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Grease Lightning!

by: Hunter Merck



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The 1950's have made their way to Northwestern High School through the production of "Grease." The production took place on February 14-16, 2013 in the Northwestern auditorium. The Choral and Theater department worked for six weeks to give us this production.

Mrs. Altman (the theater teacher) and Mr. Bumgardner (the chorus teacher) did a great job preparing the cast for several shows. Megan Calkins and

Kane McCoy portrayed the lead couple of Sandy and Danny. The rest of the cast included many other talented students.

The music was wonderfully arranged. The dance moves were well choreographed. The chosen student actors were fitting for their roles and they delivered their lines flawlessly. The band also did a great job of pulling the whole experience together.

A New Look at Northwestern

By: Sarah Davis

A major change in dress code this year has taken students by surprise. Recently, administration has banned yoga pants, leggings, and jeggings. When interviewed, Mr. Blake said to refer to page 22 in the student handbook. The handbook states, "Leggings or jeggings may not be worn as a substitute for pants. When wearing leggings with a top, the top must not be higher than four inches above the knee when standing." He said that they (administration) are enforcing the rule that has been in place throughout the year.

Mr. Blake also stated, in reference to dressing appropriately for school, that we should dress as if we were dressing for work. He referred to school as our workplace. He alluded to it as being prepared for class. He said that the

way we dress gives off a certain attitude. He, along with the rest of administration, would like us to dress as if we were dressing for work. This shows that we are serious about learning every day.



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When interviewed, two female students said they have those days where they do not want to wear jeans or any other pants and they just feel like wearing yoga pants. In addition, the students' main argument was that girls do not understand how boys are allowed to wear sweatpants and girls cannot wear yoga pants. Another viewpoint was that girls do not see how yoga pants are a distraction because they are like any other item of clothing. The students and the administration both feel different about the issue, but each opposing side has shown respect for each other's views when it comes to the situation.

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Staff Spotlight

by: Kole Koterba, Kaelin Murphy, & Lauren Reese

Barry Johnson, an English teacher at Northwestern High School, was selected to be this month's staff spotlight. Other than teaching English, he is also the advisor of the yearbook staff. This will be his 11th year teaching. Students love him; they think he's absolutely hilarious. They say that he is funny, but still strict at the same time.

Mr. Johnson was not always a teacher. Before he started teaching



he held many different jobs. His jobs ranged from a management consultant to working for NASA. Johnson stated that he began teaching out of economic necessity; however, he has come to thoroughly enjoy his new chosen career. "They make me laugh," said Johnson, "They have adult bodies and children's brains, which is what makes them funny." We would like to commend Barry Johnson for his excellent work at the school and with the students.

Lonely Valentine

by: Kathleen Faris & Katie Moore

Single on Valentine's Day?! It's not always as bad as it seems. "To be honest, I didn't even remember it was Valentine's Day because my mind was set on *Grease*," says Sean Breitkreutz. Like Breitkreutz, other students have found alternative ways to enjoy Valentine's Day. Olivia Richardson replies, "Hearts are my favorite shape," and Jonathan Fitzgerald states "Pink is my color."

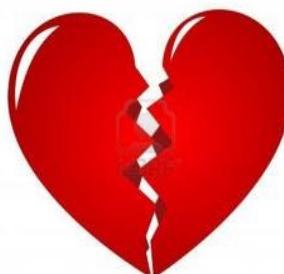


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What these students demonstrate is that you can still be single, go out and have fun on Valentine's Day with friends. When asked what she was doing on Valentine's Day as a "single" student, Haley Wickline said, "I will be performing on the NHS stage!"

Being single on Valentine's Day isn't always as bad as people say it is. Spending time with your friends and/ or doing something fun is another great way to spend the holiday.

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