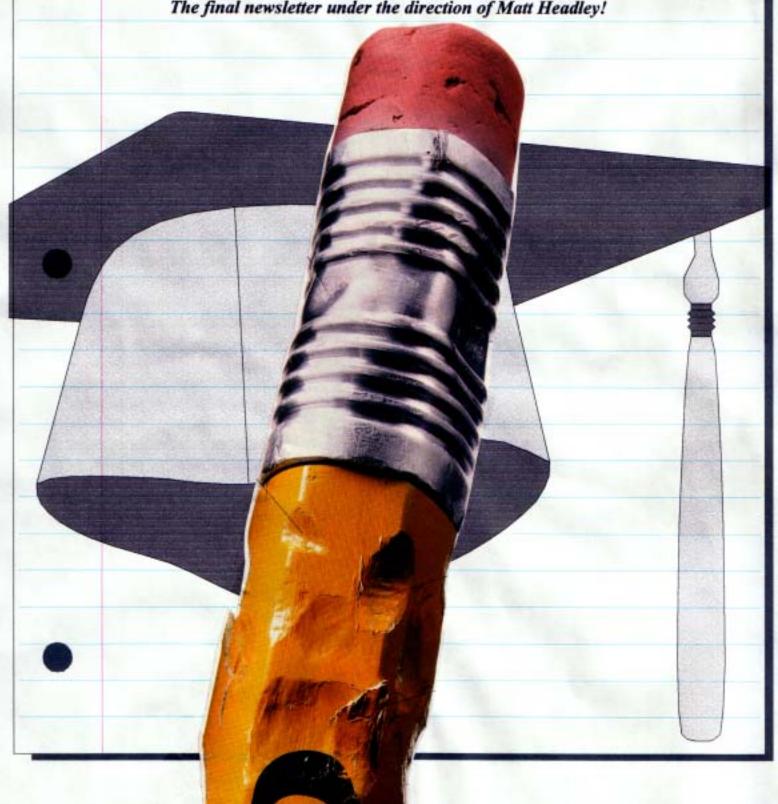


June 1996 Newsletter

The final newsletter under the direction of Matt Headley!



What's Your & EXCUSE?



I decided to be a rebel and I told my parents that I will not be their personal dishwasher (Because they always say, "We don't need a dishwasher, we've got kids!") I simply refused to wash them!

Wash The Dishes But...

- Matt H

I agreed with Matt H and simply refused.

- Chad H

I tripped over guy.

I love Guy so much,
 I think he's the meaning of life.

I Was Going To Make My Bed But...

My alarm didn't go off and I was late.

- Chris Field

Somebody else already made it... Hey, I'm not a carpenter!

- Matt H

Guy was in there
- Guy is my inspiration

I Was Raking The Leaves When A Huge Bird Swooped Down And...

Took me to its leader

- Chris Field

Raked them up for me!

- Matt H

Pooped on my head

- Chad Headless

I Dropped The Groceries Because...

I felt like it

- Chris Field

The darn grocery store doesn't have brown paper bags with handles on them!

- Matt H

They smelled

- Chad H

I saw Guy

- I'd like to take Guy to the prom



I Was Going To Paint The Fence But...

I had better things to do

- Chris Field

I already hired Tom Sawyer to do it for me!

- Matt H

I realized I had no fence to paint

- Chad H





I Was Going To Clean The Closet, But When I Opened The Door...

My trash swallowed me in - Chris Field

I was too shocked to do it because nothing fell on me

- Matt H

I saw that my closet was clean

- Chad H

Guy was in there - I dream of Guy all the time

I Did My Homework But...

It was so good, I decided to put it on the refrigerator

- Brian Duffy

It was lying on the carpet and my dog tore it up with her claws when she decided to tap dance on it

- Matt H

I was hungry and ate it

- Chad Headley

I Was Trying To Go To Sleep But ...

My pet tarantula kept me up

My newborn baby brother wouldn't stop crying... Then a tractor trailer came crashing through our dining room window!

I suddenly found out it was noon.

Guy was under my bed

I Was Going To Brush My Teeth But ...

Someone fed my mother's toe nail Hohn! Hohn!

- Guy Ikpah

I realized it was pretty silly to scrub my comb with a toothbrush!

Matt H

My teeth fell out

Chad Headless

I Was All Ready To Write My Report But...

