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Prom to be held overnight at the Science Museum

Mai Cua Yang, *Staff Writer*

Every year, Central's junior/senior Prom is held at River Center or the Landmark Center in downtown Saint Paul, but this year's Prom will be held at the Science Museum of Minnesota in downtown Saint Paul on May 9, 2009 from 8:00 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. Juniors and seniors who are attending this year's Prom will not need to plan for an after party, since Prom will be overnight this year, a decision made by the Prom Committee and Ms. Olson.

Several students in Prom Committee voted against this dramatic change. "To have prom overnight for me will not be fun, because we can't get out and have our own party after Prom," said senior Ray Nightowl.

On the other hand, senior Billy Killer said, "I can't wait to have Prom overnight, because this is something new for everyone and it will be worth my money spend on Prom."



PROM goes react enthusiastically to news of change in PROM venue.

Ms. Olson believes that this year students have been wishing for a unique Prom unlike other past proms and has pledged to make sure this year is memorable to all students who are planning to attend.

However, the dance will not go unsupervised. Some strict rules for the dance are: when students enter the dance floor they are not allowed to return to the lobby; it is required for all students to stay overnight; students must "go with" the theme of "tropical rainforest." According to Ms. Olson, all students are required to have a wonderful time, or they will be kicked out of the museum promptly.

The dance will be held from 8:00 p.m. to 2 a.m., after which students will be permitted to explore the Science Museum. There will be a variety of activities for students to win prizes for their date. The dance floor will be reopening at 5:00 a.m. and will remain open until 9:00 a.m. During this time, students will be allowed to do anything regarded as "appropriate school behavior," but will not be allowed to leave the museum.

Central Cafeteria:

Restaurant of the Year

Ben Swanson-Hysell, *Sports Editor*

With selections ranging from a delectable meatloaf to a perfectly crispy chicken patties, Central High School's cafeteria has, for the second year in a row, been awarded the City Pages' "Best Restaurant" award. The menu offers nutritious, yet delicious options that appeal to teens as well as middle-age adults, as well as a wide array of beverages.

The cafeteria's pizza was listed as the Twins Cities runner-up, second only to Punch Pizza on Grand Avenue. "[Their] pizza is always baked to perfection," senior reviewer Mark Jackson wrote in a review last month. "The cheese is spread evenly and is never brown or discolored like you see at cheaper institutions."

Head Lunch Lady, Mary Beth, attributes the high quality to the care that every lunch lady puts into her work. "We enforce high quality control. Never will a pizza sit out in the open for more than four minutes." But the pizza is only available one week out of the month as options rotate through sandwich, taco, and rice bowl bars. "It sucks," complains junior Matt Starns, "I want to have school pizza every day, but now I have to go to Pizza Luce on the days that we do have it and Pizza Luce isn't nearly as good."

The Facebook group "Central's food is the best!!!" currently has 48 members and a recent poll taken in the lunchroom found that students are more than satisfied with the school food.

What do you think of Central's food?

Adjective	Percentage*
Magnificent	68%
Very Good	32%
Good	14%
Fair	1%
Poor	2%
Lunch from home	26%

*Numbers do not add up to 100 due to rounding.

In another poll by the *Central High Times*, 219 out of 226 students said that they would rather have Central food than their favorite fast food and 197 out of 226 said that it was better than the fanciest restaurant they'd ever been to. Looks like City Pages got it right.

"Pimp My Ride" pimps Central buses



Prototype with rollover and double loading feature

Sydney Colquitt, *Staff Writer*

As of March 28th, as soon as all of the students are on Spring Break, X-hibit the host of the MTV show "Pimp My Ride" will redo every single school bus that transports a Central student to and from school. The best part about this is that MTV is going to pay First Student for their buses, so that Central doesn't have to.

After hearing many complaints from students over the years about the smelly, dirty, three-to-a-seat crowded buses, Central's administration finally took some action and agreed that the buses needed some changes. After spending many hours after school in Conference Room A, the administration threw out many ideas on how to make the buses more comfortable for the students while keeping it affordable for the school. In the end they came up with a solution.

The reason for choosing MTV's "Pimp My Ride" as a solution was "to increase student attendance in our school," said Principal Mary Mackbee. "We figured if the buses were redone in a nice way, more students would come to school."

"This is just a wonderful solution to our steadily growing [attendance] problem", expressed an elated Dr. Jennifer Johnson, 12th grade administrator at Central.

