP is located in the Indiana County seat. Approximately one mile from campus are the Indiana mall and theater. This not only provides students with offcampus leisure time, but also serves as a convenient employment opportunity. Additionally, IUP students can take advantage of the institution's CO-OP park. The CO-OP park consists of 270 acres of beautiful forest with ten miles of hiking and fitness trails. The park also features softball and baseball fields, picnic pavilions, a fishing pond, a sand volleyball court, and a golf driving range that is converted into a sled riding/snow tubing hill during the winter months.

Indiana University of Pennsylvania offers a wide range of division II athletics. Some of these include men's football, basketball, and golf, and women's basketball, soccer, and tennis. Additionally, IUP offers a variety of intramural and club sports.

#### Letter to the Editor By: James Dimirack HR 303

Many people are harassed each day. Some more than others haven been treated poorly. The question is why? No one can be certain. Many people choose to bully while others are hurt by it. People say it's to make them feel good. Others believe it's because of bad parenting.

It could be many other reasons too. As you walk down the hallway, what do your hear? Or see? People believe everything happens for a reason, but is it right? People nowadays people lack respect. When was the last time someone held a door for you? Or even complimented you on your look? When was the last time someone said "please" or "thank you"? Respect is earned, not given. When you complain about getting respect, think, have you earned it? Have you given respect? If so, did you keep giving it? Once in life, everyone has been mistreated. But, is it right to do that to someone else? The point of this story is think before you speak, it could affect others.

## Movie Review: Valentine's Day

By Kate McCallan

I recommend seeing this movie because it is entertaining and makes you laugh. It keeps you wanting to find out what is

*Valentine's Day* is a romantic comedy based on relationships and singles in Los Angeles involving drama with break up and make ups from the expectations of Valentine's Day.

This star studded movie has many familiar faces that make it so entertaining including Ashton Kutcher, Anne Hathaway, Julia Roberts and Bradley Cooper. There are multiple plot lines intertwined within the movie. It is rated PG-13 and directed by Gary Marshall. going to happen with each couple.



A scene from the movie, Valentine's Day. Photo Courtesy Google Images.

# Perspectives

#### **Pro-Euthanasia**

By Dan Gladis

Before I begin to express my opinions on this topic in full, I would like to make a small disclaimer. I am not in favor of death or any personal action taken towards that end. However, in light of that, I also believe it is not the place of government to legislate what a human may or may not do with their body so long as it is not a physical danger to those around them. That being said, the legalization and decriminalization of euthanasia is a must in the United States.

Life is a valuable commodity that should not be wantonly thrown away. The value of life must be learned and loved by the person in question. It is not a feeling that can be legislated or imposed by the authority of government.

For those who question the feasibility of euthanasia, the State of Oregon stands alone in the clarity of their reason and logic. The Oregon Death with Dignity Act of 1994 is a prime example of proper euthanasia that should be copied throughout the United States. The act states that a patient who is terminally ill may, within six months, request that medication may be given to them for the purposes of ending their life. This is not the reckless endangerment and devaluing of life that opponents claim. This simply provides an option for the terminally ill to choose the time of their deaths. Also, according to the government of



Oregon, only 401 people have used euthanasia since its legalization in 1994. Not exactly the tidal wave of death many opponents have been incoherently gesticulating, for the average of fewer than euthanasia administrations per year is not exactly genocide.

In addition, suicides in the United States are committed more by those over age sixty-five. Therefore, the thought that euthanasia would open roads for teen suicide is ludicrous. Euthanasia is also a religious issue, which this article shall not delve into the finer aspects of beyond merely mentioning its existence.

No matter what, humans shall have many choices with heavy consequences in their lives. Any activity with such weighty costs as euthanasia should be only engaged in with the deepest forethought and consideration. However, it is not the role of the government to legislate that care and consideration into an unwilling mind. That is why euthanasia should be made legal in the United States of America.