The Light bulb burnt out and I was

all alone in the dark

- Chris Field

My hard drive crashed and I spent the whole night trying to get it running again!

- Matt H

What do you mean I could've hand-written it?

I realized that my nerd friend could do the report for me.

- Chad H

Guy turned off the lights

 Guy is going to kill me if he ever finds out who wrote all these messages about him!



You should

brush after

every meal

Tongue Twisters

- 1. She sells sea shells beside the seashore.
- 2. Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers.
 - 3. The sixth shiek's sixth sheep's sick.
 - 4. Still the sinking steamer sunk.
- 5. Esau Wood would saw wood he saw, with a saw he saw would saw wood. But the wood he would saw, with the saw he saw, was knot - wood. And the saw he saw would not saw knot - wood. So Esau saw if he would saw knot - wood. He would saw with a knot - wood saw, and a knot - wood saw Esau Wood saw not.

Relationship Problem

Multiply the number of your brothers by 2.

Add 3.

Multiply by 5.

Add the number of your sisters.

Multiply by 10.

Add the number of living grandparents.

Subtract 150.

The first digit of the number you get
will be the number of your brothers.
The second digit is the number of your sisters.
The third digit will be the number of your grandparents.





Quotes By Vance Havner, Evangelist

- In this day, when law and order seem on the way out and criminals get only a slap on the wrist, it is well to remember that the wages of sin remain the same and what men sow they still reap.
- I remember when the Titanic sank in 1912, it was the ship that was supposed to be unsinkable. The only thing it ever did was sink. When it took off from England, all kinds of passengers were aboard millionaires, celebrities, people of moderate means, and poor folks down in the steerage. But a few bours later when they put the list in the Cunard office in New York, it carried only two categories lost and saved. Grim tragedy had leveled all distinctions.
- What we need is not something new but something so old that it would be new if anybody tried it! A return to the principles, program, and power of the old faith would be the greatest of innovations! Church services would not resemble the average meetings today. Nothing would be newer than the old faith if we gave it a chance.
- We have never lived so close together and so far apart.
- If you can't pray like you want to, pray as you can. God knows what you mean. And you have good help the Advocate who is God's Son and the Paraclete who is God's Spirit. They will take your feeblest prayer and make it perfect.
- God is not impressed by length or loudness in our prayer. He sees the heart and when we have prayed our hearts into acceptance of His will and our wills into obedience to it, we may calmly wait for the answer.
- It takes a radical break to turn a man from earth's trash to beaven's treasure.
- I was in a motel the other day that had a little notice up just for fun, but it had a point. It said, "We will now accept dogs. We have not admitted dogs, but we can have dogs stay here now." It said, "After all, no dog ever went out without paying his hill. No dog ever stole our blankets." Then it had a little notice down underneath that was for us folks: "If you can get your dog to vouch for you, we'll let you stay here too." We are in a had way when we have to get the endorsement of a dog to stay somewhere.
- It is not what is done for God that counts, but rather what is done by Him, the work of His Spirit through our yielded wills.
- God ordained walking, the perfect exercise; but walking is still and un-American activity. If you see somebody strolling along a highway actually thinking, you pronounce him out of his head or out of gas.
- If you lack knowledge, go to school. If you lack wisdom, get on your knees! Knowledge is not wisdom. Wisdom is proper use of knowledge.
- A passenger on a long train trip was so entbralled by the journey that every few moments be was beard to say, "Wonderful!" The passing scenery, the faces of the fellow passengers, even the smallest details elicited from him glad expressions of keen enjoyment. Finally one traveler, overcome by curiosity, asked him, "How is it that while monotonous trip, you are baving the time of your life?" He answered, "Until a few days ago, I was a blind man. A great doctor has just given me my sight and what is ordinary to the rest of you is out of this world to me."



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



June 21, 1982- Lisa Gross is going in the 9th grade
She attended Oak Knoll while in 8th grade. She is
involved with field hockey and band. She plays the
position of a goalie in field hockey and she plays the
tuba and the baritone horn in band. Collecting baseball
cards is one of her hobbies. Her favorite movie was
the Lion King. Her favorite types of food are spinach
and cucumbers. The things that she likes about the
Youth Group are the fellowship and being able to be
with her friends. She also says that she doesn't like spiders!

