

District 113's 3rd Annual Publicity Stunt Turning Out to be Best One Yet

By George Minkowski



In 2008, District 113 received a lot of media attention for teaching the Pulitzer Prize-winning drama "Angels in America: A Gay Fantasia on National Themes." In 2009, the administration was back in the news for their controversial decision to suspend the entire senior class of swimmers on allegations of hazing during the team's "Senior Night" festivities. After these two publicity stunts, citizens of the North Chicago suburbs were left asking, "What on earth will District 113 do next?!"

That question was answered when they decided to not allow Highland Park's Girls Basketball team to travel to Arizona next year for a tournament. Superintendent George V. Fornero

said in a release that the decision to cancel the trip to Arizona was "not a political statement regarding the State of Arizona's recently enacted legislation regarding immigration." Honestly, no one is really buying that. As a result of this decision, a highly charged debate has broken out. The difference between the two sides? Politics. "Whoops..." said one administrator sarcastically who couldn't hide his excitement.

The administration knew that just whispering words "political statement" would cause a media blitzkrieg, so instead, they shouted it. Their plan has been working. This story made the front page of the Chicago Tribune, has been on WGN, ABC, and America Live with Megyn Kelly on FOX where Former Arizona Governor and Hockey-Mom Sarah Palin gave her two cents on the issue. She believe the girls have the right to "play ball" and should "go rogue" if need be. Her opinion, however, is being dismissed by most because the only sport she is qualified to comment on is hunted large mammals from a helicopter.

By still, the majority of those with an opinion support the team playing in the tournament. According to

Facebook, the group denouncing the administration's decision has over 12,000 members than the group supporting the decision of boycotting the entire state of Arizona. (Boycotting a state seems a little impractical, especially if they make such delicious iced tea.) Either way, the administration wins as they get another 15 minutes of fame.

On Monday night, a statement was delivered by the District 113 Board of Education President claiming to "regret the unwanted media attention our district has been subjected to." The President of the Board then went on to sell some District 113 merchandise. The basketball team signed and sold several copies of the Chicago Tribune, only to be outsold by the administration who sold 200 novelty Fornero bobble-heads and tickets to their next press conference which they hope to hold in the United Center.

We sat down with an administrator who surprisingly didn't want to have their name published. "It's a 'shame' that we are getting so much attention for this whole ordeal. We really just want to run the district 'efficiently' and with 'little' controversy. Oh, who am I kidding? We live for this!"

Witness: LeBron James Announces Solo Basketball Career

By Jeremy Hoodaman

In a surprise press conference held yesterday, LeBron James announced his intentions to compete in the NBA as a one-man team. The news came amidst rumors that James would be joining other prominent teams such as the New York Knicks, the Chicago Bulls, or some team in New Jersey that *The Flipside* keeps forgetting about.

"I believe that without other players around to inhibit my natural abilities, I will be able to accomplish greater things as an individual than I ever had as part of a team," James modestly told the press shortly before exiting the stage via a mystical puff of chalk dust.

Lebron James will leave the Cleveland Cavaliers this summer after seven years of mundane triple-doubles. Despite countless triple-doubles, numerous buzzer-beaters, and recognition as the league's Most Valuable Player, James has been unable to lead the

Cleveland Cavaliers to a championship. Consequentially, many believe that Anderson Varejão, Anderson Varejão's hair, and the rest of the Cavaliers have only held back King James.

As the only member of the team known only as The Lebron James, the former Cavalier is expected to forego the traditional five man set-up in favor of a strategy in which he plays all positions himself. James will carry the duties of point guard, shooting guard, center, forward, power forward, small forward, head coach, assistant coach, and ball boy, and team dermatologist. *The Flipside* has learned from an anonymous source that The Lebron James will be hiring the more-than-competent Gilbert Arenas for security during games.

Though other players would struggle in such an environment, NBA scouts are expecting Lebron James



Anderson Varejão

to do nothing other than win. In the wake of the announcement, teams are already scrambling to prepare competent defensive systems to contain James' inevitable domination in the 2010-2011 season. "The Cavs lost the number of games they did because Lebron had to let go of the ball sometimes,"

Lakers coach Phil Jackson told *The Flipside*, "and now that he's all by himself, I don't know what we're going to do. I mean, the man can pass, shoot, dunk, rebound, block... you name it."