Anti-Euthanasia By: Amy Kraus

Althougheuthanasia is commonly used to help dying animals, some people view it as an end to the suffering of humans. By definition, euthanasia is the act of deliberately ending the life of an individual who is in agony. If euthanasia is legalized, it will devalue the precious gift of life and place undue pressure on the sick.

Beyond the limits of self defense, the choice between life and death is not meant for humans to decide. When people see no end to their emotional or physical pain, they might look at euthanasia for attention or help. One of the main problems with euthanasia is the finality of the procedure; it is impossible to take back an injection. Likewise, death is not predictable even for a terminally ill patient because the diagnosis could be wrong or the individual could miraculously recover. With the advancements in the medical field, there is potential for a cure to be found at any time. In a state of desperation can a person actually think rationally? Instead of going to counseling or adjusting to their situation,

people might foolishly consider euthanasia and throw away the rest of their lives. The legalization of euthanasia is unethical, because life is sacred.

In addition, some people might see euthanasia as a way to help family and friends get rid of their burden. As illness progresses, the sick must increase their reliance on caretakers could selfishly urge patients who are easily influenced to prematurely end their lives. With the high cost of medical care, people may feel trapped by financial obligations. Truly, life is absolutely priceless. The legalization of euthanasia would cause people to value their lives through the expense of medical treatment. Not only will the terminally ill feel the pressured by finances but also by use of medical resources. Everyone has a right to medical treatment, yet euthanasia will make people feel unworthy of treatment that could help someone else in need. By thinking of others, terminally ill patients could kill themselves without consulting their personal desires.

Consequently, euthanasia is not acceptable for the United States, because of its unprincipled qualities. Whether people look to euthanasia to stop pain or relieve others, life is too important to waste.

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Ask Dr. Dan

Dear Unsure, First, let me say how lucky you are to have two guys in your life who care about you so much. However, life has presented you with a tough choice. From what this letter reveals, I might infer that the breakup you had before was not so bad as you two are still good friends. That is something rare and valuable that you probably should not damage with a sudden turn around in your feelings. It is my advice that the present situation you have now is probably for the best. You have a boyfriend now who you love and care about and it

I have been going out with this guy for quite some time now. Also, I have a guy best friend who I used to go out with. My best friend is always there for me and we talk all the time. Because of that, the feelings I have had for him never really died away. I love my current boyfriend very much, but I am unsure of what to do with my past feelings. Should I finally move on? Or should I revisit those past feelings once more? Sincerely,

Unsure

would not be wise to damage the relationship you have there by trying to resurrect something that your ex might not even feel himself. Normally, the 'rule of thumb' I go by is to always talk to the people involved. However, this case is an exception. I would bury those feelings unless, of course, they are driving you beyond self control. Good luck and keep in contact!

Sincerely, Dr. Dan

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# Sports

## Viking Hoops Fall Short in Playoffs

By Paul Rosenstern

Hopewell's boys' basketball team finished the regular season in a tie with Blackhawk for the section 3 championship. The section win and an overall record of 17-6 earned the Vikings a third seed in the WPIAL playoff bracket. Hopewell stormed into the playoffs having won seven of their last eight games, finishing with a 60-24 pounding of section rival Center. The loss came at the hands of Blackhawk, whom Hopewell shared the section title with, 64-48.

WPIAL playoffs came and Hopewell was set to play Belle Vernon at Amrbidge high school on February 23. To the surprise of many, Hopewell was knocked out of the WPIAL tournament. Belle Vernon, with its 14th seed in the WPIAL, upset the Vikings 40-25. In the regular season, Hopewell's offense averaged 52.6 points per game, but in the first round loss, the team shot 11 of 39 from the field and managed just 25 points. The trio of Mark Ross, Kevin Welsh and Dayne Smith were just 7 for 30. At the end of the first half the Vikings found themselves down 21-9, and Hopewell's woes continued throughout the second half until the final buzzer ended the 2009-2010 season.

