

## Miserable Couple Determined To Make It Through Prom

By Buford Stetson

Despite its reputation as a care-free year, seniors have plenty to worry about. Between college applications and last goodbyes, there are plenty of things for the soon-graduating class to worry about. In addition to all of the seniors' woes, a stress taunts the back of each senior's mind with a ferocious intensity: going to prom.

Prom is that magical dance where every girl's dreams come true and every guy gets to hear about it when it doesn't. There is planning, worrying, anxiety over which date will make the perfect social statement.

However, seniors Mark Greenwald and Stacy Johnson have managed to avoid all the stress of securing prom dates for that fateful May: by agreeing to remain in an agonizingly hostile relationship until the day after Prom. "Do I love Mark? Not anymore," Johnson told *The Flipside*. "Do I like Mark? Not even a little bit. I don't even like him as a friend anymore. But I always dreamed of going to my senior prom with my long-term boyfriend. It's a memory every girl should have, so I'm just gonna stick it out. It's totally worth it... right?"

"Though I do hate Mark's guts," she continued. "Please make sure you print that."

Later, Mark offered *The Flipside* his own views on the relationship. "It's like, what's the point of breaking up, you know? I mean, her mom's met my mom, so there's really no going back at this point."

With over six months until prom, Mark contemplated ending the relationship that was clearly not working. However, he came to the conclusion that breaking up simply was not worth the trouble, even if he wanted nothing more than to burn all his pictures of Johnson and create an account on eHarmony.com.

"I don't wanna have to make some big statement by breaking up and then asking some new girl," Greenberg admitted. "Plus I don't have to, like, look for girls at parties. Even if Stacy destroys me emotionally sometimes, I feel like I'm gonna pull through."

## Deer Park Kids Remind Us That the Children Inside of Us Died Long Ago

By Jeremy Hoodaman



Walking through the halls of Deerfield High School, it is not uncommon to come across the toddlers of Deer Park Childcare. Nothing is more adorable than watching the Deer Park children frolic gaily during recess or play spirited games of freeze tag on A-Deck. The children march in single file lines as they are led through the hallways, squealing with laughter and making adorable cooing noises as they hug close to one another.

With their innocent smiles and spirited play sessions, the Deer Park children do their best to remind the staff and student body that the children inside of them are dead.

As the hearts of teachers and students grow colder with each passing day, the Deer Park Kids retain a seemingly unlimited sense of joy. School administrators have become self-conscience of their own inability to appreciate or enjoy

anything at all. "I hate seeing the three-year-olds from day care running around the halls," says Kathy Lechner, a math lab tutor, "because I can't stand the fact that they've yet to have the life sucked out of them by America's corporate machine. Now I have to go file these papers. Yay."

So too are the students of DHS incredulous of the toddlers' ability to have pure, unadulterated fun. "Wait, so those kids are just like... playing with those stupid dolls?" junior Sammy Bloomberg asked in an interview with *The Flipside*. "How is that supposed to be fun? And why are they smiling if they're not taking a picture to upload onto Facebook? This party's blown, I'm out of here."

The attitudes of the Deer Park children are truly confusing. How, without cell phones, hookups, and cars, do they somehow manage to love life each and every day? The only reasonable conclusion we can come to is that we cannot have fun because we're merely shells of the fun-loving youngsters we used to be. So as those adorable little munchkins pass you in the hall and you realize that you're never going to enjoy anything as much as those kids enjoy playing duck-duck-goose, take comfort in the fact that soon they will grow up to be as dull and lifeless as you are now.

## Driver Hits Deer, Scores 100 Points

By Pierre Forte

Steve "Happy" Wallenberg, manager of Happy's Pizzeria, gained 100 points last night after hitting a deer as he drove home from work.

Pedestrians watched as Wallenberg's Jeep Cherokee plowed through the helpless deer. Wallenberg's unidentified accomplice, sitting in the passenger seat, was reported to have rolled down the window and screamed "NOOBS!" as the car pulled away.

The deer, miraculously uninjured, hopped up and dashed into a nearby backyard. The pwnage, however, was done.

Wallenberg's successful maneuver brings his streak to 12, forcing authorities to deem him as being "on fire."

"This man is a monster," says Jeff Bringham, owner of local Pet Supplies Plus, "and I don't agree with the way he's going about getting his points. Sure, more mundane ac-

tivities like cooking and playing beach volleyball only rack several points, but I am ethically opposed to driving into living things."

However, Bringham admittedly only has 42,500 points. Wallenberg, on the other hand, has a local high score of 850,2500 points.