The changes forthcoming will be dramatic, to say the least. All buses will now have reclining massage chairs with butt warmers for the estimated amount of students that will ride the buses. They will each have compartments to place all of the students' belongings, and television screens for each rider with a DVD player for their own pleasure. The buses will also have a fully stocked refrigerator filled with breakfast foods and after school snacks (students can request for special foods if they are vegetarian or have food allergies). Another feature of the buses is that they will all have a fully equipped air conditioner for the summer and a heater for the winter. They will be painted inside and out with the Central Minutemen and Minutemaids logos on the outside. The buses also come with a person (not the bus driver) to clean up after the students get off the bus. To rid buses of the overcrowding problem and fit everyone, the buses will now be double-decker.

This makeover is a gift to the oldest, and still running school in Minnesota. These buses are for Central High School only, including school field trips. Also being built are garages for buses to stay overnight to protect from possible vandalism attempts.

Security cameras to be equipped with lasers

Video monitoring alone not enough

Matt Starns, *Arts & Entertainment Editor*



"Next fall, Central's hallways will sound less like a high school and more like a scene from Star Wars," principal Mary Mackbee said of the recent district decision to equip all high-school security cameras with lasers capable of incapacitation at ranges of up to 1000 feet. "We feel that this will make the schools a much safer place overall."

Saint Paul Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Meria Carstarphen puts it this way. "The decision to install the lasers was really a unanimous one. The Board of Education really felt that this was the only way to completely eliminate 'problem behavior' in the Saint Paul Public Schools."

"Preliminary tests of the system indicate a 100% effectiveness in eliminating the source of problem behavior," says LASERTEC Regional Manager Cory Borgan of their laser-security system.

"We were very glad to land this contract with the Saint Paul Public Schools because it will allow us to showcase our state-of-the-art system in this new field of artificially-intelligent security."

The LASERTEC system operates primarily upon a database-cross-referencing system that allows individual security cameras to see, record,



LASERTEC in action

and check student behaviors with an operator and a worldwide database that is updated hourly with examples of "unsavory" behaviors. The cameras have an 85% success rating, meaning that in pre-market testing there were only 15 unwarranted laser blasts in every sample of 100 behaviors. "That's pretty good when you consider that the national average is only 65%," says Borgan.

B5 presses charges on four Central girls

Chenoa Burga-Scanlan, *Staff Writer*

In a recent phone call to Central, B5, a boy band that performed at Central last year, has decided to press criminal charges on girls who attacked them following their performance. A representative for the band made the following statement: "The five boys felt in danger at Central High School. They have had plenty of time to think it over and came to the conclusion that criminal charges will be filed on a least four Central students, all girls."

According to Principal Mackbee, sometime next week the five boys will look through school photos to identify the girls who attacked them. Girls will be identified and called down to the office from their classes, and will be dealt with according to the police.

Dustin of B5 was reported saying that "We are getting justice yo. Nobody messes with my brothers. These girls should be straight up ashamed! Thanks to them that is the last high school performance we will ever do!"



Central students aren't the only ones getting a scolding. Security guard Maria and former school officer, Officer Backen were given a good talking to by the group's youngest member, Brian. "They should have protected me. I mean look how little I am!" said Brian. "Yeah I put them in their place. Them crazy girls got it comin' too!"

Chase Gunderson: Balding Boy

Nick Connolly, *Staff Writer*

Central sophomore Chase Gunderson has been tragically diagnosed with Premature Balding Syndrome. "Shocked," he replied when asked about his reaction to the diagnosis. The disease is set to take full effect by the time he reaches 18, which would make him bald by graduation. Gunderson is now contemplating retirement from baseball, an area where he has excelled for years.

"Once he starts shedding hair, his head will become incredibly shiny which may become a distraction to his teammates during games," said Dr. Chuck Williams, also a victim of PBS (Premature Balding Syndrome). "There is no known cure for PBS," Williams continued, "so retirement could be a very real possibility. He also has to realize the humiliation and name-calling that could be associated with him. Baldy, cue ball, and chrome dome come to mind...among other vulgar obscenities."

Gunderson has been said to be very disturbed by his diagnosis, according to friends and family. He has been sitting in his room for over two weeks rubbing hair growth creams on his head, although this will not help the disease. Gunderson's case of PBS is said to have been brought on by his constant wearing of hats and his three showers a day, one before school, one in the locker room right after lunch, and one at night. "Our water bill is unbelievable," said Gunderson's mother.