Though the Vikings did not live up to their ranking, what they did in 2009-2010 is still worthy of praise. The section victory is the fourth such title in school history. The end of the seasopn also marks the end of high school careers for four seniors. Derek Petronzi, Mark Ross, Kevin Welsh and Dayne Smith have all played their final game as members of the Hopewell basketball team. All four of them were starters, and Ross, Welsh and Smith were top scorers in the WPIAL.

Losing four starters will bring a new look to next year's team. Juniors Christian Farris and Ed Domitrovich, and Sophomore Nolan Harmotto are three players that will be expected to take leadership roles next season.

## Gymnastics Team Scores High Marks at WPIALs

#### By Catey Burget

The 2010 gymnastics team has had their most successful season this year since 2002. On February 26th and 27th the girls were scheduled to attend the PA Classic at Moon Middle School. However, it was cancelled due to inclement weather and will be rescheduled to a later date. This year they have made it to the 2nd division out of 3, which is Silver. There are four others in their division who they will be competing against. There are a total of eight girls on the team this year including: Britney Kress, Karlee Camesi, Rachael Gennaro, Cassandra August, Krista Symosko, Kelly Burak, Lauren Rosati, and Lindsey August.

At the WPIAL Gymnastics Championships this month, the girls placed sixth in team standings. In the Bronze Division, the girlst that placed were: Rachael Gennaro with 2nd vault, Karlee Camesi with 5th floor, and Lindsey August with 1st bars, 4th beam, 3rd floor, and 3rd all around. In the Silver Division, Krista Symosko placed 3rd in vault and 5th on the floor. Kelly Burak placed 1st vault, 2nd bars, 4th beam, 2nd floor, and 1st all around in the Diamond Division. They are coached by Terri Gazda and their practices are held at Monaca Turners.



### Wrestlers Plan for WPIALs

By PaulRosenstern

The 2009-2010 wrestling team has already put together an impressive season. The team placed 15 overall in the highly competitive Powerade Christmas Tournament early in the season, and won the MAC tournament for the second consecutive year. The Hopewell wrestling team ended their regular season with a record of 10-0. They were then eliminated in the first round of the WPIAL playoffs, and since have moved on to individual tournaments. The individual section championships were held on February 27 at Mount Lebanon High School where 11 Hopewell wrestlers earned themselves a spot in the WPIAL bracket. The WPIAL championship tournament will be held on March 4, 5, and 6 at Cannon McMillan. The 11 wrestlers that will compete there are Filippo Crivelli (103), Tim Dusch (112), Marco Crivelli (135), Cody Mutkus (140), Austin Woolsey (171), Jake Trillow (189), Brandon Fedorka (215), and Richie Smallwood (285). Fillipo Crivelli in his freshman season placed second at sections. Crivelli was ranked second in the section, and is ranked fifth in the WPIAl. Tim Dusch was the champion in the 112 pound class at sections, and is ranked eighth in the WPIAL. Marco Crivelli placed second in the section, losing the championship round to number two ranked Nate Catalano of Cannon McMillan. Cody Mutkus also took second at

sections, and he will go into the WPIAL tournament ranked seventh in the 140 pound class. At 145 Ryan Carson placed second at sections losing his championship match to Aaron Mckinney of West Allegheny. Carson is ranked ninth in the WPIAl. Team captain Matt Hundenski won the championship at sections in the 152 pound class with a 15-0 technical fall. Hundenski is the reigning WPIAL champion in the 152 pound class, and is ranked second this year in the WPIAL. At 160 Brian Foy took second in the section losing to number one ranked Troy Reaghard in a tight 4-3 match. Foy is ranked sixth in the WPIAl. Austin Woolsey qualified for WPIAI's at 171 by taking fourth in the section, along with Jake Trillow at 189 who also took fourth in the section. At 215 Brandon Fedorka placed second in the section, and is ranked fourth in the WPIAl. Finally Hopewell's heavyweight Richie Smallwood wrestled his way to second place at sections. At the conclusion of the wrestling season Hopewell will say goodbye to arguably the best wrestler in school history, Matt Hundenski. Hundenski holds the school record for wins, and was the WPIAl champion at 152 in 2009. Hopewell will also say goodbye to seniors Brandon Fedorka, Austin Woolsey, Ryan Carson, Shane Unen, Dylan Winkle, Rob Krah, and Brian Foy. All these wrestlers contributed greatly to the success of the 2009-2010 season.

