

THE STORM REPORT

WESTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL, SARATOGA SPRINGS, VOLUME 5

Fourth Term

By: Mady Wilkins

I noticed something this morning as I walked into class. Something highly unusual, but not so crazy considering what time of year it is. Half of my class was missing. Maybe some of you were still recovering from Prom, maybe you were on an early spring break, but we all know the truth. Seniors around the world are slacking off.

Senioritis has kicked us all hard by this point and we are all slacking off, just ready to be done with school. Seniors are sleeping in, skipping class, giving up on homework and the rest of the high school is following suit.

Seniors, WAKE UP! You cannot graduate if you don't go to class. You have to be in class in order to pass and you can only have so many tardies and absences before you are going to have to start doing attendance school, and the last thing we want to do is have to come to school early or stay late to make up for school we missed weeks ago. And for those of you in younger grades, now is no time to slack off! You still have a few years left.

Letting Senioritis take over now is the worst thing you can do. I can promise you that once it starts its awful reign, it only gets worse!

With spring break only two weeks away, we are all struggling, but you must persevere. Spring break is the time to relax and sleep in, not the beginning of fourth term. We are all in the same boat; we have to encourage each other to get up when that alarm goes off all too early. Hang in there guys!

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

MONDAY, MAR. 31:

- SENIOR ASSEMBLY!!
- 7 PM PIRATES OF PENZANCE

TUESDAY, APR. 1:

- 2:30 PM CHEER TRYOUTS @ AUX. GYM
- 3 PM BOYS TENNIS @ RIVERTON
- 3:30 PM SOFTBALL VS. LEHI
- 5 PM CHEER PARENT MEETING
- 7 PM PIRATES OF PENZANCE CLOSING NIGHT!
- STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

WEDNESDAY, APR. 2

- STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
- 2 PM GIRLS GOLF @ SLEEPY RIDGE
- 2:30 PM CHEER TRYOUTS @ AUX. GYM
- 3:30 PM TRACK AND FIELD VS. HERRIMAN
- 7 PM BAND CONCERT

THURSDAY, APR. 3:

- STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS
- ALPHA INVITE @ TIMPANOGOS
- 3 PM BOYS TENNIS @ LONE PEAK
- 3:30 PM JV SOFTBALL @ RIVERTON
- 4 PM JV BASEBALL @ JUAN DIEGO
- 7 PM ORCHESTRA CONCERT

FRIDAY, APR. 4:

- ALPHA INVITE @ TIMP
- SPIRIT BOWL ASSEMBLY
- 2 PM SOFTBALL @ PG
- 3:30 PM BOYS SOCCER VS. RIVERTON
- 3:30 PM VARSITY BASEBALL VS. DIXIE

MONDAY, APR. 7-

- FRIDAY, APR. 11:
- SPRING BREAK!! NO SCHOOL!!

TUESDAY, APR. 8:

- 4 PM VARSITY BASEBALL VS. LEHI
- 4 PM S/BASEBALL @ JUDGE MEMORIAL



Senior Package

By: M'Taya Johnson

We have been waiting for our senior year for four years, now is the time to celebrate. All you Seniors out there should want to join in all the Senior activities. To do that, you should buy the Senior Activity Package, it went on sale March 31st. The Senior Activity Package pays for the Senior Dinner Dance, Lagoon Day, and the All Night Grad Party.

The Senior Dinner Dance is going to be at the Provo City Library from 7:00-10:00pm on May 20th and the dinner will be served from 7:00-8:30pm. This is not a date dance, so you don't have to worry about asking anyone. If you don't buy a Senior Activity Package you must purchase the ticket by May 16th, they will not be sold at the door.

Lagoon Day is May 28th. The buses will leave to Lagoon from Westlake at 8am and will be returning to Westlake at 6pm. You will not be able to drive your cars; you must ride the buses or you will



not be allowed in the park. I would also bring extra money for lunch or any other activities that you would like to do at Lagoon that costs money. If you aren't getting a Senior Package you must buy you ticket from the finance office by May 16th.

The All Night Grad Party is May 30th. The doors to Westlake will open at 9:30pm where tickets will also be sold for \$35. Seniors will be watching ComedySportz at 10pm in the auditorium. After that,

we will be riding in a bus up to Lowes Xtreme Airsports. Make sure that if you are under 18 that your waiver is up to date.

To buy the Senior Activity Package you can go to the finance office. It costs \$95 for these three fun events. You must buy your package by May 16th. You can also buy the Senior Activity Package at Myschoolfees.com it is under "Senior Activities 2014". This is your last year in high school: make the most of it and have fun.

MORP

By: Becca Crabtree

MORP IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER! COMING UP ON MAY 3RD, SO LADIES ASK YOUR DATES NOW! MAYBE THAT GUY YOU WANTED TO GO TO PROM WITH DIDN'T ASK YOU. WELL NOW IS YOUR CHANCE TO ASK HIM AND HAVE THE NIGHT OF YOUR LIFE! THE THEME IS "TRES DE MAYO" KIND OF A PLAY ON WORDS. INSTEAD OF BEING CINCO DE MAYO WHICH IS THE THIRD OF MAY, BUT STILL THE SAME GENERAL IDEA. THE DANCE WILL BE HELD AT WESTLAKE SO BE THERE AND READY TO FIESTA OR BE SQUARE!