June 22, 1983-Peter Field attends Gloucester County Christian



School and is going in the 8th grade. He likes to play: nintendo, basketball, and baseball. His favorite pro teams are: the Bulls, Phillies, and the 49'ers. He enjoys collecting baseball cards and reading books. His favorite TV show is Saved By The Bell. His favorite pros are Barry Bonds and Micheal Jordan. His favorite type of food is cheese hotdogs. He says he only likes the "fun" activities in the Youth Group.



June 11, 1982-Guy lkpah attended Oak Knoll Middle School while in the 8th grade. He is going into 9th grade. He loves to eat, play basketball, and play chess. His favorite pro teams are the SF Giants, SF 49'ers, and the Charlotte Hornets. His favorite movie was Under Siege II; his favorite TV show is Bay Watch. He liked the video game "Mission Impossible". The people that

he admires are Larry Johnson and Jesse Aquino. His favorite type of food are hot wings. The things that he

likes about the Youth Group are: activities, his friends, and camp. He would also like to tell us that Courtney moooo's and Cassie droots!





WHAT ARE YOU AFRAID OF?

DAVID FIELD - HEIGHTS, GETTING KILLED

CHAD HEADLEY - MIRRORS (I ALWAYS SEE A SCARY IMAGE!), MY SISTER'S ARM AND ROBIN'S PURPLE CAR BECAUSE IT REMINDS ME OF

BARNEY.

PETER FIELD

- Being made fun of in a new place.

BRIAN COKER

- JULIE L. FINALLY COMES WEDNESDAY NIGHT. "NOW

THAT'S SCARY."

LISA GROSS

- SPIDERS

MELISSA

- "NOTHINGNESS"

KEN

- TIM BEY JASON L.

DAYE C.

- LLAMAS

ROBIN

- SPIDERS, RATS, SNAKES, SCORPIONS, DROWNING, LIONS, ALIGATORS, SHARKS, JELLYFISH, TIGERS, BEARS, BEES, ANTS,

WORMS, FLEAS, AND PEOPLE WITH BIG FEET.

CHRISTINE RODOLICO - BIG BURLY WOMEN, SNAKES, TALL PEOPLE.

IVY SCHNEIDER

- BIRDS, ESCALATORS

JILL JORDAN

- SOCKS ON CARPET, DUCKIES, SNAKES, PENNY

HARDAWAY DYING

MARK EICHMANN

- SNAKES, LIGHT PEOPLE, PLAYING HOCKEY AGAINST

lyy's MOM

DANA OTT

- DRIVING ACROSS REALLY HIGH, LONG BRIDGES,

SNAKES OF ANY KIND, PEOPLE BREAKING INTO MY HOUSE, BEING CARJACKED, ALL THE THINGS THAT JILL

JORDAN IS TEACHING KYLIE AND KARA.

DAN BIAD

- RICHARD SIMMONS, CHAD HEADLEY.

CHRIS FIELD

- DAVE FIELD'S LEGS.

LAURA BOSWELL

- BRIAN'S LIGHT FACE AND PASTOR MARK

Runaway Bulldozer Flattens 16 Cars Ah-Was Root For Santa's Team Or Else Santas Has A Snack Then Steals A TV Set Monopoly Urinating In Coffee Pot Man To Mop Public Accused It's A Carl...It's A Boat... It's Both! Eccentricity Is Key To Happiness Highway Sends 90,000 Subscriptions Hot-Coffee Bombardier Gets 60 Days In Jail For His Convention Instead Of His Way, PA. Man Robbery Attempt "Spud Gun" Arrests Nurse

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Choo! This Scam Nothing To Sneeze At In Fla., It Save Cyclist Radioactive Pool Stolen Burglar Wheelbarrow Gets 3 Out Of Ark. Jail For Toilets Student Is Top Pig Victim To Wed Hotdoggers Relish New Wienermobile Scientist: Hijinks Get Mother Pulled Over Vengeful Man Holdup Bird-Brain Ideas For Nasa Toilet Paper Crime Name Tags Optional At Phil Campbell Received 90 Days In Jail Snake Foils Car Has Last Wishes Inscribed On Her Belly Feathers

Go Flying All Over Capital Beltway Teen Breathes Easier Without Christmas Tree Sprig In Lung A Tree-Mendous Holiday Error Holy Cow 1995 "Worst Boss" Contest Seeks Creme De La Crumbs Bug Burns Cheerleader Courthouse Lawn Decked With Christmas Toothbrushes and many more to come!