# Sports

### Lady Vikings Continue Undefeated Season Through the Playoffs

By Paul Rosenstern

The Hopewell girls' basketball team has put together one of the greatest runs in school history here in the 2009-2010 season. As of March 1, they are 24-0, and are two wins away from a WPIAL championship. The girls finished the regular season 22-0, and went into the WPIAL playoffs as the top seed. In the first round Hopewell beat Montour 65-45, which set them up to play Blackhawk in the second round. Blackhawk beat South Park to advance.

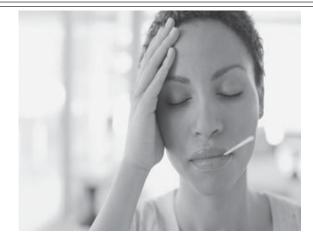
During the regular season, Hopewell squared off against Blackhawk twice. The Vikings won the first contest by a close score of 58-56, but easily took the second by a score of 80-44. In the second round of the playoffs, things were not much different. Hopewell beat Blackhawk for a third time, this time by a score of 59-43. Hopewell controlled the

game early with the help of senior Paige Alviani who scored the team's first 13 points. Alviani hit four 3-point shots to give the Vikings the early lead. Alviani has been one of the WPIAL's top scorers all year averaging 18.9 points per game. Hopewell ended the first half with a 29-16 lead, and the closest Blackhawk got to them in the second half was 32-25. Hopewell then responded to Blackhawk's push with a basket from senior Sam Fisher, and 3pointer from senior Elise Farris, and held on to the lead until the final buzzer

Next up for the Vikings will be the semi-final round against Chartiers Valley on March 3. Chartiers Valley is 20-4 overall, and they are coming off of a 61-41 win over Mount Pleasant in the second round. The game will be held at Baldwin High School.

### PA's Largest Family Owned Formalwear Store





### Winter Health

By Tricia Marsick

Finding something active and productive to do when there is at least two feet of snow outside is tough; especially if shoveling snow with calloused hands and a neverending runny nose is not your cup of tea. It is nice cuddling up with your dog and popping in a movie once in a while, and sometimes it is time to get those muscles moving.

One of the easiest resolutions to anyone's winter blues is joining a gym. Local YMCAs offer students a highly-discounted membership fee, but something to keep in mind: The Sewickley Valley YMCA is privately owned, which means a membership there only grants access to that particular gym. Most others link their members to all YMCAs in the country.

Caralynn Arena (Senior) teaches her own cardio jam and aqua fit classes at LA Fitness in Robinson Township. It took a few classes and an AFAA Certification to gain that position, but it was worth every bullet of sweat. She earns \$20 an hour while getting a vigorous cardio workout in that also targets certain muscle groups to create a long and lean body. But if working up a sweat in front of fellow gym members

just cannot work for you, Caitlyn Beatty (Senior) enjoys dancing up a storm to Jenny McCarthy's Wii game Your Shape. With easy access right in her living room, she can put on a pair of shoes and get down to business.

Sled-riding is Sarah Estok's (Senior) favorite winter pastime. "I love looking at the snow; it's so pretty, and it only comes around once a year." And sledding may not be the most intense workout one can partake in, but pushing a long, heavy sled up that gigantic hill everyone just rode down gives any good sledder a wicked leg workout.