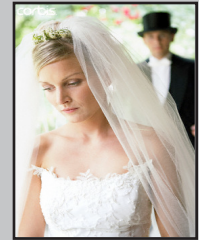
Wallenberg could not be reached for comments, but authorities guess that he will likely attempt to reach 1,000,000 points within the coming weeks in the hopes of leveling up and becoming a Grandmaster.

For now, authorities are doing all that they can to protect the deer and prevent any more from being KO'd.

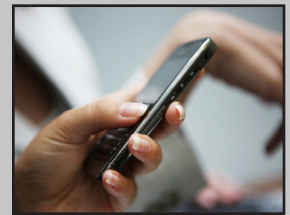


## More Headlines

Icelandic Bride-To-Be Gets Cold Feet



Teen Plays It Cool, Waits 3 Rings Before Answering



Man Furious With Botched Nosejob



## Corrections

- Last week in our advice column, we told Steve Blumberg he can do anything he sets his mind to. However, he tried to carve a turkey for his and failed miserably. So we take it back, Steve.

- Although *Flipside* columnist Andrew Barker's article on the athletic facilities expansion proposal was completely factual and well-written, we want you to e-mail him to tell him how awful it was. He needs to be knocked down a few.

- During the School Chest assembly, an expert said that a "Bearlanthropist" is a bear/philanthropist hybrid and not a bear/lantern/podiatrist hybrid like we previously reported. *The Flipside* regrets this error.

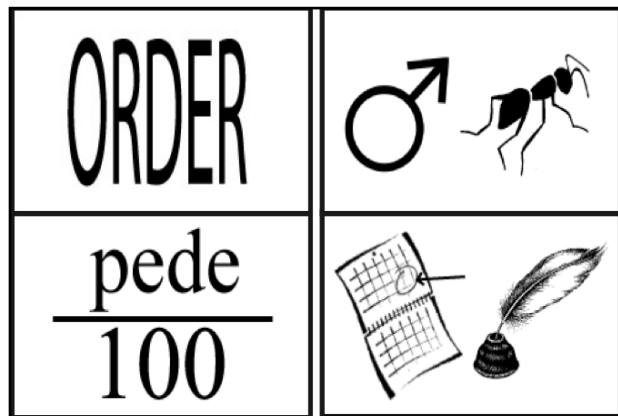
- Last week, we printed an article supporting veganism. This week, the McRib is back.

**THE FLIPSIDE CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE:** solve the Cryptogram, write down your name, and then find and give your copy of *The Flipside* to Jake Perlson. There will be a drawing to see who will win a sweet *Flipside* t-shirt!!

**QUOTE** "How was my break? Well, I saw *Eat, Pray, Love*. Twice. So..."  
~One of the two *Flipside* editors. You guess which one (Hint: Not Andy)

## REBUS PUZZLES

Can you guess the common word or phrase portrayed below?



Last issue's answers: ROCK AROUND THE CLOCK, PENELOPE CRUZ, TOP OF THE MORNING TO YOU, GEMINI

## INFOGRAPHIC



**CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE** This is a simple substitution code. Each letter is replaced by a different letter. Try to decode the message or quote below. HINT: T = L  
Congratulations to last issue's winner: Eric Silcroft

"UWQAZHIUFOLUTTH, JXW BEFBTW BWW SXAETZI'J BW UBTW JA DTH, BEJ JXW BEFBTW BWW ZAWSI'J VIAY OJ SA OJ KAWS AI DTHOIK UIHYUH."

~FUQH VUH USX

Last issue's answer: "AN ESCALATOR CAN NEVER BREAK: IT CAN ONLY BECOME STAIRS. YOU SHOULD NEVER SEE AN 'ESCALATOR TEMPORARILY BROKEN' SIGN, JUST, 'ESCALATOR TEMPORARILY STAIRS.' SORRY FOR THE CONVENIENCE." ~ MITCH HEDBERG

## SUDOKU

LEVEL: Easy for 83% of women age 19-24 in our focus group

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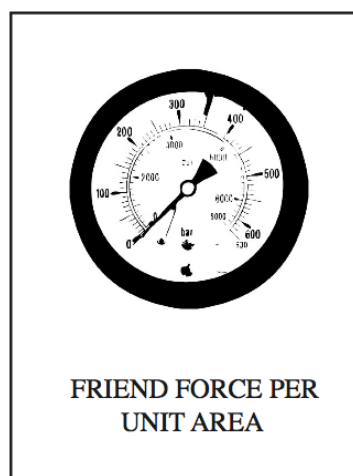
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NOTE: All names and stories are fictional, unless public figures are being satirized. Remember, these are all jokes.

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## JUMBLE

Unscramble these four ordinary jumbles, and use the letters in circles to answer the final question.



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LAST issue's answers: HATCH, UNION, BRIGHT, LABELS  
What the man bought instead of heavy flowers: A LIGHT BULB

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