On the upside, Chase is excited about the possibility of getting a tattoo on his bald head of a man mowing a lawn to signify Gunderson's balding. The *Central High Times* would like to wish Chase a fast recovery and our best wishes to Chase's family through their grieving process.

A teacher at Central since 1912, "Schluke," as he had come to be known, taught the likes of Dave Winfield, Charles M. Schulz, Jawed Karim, Roger Awsumb and Amelia Earhart, and Warren G. Harding.

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JOHNSON	SPEARS	CHERIN
PITT	WETJEN	COLBERT

Schlukebieer leaves Central with a bang

Austin Caulfield,
Opinions Editor

On Thursday, March 12th, 2009, Jack Schlukebieer walked away from Central High School a retired man. As Schlukebieer left the building, Central students started riots, tearing the building apart, burning cars in the parking lots, school newspapers, one student's hair caught on fire. When Schlukebieer was asked about his retirement, he said "I'm getting out of this dump, the bratty little kids have driven me nuts."

When the *Central High Times* asked Principal Mackbee what she thought about Schlukebieer's retirement, she said, "I think he was a little mad about the comment I made at the staff meeting last Tuesday." Little did the staff and students know, Schlukebieer had had a self-destruct button installed in his classroom, a button that he pressed as he walked from his classroom one last time.



Central blows to smithereens as Schlukebieer escapes in style

Schlukebieer was seen speeding away from the school in his minivan smoking his pipe, while the school and everything in it blew into billions of tiny pieces. Later, in a rather impressive video of the explosion, Principal Mackbee could be seen from her office window, going down with her school, like a captain in her sinking ship.

Facebook not very personal anymore

Mohammed Zain, *Staff Writer*

All Facebook users at Central, beware - it is no longer safe to rag on teachers or cheat on homework. Starting April 5th, teachers at Central will have unlimited access to Facebook accounts of all Central students. The decision was made today by Principal Mackbee, who thought it would promote a "safer environment" for students. She was also heard saying, "I think the students and teachers will be more connected with each other now that they can communicate outside of school too."



Mrs. Mackbee and the creator of Facebook, Mark Zuckerberg have been working with each other to set up the new system. Each teacher will have a class list for every student they have at their disposal. They simply click on the name, and the student's Facebook page instantly pops up. Not only will they have access to the student's page, but to all of that student's friends' pages. In a nutshell, everything students can do while on Facebook, teachers can now do too.

Students shouldn't even try to block Facebook. It won't work. The creator, Mark Zuckerberg has changed the system and students don't have the option to block out teachers. Really the only thing students can do is to take off any incriminating photos and delete all wall posts that would somehow get them in trouble. It is strongly suggested that students delete anything about Central teachers. Students will definitely not like this and will try to fight it. One thing that's for sure: Facebook will never be the same again.

Chris Brown strikes again!

Darryl Wysinger, *Staff Writer*

On Friday, March 18th, approximately 1250 Central students attended and enjoyed a festive but shocking night. R&B superstar Chris Brown came to Central High School to give a long awaited performance. It was reported that after the performance, a crazed fan chased Chris outside into Central's parking lot. As she grabbed Brown, he lightly shoved her off, causing her to fall. There are thoughts of lawsuits from both the school and the victim's parents, but nothing is finalized yet.

Central High Times reporter Darryl Wysinger was at the scene and got this quote from the victim: "Everything is okay, Chris I still love you!"

Before Brown could flee, Wysinger caught him at his limousine window and Brown said, "I'm sorry for everything. I'm checking in to a mental hospital."

Baseball players admit to using steroids

Charlie Diamond, *Staff Writer*

On Friday, March 13, five Central baseball players shockingly admitted to the use of performance enhancing drugs, while stating various reasons for doing so.

"This is a major disappointment," said the older brother of one of the players on the team. "These kids should know that they are already talented players, but if they were to use performance enhancing drugs, then they should do so in such a way that does not get them caught."

Up and coming star Mec Gallabout was the first player to come forward saying, "If my favorite baseball player, A-Rod [Alex Rodriguez] uses steroids and he does amazing, then I think that I should take them too in order to be just like him."

Following Gallabout's admittance to the use of steroids, senior Beebe Backstop, to the disbelief of many, broke down and while in tears declared "me to, I also used them." When asked why he used them he responded, "All of the underclassmen who were taking them were getting very good and I felt like my spot on the team was threatened so I decided that taking steroids would allow me to still be better than them."

Other players that admitted to the use of steroids a few days after the first two are Brady Hopball, Ben Shortstopper, and senior captain Al Smith.

