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Student Teachers Bring New Ideas

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You've seen them in the halls; you've seen them in the classrooms. Who are these new "students with authority"? You may know their names, but do you know anything else? Do you know their interests or views on high school? Chances are you don't. Well here's the perfect opportunity.

When asked how high school has changed or stayed the same, five of the six interviewees agreed that it had changed. The answers ranged from new technology, such as computers and television in each room, as said by Candace Wilson (from Mr. James Gerhold's class) to the violence and disrespect for teachers. Both Mr. Matthew D'Urso (from Mrs. Sheila Emge's class) and Mr. Sean Marlow (from Mr. Joseph Good's class) agreed that the high school environment is more friendly and interactive. The only student teacher that disagreed was Ms. Denise Bakula (from Mrs. Suzanne Gerhold's class) who simply stated that it was, in a nutshell, the same.

The next question our

young teachers faced was what some of their outside interests were and how they incorporate them into their lessons. Most of the responses were related to drama or music. It looks as if most of the soon-to-be-teachers have had a cultured history. Ms. Ellen Anderson helps out and observes Mr. Greg Harris' French and Spanish classes. She enjoys teaching about both cultures. Others said that they would use computers or simple everyday things that they had

worst aspects of high school are, whether it be the size of classes, the lack of open-lunch or the grimy bathrooms; where did the soap go? So have the newcomers. Both Mr. D'Urso and Mr. Marlow agreed, yet again, that the worst aspect was having to get up so early and the best was the social aspect and the classes being so open. Some other worse answers were the class sizes and absences. Another positive was the range of extracurricular activities that Clay has to offer.

The last brutal question they had to ponder on was if teaching was harder or easier because of the few years in age difference between them and the students. The popular answer seemed to be harder because there is a fine line between friendship and author-

ity. It is tough, sometimes, to become friends with a student but lay down the law if they abuse that friendship. Ms. Bakula said, "It's easier for me because I have siblings that are in high school and it helps me when figuring out a way to approach the students." Another student teacher preferred group work and interaction. Of course, that is if the students' behavior allows it.

Some of you may be thinking, "Well, I have a student teacher and you didn't mention them," and you would be right. If you would like to learn more about the other student teachers, make sure to see the next issue of *The Colonial*, when we will feature them.



Math and foreign student teachers Ms. Candace Wilson and Ms. Ellen Anderson appear to enjoy their first days of student teaching at Clay.

in common with the students, such as certain television shows.

Teachers and students that have been around Clay for a while have formed their own opinions on what the best and



Three student teachers take a break from their new teaching duties: Mr. Matthew Marsters-D'Urso, Ms. Denise Bakula, Mr. Sean Marlow.

The Crier

Need a Break?

President's Day is Feb. 21st, so there will be no school.

Reminder!

Don't forget the ACT Test will be given on Feb. 12th and the 25th.

Scholarship Information

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See Guidance Office for more information on scholarship opportunities.

Happy Valentine's Day

The Colonial wishes everyone a happy Valentine's Day, but would like to remind you that no gifts (flowers, balloons, etc...) delivered to school will be accepted.



Mid-Winter is an event that many Clay students have come to look forward to. Every year participants anticipate socializing with their friends and having a good time. Mid-Winter 2000, held on January 23, proved to be no exception. A group of Clay students enjoyed a ride on the "train."

Winter Homecoming 2000

2000 Homecoming Court

Row 1: Kristin Stemmer, Shannon Radecki, Kara Konstany, Katy Dennis, Courtney Elliott, Eastern Scott, Queen Redgina Norris, and Heidi Kramer.

Row 2: Robert Gamble, Arthur Cafiero, Evan Witt, Seth Ponder, Eric Brusda, Rob Irvine, King Qasim Ludy, and John Ryans

(Right) Seniors Joel Steele and Lindsay Van Belleghem show off their spirit on Seventies Day.



Editorial

Roses are red
Violets are blue...

By now, we all know how the next few lines are going to go. Most of us guys should remember writing that so many times when we were young.

One of the best things that happened to Valentine's Day are those little candy hearts with the messages on them that say 'I love you,' or you can get the 'modern day' ones that say 'Page me.'

