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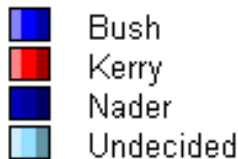
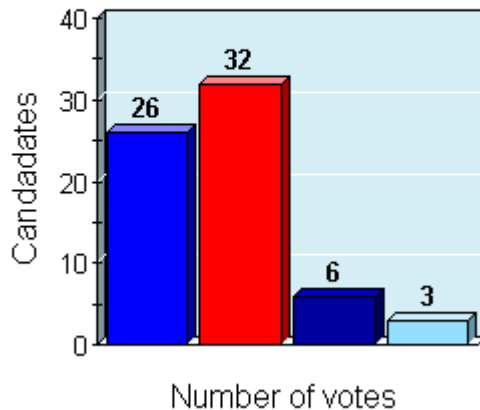
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Current Events

By Christie Abel

Even though children can't vote yet, it doesn't mean they don't have an opinion about who our president should be. I polled the fifth graders at Culbertson School on who they think would be a superior leader and president. Here are the results:

Political Poll for Fifth Graders



As you can see, if Culbertson's fifth graders could elect the president, Kerry would win!



By Colleen Fagan

Dogs and cats aren't the only pets that you can have. Sometimes the oddest creatures can make fun pets, too! Some examples are:

Hermit Crabs

➤ Pros:

- 1) Don't take up much room
- 2) Exotic
- 3) You can watch them for hours
- 4) You don't have to walk them

➤ Cons:

- 1) They die easily if you don't take care of them right
- 2) They can be hard to take care of
- 3) You can't take them for a walk

Slugs

➤ Pros:

- 1) You can find them for free
- 2) You can put them in an old Glad™ container with holes in the lid
- 3) They eat dog food
- 4) Your Grandma won't want to pinch your cheeks if you're holding it

➤ Cons:

- 1) You can't really hold them because they're really, really slimy and gross.

Betta Fish

➤ Pros:

- 1) They're colorful
- 2) They're easy to take care of
- 3) They can live in a small bowl

➤ Cons:

- 1) They can't be with other fish
- 2) They're cranky

So as you can see, bigger isn't always better but, with the slug, we'll make an exception. 😊

Mrs. Cella, Kindergarten Teacher

By Alexis Certo and Carly Brooks



Q: How long have you been teaching?

A: 27 years

Q: Do you like teaching kindergarten?

A: I love teaching kindergarten.

Q: Do you like reading to your class?

A: I love to read.

Q: What do you teach your class?

A: I teach them letter sounds, to sit and listen, to count, learn the days of the week, and the months of the year.

Q: What do you expect your class to know at the end of the year?

A: The basics.

Q: Do you enjoy your job?

A: I love it!

Q: What did you want to be when you were a kid?

A: A TEACHER!!

Fall Fashions

By Melissa Levy

Fashion is style. Everyone has their own unique style and that's cool. Wear whatever makes you feel happy, and then you are in style!

Here are some fall fashion tips for girls that you may want to try:

- ◆ Ponchos
- ◆ Fisherman's caps
- ◆ Pleated mini, knit mini, and denim mini skirts
- ◆ Emu boots and corset boots
- ◆ Off-the-shoulder shirts

For boys, of course, an Eagles jersey with T.O. on it is in style.

The Joker

By Adam Helker

1. When is a train not a train? WHEN IT'S A WRECK!!

2. What do you get when you cross a snowball with a shark? FROSTBITE!!

3. Knock knock.
Who's there?
Eddie.

Eddie who?

Eddie body hab a tissue I hab a tewebel cold!

4. Why did the robber take a bath before robbing the bank? HE WANTED TO MAKE A CLEAN GETAWAY!!

5. What did one eye say to the other? BETWEEN YOU AND ME, SOMETHING SMELLS!!

6. What do you call a ship that is shaking at the bottom of the ocean?
A NERVOUS WRECK!!
7. Is the weather good in Brazil?
YES, IT'S NEVER CHILE!!
8. What do you get from an invisible cow?
EVAPORATED MILK!!