"The thought of these kids doing this is absolutely horrendous," said one of the coaches on the team. "Why would you come forward and tell this to people if you were getting away with it?"

One of the most surprising things about this is not that they all came forward but that the baseball community at Central very overwhelmingly does not care that the players have done this. "Why should we care if they used steroid if they were winning and having fun while doing it?" said avid Minutemen baseball fan Devin Tomson-Moylan (10). "It was fun watching them win."

In fact the Minnesota State High School League has declared that there will be no penalties to the players, declaring that "They were only following the example that Major League Baseball players were setting for them and they did not know what they were doing."

The players have promised never to use performance enhancing drugs again and will switch their favorite baseball players to those that they believe do not use steroids. The MSHSL is OK with this because "then they will try to be more like players that don't take steroids. They may not be as good as they were before but they will no longer be using steroids."

Hutchinson adopts student

Liban Kotile, *Staff Writer*

Friends of student Megan Germundson claim they never saw it coming. "She wasn't this weird last year...back then, she didn't have that crazy look in her eye," says fellow junior Lulete Mola. "It seemed to start during 6th period on the first day of school." Megan Germundson wasn't always like this, she used to be normal. However, once she walked through the doors of room 518, things seemed to change.

"I always knew something was wrong with her but I never wanted to say anything. Everytime I was going to confront her, she would do something like clean the classroom, massage my feet, or even come to my house and make me breakfast" says Ms. Hutchinson. The kindness seemed to be too much to refuse. "It sometimes got a little extreme" explains Hutch. "She would steal my personal belongings."

Although she refused to be interviewed, in a statement from her lawyer, she insists on her innocence. "Wait!!! NO!!! Why would I steal Mrs. Clara J. Hutchinson's pictures from Hawaii, Mexico, and Vegas? They were bad quality anyways. She should have turned on the flash on her Cannon X463. It would have never happened if we went together." Mrs. Hutch continues to doubt her innocence despite Megan's claims. "I knew there wasn't something right about all of this. It isn't ethical for a student to do me all these favors if she is only a student." So, Mrs. Hutch did what any normal, sane, and loving person would do. Mrs. Clara J. Hutchinson adopted Megan Germundson.

"Yeah its great! I mean... back where I'm from... in Miami, we do things a little different... like, its weird. But yeah, life with Mrs. Hutch is the best. I like wouldn't change it for the world" says a delighted Germundson. Although the morality of a situation like this could be questioned, it seems to be fine with the rest of the Central staff. "Oh yeah, this is really great. She is out of my hands now I can finally get into my car after school and not be scared to see Megan in the backseat" says Mary Mackbee. "I didn't have it as bad as Mrs. Mackbee, but she used to follow me home screaming things about Valu Thrift Store and somebody named Mara", claims Mr. Schlukebieer. Whatever the case may be, it seems as though the Central staff has found their solution to problem number one and Ms. Hutch has found her first child.



Senior bowlers watch in awe as Zack bowls a perfect game.

Central once again home to Go-Kart racetrack

Alex Ethier, *School News Editor*

You may have noticed the smell of gasoline and burning rubber throughout Central recently. That's because the second floor has been restored to its original function; a fully-drivable go-kart racetrack. "I had a great time on that track," said long time racer, and winner of the 1970 International Circuit Tour, Dan Bernie. "We used to gas up in what became the gym, and then blast these karts around the track all day. Sometimes even all night too." Bernie is, of course, referring to the "24 Hours at St. Paul" races that were held annually from '55 to '67.

The Central Speedway (the racetrack's original name) was opened in the fall of 1932 by the famous Italian kart tuner Yenko Selbi. Selbi had dominated the North American competition throughout the 20s in his legendary twin-engine kart, "The Virginia." He instantly saw the potential for a world class racetrack within Central's walls. The track would become an instant success; drivers came from all over the world to test their skills on the aggressive, hairpin turns of the southern wing, and the blistering, high-speed straightaway dubbed "Tiscany," in honor of Selbi's hometown. You may recognize the straightaway as the long hallway stretching from the gymnasium all the way to the eastern side of the building. "Me and The Virginia can get up to 30 miles an hour on that thing!" Selbi said in a 1968 interview.