Valentine's Day cards were also great. Guys would give the ones with athletes on them, while the girls gave Rainbow-Brite, or anything with teddy bears plastered all over it. Those childhood customs have long been forgotten.

In third grade we gave Valentines cards to everyone in class. Now most of us wouldn't give anything to anyone unless that person was our Valentine. Forget mass quantities of 'be mine' and 'you're cute' candies for everyone in the class. Our hearts and reputations are now more fragile than those candies. Doing something of that magnitude could get an unwanted rumor or two started.

Valentines Day is the best day besides an anniversary or Christmas to show your undying affection for that special someone. There's nothing wrong with candle light dinners and long-stem red roses. If you're unskilled in the culinary arts, go out for dinner or something of that nature.

Enjoying the company of your loved one to the soothing sounds of Barry Manilow is something everyone should have a chance to experience this year. Wouldn't it be nice if we could make it last longer than one day? Maybe we would all be a lot happier.

In the "Bottom Line" column featured in the December 10, 1999 issue of *The Colonial*, there were comments made about Seniors Joe Nufer and Ryan Timm. The writers of the column did not intend to insult these students, although the comments could have been taken objectionably. *The Colonial* regrets the error and will make every effort to ensure that it does not happen again.

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Thank God I'm Not 'Popular'!

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OPINION EDITOR & STAFF WRITER

When we think of our wonderful years at Clay High School, we realized that maybe we just weren't as 'popular' as everyone wants to be. As funny as it may sound, thank God that we weren't. Why? This is simple. Some of you who depend so much on materialistic items such as department store name rip-offs and whatever everyone else is wearing, you become a little less real.

The "party scene" here at Clay is a little blown out of proportion also. We've figured out that 75% of the things most people say they do is absolutely over exaggerated. If you heard about a killer New Year's Party, it probably was only three or four people drinking Pepsi and watching Bug's Life. At this point, it all seems ludicrous.

The clubs at Clay aren't much better. Most people who aren't in the clubs have no idea what the purpose of the clubs are. For instance, Student Council is the best example of this theory.

What about the election process? Mr. Jim Carpenter, Student Council Sponsor, told us that

when he attended Clay as a student there was an actual election. You had to campaign and make a speech in front of everyone, then they voted on the best candidate.

Now, you are given a slip of paper and you circle the names of your friends. Whether you believe it or not, most people look at it this way. We even talked to some Student Council members who feel that the process for getting on student council isn't fair. We also found out that the officers are voted on by the Student Council, as a body. That isn't a bad deal, except for the fact that they mean to practice politics, only they don't run it like a 'student government.'

National Honors Society is another enigma. It's truly harder to get a membership for Sam's Club than it is to get accepted into N.H.S. Some members said that almost everyone that submitted an application got accepted.

We're not sure if that means anything. It always seemed that it was the best achievement any high school student could get, besides Valedictorian or being the MVP for a

state champion high school sport. Mr. Joe Good, N.H.S. Sponsor, said that the club is raising the minimal g.p.a. from 3.0 to 3.3 for present juniors this year, and that will continue for all future applicants.

Sports are another major part of Clay tradition. Sports are great, don't get us wrong, but sometimes it's a little too much. Every year the Clay Athletics department pushes for every team to go for a state championship. Sure that's a great goal, but then you have to learn what your priorities are. Which becomes more important, school work or the state title?

Clay also has a tradition of passing the torch of school spirit, which gets worse every year. We remember certain (mostly athletic) people in school would wear purple and gold on spirit weeks, now they wouldn't be caught dead in them.

"What you got on my forty, homie?" What the dilly-yo with the lingo around here? Where people come up with some of the stuff they say?

For instance, we walked the halls one day and heard some strange

things such as "twinkin" or something close to that. We suppose it's in reference to the word 'trippin' but we're not sure. Foul language and other obscenities are at an extreme lately. There really is no need to shout things that really aren't worth saying at all. If you need to say them, try to keep it to yourself. Think about what your mother would say if she heard that come from your mouth!

Maybe we've complained too much. We are 100% happy with who we are, yet we wonder the same about some students here. We've seen so many people change over the last three or four years just to fit in or impress the "cool people".