"I guess he can't give himself chest bumps when he's announced as a starter," Jackson added, "so I guess that's really the only thing we've got on him."



Editor's Note

At our last pizza sale, we completely sold out which was great. However,

we only made \$20 because you all convinced my that the pizza should be sold for only \$1. Still, we made enough to bring *The Flipside* back to

being published weekly. Thank you for your help, but next time, please keep your pricing opinions to yourself because I will probably listen to them.

More Headlines

94% of DHS Teachers Report "I'll Miss the Seniors! Wait. Are They Gone? Finally."



K-9 Unit Takes Bite Out of Crime, Terrorist's Leg



The Flipside Didn't Want a Page in the Yearbook Anyway... That's a Lie. We REALLY Did Want One. Thanks For Asking.



Horoscope



Aries: March 21- April 19
Miley Cyrus had a big 'ol crush on you. Do something about it before I do.



Taurus: April 20- May 20
Just be you. Your Barack Obama impression is awful.



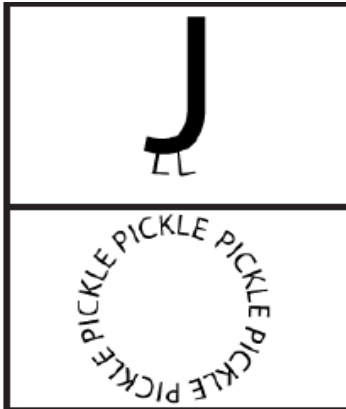
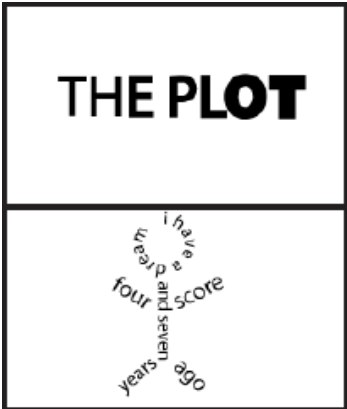
Scorpio: Oct 24- Nov 21
Today is bad day to be a Scorpio. Ask me why at the end of the day if you haven't been mauled by wolves yet.

THE FLIPSIDE CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE: solve the Cryptogram, write down your name, and put your copy of *The Flipside* in locker I192. There will be a drawing to see who win a sweet *Flipside* t-shirt!!

QUOTE "May I go to the bathroom?" "I don't know. *Can you?*"
 ~An exchange between a student and a teacher who knows everything. Everything!

REBUS PUZZLES

Can you guess the common word or phrase portrayed below?



Last issue's answers: BACKSTREET BOYS, APHRODITE, BORN IN THE USA, REAL ESTATE

NUMBERS

14

The number of senior pranks that were initially planned for last week. Most of them were shockingly disruptive and totally hilarious.

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The number of senior pranks that were executed to plan. I have trouble counting the water balloon fight in the parking lot that lasted less than 15 minutes and was fought with motor-oil-filled balloons. Class of 2011, you have some really small shoes to fill...

CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE

This is a simple substitution code. Each letter is replaced by a different letter. Try to decode the message or quote below.
 Congratulations to last week's winner: Griffin Oriot HINT: Z = O

"K NZIMXMCW KXXMXEFW QKJ TZX IZCWX KY YJZES NSZVYWQI, VEX MX UMY Y KTTZJ
 WTZELR NWZNYW XZ QKHW MX UZSXR XRW WBBZSX." ~ RWSQ KYVSMRLRX

Last issue's answer: "THE WORLD IS MORE MALLEABLE THAN YOU THINK AND IT'S WAITING FOR YOU TO HAMMER IT INTO SHAPE." ~ BONO

SUDOKU

Level: Ok, 1 guess

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

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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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HOW THE TRADERS REFERRED TO THE TICKER SYMBOL LOL?

KLOFC

SHOTG

SLITUG

KENHAS

Last issue's answers: WHOLE, BLINK, PONDER, MARROW. The best bread the restaurant had to offer: The HONOR ROLL

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