The Speedway was closed in 1972 after a devastating crash took the lives of four drivers, including Yenko Selbi. The second floor was hastily and poorly renovated to contain classrooms in order to bury its tragic past. It had remained that way until three weeks ago, when up-and-coming driver, Henry Madcap, created the Central Go-Kart Team. Henry and fellow team captain, Ben Swanson-Hysell, requested that the track be re-opened for pre-season time trials, and to refine its design before it once again joins the National and International Circuits.

The Central Speedway will never again see those glory days of kart racing; instead, it will proudly host a new generation of racers who have boldly taken the first step in ushering go-kart racing into the 21st Century.

YBVB headed for gold!

Meghan Roegge, *Staff Writer*

The 2009 CEHISEAN staff never expected that their time-killing escapades would land them spots on the Olympic podium, but at last dreams of gold are in sight. Six yearbook editors, all juniors: "Boom-Boom" Trentman, Meg Reggae, Keenan da Rock, Lilyquist, "MasterSwipes" Kotile, Colin da Rock, Persons and "SweetSaves" Swanson-Hysell, began yearbook volleyball, a.k.a. YBVB, after their workload became too much to handle.

What began as a game played by serving up a tape-ball over conjoined rulers across abandoned work surfaces, has evolved into a true sport with serious technique (such as the "Reggae dive" and the "downward sweep"), rulebooks and referees, and even a team manager, Cha Lor (10).

"I practice my ball handling skills every night before I get into bed. YBVB is my life now," says team member Kotile. The team practices in the back corner of room 419 whenever they get the opportunity. Cheers and loud shouts can often be heard by students in the 4th hour journalism class next door to the volleyball facilities.

The months of training and missed deadlines have finally paid off. The yearbook editors turned volleyball pros will head to the Olympic trials on April 1st with hopes of being selected to represent the United States in the 2012 Summer Olympics in London, England. Central's team has already humiliated the Harding newspaper-volleyball team, annihilated the Como Park woodshop-VB team, and smashed every other team they have come across in regular season play.

"We have a lot of people to thank for our success - Mr. Schlukiebert, for contributing his floor as court space and his last roll of masking tape for our ball, we owe you one buddy," said co-editor in-chief Persons. "And to all the students who purchased a yearbook, we thank



Yenko Selbi

Central teacher assistants do more than school work

Pa Vue, *Staff Writer*

Teacher assistants (TAs) seem a little busier than usual this year with semesters being replaced by quarters. 8 out of 10 teachers in the school have one or more TAs. TAs are constantly seen running around in the office to make copies, but they are lugging around more than papers.

TAs have been seen carrying adolescent toys along with their paper work. *Central High Times* investigated and found students baby-sitting teachers' children while trying to staple papers.

Mr. Boomer's TA said, "It's more than I bar gained for. I thought I was getting credit for helping the teacher but never baby-sitting. She also included that at the end of class, she is worn out due to taking care of a child.

With baby-sitting involved, should TAs be getting paid? Outside of school, baby-sitters get paid for their time and effort. However, Mr. Boomer stated, "TAs are supposed to help teachers. The students are here to help and if I need a baby-sitter during school who better to ask than a trusting TA."

TAs are increasingly growing weary because of the extra work. A study conducted by TA National has shown that TAs with a busier schedule are lacking in school. A TA with decent grades is now failing. Due to these incidents, there will be no more teacher assistants for the following school year.

Students who registered for being a teacher assistant are encouraged to talk to their counselors in order to not get a study hall.

Teachers' heated words lead to parking lot scuffle

Abdul Ali, *Staff Writer*

When Mrs. Blanko for got to cover Ms. Feelgood's 6th hour Forgotten Civilization class, heated words were exchanged regarding Mrs. Blanko's costly screw up. Heated words after school which then led out to the parking lot, climaxed with a fist fight. No audience was present so the fight could not be interrupted. The fight began with Feelgood moving quickly and landing fast pushes while moving her side to side. Feelgood was definitely controlling the fight by using her speed to her advantage.

Then out of nowhere, Blanko, with a cat like strike) threw a heavy uppercut, which then knocked Feelgood out cold. After this, Blanko stood over the unconscious Feelgood with a grin of satisfaction. After the altercation was over, the excited Blanko was heard as saying "Can't stop, won't stop," and ended with a thundering "I thought I told you we wont stop," several times.

A couple days later, after a meeting with Principal Mackbee, both teachers agreed to put aside their differences and move on. Mrs. Blanko apologized for not being there to cover for Feelgood's class and for throwing the viscous uppercut blow. The agreement ended with a signed copy that said each teacher would not ask the other to cover each other's classes anymore.



you, your money will be used to fund our trip to London."