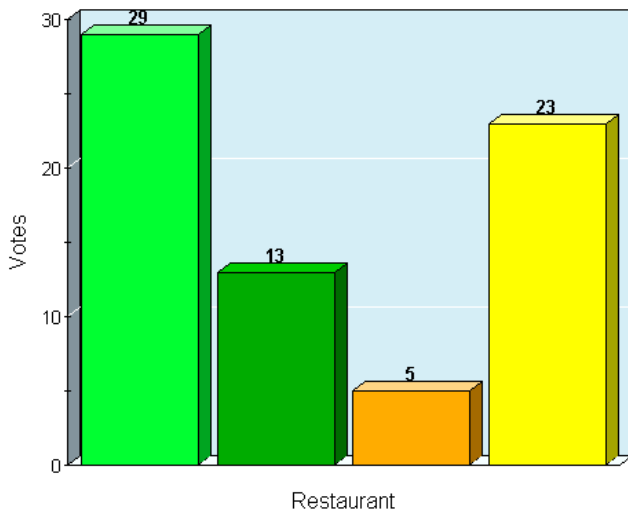
*Note: Some of these jokes are original. The source of other jokes is **The World's Worst Jokes** by Victoria Fremont.*

Favorite Restaurants

By *Tori Wren and Nica Morrison*

Have you ever wondered what 5th graders' favorite fast food restaurant is? The four restaurants we asked student about were Wendy's, KFC, Arby's, and McDonalds. After we surveyed all the 5th graders we found out that Wendy's is the winner! Here

Favorite Restraunt



are the results:

What we found out was Wendy's was the



winner. 29 students like Wendy's. 13 students like KFC. 5 students like Arby's. 23 students like McDonalds. We had a total of 70 votes. (We noticed that not all people voted because there are 75 fifth graders.)

Interview with Mrs. Savchuck

By *Margaret Weir*



Q: How many years have you been a teacher at Culbertson?

A: I have been a teacher for 15 years.

Q: What is your favorite subject to teach?

A: Math. I love to teach math.

Q: Do you have any pets?

A: Two Sheltys, Max and Bridget. Three cats: Thelma, Louise, and Jake. I also have one rabbit named Tawney.

Q: Do you have any children?

A: I don't have children of my own. I have two stepchildren, and two grandchildren.

Q: What are your hobbies?

A: Reading, etching, making jewelry, drawing, painting, knitting and baking.

Q: Who is your favorite author and why?

A: Jodi Picoult, because she really understands how people feel.

Q: What is your favorite food?

A: Pizza.

Q: Have you ever taught any other grade?

A: Yes. I taught 5th grade for six months at Upper Darby. I loved it!

Q: What is your favorite season?

A: I love winter because I love snow.

Food Mania !!!!!

Selected by: Megan Finnerty

Do you like making mud pies after it rains? Well then you will love that I have the recipe. Just follow these directions. Have fun.

You will need:

- 1 cup of granulated sugar
- ½ cup of margarine or butter melted
- 1/3 cup of flour
- 1/3 teaspoon of cocoa
- ¼ teaspoon of salt
- 1 teaspoon of vanilla
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup of chopped nuts if you like
- ¼ cup of fudge sauce or fudge ice-cream topping
- 1 cup of chilled whipping cream
- 2 tablespoons of powdered sugar

1. Heat oven to 325 degrees. Grease a round pan, 8 by 1 ½ inches, with shortening.
2. Mix granulated sugar, margarine, flour, cocoa, salt, vanilla and eggs in a medium bowl. Stir in nuts (if wanted). Pour into pan.
3. Bake until edge appears dry and wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean, 35 to 37 minutes.
4. Immediately prick holes in pie with a wooden pick, then spread fudge sauce over top. Cool completely.