Who are the 'cool people' anyway? It seems that you're only important when you have what some one else wants, that can be various things, such as money, connections, or the imaginary power of ruling the school. We would rather be our selves. If it's all like that, thank God we're not "popular."

Underclassmen: Stay Out of our Cafe

Dustin Schmitt
STAFF WRITER

Who belongs in the senior cafeteria? This might be a wild guess but I'm going out on a limb saying the 'senior class'. So why do I see freshman and sophomores in our cafeteria? That's just wrong, we waited our time to get the luxury of the Senior Cafeteria and they should too!

If a junior is invited in by a senior, then that's understandable. At least they are mature enough to come in, but the underclassmen need to stay out!

This might just mean that those security guards might have to start policing the Senior Cafe. They might have to check the I.D. cards of people who don't look like seniors and

kick them out if they don't belong. If they actually checked I.D.'s when students come in, then they wouldn't have half the trouble.

Senior Alan Rubin says, "I think that they shouldn't come in our cafeteria because they are annoying and they have to

wait till they are seniors just like did." I don't care if there are five open tables in the room, they can't come in. This means in the morning or at lunch.

Our cafeteria is for seniors and invited juniors only, so until your time comes, stay out underclassmen!



The Buzz...



Which came first: The chicken or the egg?

Freshman Tom Nettavong Sophomore Dave Walker Junior Elitza Sevova Senior Nicole Rufuku



"The chicken. We wouldn't have eggs if there were no chickens."



"Chickens evolved to lay the eggs that yielded the chickens."



"The egg because the reptiles laid the eggs that eventually evolved."



"The chicken because it evolved from another animal."

What's Your Sign? Valentine's Forecast

YaVonda Smalls and Megan Tarbet
STAFF WRITERS

Aries 3/21 to 4/19

Boys: Be on the look out and know that something great will happen for you today. However, the possibilities are endless.

Girls: If you plan on being single in the next few days, I highly suggest that you sport how great that is. It is sad when people look down on those who are single, thinking that something is wrong with that situation, but it just means that no one is worthy to hold your books!

Taurus 4/20 to 5/20

Boys: If you have affections for someone, don't stand in the shadows and conceal yourself from them. Step into the sunlight so that others can see what your true personality is. She is then more likely to notice you.

Girls: Sing the song "Mary Had A little lamb". When you sit down the first guy that is spoken of at the table will be putting on your boutonniere on prom night.



Gemini 5/21 to 6/21

Boys: Don't worry if you are not highly accepted by others because chances are, they do not know who you really are. If you learn to like yourself better, others will learn to like you as well.

Girls: Watch out! You may be receiving

a gift such as flowers, candy, or even a new dress! Just keep your eyes peeled!

Cancer 6/22 to 7/23

Boys: News flash! You're a great guy, but let others put you on that pedestal, otherwise if you put yourself there, no one will be able to reach you because, baby, you're up in the clouds!

Girls: You were blessed with a lot of great features, but if you point them out before he does you're likely to hear, "table for one" on Valentines Day.

Leo 7/23 to 8/22

Boys: This is the perfect time to tell her how you feel. Don't do it publicly with flowers or chocolates because you have a few pairs of eyes on you from those who love you from afar.

Girls: If you don't approach him now, don't expect to be in his thoughts around prom!!

Virgo 8/23 to 9/22

Boys: Girls will appreciate it if you are helpful and generous with advice. Be tolerant and easy going.

Girls: Be prudent about love on this Valentine's Day and approach it with your head and your heart.

Libra 9/23 to 10/23

Boys: A letter will or has already come your way, and this is just the start! In the summer everything will fall into place.

Girls: Not everyone knows your thoughts. If you want to go to prom, be confident and let him know that you wouldn't mind showing up with him, even though you are really jumping up and down inside, because he is so amazing!

Scorpio 10/24 to 11/21

Boys: You are great and you know it, but as the amazing guy you are you don't show it, or lead on to the fact that everyone wants you. You help out your friends when they need you, and your mother can't get over how lucky she is.

Girls: Your the reason that why he runs faster during conditioning, or why he sings so loud during play practice. Don't be surprised if he gives you an Eskimo kiss during one of the passing periods.