As the team reflected upon their stellar season and proudly relished in their inability to complete even a single page of the forgotten yearbook, co-editor-in-chief Lilyquist thought up some final words to inspire his team.

"Don't ever let any dumb rock tell you that laziness wont get you anywhere, cause they're just a dumb rock."

Mackbee caught napping at teacher meeting

Jacob Althoff, *Staff Writer*

On Tuesday March 10th during the weekly teacher meetings there was a buzz of discussion about everything from the Middle Year program to the departure of our superintendent. But amid all the conversation the one constant was the snoring of principal Ms. Mackbee who was laid back in her comfy office chair. The snoring got to such extreme volumes that Central teacher Mr. Schlukiebert went over and began knocking on her head and shouting, "No sleeping in our school."

"After I started knocking on her head," said Schlukiebert "she mumbled 'Why don't you just retire.' But don't worry. She's in big trouble. She didn't think I heard but when she gets to school she'll find a referral with her name on it. Who's going to want to retire then?"

This isn't the first time either. It has been said that at the meeting on the February 17th, she showed up fifteen minutes late with a bag of kettle chips in her hand and proceeded to eat it loudly in front of the rest of the staff. "I felt sick after school. My stomach was upset," said Ms. Mackbee. However that wasn't the first or the worst offense. "At least she was here this time," said assistant principal Ms. Lentsch.



Mackbee

Custodian found sleeping in stairwell

Kadra Mohamed, *Staff Writer*

On Saturday, March 21, custodian Dan Stallcleaner, age 69 was found sleeping at the bottom of stairwell B in the fetal position. He was wrapped in a ninja turtle blanket along side his pet mouse, Ralphie. When asked about his living conditions Stallcleaner denied living within the school walls. "My pets and I live at home, this is an outrageous accusation!" he yelled at reporters.

After an intensive investigation, a source told the *Central High Times* that Stallcleaner was thrown out of his daughter's apartment because he would stroll the hallways naked and sing his favorite song "Girls Just Want To Have Fun" by Madonna. The source also said "He has nowhere else to go. He believes he isn't old enough to go to a nursing home but he feels he will get lonely in an apartment on his own. I think this is the best for him."

Due to his pets Ralphie Donald, and Claire, there has been mice hair all over the building. Many students have complained about seeing mice hair in their lockers, in their lunch food, and in the locker rooms.

This shocking discovery has led to many questions from Central students. Are we as students and faculty members going to allow this kind of behavior? Is this really the best for Stallcleaner or his pet mice?



Faculty surrenders to raid by "No Child Left Behind" police on charges of leaving one child behind on recent field trip.

No more baby ma'ma drama at Central

Ra'Shiah Howell, *Staff Writer*

The Saint Paul Public School District and principal Ms. Mary Mackbee, have decided to reopen the child care center at Central after five long years. When asked why reopen the child care center, Principal Mackbee said, "I'm tired of hearing all the baby ma'ma blues from these girls and I'm really tired of hearing they lame excuses on why they can't come to school".

Many of you may remember the unfortunate accident which caused the child care center to be shut down. After a five year private investigation by Aqua Teen Hunger Force and a private lawsuit, investigator agents Meatwad, Master Sake and Frilock discovered that child care worker Ben Dova wasn't responsible for a child laughing coma but an episode of Spongebob was to blame. "I'm just really glad the truth finally came out," said Ben Dova, "and I can finally move on with my life."

When word got around about the child care center reopening many of the baby ma'mas began to rejoice and celebrate that they didn't have to pay their baby daddy cousin's little sister, RayRay, to watch the baby. And many of the baby daddies are also happy that the baby ma'ma got somebody else to help take responsibility.

The child care center is scheduled to reopen the 1st of June. The child care is going to be run by assistant principal rAchibald Tuffguy and a staff of 25 able to care for 27.5 babies.

Central mice problem becomes Central rats problem

Sidney Vang, *Staff Writer*

Central janitors found their first rat carcass inside one of Central's snack machine in the cafeteria last Friday. This discovery only adds to Central's already out of control mice population, even though the janitors claim to have the population under control. When asked, Stewart Little, one of Central's janitors said "We have no mouse problem!"

The rat found was estimated to be a gigantic 15 inches in length, head to tail, as compared to the mice which are estimated to be half that size. Several Central students have also claimed to have seen larger than normal sized mice running around in Mr. Schlukebier's room. Several students claimed to have seen rats and the discovery of one only confirmed the janitors worst fears.