5. Beat whipping cream and powdered sugar in a chilled small bowl on high speed until stiff; spread over fudge sauce. Drizzle with 2 to 3 tablespoons additional fudge sauce or fudge ice cream topping. Store pie in refrigerator. Makes 6 to 8 pieces.

Source: Gold Medal Cookbook for Kids.

SPORTS CORNER

By Alexa Bellenzeni and Katie Shaefer

Hey all you football fans! GET FIRED UP because I'm Alexa and I'm coming at you with your football report! A few days before the Eagles opening game I asked 5th grader Will Hewes and 4th grader Abby Severino their thoughts on how this season will turn out. They both answered that the season will turn out very well, but when the time comes for the game against Tampa Bay it will become completely unpredictable. Their prediction came true: the Eagles are undefeated! Through five hard games, the Eagles worked as hard as they could. Now let's get more local: the Marple Newtown Tigers are four and one. The Tigers started out the season four and 0, but in the last game the Tigers did very well. At the game against the Cougars everybody thought that at the last minute the Tigers would pull off the winning touchdown, but the Cougars intercepted the pass. But that is okay, because my brother and the rest of the Tigers tried their best and impressed me. This 2004 team is the best Marple team since 1977. Sad to say it, but this is the end of your football report.

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Hey, hey, I'm Sporty K! Girls travel soccer team U11 Spirit WON on Sunday, September 12, 2004 against Vincent, 4-1. They also won against the Wildcats 4-0. Sarah Bockol, Nikki Zand, Leighann Robinson, and I, Katie Shaefer, played a great game that day.

For all those goalies out there, here are some tips I got from a goalie coach, Phil Andrews. Yes, he is the sports guy for Channel 6 Action News. When you dive for the ball keep one leg up. Push the ball into the "3rd hand" (that's the ground). If you play with goalie gloves you should practice with them. You should have 2 pairs of goalie gloves because if your gloves get wet you can change them. Keep them in the bag they came in, so they can dry out.

The Real Football

By Sean Tomlinson, Tommy Reynolds, Jonathan O'Farrill & Jake Mattern

Bring out the nachos and funny face paints. It's game day and the popularity of football is off the charts. Our Eagles are on a 5-0 streak after beating the Panthers, Giants, Vikings, Lions and Bears. (Oh my!) There have been a lot of injuries such as Sean Andrews, John Ritchie (both from the Eagles) and some other injuries from other players like Maddox of the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Now for the moment you've all been waiting for, here are the results of our Super Bowl polls. We asked the whole fifth grade what 2 teams would go to the Super Bowl from the AFC and NFC.

NFC Winners

1. Philadelphia Eagles (49 votes)

2. Tampa Bay Buccaneers (16 votes)
3. Green Bay Packers (6 votes)

AFC Winners

1. New England Patriots (45 votes)
2. Baltimore Ravens (15 votes)
3. Miami Dolphins (4 votes) and Indianapolis Colts (4 votes, too)

I am Sean Tomlinson, and I am going to say that Donovan McNabb and Terrell Owens will take the Eagles to the Super Bowl.

I am Tommy Reynolds, and I am hoping that Daunte Culpepper and Randy Moss will make the Minnesota Vikings win the Super Bowl.

Skateboarding

Text by Jeremy Garcia

Photos by Zach Snyder

Skateboarding by Steven Davis and Mike Wozniak

Skateboarding has become a popular sport. We have learned many tricks over the years. With lots of practice you can too! Remember, always wear your helmet. Always have fun!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

And here are some pictures we took:

Frontside 50-50



**Frontside
50-50
The Slant**



Ollie the stairs



Catching air



**Frontside
50-50**

Frontside Disaster

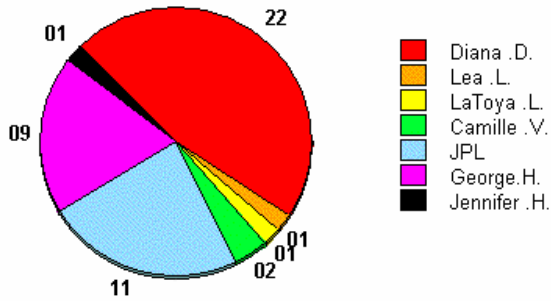


American Idol Survey

By Ashley Robinson and Victoria McGee

Fantasia Barrino won last year's American Idol so we wanted to see who students liked the most this year (excluding her). The 5th graders chose who they liked the best and Diana DeGarmo won. *(See chart on next page.)*

