

THE STORM REPORT

WESTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL, SARATOGA SPRINGS, VOLUME 5

THUNDERSTRUCK

By: Katy Molinari

Have you been Thunderstruck? If you don't know what that is, it's a new tradition Westlake High School is creating. Every home game that we win, couples are invited to go out onto the field and kiss over the hammer. This isn't the first of its kind. Utah State has a tradition called True Aggie. You become a True Aggie by kissing on the "A" at midnight under a full moon by another True Aggie as to pass down the title. This began back in 1916 when the school banned clubs on campus. A group of students protested this movement. To become a member of what they called the Be-Noes club, at midnight under a full moon, you had to stand in the clock tower and kiss someone. The ritual quickly spread across campus and all over the state of Utah. Some years as many as 2,000 couples stand on or near the "A" kissing at midnight. As Westlake continues this tradition, will you be Thunderstruck at our next game?

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

MONDAY, FEB. 10:

- NATIONAL FCCLA WEEK

TUESDAY, FEB. 11:

- NATIONAL FCCLA WEEK
- 7 PM VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL VS LEHI
- 7 PM VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL @ LEHI

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12:

- NATIONAL FCCLA WEEK

THURSDAY, FEB. 13:

- NATIONAL FCCLA WEEK
- STATE SWIM @ BYU
- 5 AM WRESTLING STATE @ MAVERICK CENTER
- 3 PM KEIFERS DEBATE TOURNAMENT
- 7 PM BOYS TENNIS PLAYER/PLAYER MEETING

FRIDAY, FEB. 14:

- NATIONAL FCCLA WEEK
- STATE SWIM @ BYU
- 6 AM WRESTLING STATE @ MAVERICK CENTER

- FCCLA AREA COMPETITION

SATURDAY, FEB. 15:

- 7 AM WINTER GUARD COMPETITION

MONDAY, FEB. 17:

- NO SCHOOL!!!

TUESDAY, FEB. 18:

- WINTER SPORTS FESTIVAL
- 7 PM VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL VS AF
- 7 PM VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL @ AF

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 19:

- WINTER SPORTS FESTIVAL
- PROSTART REGION COMPETITION
- 2 PM BAND SOLO/ENSEMBLE

THURSDAY, FEB. 6:

- WINTER SPORTS FESTIVAL
- 2 PM ORCHESTRA SOLO/ENSEMBLE
- 7 PM GIRLS BBALL @ PG



Winter Sports Festival

by Becca Crabtree

Winter Sports Festival Candidates:

Rachel Austin

Jessica Bennett

Lochlyn Bickmore

Amber Dock

Katie Foot

Hayley Ford

Alex Gunnel

Sarah James

Aubrey Landvatter

McKenna Morris

Shianne Pace

Kaitlyn Rose

BOYS BASKETBALL

By: Alexandria May

Westlake against Lehi; sports rivals going head-to-head. The first quarter ended with the score 12-10 in favor of Lehi. But we did not give up. We fought. We would not put the Westlake name to shame. 2nd quarter was finished with 30-17 in favor of Westlake. The team didn't stop there. Continuing on through the 3rd quarter with an ending score of 47-32 in favor of Westlake again. The 4th quarter brought us to victory with a score of 67-51. As 49th ranked high school

basketball, it sure is a victory to beat the 45th ranked. All in all, the Westlake boys basketball team could beat anyone at this point.



Sabrina Shaffer

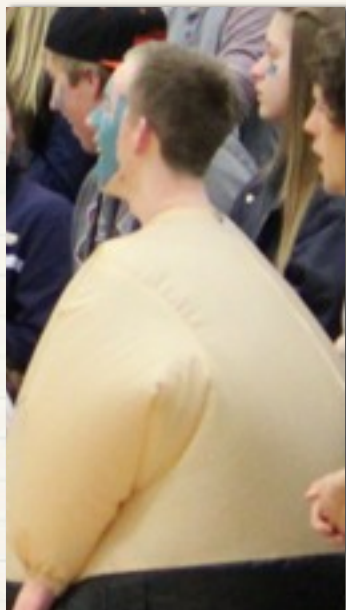
Mackenzie Smith

Brianna Weber

**** REMEMBER TO VOTE
FRIDAY DURING
LUNCH! ****



HERE'S AN
EXAMPLE OF
THE TYPE OF
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WANT YOU
GUYS TO
WEAR TO THE
SILENT NIGHT
GAME.