So whether it's venturing out of the house into the wonderful world of cardio machines, weight rooms, old ladies in their bathing suits, and muscle heads, or reaching around the backyard to rummage up the biggest snowman built this year, any workout is a good workout. A couple dozen inches of snow should not put a damper on anyone's motivation to achieve their fitness goals or to just simply remain in a healthful state. Find an activity that represents you that you can be proud of, and have some fun while you're at it.



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## Entertainment

### Book and Movie Review: Dear John

By Kate McCallan

Based on the bestselling novel by Nicholas Sparks, the movie *Dear John* has already made over 65 million dollars in the box offices in less than a month. This well-know author has once again captured the hearts of many through another love story. Even though this is a somber book and movie, it is a very realistic love story that many people can relate to in this day and age.

The basic plot remains the same. John Tyree (Channing Tatum), a soldier on leave, falls for a young college student, Savannah Curtis (Amanda Seyfried) who is currently spending her vacation building houses for hurricane victims. For the pair it was almost love at first sight. They spend hours together until John has to return to the army (in the movie they separate because

Savannah has

to return to school). They promise to remain together and stay in touch through any means necessary hoping to one day be reunited when his tour is up and she finishes college.

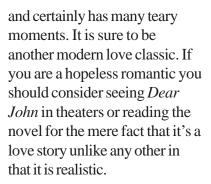
While the two are separated, they write consecutive corresponding love letters. Over this period of time, John and Savannah only see each other a few times. After September 11, 2001, John decides to re-enlist in the army thus making it much longer for him to settle down with his beloved Savan-



A scene from Dear John. Courtesy Google Images.

nah. The distance slowly starts to strain the relationship forcing one of the partners to make a realistic decision about their relationship.

There are several minuscule details that separate the book from the movie. Although the central plot is similar, the movie and book contain dramatically different endings. This movie is a "guilty pleasure" for all of Spark's fans

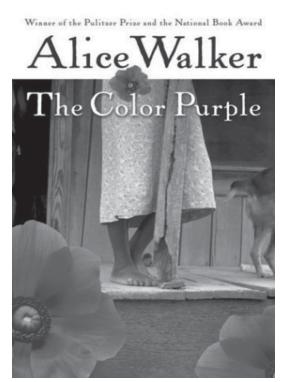






## Book Review: The Color Purple

By Megan Sirko



world who truly cares for her, she must now care for Mr.\_\_\_\_'s rotten children, and must suffer physical abuse from her

since the book contains plenty of characters and conflict. It is written in a diary format which, in my opinion, makes it a quick read. Even if you don't have an essay to write, *The Color Purple* is a great book to read for enjoyment. Alice Walker's style of writing makes the story very believable. I would suggest this novel for a mature audience only because of some profanity.

In *The Color Purple*, written by Alice Walker, the main character, Celie, faces many hardships and experiences many things throughout her life. As people read Celie's diary, we experience every thing through her eyes and learn more in-depth about concepts such as racism and abuse.

Throughout her life, Celie is subjected to much abuse. First, when she is very young, Celie is sexually abused by Alphonso, who she thinks is her father. Eventually a man who she refers to as Mr.\_\_\_\_\_ reluctantly agrees

to answer Alphonso's request to marry Celie. This may sound like good news, but her life continues to remain a living horror because now she is separated from her sister, who is the only one in the husband.

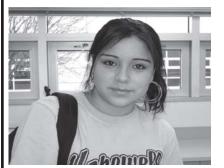
One of the few things that shine a light upon Celie's darkened world is Shug. Celie meets Shug shortly after Celie marries Mr.\_\_\_\_. At first, they do not hit it off, but quickly become very close companions. Shug not only provides friendship to Celie, but also helps her to turn her life

around and surpass the hardships from the past and the hardships that are yet to come in this story. I would suggest this book for any one who is looking for a book to write an essay on The cover of "The Color Purple." Courtesy Google Images.

## Features

#### Hopewell, How Do You Feel?

By Megan Sirko Who's your favorite president?





