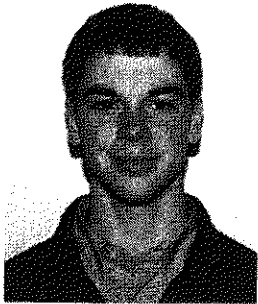


Meet the Group...

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Ski Club

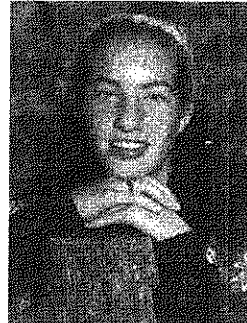
by: Kent Walls



"I ski because I get to go have fun and goof around for 3 hours," said senior ski club member Bill Lafleur. This is Bill's seventh year as a member of ski club. Bill's mother decided to take over the ski club with Mrs. Mason (9th grader Gene Mason's mom). The club is composed of 5th all the way to

12th grade. Bill also said, "Some people like soccer and baseball, but for me, I love to ski." Now, the ski club goes to Boston Mills/Brandywine every Monday night. They are also planning a ski trip to New York on February 19th for \$70, see Bill or Julie Lafleur if you are interested.

Campus Impact



"I love Campus Impact when we get into awesome discussions, and it really makes you think," as stated by senior leader of Campus Impact, Jill Fuleki. Jill and about 6 other students meet regularly on Wednesday mornings at 7:15 in the morning. Basically, they get together and read the Bible, have a devotional, pray, and even have donuts on some

occasions. Jill also said, "I hope the student body will get involved so it will help them grow spiritually." Tim Guenther said that Campus Impact was started to minister to teenagers about Christ across Lorain County. It has been started at almost every public and Christian school campus in the county.

Bova Lunch Bunch



"I wore jeans on the day of the Great Debate, one of the only dress up days of the year," said junior John Dewilde about why he spent 2 weeks as part of the "Bova Lunch Bunch." The B.L. B. is basically a new way of serving a detention during your lunch period. Senior Josh Smith said in a joking way, "I think Mr. Bova has a radar inside of him because

he can catch me with my shirt untucked or with gum from anywhere." Mr. Bova started the group last year as a way to enforce some of the rules set by our school, and according to him, it has worked moderately, at best. Mr. Bova also said with a smile, "It gives the students the opportunity to enjoy the ambiance of the office."

P.E.P.



"I love The Peer Encouragement Program (PEP) because I get to know little kids and have them come to me with their struggles they are having. It also encourages me to have them look up to me," said senior member Christy Davis on the PEP team. The Peer Encouragement Program is a group that has been around for

many years, but Christy started last year as a junior. It is a program that matches up a high school student with a younger student and they meet once a week and just have fun together, talk about school, and discuss certain struggles the younger student might be going through. Christy also said, "It's awesome because we are usually matched up with kids that have similar situations as us, so we can help them get through it."

Reviews

Box Office Mouse

by: Amanda Snyder

Have you seen the new family comedy, *Stuart Little*?

Stuart Little has been at the top of the box office and after being in theaters for six weeks, the movie has taken in over \$100 million in sales.

This book turned movie (by E.B. White) is a fun-loving mouse movie with Michael J. Fox as the voice of Stuart.

The very human and loving Mr. & Mrs. Stuart decide to adopt a child to join their family. Upon going to the orphanage they meet Stuart the mouse. An immediate relationship is established between all family members, humans and mice, as the Little's adopt Stuart.

However, like all movies there is a conflict which builds to a climax that grabs your attention. In this movie, it is I've decided, the conflict between Stuart and George Little (brother to Stuart), played by Jonathon Lipnicki, child star of *Jerry Maguire*. George does not like having a mouse as a little brother; he wants a human sibling.

The house cat, Snowbell, also has a negative attitude about Stuart being family member. Snowbell joins other cats in Central Park in New York to bring a touch of excitement into Stuart's life as a Little.

As an 18 year old, I thought this movie had many aspects portraying the idea of family life. It may have seemed a little superficial, but the love and care that was shown to Stuart and George by Mr. and Mrs. Little should be evident in all families. This movie makes a great attempt in the kindness and affection that should be displayed to all children.

Visit www.stuartlittle.com to see the exciting adventures and learn more about Stuart and his life as a mouse.

Need a 'Rage' Alternative?

by: Kent Walls

Rage Against The Machine, Korn, Limp Bizkit, and Kid Rock. These are just a few of the extremely popular hard core rock bands across the country right now.