Rats are said to be smarter and more elusive than mice, and are known to carry fleas along with several diseases. Joe Smackem, a professional rodent terminator, said, "I have never seen anything like this, mice and rats living in harmony." Smackem was hired three weeks ago to help Central janitors control the mice population, but with the addition of rats, he is bound to stay even longer.

Students protest TEAE Test

Cha Lor, *Staff Writer*

On Friday, March 13, seven Central students took the TEAE Test in the Central cafeteria. The TEAE is for English learns and Friday was the make up day for everyone who didn't take the test on Wednesday or Thursday, March 11th and 12th.

Almost half way through the test, a senior, Mohammed Zain, chained himself to the vending machines, refusing to finish the test. He began yelling various swear words in broken English and seven world languages. According to Liban Kotile, one of the seven students taking the test, Mohammed Zain was "snappin."

It took the administration over an hour and a half to clip the chains. After the administration clipped the chains, Mohammed Zain ran off and was later tased and taken into custody. He is up on charges for terrorism and is facing a possible twenty years in prison or completion of the test, whichever comes first.

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Tropical Rainforest

Science Museum

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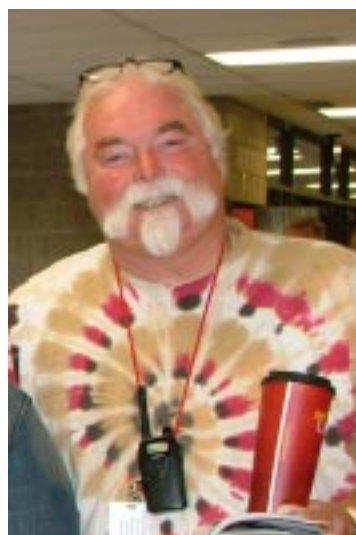
Costello profits big bucks from confiscated hats

Maryam Ayir, *Staff Writer*

The recent recession has caused Mr. Costello and other Central teachers to think of alternative ways to make money; one of them being to sell the confiscated hats. Costello keeps stashed confiscated hats in his filing cabinets. The teachers all agreed they need a vacation, so Costello offered to pay all expenses for a two week cruise to the Caribbean. Costello and his fellow teachers plan to soak up the sun and eat delicious, but very expensive, sea food. Not only will the money go towards a teachers' vacation, but Costello plans to remodel his already large garage to make room for yet another vehicle. "I will use the money toward my \$10,000 garage floor renovation. My 10 cars need a place to sleep at night and the old garage of 2,000 square feet is too small," said Costello.

Mr. Costello admits he has a problem and can't control his urges to sell on eBay. "I can't help it, the internet has made things so much easier nowadays," says Costello. "All I do is click away at my mouse and money comes pouring to me!"

Doctors say Costello has a disorder known as OCD, Obsessive Carbuyosis Disorder,



Costello announcing garage plans

an uncontrollable urge to buy cars, which causes them to do everything possible, even selling students' confiscated hats, to make money. Costello is currently seeking treatment for this embarrassing condition at the Denny Hecker clinic.

"I've never told anyone about this," Costello says, "I've tried for so long to keep it under cover." When students would come back to retrieve their possessions, Costello quickly covered it up by saying he misplaced it, or by using reverse psychology to make students believe he never took their hats. "This is when my psychology teachings come in handy," Costello smirks.

Despite the fact that Mr. Costello could potentially get into a lot of trouble for selling students' belongings, he says it will all be worth the fabulous two week vacation. "Next time they'll learn to not wear their hats in school!"

Five toilets installed in Central stalls

Colin Persons, *Staff Writer*

Five toilets have been placed in all bathroom stalls at Central High School. The purpose, according to Central's building planner, is to "cut costs and build up student relationships." Overall, the school is expected to save \$150, which will surely be put to a better use.

Students responses to the recent bathroom reconstruction have been varied. "I think it's weird, especially when you have people on either side of you. It's not that bad when you're on the end though," said one student. Another student commented on the situation saying, "It's kind of nice just to be able to ask the guy next to you to pass you an extra roll of toilet paper when you run out."

Despite being mildly disturbing, the bathroom remodeling may be an answer to some of Central's financial woes. These kinds of financial cuts are something to look for in the future and hopefully we can make some headway on the deficit.