Sagittarius: 11/22 to 12/21

Boys: You're gonna ask her more than a few times to just hang out with you, and she will reject you publicly, and embarrass you like your the biggest reject to ever of walked through Clay's doors. In other words, she likes you.

Girls: He's giving you the cold shoulder because, hey sometimes guys don't reach that mature point until later on down the road. Sometimes it takes a while.



Capricorn 12/22 to 1/19

Boys: Don't take criticism, especially by your Valentine, seriously. Chill out and enjoy the day.

Girls: You will find a smart, popular, guy who will boost your prestige. You can meet him anywhere, but try the next basketball game.

Aquarius 1/20 to 2/18

Boys: She wants you, now let her know that she should be glad that she wants you, by asking about her instead of showing off your jacket and all of it's metals.

Girls: When you walk by he hikes up his pants a little higher, and might speak with a deeper voice. Don't laugh at his attempts for you to see him as a man.

Pisces 2/19 to 3/20

Boys: To err is human! Don't run from your mistakes. If you run from them, they will only catch up with you. On the day of hearts celebrate with friends and family, because a girl doesn't make it Valentines Day, love does, which you are perennially surrounded by.

Girls: Be excited! A gift is coming for you. It could be anything from anyone. Rejoice and be glad, because you won't go empty-handed.



The Proudest Monkey: Dave Mathews Band Strikes Gold

Justin Brandon
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Dave Mathews Band has been in the national spotlight since the early nineties. In the beginning, they were denounced as one hit wonders with such singles as "What Would You Say" and "Ants Marching" bringing them limited fame. Six albums later, the early critics are eating their words. The newest DMB album, *Listener Supported*, was recorded live at Continental Airlines Arena in East Rutherford

New Jersey this past September. The title shows the band's gratitude to their fans and plays on the words of the Public Broadcasting Station's slogan: "supported by viewers like you." A full length video recording of the same performance, as aired on PBS, is also available.

DMB debuts three new songs on this album including "True Reflections" with vocals by violinist Boyd Tinsley, who had previously done on ly backup vocals. "Long Black Veil," a remake of the Johnny Cash song by the same name,

is a venture off the beaten path for the band. The song tells the story of a man who is wrongly convicted of killing a man. When the judge gives the man a chance to tell his alibi, he doesn't say a word because he had been with his best friends wife at the time. After the man is put to death for his crime, the woman visits his grave on the hill wearing a long black veil. This is one of the rare DMB songs that tell a story; most of their songs are constructed more abstractly with short sentences that make sense in their own right, but seemingly do not

contribute to the overall meaning of the song.

With the new addition of a keyboardist and "the lovely ladies" as background singers, the band's dynamic sound is strengthened. Unlike many contemporary artists who do not perform their own music and rely on computers to do the work, fans enjoy DMB for their musical talent. Leroi Moore the drummer, Carter Beauford the saxophonist, Boyd Tinsley the violinist, Stefan Lessard the Bassist, and Dave Mathews the guitarist are arguably the most talented musicians in the busi-

ness. From *Remember Two Things*, their debut studio album, to their most recent production *Before These Crowded Streets*, the band has evolved into a multi dimensional musical machine. *Listener Supported* is a culmination of this progression.

Dave Mathews Band is great because they do not adapt to popular musical taste; they blaze their own path into new genres. They fall into no preset category; their style cannot be defined. *Listener Supported* is the perfect album for DMB fans of every degree.

The Bottom Line: Cash Money

Mike Szymanski & Evan Witt
PHOTO EDITOR & STAFF WRITER

How broke are you? Are you broke enough to dig deep down in the cracks of your car's seat for change? If you loan someone 50 cents do you demand that it be paid back, sometimes with interest? Have you ever had to sell some of your CD's to have lunch money? If you answered yes to any of these questions then you are one broke fool.

One simple and obvious solution to being broke-trash is to get a job. Let's review the list of the usual high school jobs. There is the inevitable fast food job. The only way that you'd see us with McDonalds visors on would be if our mothers were being held captive by terrorists and we needed ransom funds. Another bad job to have would be to work at the



ATM... public enemy #1

movie theater. Boy would it be fun to clean up urine on a gum covered floor...in the dark. While this is taking place all your friends are getting some play in the theatre next door. On the other hand, a good job to have could be at a retail store because of the discount, just don't steal anything.

