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By Trixie McGuff



Watch one full episode of Glee
OR
the same episode of Roseanne
on loop

Spend an hour in the boys
locker room after an intense
football practice
OR

spend 2 days in the Orphans
of the Storm cat room with
allergies

*Extremely inaccurate dramatization



Take one bite of a cafeteria hotdog
OR
eat only figs for a whole day



Do college applications
OR
do homework

A Freshman's Guide to Halloween at DHS: Beware of Short Shorts

By Ethel Flakes

Alright froshies, *The Flipside* is here to prepare you for your first Halloween at DHS. It's a day full of excitement when you can stare at everyone's costumes instead of learning stuff in class. But you need to put some thought into choosing a costume. Every year we see the same superheroes, Disney characters, Harry Potters, firefighters, Lady GaGas, and plenty of other clichés.

Don't be that annoying group of freshmen who get t-shirts as costumes. Just because you paid \$30 to have a princess printed on a shirt doesn't mean you are one—so let's not pretend we're in middle school anymore. And you don't need to prove that you have friends with that little "Halloween 2011 Gummy Bears" in the corner. You might as well write "OMG, like I still use AIM! <3"

You will see a funny junior with a risqué costume who risks detention by completely violating the Dean's lovely email. Adam Long, who was a female mariachi player/burrito maker last year, still defends his choice of costume.

"I mean, I wasn't trying to offend anyone or anything. Hey, did you know that adding 'no offense' at the end of any sentence makes it okay for you to say anything?"

Really, test out Adam's advice. Your gym teacher won't be offended when you tell them you aren't going to do that project on the rules of field hockey "cuz this isn't a real class, no offense." Totally okay! But what's totes not okay are some of the sophomore girls' costume choices.

Their skimpy outfits as flappers, referees, or cops are also pretty risqué. But it's Halloween, so they can get away with wearing short shorts at the end of October and breaking the dress code.

"Wait, we have a dress code? Whatever, I looked hawt!" sophomore Brooke Golde, who dressed as a police officer last year said.

The police costume is surprisingly popular among girls and boys alike. You will probably see it worn by a group of hilarious upperclassmen boys in addition to underclassmen girls. Todd Banlee, an ex-senior currently taking a gap year



to become the best COD player in the Chicagoland area, weighed in on being a retro cop last year.

"Dude, our shorts were so short they served an ironic purpose, obviously. It was really the shorts that made the costume. Old school basketball players or lumberjacks woulda been just as fly for me to show off my legs."

Not everyone can pull off the short shorts, so someone will undoubtedly be in a banana suit. Anyone can buy a banana suit, and you won't impress anybody. Moral of the story: try for some originality. You don't want to end up crying in the bathroom from any 'who wore it best?' embarrassment.

Final tip: You can never go wrong as a ghost from a white sheet a la Charlie Brown. Oh wait, that covers your face – sorry, not allowed!

Ask Mr. Motzko

Dear Mr. Motzko,

Halloween is coming up and I still don't have a costume idea. Do you have any suggestions for something I could wear?

Sincerely,

No More Jersey Shore Costumes

So, you want me to do your research for you, like the overworked and underpaid non-union elves that power the search engines of Al Gore's internet? Like the Monopoly set I bought at a yard sale, no chance. The sanctity, purity and Rockwellian goodness of Halloween has been spoiled like a quart of German-style potato salad left out in the sun all day (side note: apologies to all who attended my 4th of July picnic. My bad.). All blame-laying should be lain (laid, lied, whatever) squarely on the doorstep, or if more convenient, the servant's entrance, of those perennial spoilers of all that is true and un-despoiled. Yes, I'm looking at you, 18-50 year old demographic! Adults have hijacked this holiday like the bus in Speed, minus the emotional depth and sensitivity of Keanu Reeves. The sad jalopy of our nation's economy is powered solely by Halloween Express outlets at this point, as the only growth sector is apparently hippie costumes for accountants (which sold much better this quarter than the accountant costumes for hippies). Do we really need legions of balding Frankensteins on our sidewalks and manicured lawns, ignorant of the Promethian subtext? Don't even get me started on the cultural insensitivity of Elvis impersonation. The "white male of mid-south extraction and Cadillac-purchasing predilection" bashing must stop!

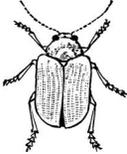
Frankly, it saddens me to see you wasting your youth on geriatric-centric holidays like Halloween. Why not pursue some rudimentary vexillology on Flag Day, Poindexter? Or better yet, how about training that gerbil-like attention span on the resurrection of Casimir Pulaski day? Can you sleep while his bones lay (lie, whatever) on the bottom of the ocean, mocked at by octopus and aquaman alike? Even worse, can you remain awake knowing that maypole usage is down 500% in this millennium? You need to get to work, post-haste, as Death is knocking at your door. And he likes Pixie Sticks.

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QUOTE "Put new funny quote here."
-Lazy *Flipside* editor

REBUS PUZZLES

Can you guess the common word or phrase portrayed below?

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			www. 

Last issue's answers: HOLY COW, TANK TOP, STATE OF THE UNION, OUT IN LEFT FIELD

NUMB3RS

28

Number of students that have mono.

3

Known sources of mono. The water fountain in D-Hall, Jimmy Keats, and the X-Hall snakes.

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: W = P

Congratulations to last issue's winner: Conor Jansen

"N LFG XZG SVJQ XVXBTTA XVV ULEZ. N DGGQ XV EZBDHG NX LW BDQ LFG B SVJQ XZBX NF QNRRGJGDY OLX ZBF XZG FBUG UGBDNDH. UNXEZ QV AVL TNIG FLOUBJNDG FBDQSNEZGF? BTT-GDEVUWBFFNDHTA..." ~UNXEZ ZGQOGJH

Last issue's answer: "A SCHEDULE DEFENDS FROM CHAOS AND WHIM. IT IS A NET FOR CATCHING DAYS. IT IS A SCAFFOLDING ON WHICH A WORKER CAN STAND AND LABOR WITH BOTH HANDS AT SECTIONS OF TIME." ~ANNIE DILLARD

SUDOKU

LEVEL: Giving birth to a baby after running a marathon

Fill in the grid so each column, row, and 3x3 box has the numbers 1 through 9.

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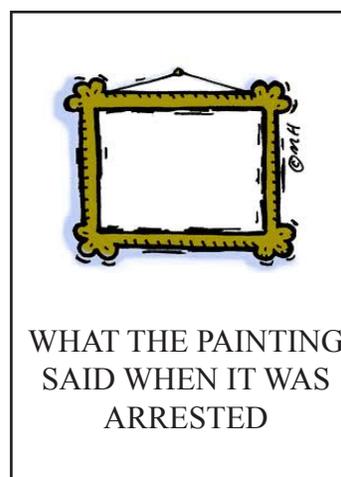
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JUMBLE

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



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Last issue's answers: AMAZE, FOLLOW, RAZOR, PILED

Why the rapper had an umbrella: FO DRIZZLE

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