WORRIED ABOUT WHAT TO DO FOR YOUR DAY DATE? LUCKY FOR YOU THE PERFECT IDEA JUST HAPPENS TO MATCH UP WITH THE DATE. MAY 3RD IS NOT ONLY THE DAY OF MORP BUT THERE IS ALSO ANOTHER FESTIVAL OF COLORS THAT EXACT DAY IN SALT LAKE CITY. GO HAVE FUN GETTING COLORFUL AND THEN MAYBE GO GET SOME BURRITOS AT CAFE RIO AFTERWARD AND HEAD TO THE DANCE! IF THE FESTIVAL OF COLORS IS NOT YOUR THING THERE ARE PLENTY OF OTHER GREAT IDEAS, MAYBE SEE WHAT YOUR DATE HAS IN MIND!

BOYS TENNIS

By: Cam Davis

Believe it or not, we are already in the middle of the tennis season! Seven games have come and gone, which means time is running out to join the crowd in supporting the boys tennis team.

They've been working hard and pushing themselves to the limit, so why not reward them for all of their hard work by cheering them on? The next opportunity is on April 15th at Lehi. After that, don't miss the chance to watch the home match on April 17th against Pleasant Grove. On April 24th, the team will be playing at Herriman High School. The following two are home games: the first is on April 29th against American Fork, and then the absolute last chance to support the boys during their games is May 1st against Riverton. Make sure to be there and cheer your heart out to assist them in their last game of the season and the school year. Each of the matches start at 3:00 PM.

Everyone on the team would love to see as many familiar faces as possible during their matches, so make sure you're there and you don't miss out on these intense games!



Boy's Soccer

By: Sam Bridge



I TALKED TO A PLAYER ON THE BOYS SOCCER TEAM AND ASKED HIM HOW HE THINKS THE TEAM IS GOING TO DO THIS SEASON. HIS RESPONSE WAS "HONESTLY COMING IN THIS SEASON, BEING 5A THIS YEAR, I WASN'T VERY CONFIDENT. THIS YEAR HAS BEEN OUR BEST YEAR. WE IMPROVED EVERY GAME AND EVERY PRACTICE. THIS IS OUR YEAR TO GO TO STATE FINALS. I BELIEVE WE CAN DO IT." I ALSO ASKED HOW THE TEAM WORKS TOGETHER. HIS RESPONSE "IT'S KIND OF LIKE ONE BIG FAMILY, WE PUSH EACH OTHER AROUND, BUT COME GAME TIME EVERYONE IS ON THERE A-GAME. WHEN I'M ON THE FIELD WITH MY TEAM I FEEL A SPECIAL BOND BETWEEN US. I TRUST EVERYONE ON THE FIELD AND OFF." THEY ARE 4 GAMES INTO THEIR SEASON. THEY ARE CURRENTLY 0-4. THE BOYS SOCCER TEAM IS ON A BYE RIGHT. THEIR NEXT GAME IS ON APRIL, 4TH. THEY WILL BE PLAYING RIVERTON AT HOME.

Lacrosse



By: **Katy Molinari**

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Lacrosse at Westlake is new to the world of sports offered here. There is boys and girls lacrosse but Westlake only offers a boys team. Coach Nelson leads the boys practices and games on a weekly basis. The sport is not affiliated with Westlake High School but carries the Westlake name. It started as a club here at Westlake and eventually grew into a full size team this year. The team consists mainly of sophomores and juniors. It is also lead by two seniors that will be playing their first and last season here at Westlake. The team is a work-in-progress and continues

to improve every week. The Season didn't start out so well, but they managed to get their first win down in St. George. The boys need as much support as they can get to keep the winning spirit going. The next game will be on Wednesday, April 2, in Riverside Park at Salt Lake City. The home games are held at Frontier Junior High.

Lacrosse was invented by the Plains Indians in what is known as Canada. The game was extensively modified by the European immigrants that came to North America. It is one of the fastest growing sports in the United States as well as one of the fastest sports played on two feet. The athletes use a stick with a head on top and a pocket attached to catch and throw the ball to teammates and later to score in the net.

Spirit Bowl

By: **Mady Wilkins**

As is Westlake tradition, we had our annual Spirit Bowl today. The Sophomore's mascot was Loki, the Junior's was Odin, and Senior's of course was Thor.

It was a great morning full of fun, excitement, laughter, and lots of chanting. If you were unable to attend or decided to skip it, you missed out big time!

To kick it off the groups all cheered and the Seniors made their big entrance, coming confidently in through the main gym doors to take their spot. Then, after all had gathered, there was a huge dance off to start out the competition. The dance off was followed by an obstacle course with a shaving cream slip 'n slide, an ice cream eating competition, a summersault contest, sumo wrestling, and of course we had tug of war.

Although it looked a little iffy as the competition went on, the Seniors pulled ahead of Sophomores and out of a tie with the Juniors to take the win.

This was one of the best assemblies we have seen yet and the Spirit Bowl just seems to get better each year. Good luck to the up and coming Seniors because next years Juniors may just give you a run for your money!



SHAKE OUT

By: Becca Crabtree

We all must get better prepared for major earthquakes and practice how to protect themselves when they happen. The purpose of the ShakeOut is to help people and organizations do both. If you are confused about what the ShakeOut is exactly, it is just a way to help us practice what to do when an earthquake hits since there isn't a lot we can do.

Earthquake drills throughout the school year help us accomplish the same thing. Since we can't really stop earthquakes, though we can sometimes predict them, they can be very harmful and we need to know how to handle that situation. So next time we have an earthquake drill, you should take it seriously. Maybe one day there will be a big earthquake and you don't want to be the one that is not prepared for it.

Spirit Bowl Pics: Dance Off





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GO
FIGHT
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Thunder! Fight! Fight! Fight! THUNDER