Silent Night Game

By: M'Taya Johnson

Winter Sports Festival is next Friday. We will be honoring varsity girl athletes who have over-achieved in their sport and have excelled in the classroom. For that night's game we will be starting a new tradition at Westlake-- Silent Night! For those of you who don't know what it is I will briefly explain it to you. When you come to Silent Night you come in the craziest costumes you can find-- school appropriate of course. During the game you will stay as silent as you can, until our team reaches their 10th point-- you should be able to hear the basketball players shoes squeak. That is when we all go into an uproar, then during the last five minutes we will begin singing Silent Night. It's an awesome tradition that by far will create the most electric atmosphere Westlake has ever seen.

PROM



By: Katy Molinari

Westlake: are you preparing for Prom yet? It's coming up fast boys, start asking your dates! Make sure you ask soon to give the girls enough time to plan out their special day. Prom will be held on March 22 at U of U from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. The theme will be Michael Bublé's "The Way You Look Tonight." Get excited Westlake; this will be a night to remember!

Sochi Olympics Update

By: Alexandria May



Photo by CNN

The Winter Olympics. A very exciting time that only comes every couple of years. Crazy people getting pumped up to do crazy things in the freezing cold. Who wouldn't get excited? The Olympics began on February 7, 2014 and it will end on February 23, 2014, so watch it while you can!

The events in the Winter Olympics are alpine skiing, biathlon, bobsleigh, cross country skiing, curling, figure skating, freestyle skiing, ice hockey, luge, Nordic combined, short track speed skating, skeleton, ski jumping, and speed skating. America has won an overall of 12 medals**. 4 gold, 2 silver, and 6 bronze. Our first gold medal was won by Sage Kotsenburg in the event snowboarding. He scored a 93.5. 2 more gold were also won in snowboarding along with 1 bronze. In freestyle skiing, there was a collective of 5 medals. 1 gold, 2 silver, and 2 bronze. Another sporting event that we have won medals in is figure skating with 1 bronze. Also alpine skiing and luge with 1 bronze from each event. Watch the Olympics and give America your support. Let's get those medals!

**Medals are as of the day the article was written. They are not up to date.

Half-Priced Holiday Candy



By: Becca Crabtree

Are you alone this Valentine's Day? Did you forget to get your girlfriend/boyfriend a gift? Well, lucky for you, Valentine's candy is half-priced the day after! Whether you are depressed and single or in a happy relationship you can benefit from this price cut! Maybe it's time to

talk to your bf/gf into a late Valentine's day so you can get candy and flowers at a steal!

Maybe you forgot it was the 14th, or maybe you forgot that it was your girlfriend's birthday today. Don't worry! You can make up for it by buying extra candy and a giant teddy bear tomorrow! You can even buy your Halloween candy many months in advance!

Swim Team

By: M'Taya Johnson

The Westlake Swim Team had a great meet Friday at State. Competing against more than 20, the WHS girls team finished with 4th place, and the boys team finished in 16th place.

We came in 3rd for girls and 8th place for boys on the 200 Medley Relay. On the 200 Free Relay, girls got 3rd and boys got 9th. On the 400 Free Relay, Westlake got 10th for girls and 13th for the boys. Girls got 14th and boys got 9th in the 200 IM. Girls got 14th in the 100 yd Butterfly and boys got 1st and 19th. In the 100 yd Backstroke, girls got 19th and boys got 13th. On the 100 Breast, girls got 8th and boys got 14th.

Tell them Congrats when you see them:

Amber Dock
Amelia Wolfgram
Andrew Trainor
Andrew Willard
Autumn Wolfgram
Cody Clegg
Connor Crockett
Courtney Fowler
Grace Goddard
Gunnar Huscroft
Hannah VanLaningham
Issac Nelson
Jada Whitmore
Jonathan Shawgo
Kenzie Ford
Lauren Treiman
Madeline Lauder
McKenna Fowler
Naveen Pradran
Nick Esser
Sam Hatch
William Purdy

WRESTLING

By: Sam Bridge

Last week The Westlake Wrestling team went to state. We had 12 state qualifiers.

9 of them won at least one match at state. We had 3 state places. Spencer Hansen, Junior, Isaiah Mejia, Junior, and Jed Murri, Senior. In state,

Spencer took 4th, Isaiah took 6th, and Jed also took 6th. Great job to all of the wrestlers that qualified!