Once you have earned all this loot, there is the issue of putting it somewhere. Maybe a bank? Ya, that sounds like a good idea. Pick a bank close to your house so you can access your funds quickly. There are some banks that are dumb enough to give us unsupervised access to our scrill. This is known as an ATM card. These cards give you 24 hour access to your booty. Which we all know is bad news.

Only Three Days Left; Don't Buy Dead Roses!

Shaun Palus
BUSINESS MANAGER

It's Valentine's Day. What? You don't know what to do for that special someone in your life to show how much you care for him or her? You don't have anything planned on February 14, 2000? Well it's about time to do something!

You can do what the ordinary, mundane person does every year on Valentine's Day. First, you usually put off anything until 9 o'clock Sunday night February 13. You madly rush to the store; hopefully you try to find some decent flowers and some candy. While there, you can only find some half-wilted roses and you're limited to a stale gift box of Russel Stover's chocolate marked off 2 for 1 from a Christmas Clearance Sale and some rock hard "Pick-n-Mix" candy.

Your Valentine's Day is as rotten as that stale chocolate gift box in your hand. When you want to do something nice for someone, at least do a little planning ahead unless that person loves rock hard candy.

Also if you want to show that special someone how much you care for them, don't let Valentine's Day be the only day that show your love them. Try to show it throughout the year.

You don't have to be going out with someone to have a great time. You can get together with your friends, hang out and do something, and enjoy your single life. Freshmen Mandy Clark and Amanda Riesenburg jokingly said, "We are going to watch a sad movie and cry about being alone."

If you drive, maybe you can

go somewhere on Valentine's Day weekend. Senior Arthur Cafiero says, "Most likely, I will go clubbing or I will have a date."

If you like a nice, quiet Valentine's Day; that is great as well. Senior Jessica Warner says, "I'm going to hang out with my friends and have a date with Ben and Jerry's."

Whether you hang out with your friends, at home by yourself, or you are with that special someone in your life, make Valentine's Day 2000 a memorable one!



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Weekends or Evenings

Featured Athletes/ Sweethearts

Patrick Malloy & Casey Stafford

Nickname: P- P-Diddy
C- Nothing

Sports Played: P- Basketball and Baseball for a little bit
C- Basketball and Volleyball

What do you like about the sport you play:
P- The friendly competition
C- You have to play as a team

Favorite Team: P- Cleveland Indians
C- Pacers/ Colts

Favorite Opponent: P- Adams Eagles
C- LaSalle Lions

Superstition: P- Hit Phil Kestermeier as hard as I can before I take the floor
C- I wear 2 pairs of socks and 2 hair ties for games

Favorite Thing to do on free time:
P- Do stuff with Casey Stafford
C- Hang out and sleep

Proudest Moment: P- When we win State this year after having a losing record, a really losing record.
C- When we win State this year

Pets: P- Mugsy, a five year old Wire Fox Terrier
C- Fish

Favorite Teacher: P- The Staffords
C- Mr. Radecki

Favorite class: P- I love every class
C- VYB

In 10 years you see yourself: P- A well accomplished, successful, respectable young man
C- A successful business woman

Favorite TV show: P- *Seinfeld*
C- *Law & Order*

Prized Possession: P- Mugsy
C- My stuffed animal

Boxers or Briefs: P- Boxers
C- Neither

Favorite Movie: P- *Godfather II*
C- *Shawshank Redemption*

What I love most about Pat/ Casey is: P- Everything
C- His personality

Something that Pat/ Casey does to annoy me is:

P- She is usually right- or thinks she is
C- He is stubborn about everything



Photo by Michael Szymanski

One For the Records

Dustin Schmitt
STAFF WRITER

Who would agree that the 1999 football season was perhaps the most upside down season ever? Did anybody at the beginning of the year think the St. Louis Rams or the Tennessee Titans would make the playoffs, let alone play in one of the most exciting Superbowls in years? We football fans year-in and year-out can normally expect to see teams like the Green Bay Packers, San Francisco 49ers, Dallas Cowboys, and Denver Broncos to dominate the regular season and battle each other in the playoffs. Well, not this year. This year the dominant teams were the worst teams of the 1998 season. The Indianapolis Colts went from a 1998 record of 3-13 to 13-3 this season, the Rams went from 4-12 to 13-3, and the Titans went from 8-8 to 13-3.