No burning rubber on road burning rubber

Talk about hot wheels: A county road in Washington state has been closed because flames and smoke keep bursting through the surface.

The smoldering road began as a 350-foot recycling experiment that used half a million old shredded tires to build up a roadbed north of Pomeroy, in southeastern Washington.

As engineers ponder a solution, traffic has been rerouted from the steaming road that sometimes shoots flames.

It stinks like burned rubber," observed Clay Barr, director of emergency services for Garfield

Steam began escaping from the roadbed last fall, and 18-inch flames were sighted by mid-January.

Engineers theorize that fall flooding saturated the old tires with water, which accelerated rusting in the steel-belted tires. Rust creates heat that may have ignited the tires.

"It's kind of scenic more than anything else," said county engineer Mike Selivanoff. "Like driving through Yellowstone National Park.

With the added attraction of that old faithful smell of burning rubber.

Ocean City is pleased to 'lend' Pa. a slogan

OCEAN CITY (AP) - Ocean City officials don't mind that Pennsylvania has lifted their "Memories That Last a Lifetime" tourism slogan.

In fact, they have two words for Keystone State tourism officials: Go ahead. After all, no need to ruffle the feathers of Pennsylvania residents who flock to beaches here every summer.

"One thing we don't want to do is make any of our vacationers angry at us," city spokesman Mark Soifer said Friday.

But that doesn't mean the city that hosts an annual beauty contest for crabs can't have a little fun at Pennsylvania's expense.

So it did Friday. Soifer, the city's offbeat publicist, trotted out weather-forecasting hermit crab Marvin Z. Mollusk, a recording of "Memories" from the musical "Cats" and a bouquet of fake forget-me-nots for a tongue-incheek announcing the city's new advertising catchphrase.

For two years, Ocean City has used "Memories That Last a Lifetime" on tourism brochures, direct-mail fliers and a roadside billboard on the Northeast Extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike near Quakertown, Pa.

So city leaders were surprised this week when Pennsylvania tourism officials unveiled their new slogan, which is "Pennsylvania Memories Last a Lifetime

Not that Ocean City owns the

rights to the idea.

Pennsylvania officials have said they'll stick with the slogan. Ocean City officials, too, say they'll keep using it.

But in a mock ceremony, they unveiled a "new" slogan they admitted won't be used. And it's one Pennsylvanians can relate to: "You've Got a Friend in Ocean City."

REALITY CHECK

'Bowl naked, bowl free' offer winds up costing man \$200

When operators at Classic Lanes in Greenfield, Wis., made their "bowl naked, bowl free" offer, they didn't think anyone would take them up on

Four women from a church group summoned police to the bowling alley recently after they said they saw 20-year-old Scott A. Hughes strip down to bowling shoes and cowboy hat,

But Hughes denied that he bowled in the buff and said Monday that he was just mooning the crowd on a dare.

"It was a bad judgment on my part," he said. Hughes was ticketed for disorderly conduct, which carries a fine of \$209.50.

REALITY CHECK

Nude man puts different spin on sleeping at the laundromat

Important laundromat lesson No. 1: The birthday suit doesn't belong in a spin dryer.

A startled naked man was awakened by ambulance, police and fire department personnel who roused him from a Toronto laundromat dryer where he had fallen asleep.

The man told police that, when he was alone in the coin-operated laundry early Monday morning, he decided to wash the clothes he was wearing. He fell asleep in the dryer after crawling in to stay

Another patron called an emergency hot line at 4 a.m. after spotting the man, fearing he was dead.

A chuckling ambulance worker said his crew gave the man a clean bill of health.



venezueians go sky-high for latest taste sensation

Garlic cloves, chunks of tuna and spinach leaves are nouvelle cuisine for some, but for one visionary ice-cream vendor high up in the Andes, they are the

makings of a daring scoop. In western Venezuela, Manuel da Silva Oliveira has been challenging the taste buds of Merida's residents with his 610 flavors of ice cream that have earned him a place in the Guinness Book of Records.

Oliveira's Coromoto Heladeria (ice-cream parlor) serves allnatural scoops featuring such ingredients as avocado, mollusk, black beans, cheese, pumpkin. shrimp and Guinness beer.