To improve efficiency and relationships



Yearbook staff meets deadline

Charlie Armitz, *Editor-in-Chief*

On Friday, March 20, upon his arrival to fourth hour Journalism class, Jack Schlukebier received startling news. According to yearbook co-slackers Colin Persons and Keenan Lilyquist, Central's yearbook, CEHISEAN, had successfully met their final deadline for the 2008-2009 school year.

"I was very angry at first," said Schlukebier, "because I suspected the yearbook staff was playing a prank by lying to me - very typical of them - and that we wouldn't get any work done in class."

"Turns out, we didn't need to do any work."

According to slacker-in-chief Lilyquist, the yearbook staff had shut themselves in the yearbook storage closet after school so that "the Schluke" wouldn't force them to "shut down the yearbook" after they had missed over 200 days of deadlines. After Schlukebier left, the yearbook staff came out of closet, played a couple of quick games of yearbook volleyball, then got to work on their fourth and final deadline.

"We actually didn't do much except yearbook volleyball," admitted Persons. "Don't ask us how we got all the pages done."

Although none of the yearbook slackers admit to any suspicious activity, Central High Times reporter Ben Swanson-Hysell did find a plethora of old yearbooks, most notably the 2007 yearbook, in Room 419 upon his visit to class the next day. He also noticed that several computer screens had folders open titled "2007 Yearbook," and that several yearbook layout pages were open as well.



"I looked at one of the pages and it said 'Girls' Basketball: State Champions' on it," said Swanson-Hysell, a junior. "I don't follow sports too carefully - you can tell that from the quality of sports articles in the Central High Times - but I'm pretty sure the girls lost this year."

Swanson-Hysell added that as a yearbook slacker himself, he was careful to hide the pages from Schlukebier, who "would have been pissed as hell" had he seen such evidence.

"It doesn't really matter how the yearbook got done, we knew it wasn't going to be any good anyway," said Swanson-Hysell. "I guess that's just too bad for the people who wasted 75 dollars."

Added Lilyquist: "We needed to get the damn thing done. If we had missed any more days, it would have cost us. So we got it done. That's all there is to it."

Phone bills go up; teachers are to blame

Daveen Trentman, *Staff Writer*

It's common knowledge at Central Senior High School that texting is not allowed during class. However, the students aren't strangers to breaking the rules. As stated in the official Central Handbook (volume Forty-eight), "If a student is caught texting, the cellular device will be taken away by the teacher." This statement is practiced by many teachers at Central, but what you don't know is what happens to your phone when they take it.

Colin Persons came running into Central with tears streaming down his heated cheeks while waving his phone bill. "Mr Nelson made my phone bill \$1,200.00!" Worked up by his financial anxiety, Persons gathered up 234 more students with outrageous phone bills caused by teachers. Thanks to the new security cameras, the students watched tapes that proved the teachers' nefarious actions.

Many teachers were caught with student phones, sitting back on their prep enjoying a nice leisurely phone call - occasionally long-distance. When the case was brought to the courts, the teacher's union released a statement saying, "These kids know the rules, and if they're so incompetent to break them, these are just the consequences." The judges were quick to agree and dismissed the case.

However, when CNN covered the story, Anderson Cooper was defensive towards the students' case. Said Cooper: "The country's main priority is the kids. It's not even about the context of this case anymore, it's become about the justice of the kids, and this case needs to be re-evaluated."

Mackbee sues New England Patriots for trademark infringement!

Keenan Lilyquist, *Staff Writer*

Have you ever noticed that the Central Minuteman logo and that of the New England Patriots share a remarkable resemblance? "That's because they are the same," said Principal Mary Mackbee, who is infuriated that a professional football team would "have the nerve to steal a logo from one of the oldest and most respected schools in the world." That is why on Thursday March 12, 2009, during a press



conference, Mackbee announced that she would be "suing the pants off" the New England Patriots for trademark infringement. If the multibillion dollar lawsuit is won, Mackbee says that Central will use the money to build a new underwater basketweaving arena.

"They are underfunded and they just upset the Stillwater Squids in the playoffs," said Mackbee. She will use what's left of the money to make a down payment on her new Ferrari.

In rebuttal, Patriots quarterback Tom Brady said "We didn't even know there was such a thing as a Central High School, or a Minuteman." As it turns out, there is a striking name resemblance between Tom Brady and Central's own Brady Whalen, who turns out to be Tom Brady's nephew.

"Yeah he is my uncle," said Whalen, "but I try not to think about it. He brings disgrace to the name Brady everywhere." Look for our next issue to see if Ms. Mackbee wins her lawsuit, or just look for the new red Ferrari in the parking lot.