The Rams had perhaps the most incredible cinderella season in years. Thinking the season was ruined when starting quarterback Trent Green was injured, Kurt Warner not only stepped up to be a great replacement, he stepped up to be the MVP of the league. He became the second quarterback in history to throw 40 touchdowns in a season and far and away led the league in passing yards. Isaac Bruce came out of the middle of nowhere to become the most dangerous receiver in football and Marshall Faulk set the NFL record for yards from scrimmage in a single season. Their unstoppable offense combined with one of the league's most solid defenses became the perfect recipe for a superbowl championship.

In Atlanta, the Rams and Titans kicked off Superbowl XXXIV on an odd note. The first half was filled with missed op-

portunities by both squads, which proved costly in the end. Twice the Rams dropped perfectly thrown balls in the end zone and the Titans missed two field goals to result in a 9-0 Rams lead at halftime. The half-



Kevin Dyson reaches out for the goal line in the closing seconds of Super Bowl XXXIV.

time show's star feature was a duo of Enrique Iglesias and Cristina Aguilera.

The second half was completely opposite of the first. It was filled with what was expected from the start. Kurt Warner set the Superbowl record for passing yards with 414 yards and was throwing bombs for touchdowns to Isaac Bruce. Meanwhile Steve McNair set the Superbowl quarterback rushing record with 63 yards and Eddie George was punishing the Rams defensive line. Eventually the score was tied at 16-16 with two minutes to go in the game when Kurt Warner threw a 75-yard pass to Isaac Bruce to put the Rams ahead 23-16.

With only 1:25 remaining, the final drive by the Titans will go down as the most dramatic drive in Superbowl history as Steve McNair lead his team further and further down field. McNair's great decision com-

bined with Rams penalties put the Titans in range to score. With only 0:06 left, Steve McNair fired a line drive pass to receiver Kevin Dyson at the 3-yard line. At this point it was almost certain that Dyson was going to get in the end zone, but before he could run for the glory of the game tying touchdown he was wrapped up at the 1-yard line when the clock hit 0:00.

The Rams team exploded off the sideline in celebration while the Titans felt the heartbreak of failure. Never has a team come so close to scoring and came up empty on the final drive.

Rams quarterback Kurt Warner, was named Superbowl MVP to become just the sixth player in NFL history to win both the regular season and Superbowl MVP in the same year. Two days later Rams coach Dick Vermeil retired after becoming the oldest coach in major sporting history to win a world championship. He left the team in good position to defend their championship next year. After a miracle season like this year's, it just makes you wonder, who will be the new Cinderella team next year?

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Hoop Dreams

Robert Fiedler
STAFF WRITER

The boys' basketball team, even though they started out slow have been one of the best teams, stated Coach Joe Huppenthal. He said "we self destruct in the 4th quarter, we need to finish what we start." They have great work ethic and they don't point fingers when things go wrong.

Coach Huppenthal said, "it is a team game, there is no one player in basketball."

Mr. Huppenthal has loved basketball since he was a kid he told us how he remembers going with his dad to watch Indiana basketball. "There is no greater feeling than tip-off," he said.

The Clay High School basketball team has the 12th toughest schedule in Indiana according to Sagarin's rating. So 3-12

is not so bad when you look at the rest of the teams schedules. The teams' they are facing are harder, but they are putting 110% into their games.

Though the season is almost over many Clay students are still enthusiastic that the basketball team will take state. "They are a great group of kids to coach," coach Huppenthal added. "Even though some of the players don't play in the games they still come to practice every day and work hard and that is why the Clay Colonials are a great basketball ball team." Every student should be out there supporting his or her school even in the bad times but especially in the good times.

The team works hard and they deserve our support. Good luck from the *Colonial staff* to the Clay High basketball team.

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