"I knew nothing about ice cream before I started," the Portuguese-born vendor said. "I had a little coffee shop in Merida and one night I dreamed I was making avocado ice cream, peeling the fruit and churning it. It was so vivid that I thought I'd try it."

And now everybody screams for his ice cream.

Well, maybe not for it. More likely because of it.

20-mile bloodstain

SYRACUSE, Kan. - A tanker truck carrying animal blood sprang a leak, splashing cars and leaving a 20-mile-long stain on a highway.

The tanker, en route Wednesday to a processing plant in Syracuse, about 15 miles from the Colorado line, apparently blew a seal.

"One lane was pretty much covered with blood," Sheriff Dan Levens said. "It was splashing all over the cars."

The blood posed no health hazard, said Verna Bagby, a spokeswoman for Clausen-Koch Corp., where the blood was to be dried, separated and sent to factories for use in animal feed.

Farmers dump onions as a protest in Prague

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PRAGUE - Farmers frustrated by a flood of low-priced onions from European Union nations into the Czech market dumped three tons of onlons in the center of Prague yesterday. The protest reflected the trade tensions between emerging market economies in formerly communist Central Europe and the European Union.

While countries such as the Czech Republic are eager to join the EU, they allege that the trade bloc unfairly protects domestic industries from Central European imports and dumps excess produce from the EU's highly subsidized farms. As a consequence, Czech farmers will have to throw away 22,000 tons of high-quality onions this year, said Josef Krizek, a legislator from the opposition Czech-Moravian Union.

We are just the EU's garbage can !! Krizek said. To make its point, the party brought a truckload of about three tons of onions to Prague and damped them in front of the Agriculture Ministry.

500,000 guests attend wedding of 5,004 couples

The ruling party in the povertystricken southern Indian state of Tamil Nadu hosted a glittering \$2 million wedding yesterday with 5,004 couples and more than 500,000 guests, party leaders said.

"Our rivals are green with envy at our achievement, which should find a place in the Guinness Book of Records," said All India Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam party leader M. Chinnaswamy

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Jayalalitha, who presided over the ceremony, blessed 18 brass plates tilled with "mangalsutras," or sacred wedding necklaces

She then asked the bridegrooms to fasten the necklaces around their jasmine-adorned brides' necks as music from an orchestra of southern Indian horns and drums reached a crescendo.

Each couple was given silk clothes, ritual lamps, a mangalsutra, kitchen utensils, a mattress and a pillow, costing about \$400, in traditional Tamil

Forget those rivals. We're green with envy ourselvest



They're mad as Residents of a building in Zurich, Switzerland, are protesting the closure of their bicycle parking space.

Don't blame Goldilocks: Burglar bakes cake, sleeps

WASHINGTON TWP. Police believe a burglar who broke into a Delsea Drive residence during the weekend was confident enough to sleep there and even to bake a cake there.

The family left on Friday evening and returned Sunday night, according to a police report, and noticed a burn mark on the kitchen floor. Some items seemed to have been moved, so the family telephoned police.

Police found a window that might have been the point of

entry. Outside the house, police found a trash bag that contained a half-full cake pan and some other items from the kitchen.

Upstairs, the bed was unmade.

Police believe the burgiar spent a considerable amount of time in the house, sleeping in the bed and baking a cake. It's believed the cake pan was set on the floor while hot, thus burning the floor.

A VCR was found outside in the back yard, but nothing else seemed to have been taken from the house.

He's really smokin' in a questionable quest

A 29-year-old Transylvanian with either a death wish or a drive for fame is hoping to make the books with a smoking record.

Stefan Sigmond was front-page news in Romanian newspapers yesterday after smoking 800 filtertipped western cigarettes in less than six minutes, breaking his 1995 record of 750, through a special wheel-like device.

"I am a little bit dizzy and I have a headache and an awful taste in my mouth but I am sure everything will pass away," he said

But, in a country where 30 billion cigarettes are smoked every year, few people are hailing his new record.

Apparently the Guinness Book of Records may not recognize it

Seems Guinness now discourages "gluttony" records.

By Thomas J. Brady, with reports from Inquirer wire services



Stefan Sigmond smokes like a chimney (see He's really smokin', below).