Marcy Hernandez- Bill Clinton

Nicole Flucker- Ronald Reagan



Mrs. Kanitra- George Washington



Ryan Powell-Franklin Roosevelt



Samantha Hughes- Ronald Reagan

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Logan Krawchyk

Logan Krawchyk was chosen for the upperclassman student of the month award. Logan is an extremely hard worker and he is very successful in school. Logan's favorite subjects in school are Physics and Chemistry because he loves science and learning how different things work and work together.

Aside from school, Logan likes golfing, working, seeing movies, playing video games, hockey, reading, and having a good time with his friends. Other than the things he enjoys and school, Logan works at the Center Township Movie Theater. Logan has a few choices in mind for college but nothing definite. He would like to look at MIT, Penn State Main, and Embry-Riddle.

Logan's goals are to get his masters degree in physical science and engineering, become a scratch golfer, and to one day visit Europe entirely. Logan says his junior year has been the best year of his life so far because he has enjoyed everything about it so far. An accomplishment he is proud of is getting a 100% on his AP Chemistry midterm. "I'm really a nerd, but I have more fun and spend time doing other stuff when I should be studying."

**Student of the Month** 

By Catey Burget

The underclassman student of the month chosen for February was Bobby Catley. His favorite subject in school is Service Learning. Service Learning is his favorite because he feels that the class relates real life skills into a classroom and out of class room environment. He says that "Lifelong skills and memories are occurring here everyday."

Other than school, Bobby finds enjoyment out of his job at Chi-fil-A at the Beaver Valley Mall and doing pottery at Muddy Rose Pottery. He is also a member of the band, Class of 2012, and he is a Safe and Drug Free School Committee member. His favorite thing about this school year is being able to be involved with Service Learning. He is proud of his achievements such as becoming a certified CPR, AED, and First Aid instructor through the Heart Association with Mrs. Heranic.

Bobby feels that he possesses leadership to his peers. He says dealing with people has helped him become more patient which gets to him to achieve his accomplishments. In the future, Bobby would like to attend a college that allowed him to earn a degree that will continue his service to others. He would like to have a job that guarantees him a promising future and good benefits and keep him happy.

Prom 2010 Saturday, May 8, 2010 at the Airport Hyatt Tickets will be on sale at the end of March!!!

Save the Date!!



Bobby Catley



Tank

# **Teacher's Pet**

By Sarah Bohy

Mrs. Boots, a guidance counselor at Hopewell for the past two and a half years, is the proud owner of two dogs. Ruger is a seven-year-old German Shorthair Pointer, and Tank is a four-yearold Boston Terrier.

Mrs. Boots and her husband got Ruger from a breeder. As is true with any pointer breed, German Shorthair Pointers are typically bred for game hunting purposes, and Ruger is no exception. Ruger's specialty is hunting Pheasant, and he is very highly trained. "If I whistle once, he turns left, and if I whistle twice, he turns right," explained Mrs. Boots.

Tank, however, is a completely different story. A few years ago, Mrs. Boots went out to purchase a gift for a baby shower she was to attend. While she was out, she found Boston Terrier puppies for sale and simply

couldn't resist. When Mrs. Boots returned from her shopping trip with Tank, her husband was by no means pleased with the new addition to their family. Fortunately, Mrs. Boots explained that he was eventually able to adjust, and that he and Tank are now the best of friends. Despite Mrs. Boots many valiant attempts to train Tank, however, the young Terrier definitely has a mind of his own.

Living with a dog of Ruger's stature has given Tank a serious Napoleon complex, earning him the nickname "shrimp". When Ruger isn't busy hunting and Tank isn't busy causing mischief, the two of them enjoy lounging around the house together.