If you're not familiar with these bands and what style of music they are, then let me explain it briefly. Basically, these bands are classified as rap rock, hardcore, or heavy metal. These bands are played all over the radio and their CDs are selling like crazy.

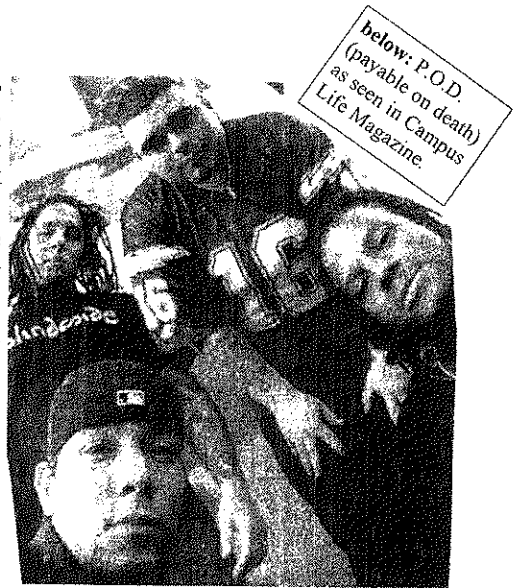
What is it about these bands that makes them so popular, and are they a good influence on their listeners? Well, I went around Open Door to find out for myself.

Fred Miller said when speaking on *Rage*, "They say how they feel and they are not afraid to express themselves." He also said, that they have sweet guitar riffs and lyrics.

Greg Kemp said, "Rage is one of a kind and they sound pretty cool."

Putting the sound aside, the lyrics leave much to be desired. You have to admit that there is a lot of profanity in these band's lyrics. Yet, Miller said, "Rage talks about some good stuff like politics and they also do a lot of charity shows." I think that is totally awesome, but the profanity and swearing in the songs bothers me. That is why I found an awesome alternative to these bands.

Payable On Death (P.O.D.) is a unbelievable hardcore group new to the christian and secular music scene. They are making waves in both venues. For example, the video for their song "Hard Times" is all over MTV. In my opinion, P.O.D.'s sound is similar to *Rage*



Against The Machine's style, only with unbelievable lyrics about Christ's death on the cross.

If P.O.D. does not fit your style, a little research will find you many others. For example, Rod Laver, a rap-core group is very similar to Limp Bizkit. Also, the vocals remind me of Korn and Pantera. Their sound is amazing, and best of all, their lyrics are totally positive, uplifting, and don't have any profanity.

Also, here are a few other hardcore bands in the Christian music worth giving a try: Seventh's Vision, Every Day Life, and Chanel Surfers.

For all you skeptics out there who don't think that these bands could even be close to the quality of the secular bands, just give P.O.D.'s latest release, "The Fundamental Elements of Southtown," a chance. I know you will be completely surprised.

I Thessalonians 4:11&12

"Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you, so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody (but God)."

On February 15,
2000:
Bring Mr. Larry
Russ.....
A cookie!!!!

-submitted by Amanda Snyder

**Everyone,
Come to morning
Devotions at
7:15, every
Wednesday in
311. Come be a
part of
*Campus
Impact!***

BROUGHT TO YOU BY

JILL FULEKI

Have you
accepted Jesus?
Would you like
to have assurance
of eternal life?

Then pray this
prayer:

"Lord, I know I
am a sinner. I
believe Your
Son, Jesus Christ,
died on the Cross
for my sins.

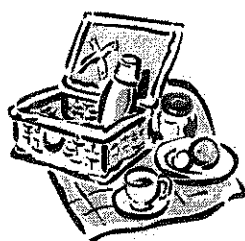
Please
forgive me of my
sins and make me
a new person. I
commit my life
to You today.
Amen."

- submitted by Nurse
Nancy Reed-

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STUCO SPONSORED ACTIVITY:

**SADIE
HAWKINS
SOCIAL**



Saturday February 12th 7-9 pm

Girls- Ask- Guys

Dinner provided by the ladies
Traditional Square Dancing with
Kal Bear as the Caller

Permission slip required

Cost: \$10 paid by the ladies

Tickets on Sale: 1/28 — 2/4

in room 310

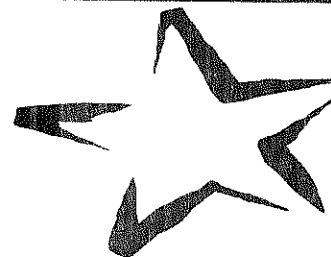
ODCS drama dept. presents:

**FIDDLER ON THE
ROOF**

Opening Night: March 23

Place: Lorain Palace Civic Center

-submitted by Aaron Schollmeier



Attention: ALL SKIERS AND SNOWBOARDERS!!