- The U-35, a German submarine escaped a direct hit by a British torpedo in the Atlantic when the projectile suddenly hurtled over the sub— Merely damaging its guard rail!
- Aeschylus, Author of 70 Greek tragedies, never went outdoors during storms because an oracle had warned him he would die by a blow from heaven. Sitting outdoors in Gela, Sicily, on a sunny day, he was killed when an eagle mistook his bald head for a rock and dropped a huge tortoise on him to break its shell!
- In the 1920's, a horse named "Lucky Wonder" used a typewriter to spell out its psychic predictions including the re-election of President Truman and the U.S. entering WWII!
- A needle embedded in the knee of Mrs. Helen Jensen when she was a small child was removed from her baby 30 years later!
- THE MAN WHO COULDN'T BE HANGED: Joseph Samuels, sentenced to death for burglary in Hobart Town, Australia was granted a reprieve by the governor after the rope broke 3 times!
- Ralph and Carolyn Cummins of Clintwood, Va., are the parents of 5 singly born children —
 each being born on a February 20th!
- Larry Parrish, 3rd baseman for the Montreal Expos, in a baseball game against St. Louis, was at bat 5 times, had 5 hits, scored 5 runs, and drove in 5 runs!
- Mabel Marie Hughes Roebuck (1901 1984) of West Newton, Pa., In 1901 was born on Thanksgiving Day, and in 1984, died on Thanksgiving Day!
- Linda Keen of Sumter, S.C. and Linda Kean of Columbia, S.C., Assigned to the same room at the University of South Carolina purely by coincidence, are the same height, both have long blonde hair, wear the same size shoes and rings, each has a brother and a sister, both are daughters of retired colonels and both drive the same model car!
- All 12 eggs in a carton purchased by Betty and Marvin Marx of Silver Springs, MD., had double yolks!
- In 1983 Henry Ziegland of Honey Grove, Texas, Jilted his sweetheart who killed herself. Her brother tried to avenge her by shooting Ziegland but the bullet only grazed his face and buried itself in a tree. The brother, thinking he had killed Ziegland, committed suicide. In 1913, Ziegland was cutting down the tree with the bullet in it It was a tough job so he used dynamite and the explosion sent the old bullet through Ziegland's head, killing him!
- Mrs. Rudolph Brown, of Lawrence, N.Y., became the mother of twins on March 4, 1958. Her mother became the mother of twins on March 4, 1935. Her sister became the mother of twins on March 4, 1949.



WELCOME TO THE FAR SIDE



A message from...



As some of you know, I, Chris Field, with the help of most of the Youth Group, will be taking over the newsletter soon. I would like to continue this ministry and try to get everyone involved who would like to be. I hope to do as good of a job as Matt had done. If you would like to help the newsletter out in any way, please see me. I would really appreciate your input.



Thanks, Chris Field



Most Likely To...

burst out laughing at their wedding : Jill (Same as last year)

murder one of their siblings : Chris (Same as last year)

have a library of books by the toilet in the bathroom : Courtney, Sarah, Brian Riggs (Last year : Jen Lamora)

be the biggest flirt in town : Brian Riggs (Last year : Ivy)

move their lips to fake singing during church : Ken Klein (Same as last year)

pick their nose in private : Dave Field (Same as last year)

still care if Superman makes it out of a jam when they're 80 : Dave Cook, Chris (New Category)

spill their milk at lunch : Jill (Same as last year)

cry when they make an "A -" on a test : Sarah (Same as last year)

be really happy when they pull their grade up from an "F" to a "D -" : Guy (Last year : Jim String)

talk in their sleep : Mark (Last year : Ivy)

have their driver's license revoked : Jill (Last year : Jim String)

go through life missing the point of most jokes : Jill (Same as last year)

bite their toenails : Nana (Last year : Pete)

use the "we had a flat tire" excuse on their parents : Mark (Last year : Matt Purzycki)

wear their underwear inside out : Dan Biad, Courtney (Last year : Dave Field)

have the coat hangers in their closet all going the same direction : Ivy, Sarah (Last year : Dana)

act dumb and actually be smart : Dana (Last year : Jill)

act smart and actually be dumb : Laura (Last year : Karen Neher)

purposely step on the cracks in the concrete: Dave Field (Last year: Adam Purzycki)

never remember one Sunday School lesson : Brad (Last year : Adam Purzycki)

talk about the same thing all the time : Chris, Brian Riggs (Last year : Jason Lamora)

force their children to eat liver, squash, spinach and such : Cassie (Last year : Karen Neher, Christine, P Mark, and Sarah)

write an autobiography : Sarah, Cassie (Last year : Sarah)

inevitably not hear the correct page number of hymns when announced in church: Adam, Courtney