Favoite person from American Idol (Season 3)



Editor’s Note

Not too many newspapers start off each year with a completely new staff! Although I’m still getting to know them as reporters, I’ve already noticed a few things:

- They love taking surveys. (Thank you, Mr. Cook, for assisting with these during lunch time.)
- Many of them are sports fans.
- They have a good sense of humor.
- Most importantly, they are hard workers.

I found myself chuckling many times as I edited their articles, and hope you do, too.

~ Mrs. Samuels, Librarian

P.S. For the color version of this newspaper, go to <http://www.mnsd.net/Culbertson/library/> (or go to Google.com and search for “Culbertson School Library”).

FUN STUFF!

Halloween Word Search

By Sarah Bockol  

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O H G O B H M Q D E A N D M N
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K V N P T O N X H J V N Y E R
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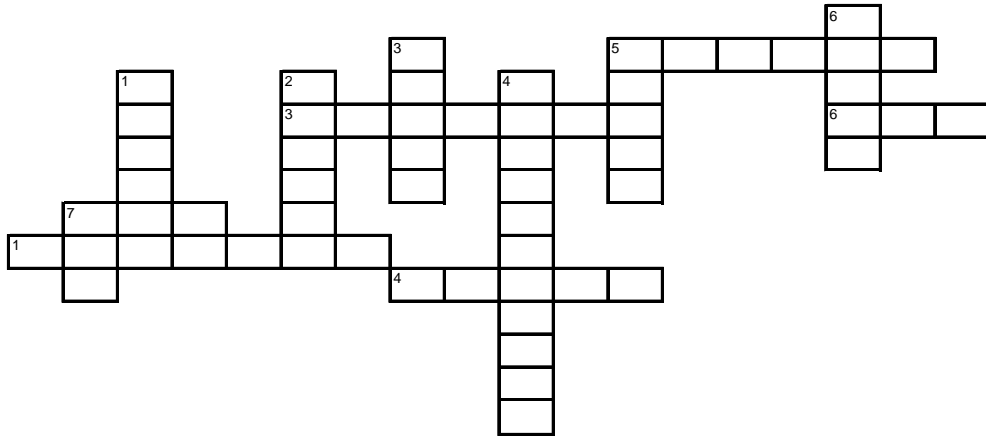
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| BAT | CANDY |
| BOO | FRANKENSTEIN |
| BROOM | HALLOWEEN |
| GHOST | HAUNTEDHOUSE |
| HAYRIDE | JACKOLANTERN |
| MONSTER | TRICKORTREAT |
| MUMMY | PUMPKIN |
| VAMPIRE | |

Clue - She casts a shadow:

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Halloween Crossword Puzzle

Eric Bockol



Down

- 1 You shout this out when you are frightened
- 2 His home is a web
- 3 This figure is wrapped in white rolls of cloth
- 4 He is all bones
- 5 This is your reward for saying trick or treat
- 6 She flies on a broom
- 7 Black winged flying creature

Across

- 1 He wants to suck your blood.
- 3 Carved, orange fruit
- 4 This white creature floats around
- 5 A vampire sleeps in this box
- 6 He is black, has whiskers, and likes mice.
- 7 Black winged flying creature

Editors Note 2:

Late breaking news! On October 23, the Paxton Hollow Marching Band performed in the Halloween Parade in Media. I spotted several former Culbertson students (and former Gazette reporters). It was great fun to see them and they did a terrific job! ~Mrs. S.



Tadpole and Frog

By Sean Tomlinson, Tommy Reynolds, Jonathan O'Farrill, and Jake Mattern