ODCS' Ski Club will be hosting the 6th Annual Ski Trip to Holiday Valley
Ski Resort in New York!!

The cost is: Skier with rentals _____\$70.00

Snowboarder with rentals _____\$80.00

If you are interested, contact Billy or Julie LaFleur, or call 324-2200 for
more information. The date for the trip is Saturday, Feb. 19.

-submitted by Billy LaFleur

Editorials & Opinion

Survey Shows Spiritual Turmoil

by: Andrea Matetic

How on-fire for God is Open Door Christian High School? On one hand, I see students who could care less about God, who just stand in chapel, arms crossed, not singing or worshipping. Their attitudes show that they would rather not be in a Christian school, attend chapel, or have anything to do with God.

However, on the other hand, there are students who are on-fire and excited about Christ. I can see it on their faces as they pass me by. I see it in their attitudes toward God and others and in the way they worship in chapel.

Recently TIB polled 170 students, grades 9-12, about their spiritual lives and the spiritual life of this school. As I read through the surveys, I noticed a wide variety of attitudes.

First of all, there are many students who look very negatively at Christianity. They wrote, "Stop telling us what to do. I'm sick of you preaching at me." "I don't care, I'm leaving in five months." "Don't beat us over the head with the Bible..." "...We are

constantly being hit with the Bible and that is making many students immune to it."

There are also many students in our school who look around and see a bad example. Several students voiced strong feelings about the hypocrites in the school who need to leave, "Let us not forget that God will spit the lukewarm out of His mouth!" "People need to start walking the walk instead of just talking the talk—they say they are a Christian and then go do bad things...Don't say you are a Christian if you aren't going to act like one."

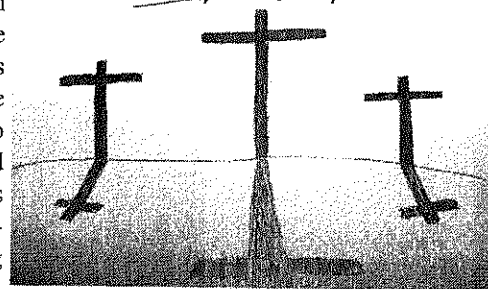
Many students recognize their need for God, but struggle to understand that they can be forgiven and that God loves them. "Right now, I'm barely close to God at all. I'm so far away from Him, and it's scary because I don't really care. I'd want to change my attitude so I'd care," wrote a student when asked what they would change about themselves to make our school a better place.

On a more positive note, there are students who are excited about God and are willing to change to make this school more on-fire for Christ. "I wish I could be a better example by the words that come out of my mouth, so I could positively impact other students." "Just try to keep my focus on God more and pray for others more. (I want) to stay in God's will and not to drift away, but if I do, to always come back to Him," said some students in our high school.

How can we make our school a better place spiritually? Here are a few ideas:

1. **Don't judge others.** My youth pastor once said this: "What do you struggle with? Just because you struggle with something doesn't mean everyone

*The Difference is... His Shadow
Will Cover The Earth Forever...
Campus Impact*



else does. You can't label someone a hypocrite unless they are willfully doing wrong." Matthew 7:3 says, "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?"

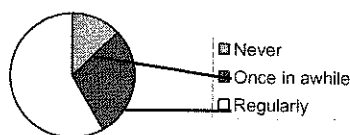
2. **Know that you can be forgiven and that God cares.** 1 John 1:8,9 says, "If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us of our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

3. **Don't be afraid of rejection.** If Christ means anything to you, show Him what He's worth. Don't be so concerned with pleasing others, but be more concerned with pleasing God.

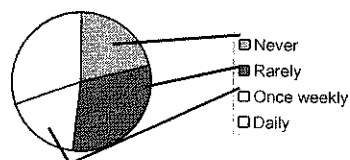
4. **Start praying constantly.** Pray for the students, and especially the teachers to they will be a Christ-like example to us.

5. **Have a better attitude about our school.** God has really blessed us with a Christian school. We should get more involved in Campus Impact, Chapel Committee, and other school activities that encourage spiritual growth

How Often Do You Go To Youth Group?



How Often Do You Do Devotions?



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Love the Lord with all your mind?

by: Lexi Stevens:

Recently Mr. Schmidt, the government teacher, posed the senior class with a challenge: explain the how to "...love the Lord your God with all your mind." (Mathew 22:37) It seems almost a completely impossible task! In a society that thinks of pornography as art, casual sex as entertainment, and sodomy (Homosexuality) as a civil right, we are left in a wake of sewage that makes you wonder if it is even at possible to uphold this commandment.