(Last year: Mark and Matt Purzycki)

steal jokes all their lives and fake like they're originals : Pete (Same as last year)

think they're too old for youth group when they get to 9th grade : Adam Purzycki (New Category)

be the pickiest eater in the world : Jill (New Category)

win the ugliest boy with the prettiest girl award : Brian Duffy, Mark E., Brian Riggs, and P. Mark (New Category)

be disappointed if they don't become famous : Guy (New Category)



Acy Survival

I WENT ON BATMAN!

Not only did I go on Batman, I also went on Viper! I didn't like the looks of Viper as I stood in line. No, the loops and twists didn't scare me, but the rusted spots where the track was welded together did! (Especially considering that Viper is only a year old!) Well, needless to say, I loved Viper! I got off with just a hint of a stiff neck and I felt like I was really starting to get into roller coasters.

I also went on Rolling Thunder for the second time. Last year all the guys literally pushed me onto the ride. I think that's the experience that has made me a lot less frightened to try more coasters. Now Rolling Thunder is my favorite coaster of all the coasters that I've ever tried (which isn't much!). Nothing beats a great wood coaster!

We also decided to waste our time and be one of the first groups to try Dull Mountain. After about an hour and fifteen minute wait, and 23 miles of lines, we went inside Skull Abandoned Warehouse. Ironically, Just kidding around (not even knowing yet what the ride was like), we yelled out to the people waiting in line where we were an hour before, "Turn back! It's not worth it! It's an underground Ferris Wheel!" Well, we climbed aboard the ride. We went through the tunnel of black curtains and around in the unfinished - looking cave with a concrete pit below you (I guess so that you could see the underside of the track). Then we went into the abandoned warehouse section of the ride where the ride's action (?) took place. I exclaimed in the attempted pitch darkness, "Look! An emergency telephone!" We went around the first turn. "Look! That's where we just came from!" When we got off the coaster all I could do was shake my head in dis-belief. We walked out of the attraction on loan from some traveling carnival and all of us took delight in coming up with new names for Skull Mountain, and ways to describe it. I think Tabitha described it best: "The Runaway Train at night".

The ride was over. We pulled into the Batcave and next to the other car that a couple of guys were supposedly trying to repair (They were just staring at the thing the whole time!). Jim leaned up and looked my way with a grin on his face. He asked me, "How'd you like it, Matt?" I don't remember what my reaction was, exactly. I think I was just hooting and hollering a lot! Well, I was feeling good until I got off the ride. Not eating dinner, being so tired, and the G-forces of Batman are not a good combination. NO I DIDN'T THROW UP! But I had the biggest sick head-ache I had ever had in my life! I felt like I had a hang-over (Not that I have ever actually had one). After THEY went on one more ride, we left the park, and I left the youth group for good.

To meet, to know, to love - and then to part, Is the sad tale of many a human heart.

- S. T. Coleridge

This youth group has meant a lot to me. It has always made me proud to be a part of it, and now that I have to go, I wish I had come to this church sooner than when I did. During the time I've spent in this youth group my Christian life started to grow. A personal relationship with Christ developed where there was never one before.

One of the biggest things I've learned this year is not to take your salvation for granted. When my Grandpop died I felt at peace knowing that he was saved and that we'll see each other again one day, and people who don't know Christ like we do don't have that opportunity. Don't take your salvation for granted.

I would also like to encourage those who are more outgoing to welcome visitors. Theresa welcomed me and my sister to this youth group, and I would like to see the practice be continued. Don't leave the job for somebody else to do. Do it yourself. Also, don't take this youth group for granted. Don't just come out because you have to, have fun and learn something from it. Get involved with it! The best way to feel like you're a part of this youth group is to be a part of it. Don't expect people to come to you, reach out to them.

I would like to thank all of you for being my first audience other than my family and a couple of friends. Thank you for allowing me to use my talent for your entertainment and for the glory of God. The videos and the newsletter were both a tremendous amount of work and time, but I loved every minute of producing both, and I hope all of you have appreciated and gotten a laugh or two out of it.