When asked of her favorite memory of her beloved canines, Mrs. Boots had quite a story to tell. One afternoon last summer,

Mr. and Mrs. Boots went to the New Brighton Foodland. "The dogs were in the back... we take them everywhere with us," Mrs. Boots began. "The air conditioner in the truck wasn't working, so we left the

windows down for them." When they finished their shopping, Mr. and Mrs. Boots got back into their vehicle

and set off

for home. Upon returning home, however, Mrs. Boots received an alarming phone call. A Foodland employee had found Tank at the store and called Mrs. Boots' cell phone, the number which is

engraved on Tank's identification tag. "They called and told me they found my dog in the frozen food section. Sure enough, we turned around and there was only one dog in the back seat!" Mrs. Boots



explained with a laugh.

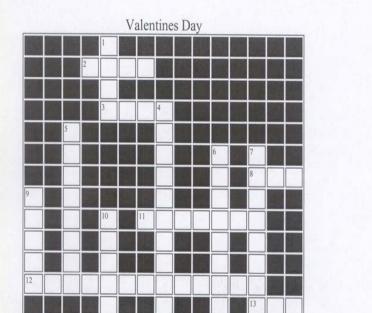
Mrs. Boots graduated from Riverside High School. From

Ruger

there, she completed two years at the Community College of Beaver County, and then finished her Bachelor's degree at Slippery Rock University. She then earned her Master's degree from Geneva College.

#### Presidents' Day

C E M R N V J X H F O O A D N V I L H P X E V V W X O J Y M O V O R H J F V Z Q Q Q L X G R A C A W U D O Q R L C T H A G R B N G D S W N H N R S I V P V X L A P Y F C N O M V V H A F S N B E H X K F F S S H I L C K T E S Q O H J M G X U A I R E O F Y N N N E D S E E R V O N R L F D R G N I V I I S GEORUOGRCONDNODCEAGDIEAFW HRLSNSCERMINANSNNTVUGDGGA G A O N L X Q V E L X A D R U R O N O T N I L C U C N Y L I I G O I L O L U T T N E Z Z A F D U X X A S I E R K W O P I N E P W V H Q F M A D I S O N R G P D S O C H O F F V Z C K N U P F I S P D H H T T I G R D I M Q O K E U Y A E S R H E W M X P J E P U L W A M K Z S L L X M K S T I S Y J R T P A R L O B F E H X M Y O C U H F L C O D W Z Q S W U A M A B O A N A O Q P R V X E R O L Y A T H D M Y EWYUBLDCVRTALVAKZLXOSMGSW QUKAOAREWOHNESIEGTDURMPZF W U O C D G L R X W Z S A F F J A K B U I C M L N D S N Y Y N V V O X O G C L P I R E S I B T A F T ZIYGOROUFOKLACIKFNDISCIZT L C I H Z G P S R M Q X M D B Z I N K R E X R S I J N O S I R R A H O M Z T U D N E E D C O B C G H G R A N T X Q T R N Z K W R J W L D B V B F M D A MOJGBUCHANANEPFZDYKMONROE Washington Taylor Cleveland Kennedy Fillmore **McKinlev** Nixon Roosevelt Pierce Ford Buchanan Taft Carter Lincoln Wilson Reagan Harding Grant Bush Johnson Coolidge Clinton Hayes Hoover Obama Garfield Truman Arthur Eisenhower



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Adams
Jefferson
Madison
Monroe
Jackson
VanBuren
Harrison
Tyler
Polk



#### Across

2. Flower of love

3. The letter x represents

8. Color of romance

11. The will celebrate Valentines Day this year on August 25

12. Oldest known valentine was sent by whom

13. The letter o represents

#### Down

- 1. The last name of the president who took his first photograph on this day in 1849
- 4. Famous heart shaped candies made by Necco
- 5. Some people think this day is a holiday formed under the bases from what famous card distributor
- 6. Ancient Romans celebrate the feast of the earliest origins of this day
- 7. This day not only represent love but as well
- 9. a mischievous winged child who shoots people with arrows
- 10. An Italian city setting that receives over 1000 letters to Juliet on this day