Every day we choose to take in the sins of this world through our television, in spite of the Bible's clear teaching to avoid even the appearance of evil (Thessalonians 5:22). We have turned what used to be a form of entertainment into a never missed, weekly worshiped "god". And it doesn't end there, the perversity in movies, violence in music, and gossip in "news" almost glorify the seven deadly sins.

In Titus 2:12 Paul says "For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say 'no' to ungodliness and worldly passions and live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in this present age.." and this all begins with safe-guarding our eyes and ears. We need to look to things above (Colossians 3:2) and stop placing such importance in what pleases our flesh.

But are we willing? If we know that the things we are watching are evil, will we shut it off, or change the radio station, or walk out of the movie? Knowing that God didn't ask a challenge that is too great for us, the task at hand is to protect our eyes and ears from the worldly. Are we willing to give up the things that make us laugh, or the music we listen to, or the movies we love? Will we stand in this world yet apart from it?

I suppose the answer to Mr. Schmidt's challenge is, it is entirely possible to "...love the lord your God with all your mind" if you love your flesh, your reputation, and what is on the television less, and if you are willing to sacrifice these things to make your relationship with Christ stronger.

POINT	COUNTERPOINT
<h3>Do you smell what the "Rock" is cookin'?</h3> <p>Dude, who doesn't just love wrestling? Is there any sweeter sound than the roaring crowd, the raging music, the ringing of the bell to start the match.</p> <p>Who wouldn't want to sit and enjoy two glorious hours of the greatest sports entertainment in the world. The style, the finesse, the wonderful feeling of significance you get after the two hours are complete. I find that I sleep better after watching wrestling.</p> <p>I especially like it when the matches are hardcore. Tables, chairs, garbage cans, and baseball bats are all legal in this kind of a match. People say that wrestling is fake, but those are the people who haven't seen 'Mankind' get hit in the head with a chair over, and over, and over again.</p> <p>Wrestling, it's a beautiful thing, and I wouldn't give it up for anything.</p>	<h3>He ain't cookin' much.</h3> <p>What's the deal with wrestling? For all the girlfriends of wrestling fans out there, my condolences. I think that wrestling is just a bunch of big, sweaty, ugly men acting like little boys rolling around and hitting each other. They get paid to pretend they're fighting? That's just queer. Why can't I get paid to pretend to do my homework?</p> <p>I am sick and tired of hearing "You smell what The Rock is cookin'?" And if I get put in a headlock one more time...</p> <p>And lastly, what about those lady managers? I don't think that males should be watching that garbage. Frankly, I feel that wrestling is ridiculous, and I wouldn't associate with anyone that watches it.</p>

Kid's Page

Test your Bible knowledge with our Bible Trivia:

Beginner:

1. Who did Pharaoh's daughter adopt?

2. Name the Angel who told Mary she would have a baby named Jesus.

3. How many books in the Bible are named for women?

4. What city fell at the sound of a shout?

Intermediate:

1. What did Satan offer Jesus if he would worship him?

2. In what city was Jesus crucified?

3. How many people did Samson kill with a donkey's jaw bone?

4. What is the only book in the bible not to mention God's name?

Expert:

1. What landed on Jesus shoulder right after his baptism?

2. What did Joseph of Arimathea ask to do?

3. How many people did Jesus Baptize?

4. What was the third plague in Egypt?

Sound out these phrases to find the hidden ODCS (Can be an event or person) related words.
EX: Missed her Bow the-
When sounded out is Mr. Bova.
Give these others a try!

- 1 Trap his mall hem wax
- 2 Pea hey try oats
- 3 Shady hulk pins
- 4 My crows peas aye blocks
- 5 Mush hen air reefs

J O K E S:

What do Winnie the Pooh and Kermit the Frog have in common?

Their Middle names

Why are elephants so wrinkled?

Have you ever tried to iron one?

Why do fish live in salt water?

pepper makes them sneeze

What did the buffalo say to her son when he left for school?

Bison

Expert:
1. A dove
2. To bury Jesus
3. Zero
4. Lice
Intermediate:
1. All the kingdoms of the world
2. Jerusalem
3. 1,000
4. Esther

Answers:
1. Moses
2. Gabriel
3. Two, Ruth and Esther
4. Jericho

Phrase answers:
1 Travis Mulanax
2 Patriots
3 Sadie Hawkins
4 Marco's Pizza
5 Missionaries
Box