Finally, I would like to thank Pastor Mark and Dana for an excellent job they have done. Thank you Pastor Mark for being sensitive yet responsible about the content of my productions and the newsletter, and thanks for helping to change my life around. Keep your personality and sermons on a teen-age level and keep up the good work!

Dana, thank you for your musical talents you have brought to this church and youth group. Words can hardly express the other contributions you have made. What can I say? The girls in this youth group love you! Some of their biggest memories at Camp Calvary are of being around you, talking with you, and goofing off! I will say that each of them consider you to be a good friend. Thank you for also being a good sport and putting up with all the abuse that you take from some of our youth group members!

Oh well, It's been fun, but it's time to go. I'll miss just being around you guys.

You guys are really fun to be around, and you make me laugh all the time! But it's time to move on to College and Career and hopefully I can be an addition to it and be there to help shape, build, and define the group in the years to come. Goodbye!

Thank You For All You Have Done!

Laura Boswell - Idea for Notemail

Brian Duffy - Sports, Idea for Doodle Pad

Mark Eichmann - Boardwalk Night (Aug 95), Sports

Tabitha Eichmann - Jr. Winter Camp (March 95), Dear Tabby

Dave Franklin - Co-editor, Sports, Sr. Winter Camp (March 95), Birthday Biographies, Editor (Aug 95), McDonald's Coffee Case (Aug 95), Spiritual Spotlight (Aug 95), Spiritually Speaking (Oct/Nov 95), Pizza With Evil Twist (Oct/Nov 95), Christmas Issue (Dec 95), Poem (Feb/Mar 96)

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin (Dave's Parents) - Endless use of their computer!

Robin Gross - What's Happening, Meet the 7th Graders (June 95), Interview With New Youth Council (Aug 95), Public School Bible Clubs (Oct/Nov 95), Christmas Issue (Dec 95), Something To Look Forward To (Jan 96)

Teresa Harshbarger - Articles From The Past (Past Newsletters)

Chad Headley - Drawings, Randomly Written (Feb/Mar 96)

Lynn C. Homan (My Mom) - "I Think It Should Talk About Your Mom" (April/May 95)

Paul Homan (My Dad) - Memorial Day and Blonde Bashing Drawings (April/May 95), Taking Christ Out of Christmas and poem (Dec 95)

Brad Hopkins - Randomly Written (Jan 96)

Guy Ikpah - Jr Winter Camp (Feb/Mar 96), Drawing In Calvary Comedy (Feb/Mar 96)

Jason Lamora - Sports

Julie Lamora - Jr. Summer Camp (Sept 95)

Courtney Jordan - Youth Council Review, Jr. Winter Camp Poem (Feb/Mar 96)

Jill Jordan - Switching Schools (Nov 94), Sr. Winter Camp (March 95), Mall Scavenger Hunt (April/May 95), What's Happening, Sr. Summer Camp (Sept 95), College Trip and drawing (Oct/Nov 95), Sr. Winter Camp (Feb/Mar 96)

Cassie Marcone - Jr. Winter Camp Poem (Feb/Mar 96)

Kryssy Myers - Randomly Written (Sept 95)

Karen Neher - Parent Articles, PCC College Ensemble Visits (June 95)

Matt Purzycki - Sports

Mr. and Mrs. Riggs - Computer help and attempt to use a scanner!

Mr. Rodolico - Helped us plan for and purchase our computer.

Ivy Schneider - Sr. Summer Camp (Sept 95), Submitted Poem (Sept 95), Sr. Winter Camp (Feb/Mar 96)

Sarah Smith - Randomly Written (Oct/Nov 95)

Adam String - Sports, Sr. Winter Camp (Feb/Mar 96)

Jim String - Question Can, "I Think It Should Talk About Your Mom" (March 95), Bible Quiz (June 95)

Stephanie Wilson - Pet Peeves, Sweet and Sour Surveys

Well, I think I've included everyone that has helped me along the way. If I've forgotten to include somebody, I'm truly sorry! Your contributions have made this newsletter what it was!

Special thanks to all those who have participated in all the surveys, write-ups and notemail.

It's All Your's, Chris!

Remember,
God deserves all the credit!

To God Be The Glory!

> - Matt Headley, Ceditor - David W. Franklin, Co-Editor